### **COMMANDER'S CORNER**

Happy New Year and welcome to 2025. We had a very eventful and successful December with the big brother paper drive, meal boxes and the Christmas Party. This month is the mid winter conference in Murfreesboro.

We have reached our goal in the building maintenance fund and hope to start the much needed electrical work this month.

Enjoy this holiday season with friends and family. Hope to see you around the canteen. God bless

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY-DAVE OGBURN - COMMANDER

#### WORDS FROM THE HEART

"HAPPY NEW YEAR" to all American Legion Family! As we say goodbye to 2024 and settle down from the excitement of the holidays, we say "Hello" to 2025 with open eyes and hopefully a great year ahead!

As we settle into the "normalcy" of everyday life and back into the regular grind of daily routines a lot of us will be following the age-old tradition of making "New Year's Resolutions" as we list a multitude of items we hope to either accomplish or drop entirely! Who knows, we might get into the second or third week before they get broken, HA! (Will you catch yourself writing 2024 on checks and letters just as most of us did "2023" a year ago?)

One very good resolution we can all make and not break is to "Keep GOD and JESUS in our Hearts, Minds and Souls". A very comforting thought is that GOD does not have to make or renew that resolution because the Bible teaches us that GOD'S LOVE for us is EVERLASTING! AMEN

# FOR GOD & COUNTRY ... Wayne Martin, Chaplain

**Bible verses** Psalm 57;11: "Be thou exalted, O GOD, above the Heavens: let Thy Glory be above all the earth."

**Prayer:** "Almighty GOD, we Pray for Your continuing Love and Blessings, and may we live our lives to be ever worthy of that You bestow upon us. AMEN"

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### **ROLL CALL = 2025**

Legion = 167/216 = 77% Auxiliary = 111/126 = 88% S.A.L. = 84/112 = 75% Riders = 21 members

## **SICK LIST**

Buster Littrell
Pat Perry
Toby Lowery
Wayne Hensley
Gary Scott
Dale and Theresa Wilkinson
Tommy Killen
Betty Sanders
Patsy Perry

# HONOR GUARD ACTIVITIES 22 Nov - 19 Dec

23 Nov - Troy Harrison Hamner -North Carolina Church of Christ

1 Dec - Ricky Holden
-Atlas Church of Christ Cem

7 Dec - Christmas Parade

### **DEATHS**

**Jerry Parker** 

**Bud Smith** - father of Shayne (Our Condolences to these Families)

### **CANTEEN CHATTER**

Hello to All from your Canteen,

Wow! Another year came and gone. Thanks to you all for your support. Come check us out and see what we are having in the canteen. There is pretty much something all the time - bowling, pool, cornhole, or just sitting around talking. Remember to pray for all our Veterans and active military especially at this time of year. Come on out to the canteen, sit down, drink a cold beverage, and talk. We have pool, bowling, darts, trivia nights, and lots of friends and fellowship! "See You There"

FOR GOD & COUNTRY......Patsy, Peanut, & Nicki

### **AUXILIARY NEWS**

Hello Everyone!

Hello 2025!! As we begin another wonderful year, I would just like to express to everyone how proud I am to be a part of this amazing American Legion Family!! Thank you to everyone who helped, volunteered, supported, prayed for, etc. all of our events and members over the past year, please continue throughout the next. It takes all of us working together. We have a few events still happening this month. We would love to see you at any (or all) of the events. Come support your legion family and lend a hand if you are able. Please continue to pray for all our veterans and active duty military.

FOR GOD & COUNTRY.....Nicki Hartsfield, President

### S.A.L. NEWS

HAPPY NEW YEARS Everyone! I would like to Thank everyone who helped with all of our activities last year. THANK YOU!. Mid Winter Conference will be held Jan. 11th-12th in Murfreesboro. We still have some members who have not yet paid their 2025 dues. If you are one of those members and reading this please get them paid because you are considered DELINQUENT. Any questions please feel free to contact myself or Jason Reed. Stay warm Spring will be here soon!

FOR GOD & COUNTRY..Rick Frank.....S.A.L. Commander

### **LEGION RIDERS NEWS**

Hello All ~ As we start a New year I'd like to look back to the last one. The Riders had 2 successful swap meets and will be doing it again this year. We donated to several Tennessee Charities that help Veterans all over the Country last year. This includes - Dark Horse Lodge which is a NO COST to Combat Veterans retreat in Springville, TN - and along with our Auxiliary gave to Working Dogs for Veterans which is located right here in Lawrenceburg. This is a NO COST to Veterans program which can be a LifeSaver to some Vets. We also gave to The Lawrence County Animal Shelter FOLCA - The American Legion Riders Legacy Run which benefits the VCF (Veterans & Childrens Foundation). I would also like to remind our Riders that your membership dues are due now. You must be current on your dues for the Legion dues to stay active. Our next meeting is @ 2:00 on Sat, Jan 4th. If the weather is nice we will let you know about an earlier meet up time and a short ride. Anyone interested in becoming a Rider please talk to any rider or come to our meeting.

FOR GOD & COUNTRY..... Eric Osborn....Director

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL
OUR JANUARY BIRTHDAYS!!!