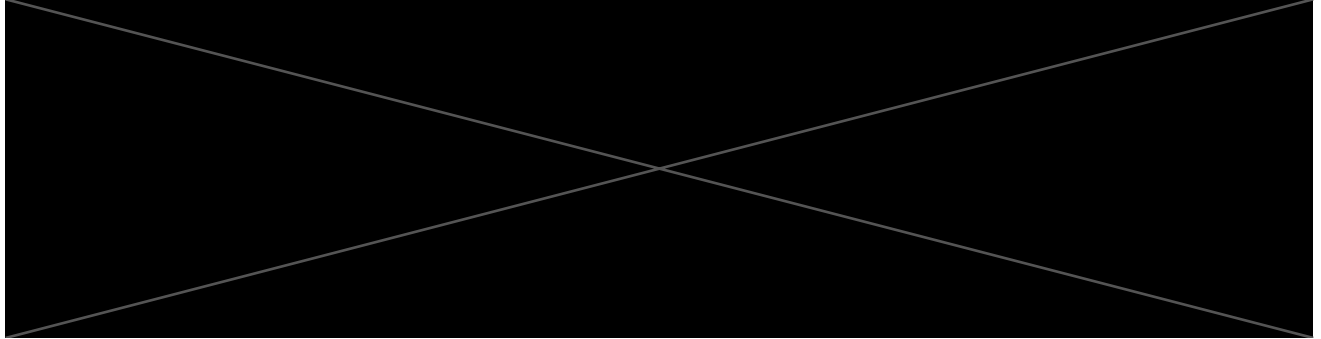




Outlook

District Meeting Notes

From American Legion Post 12 <dothanpost12@hotmail.com>**Date** Sun 8/9/2026 5:12 PM**Cc** 2 attachments (7 MB)

Cell Phones For Vets.pdf; Strings4Heroes.pdf;

Subject: Exciting Updates and Upcoming Events for American Legion Post 12 Members

Dear Post 12 Members,

I wanted to share some updates and upcoming events from today's district meeting. Firstly, our district account currently holds \$1,700, with a budget meeting having taken place in May. We didn't have any committee reports or old business to discuss this time, but we do have some exciting new business to share.

Al Lott introduced us to LegionAL.org, a valuable resource for all posts, including information about American Legion Alabama state scholarship program. The American Legion offers several \$850.00 scholarships throughout the state of Alabama. Eligibility 1. Students must be legal residents of Alabama. 2. Person applying for scholarship must be a descendant of a veteran that served their country during times of war. 3. You must be attending a University that we have a scholarship at. Please consider passing this information on to local high schools.

Here is the link: [AL Legion Scholarships](#)

This year's Alabama District Veterans Retreat will be held October 30 through November 1, 2026, at the 4-H Center in Columbiana. Volunteer opportunities will be announced in early

September. The announcement will include volunteer request procedures and the appropriate point of contact. Donations are vital to ensuring the continued success of the retreat and maintaining a high-quality experience for all participants. Districts, Posts, and individual members are encouraged to make tax-deductible donations in support of this important program. Gifts of any amount are sincerely appreciated, and 100% of all contributions will directly benefit the retreat. Checks should be made payable to Veterans Retreat and mailed to: Department of Alabama, Attention: Adjutant Ryan Marshall, P.O. Box 1069, Montgomery, AL 36101.

Here is the link: [Veterans Retreat Information](#)

Our four pillars—Americanism, Veterans Rehabilitation, National Security, and Children and Youth—continue to guide our efforts. The American Legion is recognized as the most influential organization for veterans, and we are proud to be a part of it.

On October 17th, from 0900 to 1500, we will be hosting a Post Revitalization event. We invite you to come and share about Post 12 and do a “buddy check” at 701 E Lee St, Enterprise, AL, United States.

Looking ahead, on December 7th, Post 12 will be holding a Mini Veterans Memorial (Vietnam Wall) at Post 12.

Additionally, on September 10th, Post 119 will be celebrating a veteran’s 100th birthday—what a milestone! All are invited to the party.

Travis Parker, Post 82 is in need of cell phones, tablets, and computer donations, so if you can assist, please let him know. See the attached flyer or contact Travis at 334-494-7846 or info@CoffeeCountyVeterans.org. John Murray will get us a donation box so we can collect these and get them over to Travis.

Free guitar lessons for Veterans are available through Strings4Heroes. See attached flyer. Veterans, Active Military and First Responders can get free lessons Thursdays, 1900, at Epiphany Episcopal Church, 302 E Grubbs St, Enterprise, AL 36330. Call (334) 470-3755 for more information.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our post and community. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or need further information.

Warm regards,

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Cell Phones for Soldiers Overview

Cell Phones for Soldiers turns donated phones and cash contributions into free communication support for military members and veterans. Through a network of local drop-off locations and Civic/Veteran Organizations, the CPFS organization collects used devices, recycles or refurbishes them, and uses the proceeds to fund prepaid calling cards, mobile service, and other connection services for troops and veterans in need.

How it works

Donors can give old cell phones, smartphones, tablets, chargers, and accessories. Once received, the devices are wiped of personal data, then either refurbished for resale or recycled for parts and materials; the money raised helps pay for communication support programs.

That model is designed to solve two problems at once: it reduces electronic waste and helps service members stay in touch with family, friends, and support networks.

Who it helps.

One of the main themes in the attached flyers is that communication matters for emotional well-being. The materials explain that staying in touch can reduce isolation, anxiety, and stress, while also helping morale and reintegration after service.

The impact shown

The second attached flyer highlights the scale of the program: 20 years of trusted service, 25 million phones recycled, 8 million calling cards distributed, 450 million minutes of talk time, and 1,300 veterans connected. It also says the organization aimed to connect 10,000 veterans by the end of 2026 and 30,000 within three years.

Getting involved

Please contact us through the below Organization to sign up as a drop-off location or volunteer to help us spread the good news of this Program.

The contact organization for Alabama is **Coffee County Veterans / Travis Parker / 334-494-7846 / Info@CoffeeCountyVeterans.org** Cell Phones for Soldiers is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.