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**Conference  
Schedule**

**Mid Winter**

Jan 8 & 9  
Embassy Suites, Mufreesboro

**Department  
Convention**

July 2 & 3

**District  
Commander's  
Visits**

August 9  
Post 79, Decatur

August 10  
Post 106, Sweetwater

September 5  
Post 96, Copperhill

**District  
Commander's  
Notes**

Following posts need to  
update Constitution & Bylaws:

11	100
14	107
50	148
68	236
95	291

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Weekly  
INFORMATION  
FOR VETERANS

# 3<sup>rd</sup> District FYI

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## Commander's Score

Tennessee Department's new Commander, Larry Kersey, has issued the following objectives his administration will be focusing on. I know that with your help District 3 will lead the state in fulfilling these objectives.

"As we put 2021 in the rear-view mirror with all the restrictions that have impeded our posts from properly serving their communities and veterans, let us set our sight toward 2022. To create growth and cohesiveness across the Department, we must meet three objectives.

### The first objective is Communication.

Post leadership needs to effectively communicate to its members, and up the chain of command to Department leadership. Department must also communicate effectively down the chain of command to Post leadership. Without proper communication across the board, growth can be stifled.

### The second objective is education.

The need for educating each member from the newest to those with the most tenure is crucial for the growth of not only the Post, but the Department as well. It is incumbent on any member that accepts a leadership role in their Post or the Department to educate themselves to the fullest to become a competent mentor. It would be wise to take advantage of the educational tools available on the National and Department websites and from the Department Training and Education Chair. These tools will help with the day-to-day operation of the Post, ceremonies, and the programs of The American Legion contained in our Four Pillars which established this origination. By meeting this objective, we will better serve our fellow veterans and communities.

### The final objective is Cooperation.

Cooperation between Post members, Posts within a District, Districts within our Divisions, and between the three Grand Divisions will create unity, excitement, and strength. This will create a positive image of The American Legion and can entice more community cooperation, and in turn, create a strong Department.  
Respectfully,

Larry Kersey  
Department of Tennessee Commander"

## Posts and Associated Auxiliary Units

The relationship between a Unit and a Post is one of cooperation rather than regulation. The American Legion Posts and American Legion Auxiliary Units are related but independent organizations.

The National Judge Advocate has issued the following ruling: An Auxiliary Unit supports the Post and is separately chartered by the Auxiliary National Constitution and Bylaws. The Auxiliary is tax exempt under section 501(c)(19) of the Code and is included in the group ruling to determine whether the Post meets membership requirements concerning exemption from federal income tax of a Post; "at least 75 percent of the members of which are past or present members of the Armed Forces of the United States and substantially all of the other members of which are individuals who are cadets or are spouses, widows, or widowers of past or present members of the Armed Forces of the United States or of cadets".

The members of a section 501(c)(19) auxiliary that is related to a Post are a separately formed organization and recognized as tax exempt and, therefore, the auxiliary members are not considered members of a Post.

# Training Chalk Board

ABOUT THE LEGION

## OUR PILLARS OF SERVICE

 <h3>VETERANS</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>VA benefit and appeal assistance</li><li>Job and career guidance</li><li>Homeless outreach</li></ul>	 <h3>YOUTH</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Scholarships</li><li>Youth programs and competitions</li><li>Junior ROTC and Scouting sponsorship</li></ul>
 <h3>DEFENSE</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Military family support</li><li>Comfort items for wounded servicemembers</li><li>Advocacy for troops and military in Washington, D.C.</li></ul>	 <h3>AMERICANISM</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Flag respect education</li><li>Citizenship services</li><li>Support for the Pledge of Allegiance and National Anthem</li></ul>

## Services for Veterans

### Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

- **Free Representations for some 750,000 veterans and families seeking VA disability and medical benefits at any one time,**
- **Support for veterans suffering from PTSD and TBI,**
- **Millions of hours and services at VA facilities.**
- **Representation before Congress and the White house to provide timely VA health care and efficient benefits processing**

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## Caregiver Services

VA offers a number of services that can provide you with the support that's right for you. Whether you and the Veteran you care for could use some help at home or you just need someone to listen, we're here to support you. Follow the link to learn more about the variety of services available to Family Caregivers.



## Services for Family Caregivers of Veterans

The Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers (PCAFC) is expanding to all eras.

Expansion rolls out in two phases beginning with eligible Veterans who served on or before May 7, 1975, and phase two, beginning October 1, 2022, will include eligible Veterans who served between May 7, 1975, and September 11, 2001.

PCAFC, which prior to this expansion was only available for eligible Post-9/11 Veterans who incurred or aggravated a serious injury in the line of duty, provides resources, education, support, a financial stipend, health insurance, and beneficiary travel to caregivers of eligible Veterans.

Veterans with a 70% service-connected disability who served either on or after September 11, 2001, or on or before May 7, 1975, and are in need of Caregivers Support should contact their local [Caregivers Support Coordinator](#), or visit <https://www.caregiver.va.gov> for more information.



## **Questions?**

Have questions about VA Caregiver Support Services? Contact VA's Caregiver Support Line (1-855-260-3274) or your [local Caregiver Support Coordinator](#) for assistance.

# How to erase everything Google knows about you

By Komando Staff, Komando.com

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## 2. Read my lips: 'No data storage!'

Do you use Google Assistant? It's a handy way to set reminders, get quick answers and much more. But know this: Google also keeps tabs on those interactions with Google Assistant to improve its AI and personalize your account. If you're creeped out by this, you can delete those recordings.

1. Open your [Google Account](#) page.
2. From the left navigation panel, click on **Data & personalization**.
3. In the *Activity controls* panel, click on **Web & App Activity**, followed by **Manage Activity**. From this page, you'll see a list of your past activity — and items with the microphone icon indicate a recording.
4. Next to the items you want to delete, select the **three-dot icon** and then **Delete**.

**INSIDE SCOOP:** Last year, Google was called out, along with a handful of other tech companies, for using user recordings for research purposes. [Tap or click to catch up if you missed it.](#)

## 3. Ad blocking

Personalized ads might sound good on paper (cool, things you actually want!), but you may find it disturbing to see ads on other websites for the exact things you searched for moments ago. It's all part of how Google's ad system works, but you can opt out if you don't like it.

Here's how to turn off ad personalization:

1. Open your [Google Account](#) settings again.
2. From the left-hand panel, click on **Data & personalization**.
3. From the **Ad personalization** panel, click **Go to ad settings**.
4. Click the switch next to **Ad personalization is ON**. You should now see Ad personalization is OFF.

You can also turn off ad personalization for your browser by installing Google's [Interest-Based Ads Opt-Out](#) extension to your Chrome browser.

Once you've turned off personalized ads, Google won't be able to use your personal data to serve you advertisements. Don't expect them to disappear, though. Ads will still be targeted with information like your location (if you left the location option on above) or based on the site you're browsing.

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