



American Legion Florence Lauderdale Post #11
318 South Court Street, P.O. Box 629, Florence, 35631
Office Hours Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Monthly Meeting – usually 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm. (256) 764-5122
(Great News - Free WI-FI at Post #11.)

Commander -	Mike Montgomery	Sr. Vice -	Pete Wesson	Jr. Vice -	Neal Sewell
Adjutant -	Mary Day Smith	Chaplain -	Doug Pate	Finance -	Chuck Barrett
Sgt at Arms -	Avery Allen	Judge Advocate -	Larry Mack Smith	Historian -	Keith Thompson
Asst Chaplain	Nolan Burns	Asst Sgt at Arms -	Herchial Allen	Honor Gd	Bill Phillips

For All Post #11 Members:

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Our new calendar year started on July 1, 2011. It will end on June 30, 2012. Thank you to 340 members who have already paid their membership dues. This Annual Newsletter has all the important dates for the next 11 months of this fiscal year. Please make a note of these important dates on your calendar.

August 20, 2011 - “Early Bird Dinner” - 6:00 pm. FREE to all members who have paid their membership dues. Show your membership card at the door (with the “Early Bird” stamp on it) and you will eat Hamburgers for free.
August 25, 2011 - Membership Meeting at 7:00 pm. Auxiliary serving FREE Potluck Dinner at 6:00 pm.
September 13, 2011 – Auxiliary Bean Day, 11:00 – 6:00 pm, \$7.00 per person, (Fundraiser for Auxiliary)
September 17, 2011 - Legion Spaghetti Dinner, Fundraiser \$8.00 per person from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.
September 20 – 25, 2011 - Northwest Alabama State Fair Booth - need volunteers for recruiting new members.
September 22, 2011 - Membership Meeting 7:00 pm. Auxiliary Hotdog Dinner served at 6:00 pm.
October 8, 2011 - Auxiliary Annual Yard Sale, 6:00 am until 1:00 pm, Donated items needed please !
October 15, 2011 - Legion Chili Cook-Off, 6:00 pm, \$6.00 per person, Fundraiser for Legion.
October 16, 2011 - District Legion Meeting at Russellville Post #64, 2:00 pm, Post #11 Officers need to attend.
October 27, 2011 - Membership Meeting 7:00 pm. Auxiliary will serve Soup & Salad Dinner served at 6:00 pm.
October 29, 2011 – Auxiliary Veteran Breakfast – FREE !!!! 6:00 am until 9:00 am. Free for all veterans.
November 12, 2011 -Post #11 **83rd Annual Chicken Stew** –Fundraiser \$5.00 per quart. (Eat in free). 4:00 – 6:00pm
December 10, 2011 - Post and Unit #11 **75th Annual Christmas Party** at 6:00 pm, Free Door Prizes and Food.
January 14, 2012 - Legion Spaghetti Dinner, Fundraiser \$8.00 per person from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.
January 22, 2012 - District #11 Legion Meeting at Moulton Post #25 at 2:00 pm, Post #11 Officers need to attend.
January 26, 2012 -Post #11 and Unit #11 Membership Meeting 7:00 pm. FREE Soups & Stews served at 6:00 pm.
February 23, 2012 - Post #11 and Unit #11 Membership Meeting 7:00 pm. FREE Chili Supper served at 6:00 pm.
March 17, 2012 - Legion Burgers and sides served from 4:00 to 6:00 pm, Fundraiser \$6.00 per person.
March 22, 2012 - Post #11 and Unit #11 Membership Meeting 7:00 pm. FREE Surprise Supper served at 6:00 pm
April 15, 2012 - District Legion Meeting at Florence Post #11, 2:00 pm, Post #11 Officers must attend. BBQ.
April 21, 2012 - Legion Yard Sale (Fundraiser) from 6:00 am until 1:00 pm. Items will be greatly appreciated!!!
April 26, 2012 - Post #11 and Unit #11 Membership Meeting 7:00 pm. FREE Gourmet Salads served at 6:00 pm.
May 24, 2012 - Post #11 and Unit #11 Membership Meeting 7:00 pm. FREE Hotdog Supper served at 6:00 pm.
May 28, 2012 - **Memorial Day** Ceremony will be held at Veterans Memorial Park at 11:00 am. Please be there!!
June 9, 2012 - **Past Post Commander’s Dinner** – Whole Hog Express \$8.00 per ticket. Serving at 5:00 pm.
June 14, 2012 - Post #11 and Unit #11 Membership Meeting 7:00 pm. FREE Chicken Dinner served at 6:00 pm.
June 10 -16, 2012- American Legion Boys State at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, 35 delegates for Post 11.
June 21 – 24, 2012 - Department of Alabama Annual Convention, Huntsville, Post #11 Officers will attend.

The four pillars of the American Legion are: 1. Veterans. 2. Defense. 3. Americanism. 4. Youth.

Proceeds from paid membership dues and fund raisers are used to assist in sponsoring numerous programs such as: American Legion Baseball, American Legion Boys State, Lauderdale County Government Day, Color/Honor Guard, Monthly Free Meals for our Post #11 Members, operating/maintenance expenses for our building, while offering tuition assistance scholarships through University of North Alabama and North West Shoals Community College.

BIG NEWS: Check out the national website (www.legion.org) for more information about the largest veteran’s organization in the world. Post #11 has a **Facebook** page and has it’s own website - www.legionpost11.org .

Free WIFI access is now available at the Post Home during operating hours ! Free coffee is also available.



American Legion Auxiliary Unit # 11

Mailing Address: Attn: Joan Barrett, 123 Oakview Circle, Killen AL 35645

Physical Address: 318 South Court Street, Florence, Alabama 35630

Officers for July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 are as follows:

President: Patricia Montgomery
Vice President: Donna Indelicato
Secretary: Doris Berry
Treasurer/Membership Chairman: Joan Barrett
Chaplain: June Olive
Sergeant at Arms: Bonnie Robbins
Historian: Susan Robbins
Building Committee Chairwoman: Flora Campbell

As Auxiliary Unit #11 President, I look forward to working with you again this year. We just completed a very busy and productive year. I want to thank each of you for your support and help.

The 1st annual **Early Bird Dinner** will be held on August 20, 2011 at 6:00 pm. This is a membership drive for all sides of the Legion family. Please come and eat free with your paid membership in the Auxiliary Unit #11. (Unit #11 was 116% in membership this past year. We have exceeded the goals set by State Headquarters and received a Unit Award at Annual Convention in June 2011.)

Our annual fundraiser, **Auxiliary Bean Day**, will be held on September 13, 2011. We will serve from 11:00 am until 6:00 pm. Tickets for this event will be pre-sold by Auxiliary members. Our menu will consist of white beans, slaw, cornbread, sliced onion, desserts, tea and bottled water.

The Auxiliary will have a **fair booth** again this year at the Northwest Alabama State Fair. (Unit #11 got a 3rd place ribbon in September of 2010.) If any of you have an idea for the fair booth please let me know, also if you would like to volunteer serving in our booth to assist with recruiting. We are there starting on Tuesday night, September 20th and finish on Sunday afternoon, September 25th. There will be a volunteer sheet at the August 25, 2011 at 7:00 pm.

Our 4th annual **Auxiliary yard sale** will be held on October 8, 2011 from 6:00 am until 1:00 pm at the Post home at 318 South Court Street. This is a fundraiser for our projects, such as the Veteran Breakfast and Valentine Gift Bags. We will be accepting donated items for the Yard Sale from October 3rd through October 7th, 9:00 am until 2:00 pm at the Post Home. (Please spread the word for unwanted, but clean items that can be sold at this fundraiser.)

The **83rd Annual Chicken Stew** hosted by Post 11 will be held on November 12, 2011. We will begin serving from 4:00 pm – to 6:00 pm. Please plan on bringing a dessert to this historical event to assist Post #11's event.

Auxiliary will be hosting our **Annual Christmas Party** again this year. It will be held December 10, 2011 at 6:00 pm. There will be door prizes, and fun for all. Please plan to attend. ALL AUXILIARY Members must bring a dish to this Party, because we are the hostess of this event.

Please bring these items to the meetings each month. Our menu for the new year is as follows:

July 2011: Bar-B Que and Desserts

August 2011: Pot Luck and Desserts

September 2011: Hotdogs and Desserts

October 2011: Soups, Salads and Desserts

January 2012: Soups and Stews, Desserts

February 2012: Chili, Cornbread and Desserts

March 2012: "Cooks Choice" and Desserts

April 2012: Salads and Desserts

May 2012: Hotdogs, Hamburgers and Desserts

June 2012: Chicken, Sides and Desserts

For any further information contact: President Trish Montgomery 256-810-3755