



**American Legion Post 3
Regular Meeting on June 20, 2023
Dinner at 6 PM, Grilled Chicken**

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Information: Post 3, The American Legion Post home is now opened at, 430 N Main Street, Greenville, SC. Our new post email address is talp3sc@outlook.com.

You may mail your 2023 or 2024 American Legion dues of \$55.00 to.

**American Legion Post 3
Post Office Box 133
Greenville, SC 29602**

*****TRANSFERS*****
If you have transferred into Post #3 during the last year, please make sure the mailing address is as follows.
**The American Legion, Post 3
PO Box 133
Greenville, SC 29602-0133**
If you receive an Invitation Packet from The American Legion, please throw it away. If you submit dues to anyone else, you will be transferred out of Post 3.
Adjutant Don Patterson



**Commander:
Richard Cochran**

Greetings Fellow Legionnaires,
Our State Convention went well. The issues that were voted on, went as we wanted them to and there were no significant changes to our constitution or by laws. We will be voting on the officers for the 2023-2024 year at this month's meeting. If you want to have a say in who your officers representing your post are, make it a point to attend our next Post Meeting on June 20th, dinner at 6pm and meeting at 7pm.
Contact info, Rich58@att.net, 864-901-8283

**First Vice Commander:
Kirk Conover**

Greetings, Legionnaires! I hope you all have a safe and enjoyable Memorial Day weekend. Unfortunately, the planned Post 3 Poppy Drive at the Lowe's Home Improvement store was canceled by store management at the very last minute, citing "corporate policy." Thank you to those that volunteered to work a shift during the weekend. Post leadership will look for other venues to host such activities in the future.

The Army celebrates its 248th birthday on 14 June. Wish your Army brethren a happy birthday and tell them to hydrate and change their socks.

Be sure to attend this month's meeting on Tuesday, June 20. The Post will elect and install leadership for the 2023-2024 year.

A group of veterans and spouses from the Blake retirement facility toured the museum on Friday, 26 May. I think they had an enjoyable time. I know the legionnaires that talked with them sure did. Our next visit to the Blake will be on Tuesday, 27 June, at 10 am. For details contact either me or the Post Chaplain.

This month is the last push to renew membership in Post 3 for 2023. THANK YOU to all who have renewed your American Legion membership. If you have not already done so, please renew today! You will be getting renewal requests by both email and regular mail.

Stay healthy!
Contact info: 443-745-3795, or kirk.conover@gmail.com



**2nd Vice Commander:
William "Mac" McKinney**

Legionnaires,
Hope everyone had a GREAT May and are ready for our summer heat. Just a reminder We will be having our monthly visit to the Blake Nursing Home on the 27th at 10:00. Please come and join us.
And as always, if you would like to suggest a program, A fund raising event, have a preferred speaker or just have a subject you are interested in learning more about, please contact me at any time. I can be reached at (864)760-7566 (Phone or text) or email me at Mac.mckinney@icloud.com.

"The best index into a person's character is how he treats people that can't do him any good, and how he treats people who can't fight back"
A. Van Buren

War Museum Hours:
Saturday - 10AM to 1PM or 1PM to 4PM
Sunday - 1PM to 4PM
A husband/wife team or friends can work together for a 3-hour period once a month.
Contract Travis Galloway 864-395-1117

**Color/Honor Guard:
Chuck Rouse, Commander**

American Legion Post 3 Color / Honor Guard
Post 3 Color / Honor Guard upcoming activities:

- 3 June Training Drill at Post 3 0930 to 1200 hrs,
- 3 June SC Military Hall of Fame Awards
Greenville Convention Center
Presenting Colors Reservations required
- 6 June D Day Europe
- 7 June Gold Star Mothers Program
Veterans Memorial Park 1400 hrs.
Presenting Colors

14 June Flag Day
14 June U.S. Army Birthday 247th year
8 July Training Drill at Post 3
For information regarding membership and participation in the Post 3 Color / Honor Guard contact Chuck Rouse c.rouse@earthlink.net 864-423-5372

**Chaplain:
Ed Brannen**

A prayer from the Chaplin's office:

We pray O Lord for our comrades in the hospitals or in homes, who are suffering mental and physical illness or disability. Comfort them with a sense of Your continuing presence, cheer them with the knowledge of Your love and grant them the blessing of health and happiness.

NOTE: We will be visiting The Blake on Tuesday the 27th.

Those in on the sick list: David Andrews, Bill Bodnovich, James Bowling, David Briddles, John Bryant, Robert Campbell, Jimmy Campbell, Edward Larch, Johnny Martin, Ronny Roger, George Chastain, James Wynn, Alford Zimmerman, M D Ward, and Hubert Hunt.

Our Home Bound: Robert Banks, Joseph Cole, Walter DeVore, Edward Floyd, Grady James, Bobby Jones, Thomas Jones, Robert Kelly, Jack Overpeck, Johnny Mitchell, Billy Reynolds, George M. Opalak, John Poulos, Bobby Vaughn, and Charles Spooner.

Those in a nursing home: Lock Aldrich and Russell Ashmore (have been moved to Hospice care), Alvin Johnston, & Indiana Thomas.

Post Everlasting: Thomas DePressi, Allen "Bunk" Johnson, Billy Cantrell, and Richard Spelich

Please remember these folks as you do your daily devotions.

Contact me or any of the other Chaplain's if we can do anything for you. Ed Brannen 864)979-9934 email at edbrannen44@gmail.com Sandi Filiberto 864)238-3954, Franklin Hall 864)292-8872, Dick Brumley 406)672-7669, Danny Burdette 864)244-1419 and Jack Baker 864)232-1477

Sons of the American Legion

If you are interested in working the programs of the American Legion and the Sons of The American Legion, please contact Commander Rich Cochran or Adjutant Don Patterson



**American Legion Auxiliary:
Carol Burrell, President**



Looking forward to a summer of fun. Hope you are too. Pat, Brenda, Beth, Geneva, and I attended the Department Convention May 19-21. Pat Ward finished her year as Department President and did an excellent job. Congratulations Pat on a job well done. Beth Bryant was elected Department Junior Vice President and Carol Burrell was elected Recording Secretary.

The National Convention will be in Charlotte in August. Pat, Brenda, Beth, and I are planning to attend the Convention. Brenda is running for National Chaplain. Unit 3 is supporting Brenda. We know that she is the best candidate for the position.

Our next meeting is June 20th. We will eat at 6:00 and meet at 7:00. Hope to see you there.

Our breakfast on May 12 was a success. Thank you to those who supported it. We enjoyed it and hope you did too.

If you haven't paid your dues for 2022-2023 send them to Brenda Collins at 5 Clingstone Drive, Taylors, SC 29687. Senior dues are \$35. and juniors are \$7. We are close to 100%, we only need 13 members who haven't paid their dues yet. We have until the end of July to reach 100%. Make checks payable to ALA unit 3.

Yours in service, Carol

Contact information: ccburrell1@gmail.com Cell 803-239-8514.

Please like us on our Facebook page at Unit#3 - American Legion Auxiliary-Greenville, South Carolina



Beth Bryant elected Jr. Vice Pres.



Carol Burrell elected Recording Sec.

**American Legion Riders:
Kevin Smith, Director**



Look twice, Save a Life.

As I write this, yesterday was Memorial Day. I stand in bowed reverence and utmost humility to those of us that never came home.

Our monthly dinner business and social meetings have always been considered a success, owing to the camaraderie and contributions of our members. They reach exceptional level when the venue is such. That was the consensus of the members at our most recent May meeting, owing to the food, service, and excellent treatment of and respect for us veterans. So, here's a shout out to Nazario's Mexican Restaurant.

At the Summer SC state Riders meeting last week, the interim tally for donations to the Legacy fund is over \$74K and counting. Contributions have been so wonderfully generous over the past few years, that the Legacy Fund has been determined to be fully funded! As a result, the National Riders committee has asked all of us to shift our donations to the Veterans and Childrens Foundation beginning in 2024. It is the end of an era, and the beginning of another. All of the Riders are asked to continue Legacy Fund efforts for the remainder of this year.

The annual SC state Riders Meet & Greet will be held later this Summer at Post 151 in Liberty. There are a number of other planned events, so to get involved, give a shout.

Best regards, Kevin R. Smith, Director, 954-701-4897, smithwaremail@charter.net

TAL Riders Chapter 3 Facebook Group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ALRChapter3/>

**Veterans Crisis Line Dial 988 press 1
Confidential, free support can help prevent suicide
for all Veterans and their loved ones.
<https://www.veteranacrisisline.net>**



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To our members with Birthdays in June.

Most Senior Member H. D. Lee 97 years old.
Youngest Member Jani Merritt 25 years old.
Wayne P England 6/1, Steven K Conger 6/2, Randall Massengale, Sr 6/2, Glenn T Barnes 6/3, Thomas B Turner 6/3, Perry Campbell 6/3, John C Ward 6/3, H D Lee 6/4, Barry B Hallums 6/4, Alan W Rogers 6/5, Charles J Pickens 6/5, James Gillian 6/5, Julia Crenshaw 6/6, James E Fayssoux 6/6, Ernest E Nix, Jr. 6/6, Jack C Hughes 6/7, Franklin S Hall 6/8, Claude L Freeman 6/8, Paul C Gurley 6/8, Luther H Lawrence, Jr. 6/8, Renee F Sherbert 6/8, Richard A Rossi 6/8, John Oberry 6/9, Larry N. DuBois 6/9, Jerry H Brown 6/11, Jani R Merritt 6/12, Homer L Scott 6/13, Robert E Lyles 6/13, William Sprague 6/14, Kilbourne Greene 6/14, Wilton L Fowler 6/15, A. Duane Kelley, Jr. 6/15, Brian Griswold 6/15, Ryan Johnson 6/15, Edward C Iwanski 6/16, Joseph Cohens 6/16, Walter D Hines 6/17, Shennell Estrich 6/19, Claude D Bagwell 6/20, Larry M Ford 6/20, Robert J Smith 6/20, Ray Breneman 6/21, C. Alvin Smith, Jr. 6/21, Joseph L Craze 6/21, Thomas Wilson 6/22, Allyn Steinhardt 6/22, Donald F Johnson 6/22, Donald Smith 6/22, Ronny A Rodgers, 6/22, Bradley E Emory 6/22, Paul A Rossi 6/22, Stanley (Wil) Bryant 6/23, Jerry Heatherly 6/23, John F Collins 6/24, Richard A Rabb 6/24, Karl Schilling 6/25, Nicholas A Silvaggio 6/25, Danny Burdette 6/26, Raymond Robinson 6/26, Harold R Hawkins 6/26, Alvin L Sullivan 6/27, Willie L Sullivan 6/28, Robert L McCarroll 6/28, Taft G Anderson 6/29, Bill Bodnovich 6/29, Sharon B Riley 6/29, Charles Rouse 6/30, Wilson O Shealy, Jr. 6/30

This is all the birthdays we have on file for the month of June.

Coming Events

The Blake retirement home, on Woodruff Road, On the 4th Tuesday of each month for coffee and donuts
6/13/23 6:00 PM TAL Executive Committee
6/20/23 6:00 PM Legion Family Dinner
7 PM American Legion Meeting
7 PM American Legion Auxiliary Meeting
6/27/23 11:30 AM, The Blake
7/6/23 6:30 PM Legion Riders Meeting
8/19/23 9-11 AM Legion Family Breakfast
8/25-31/23 National AL Family Convention,
Charlotte, NC