American Legion Post 3
Regular Meeting on August 15, 2023
Dinner at 6 PM, Fried Chicken

During this time of uncertainty Please stay at a safe distance when out and about. If we can help, please let us know.

If you wish to receive the newsletter only by email, please send a note requesting no USPS mail. Please send your note to adjpost3AL@charter.net or call **Adjutant Don Patterson at Post 3, 864-271-2000** or call his cell phone 864-230-7960. If you change any of your contact info, please let us know.

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Post 3 On the web: ***www.talpost3greenvillesc.org***

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@gmail.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

Post 3 Commander:
Richard Cochran

Greetings Fellow Legionnaires,
Hopefully there was no confusion at last month's meeting. I had surgery on my hands the week before the meeting and was not sure if I would be able to lead the meeting, so we scheduled our First Vice Kirk Conover to lead the meeting. I am almost fully recovered and appreciate the calls. I hope everyone has had a good summer, school is about to start back and hopefully this will help us get our meeting attendance back up.
Look forward to seeing you at this month's meeting.
Contact info, Rich58@att.net, 864-901-8283

First Vice Commander:
Kirk Conover

Greetings, Legionnaires!
I hope you are all having a safe and enjoyable summer. Don't forget that schools open early this year, so watch out for school buses and children, especially starting in early August.
On 10-12 August (Thursday through Saturday) there will be another Veteran Experience Action Center at the SCNG Armory, 301 N. Campus Blvd, Spartanburg (on the USC Upstate campus). This is another great opportunity for eligible veterans and their dependents to get assistance from a team that includes Veteran's Organization Service Officers, VA Benefit officials and healthcare representatives. They can help facilitate and expedite your new or existing VA disability claims, appeals, or other healthcare problems. Veterans MUST come prepared with proper documentation about their case: DD214, all medical records (military AND civilian) about your disability. The hours are Thursday and Friday 9 am – 3 pm, and Saturday 9 am – 2 pm.
This month's meeting is on Tuesday, 15 August. Dinner beforehand at 6 pm, and the meeting starts at 7 pm. I look forward to seeing you there.
The next Legion Family Breakfast is on Saturday, 19 August, from 9 – 11 am. The food is delicious, the cost is only $7 per person, and it supports a great cause. After breakfast, participate in the Post 3 Litter Pick-up near Paris Mountain State Park. That starts at 10:30 am and should be done by 12.
Our next visit to the Blake will be on Tuesday, 22 August, at 10 am. For details contact either me or the Post Chaplain.
THANK YOU to all who have renewed your American Legion membership for 2024. You will be getting renewal requests by both email and regular mail.
Stay healthy!
Contact info: 443-745-3795, or kirk.conover@gmail.com

VIETNAM WAR ERA VETS WANTED! The daughter of a Post member is a student at a local college, working on a documentary about Vietnam War era Veterans. She is looking to interview veterans from that time, regardless of where you actually served. Topics include pre-service, entering service, training, what you did in service, what it was like leaving the military, and general impressions. If you are willing or interested in getting interviewed, please contact the 1st Vice Commander at 443-745-3795 or the Adjutant at 864-271-2000, or email Post 3 at talp3sc@gmail.com.

2nd Vice Commander:
William "Mac" McKinney

Legionnaires,
Hope everyone had a nice July and ready for some (Safe) summer fun. We will be having our litter pick up on Paris Mountain on the ***19th of August at 10:30***. We decided to keep this time because it seemed to work well with allowing anyone that wants to attend our American Legion Auxiliary breakfast to do so before the pick-up and allow anyone that wants/needs to carpool participate. Please come and enjoy. We will still meet at the intersection of State Park Road (Route 344) and East Mountain Creek Road (Highway 253), near the Parkwood Baptist Church. Any support would be greatly appreciated.
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 or emailed 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:

5 August Training Drill Post 3 0930 to 1200 hrs.
12 August Training Drill at Post 3 0930 to 1200 hrs.
At this point in time there are no other scheduled activities for August.
3 Sept. Training Drill at Post 3 0930 to 1200 hrs.

For information regarding membership and participation in the Post 3 Color / Honor Guard contact Chuck Rouse c.rouse@earthlink.net 864-423-5372

Chaplain:
George Aikens

Our Father, please hear our prayer. Be near to these, restore their health. To those home bound relieve their loneness and bring them joy. Amen
NOTE: We will be visiting The Blake on Tuesday the 22nd.
SICK
David Andrews, Bill Bodnovich, James Bowling, David Briddle, John Bryant, Robert Campbell, Jimmy Campbell, Edward Larch, Johnny Martin, Ronny Rogers, George Chastain, James Wynn, Alfred Zimmerman, and M.S. Ward.
HOME BOUND
Robert Banks, Walter Devore, Edward Floyd, Grady James, Bobby S Jones, Robert Kelly, Jack Overpeck, Johnny Mitchel, Billy Reynolds, George M Opalak, John Poulos, Bobby Vaughn, Charles Spooner, and Arthur Lasker.
NURSING HOME
Lock Aldrich (Hospice), Alvin Johnson, Indiana Thomas, Robert Ashmore (Hospice)
POST EVERLASTING
Sandi Filaberto, Franklin Hall, and Calvin Hembree.
If you know of others or changes, please let me or one of the Assistant Chaplain know.

Ed Brannen	(864) 979-9934
Danny Burdette	(864) 421-4338
Rick Barnette	(864)477-8225
George Aikens	(864) 430-5317

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

It is hard to believe the students in Greenville County will be going back to school in a little over a week. It seems like we are just getting into summer with this hot weather. Try to keep cool. We will probably have a lot more to come.

Unit 3 will be donating supplies to Hollis Elementary again this year. If you would like to make a monetary donation, we would appreciate it.

We are looking forward to the National Convention in Charlotte August 25-31. Beth Bryant, Brenda Collins, Pat Ward, and I will be attending.

Our Legion family breakfast will be August 19. Come out for good food and fellowship. The cost for breakfast is $7 per person.

Our next meeting is August 15. We will eat at 6:00 and meet at 7:00. Hope to see you there.

It is time to pay dues for 2023-2024. Senior's dues are $45, and juniors are $7. You may pay at the meeting or mail a check to Brenda Collins at 5 Clingstone Drive, Taylors, SC 29687. Please make your check 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

Veterans Crisis Line Dial 988 press 1
Confidential, free support can help prevent suicide for all Veterans and their loved ones.

We Don't Know Them All
but
We Owe Them All

From Your American Legion Family

American Legion Riders:
Kevin Smith, Director

Look twice, Save a Life.

As a veteran and former Boy Scout, I know the value of the motto "Be Prepared. So, I carry some gear for contingencies. Shouldn't everyone, whether a rider or a 'cager'? Riding a bike for some distance and having nothing but a t-shirt and soft shoes is just asking for it. Things go wrong, and emergencies happen. So here is some of the kit that I bring along, and this has kept me riding, safe and dry over the years: Bottled water and snacks, first aid kit, various bungies and tie-downs, full rain suit, an electric tire pump and mushroom tire plug gun, cloths and small toolkit, GPS and smartphone, charger for same, even a lightweight bike cover. And an AAA card, that covers both cars and bikes, with 100-mile towing coverage. What's in your bike?

If you want to get involved, give a shout, call or write.

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

TAL Riders Chapter 3 Facebook Group:
https://www.facebook.com/groups/ALRChapter3/

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To our members with Birthdays in August.

Most Senior Member Roy Ray 103 years old. Youngest Member Brian Metoyer 49 years old. *Kenneth Green 8/1, Sharon L. Harper 8/1, James Taylor 8/1, Melvin Russell Coker 8/2, Joseph Gillon 8/2, Joseph T DeStefano 8/3, Alex Meng 8/3, Donald C Patterson 8/3, Jim Anderson 8/4, James Boyles 8/4, Brian E Cranny 8/4, Allen Chaplin 8/5, Joseph Cole 8/5, Joseph R Cuyar 8/5, Calvin Hembree 8/5, Alve Jackson 8/5, Joseph Lockwood 8/5, Walter Moragne 8/5, John Goos 8/6, James M Jones 8/6, Maryann Steinmetz 8/6, Annette Tyler 8/6, Kenneth Baxter 8/7, Charles Boone 8/7, Ray Brower 8/7, James Rhoten 8/7, Roy Ray 8/8, Wayne Taylor 8/8, Bryan Metoyer 8/9, Kirt Bancroft 8/10, Jimmy Campbell 8/0, Clinton Belk 8/11, Eddie O Waddell 8/11, Robert Daly 8/12, Ronald L Gentry 8/12, John F Dendy 8/13, Larry Watts 8/13, John McDermott 8/14, James A Hunt 8/15, Dudley H Scott 8/15, John Soden 8/16, William D Green 8/17, Robert A Patterson 8/17, Daniel Hunt 8/18, Tina Crowe 8/19, John M Cutler 8/19, Richard Knipfer 8/19, Hugh C Bell 8/20, Dennis Franckowski 8/20, Charles Wes Sharpe 8/21, Robert J Cox 8/23, David Finley 8/23, William W Roberts 8/23, Keith Barksdale 8/24, Keith D Chandler 8/25, Brian Hilliard 8/26, James McGuffin 8/26, James Power 8/26, Vernon G Meeks 8/27, Leonard E Sullivan 8/27, Richard Vieth 8/27, David E Davenport 8/28, Robert Neubacher 8/28, Charles A Reider 8/28, Jeffery Martone 8/30, Dennis G Mort 8/30, and Kenneth Stafford 8/30.*

These are all of the birthdays we have on file for the month of August.

Coming Events

The Blake retirement home, on Woodruff Road, 0n the 4th Tuesday of each month for coffee and donuts

8/08/23	6:00 PM TAL Executive Committee
8/15/23	6:00 PM Legion Family Dinner
	7 PM American Legion Meeting
	7 PM American Legion Auxiliary Meeting
8/19/23	9-11 AM Legion Family Breakfast
8/22/23	11:30 AM, The Blake
8/25-31/23	National AL Family Convention, Charlotte, NC
	Anyone wishing to go to National Convention must register in advance with the Departments of SC.
9/07/23	6:30 PM Legion Riders Meeting
9/12/23	6:00 PM TAL Executive Committee