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## January 2010 Commanders Corner



With the New Year it brings new life and new hope to so many. It was a great Christmas and we saw so many family's receive baskets and we were blessed to be able to help them have a Christmas. We often forget how blessed we are and how lucky we are to be able to help another person or family in need of a little love or assistance. Thank you all for your help.

Don't forget that the Key Cards will be changing and to get your dues in as soon as you can.

The oratorical contest is upon us, if you know of a person that is interested or would like to attend or participate let me know. The 3rd District will be held at Red Bank High School at 9:00 AM on Feb 6th. The State Finals will also be held in Chattanooga at the court house on Sat March 6th. Try to come by and enjoy these young people.

For God and Country  
Lester Norton, Jr  
Commander



## Around the House

### January Events

*A BIG "thank you" for all those who donated food and money to our "Christmas Box Program" and those who donated their time to pack and give out the boxes, It was a great success! We raised \$ 1,111.00 and the Legion Family donated over 2000 food items. We gave away 36 food boxes to needy families.*

Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> Start Using New Key Card

Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> New Years Day, Lounge Opens at 11:00 AM

*New Year's Day Meal in the Lounge, Black-eyed Peas, Turnip Greens, Ham & Corn Bread \$ 6.00*

Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> : BIG Band - Hall;

Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> : E-Committee Meeting 6:00 PM

Jan. 20<sup>th</sup> : S.A.L. Meeting, Aux. E-Board Meeting

Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> : Legion Monthly Meeting

Jan. 22-24<sup>th</sup> : Mid-Winter Convention- Nashville

Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> : E-Committee Meeting 6:00 PM

Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> : 40 & 8 Meeting

Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> : Auxiliary Monthly Meeting



## Auxiliary News



Happy new year, as we celebrate please continue to remember our troops, our veterans and their families with your prayers. The New Year is here so let's get busy with the things we need to do to make our year a success. We are the American Legion family and have many events coming in the New Year so watch the newsletter for these events. The Christmas Legion party was great and Larry Hall (a legion member) won the \$500 give away. Thanks to all who donated to this project and thanks to all who helped with the food baskets. The S.A.L. Children's party went very well and all who attended experienced the true meaning of Christmas. The mid-winter conference will be January 22-24 at the Marriott in Nashville, we need everyone to attend this meeting to represent unit 95, and to support our department officers, Marcia Heath. East Tennessee Vice-President and Carol Horton, 3rd District President. We have several members who are sick or unable to attend our meetings; we miss you and hope you soon return to good health. If you know of anyone who is sick please let me know. The national headquarters has a free e-news sign up now at [www.legion-aux.org](http://www.legion-aux.org) you will find many interesting things in this newsletter. I know after the holidays the coupon from Jenny Craig will help. The national headquarters is also on face book and twitter.

Your key card will expire and to be able to get a new one you must have a 2010 dues receipt. If you have not paid your dues, please get them paid as you will lose your benefits and we need you as a member

BOARD MEETING JANUARY 20th AT 6:30  
COVERED DISH DINNER JANUARY 28th 6:30  
MEETING JANUARY 28th 7:00 P.M.

JO BRIDGES, Auxiliary President

David Brewer, House Manager



S.A.L. News

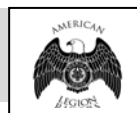


The Chambliss Home Christmas Party was a HUGE success. Thank you to everyone for their hard work and support, from shopping to wrapping, donations, cooking, setting up, taking pictures, cleaning up, and much, much more! Those children and parents had a great Christmas because of you!  
 Christmas food boxes went out to people needing a little help this year. What a blessing it was to be a part of such wonderful events!  
 Please continue to recruit new members, and get those renewals.

It's my honor to serve you.

Bill McIntire, Squadron 95, Commander

American Legion Riders



Hello Everyone,  
 I know I speak for all of the Legion Riders: When I say I hope everyone Had a Merry Christmas. January 1 at 10 am Legion Riders will be having their annual Polar Bear Ride, we will be meeting at the VFW 3369 in Ft. Oglethorpe and riding to the Chattanooga National Cemetery. The Legion Riders meeting will be January 9th at 7pm at post 95. I want to thank all who helped out this year and I hope everyone has a very happy & prosperous new year.


Please feel free to contact me at me at [opas-treehouse@hotmail.com](mailto:opas-treehouse@hotmail.com)

Thomas Dooley, Director American Legion Riders, Post 95



Legion Membership Stats

Our 2010 Membership Renewals are currently at 758 (70.0%), Active Membership is 992. A good start, but we have a long way to go! If you haven't renewed your membership for 2010, please mail in your dues to P.O. Box 9093, East Ridge, TN 37412, or bring them by the Post.



# January 2010

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 New Year's Day Meal-Lounge \$ 6.00	2 BIG BAND Karaoke Steve & Judy
3	4	5	6	7	8	Karaoke Steve & Judy
10	11 E-Committee	12	13	14	15	16 Karaoke Steve & Judy
17 "LOVE Your Neighbor" Game 2:00 PM Covered Dish	18	19	20 SAL MTG Aux E-Board	21 LEGION MTG	22	23 Karaoke Steve & Judy
24	25 E-Committee	26 40 & 8 MTG	27	28 Aux Monthly Meeting	29	30 Karaoke Steve & Judy
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**Mid Winter Convention**

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