American Legion Post 3
Regular Meeting on October 17, 2023
Dinner at 6 PM, Grilled Chicken

During this time of uncertainty Please stay at a safe distance when out and about. If we can help, 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,
Thanksgiving and Christmas are quickly approaching! We are already preparing for Goodfellows and are in need of donors! As we all have seen in our own homes, the cost of everything including food is up and this is directly affecting our costs for the food boxes. If you know of an individual or business who would be willing to donate, please get them in contact with myself or Adjutant Don Patterson.
We had a great meeting in September, even without having dinner. We had Bill Frady from WORD 98.9 radio as our speaker. He is a veteran and an outspoken supporter of the First and Second Amendments. Since being at Post 3, he has joined our post. He has also regularly talked about our museum and many of the ways the American Legion serves our community. I personally know that we had 2 new visitors and possibly one of them will become a member because they heard him talk about us on the radio.
If you don't normally listen to talk radio, I would urge you to give him a listen from 10-12 Mon - Fri.
Look forward to seeing you all back on October 17th with our regular dinner at 6 in our freshly redone hall.
Contact info, Rich58@att.net, 864-901-8283

First Vice Commander:
Kirk Conover

Greetings, Legionnaires! Welcome to autumn!
The Department of South Carolina has set the membership for Post 3 of 682 Legionnaires in the 2023-2024 year. We are currently at 51.9% for renewals. THANK YOU to all who have renewed for 2024.
The Wall That Heals will be on display 24/7 at the Spartanburg Downtown Memorial Airport from Thursday 9 November until 2 pm on Sunday 12 November.
Monarch Elementary School is looking for participation in 10 November Veterans Day Parade at 0900. POC is Allison Thompson; 803-463-5156 or athompson@greenvilleschools.us
This month's meeting is on Tuesday, 17 October. Dinner beforehand at 6 pm, and the meeting starts at 7 pm. I look forward to seeing you there.
Our next visit to the Blake will be on Tuesday, 24 October, at 10 am. For details contact either me or the Post Chaplain.
Stay healthy! Contact info: 443-745-3795, or kirk.conover@gmail.com

2nd Vice Commander:
William "Mac" McKinney

Fellow Patriots,
Hope everyone had a GREAT September. This month we have one of our own from Post 3 for a guest speaker, Vince Giammalvo. For those of you who May not have met Vince, he is a Vietnam combat veteran and has been a member of our post for over 7 years. Recently, Vince has been encouraged to begin writing his (sometimes hilarious) experiences while in Vietnam in the form of short stories. Some of these stories he will share with us at our next meeting. Please come and enjoy our time with Vince. 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 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"

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:
6 Oct. Presentation of Colors Ft. Inn Football Game
7 Oct. Training Drill Post 3 - 0930 - 1200
13 Oct. U.S Navy Birthday
14 -15 Oct. Gun & Knife Show Gvl Convention Center
20 Oct. Presentation of Colors Ft. Inn Football Game
4 Nov. Training Drill Post 3 - 0930 - 1200
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

O GOD the strength of the weak and the comfort of suffers, mercifully accept our prayers on behalf of our comrades and loved ones who are ill or shut in. Visit each need and give comfort and healing. Amen
NOTE: We will be visiting The Blake on Tuesday the 24th.
SICK
David Andrews, Bill Bodnovich, John Bryant, Robert Campbell, Jimmy Campbell, Edward Larch, James Martin, Ronny Rogers, George Chastine, James Wynn, Alfred Zimmerman, M.S. Ward, Bob Anderson, James Binder, Sam Clarke, David Davenport, Gilbert Scales, William Shepard, and John Vinskus
HOME BOUND
Robert Banks, Walter Devore, Edward Floyd, Bobby S Jones, Robert Kelly, Jack Overpeck, Johnny Mitchel, Billy Reynolds, John Poulos, Bobby Vaughn, Troy Barton, and Arthur Laser
NURSING HOME
Lock Aldrich (Hospice), Alvin Johnson, George Opalak and Indiana Thomas
POST EVERLASTING

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

Donate directly to Post 3 using either Venmo or PayPal.
Via VENMO: look for charities and enter @TALP3SC
Via PayPal: enter JFDJrALPOST3 or use the QR code

American Legion Auxiliary:
Carol Burrell, President

The fall-like weather we have been experiencing has been a relief from our hot summer. Hope you are enjoying it as well.

The ALA fall conference this past weekend was filled with learning, fun and games. Beth, Brenda, Geneva, Pat and I attended the conference.

This month we will be preparing and taking small Halloween treat bags to Richard Campbell Veterans Nursing Home. A date has not yet been determined.

Our Next meeting is October 17. 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 member dues are $45.00, and juniors are $7.00. You may pay by sending a check to Brenda Collins, 5 Clingstone Drive, Taylors , SC. 29687. Please make the check payable to ALA Unit 3.

Yours in service, Carol Contact information:
email ccburrell1@gmail.com ; cell 803-239-8514

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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.

American Legion Riders:
Kevin Smith, Director

Look twice, Save a Life.

Last month 'Mac' rode to DC to join the 'Wash the Wall' event. This event is held every year, at dawn, where veterans and Riders of every ilk converge on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial to literally wash it. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial is a two-acre site next to the Lincoln Memorial on the Mall in DC. It consists of a chevron shaped granite wall with the inscribed names of those US servicemembers who died or are still not accounted for from that conflict, currently numbering over 58 thousand souls.

Through this cleansing, we remember, reflect, and hopefully continue to heal wounds.

My own visits to the Wall have been cathartic for me, and my last visit was stunning. In my service during the war, one could acquire a silver bracelet engraved with the name, service and rank of a POW/MIA member. Being in the Air Force, I chose an Airman, one MIA Col. Carter Luna. I wore the bracelet throughout my service. Afterward, I would bring it to the Wall on my visits, looking over the vast listing of names, seeking out some closure for him and me, to no avail. I did not do any lookup online, just scanned the Wall where new names would be added at the bottom of each panel. On my last visit, there it was, in bright neon flashing light. Memories and feelings came flooding back, and I still process my service experience through those visits, and my remembrance of one brave warfighter.

This month, a nationally travelling replica, 'The Wall That Heals', will be exhibited in the Upstate. If you cannot make it to DC, and want to experience the Wall, I highly recommend a visit. Our Riders will be in the escort of the exhibit locally.

To get in on the Riding action, feel free to contact me. We meet monthly at a different venue throughout the Upstate, supporting local businesses, and each other.

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 October.

Most Senior Member James Ruke 98 years old. Youngest Member Antonio Maisonel 42 years old. *Dominic Applegate 10/1, Guy A Klipp 10/1, Jack Caines 10/1, Edward Garrity 10/1, James W Hastings Sr. 10/2, Nathan W Shelton 10/3, William (Bill) P McGee 10/3, Edward J Farrell 10/4, Kenny Chan 10/4, Joe Ellison 10/5, Roy W. Bromfield 10/6, Willie L Porter 10/6, Henry Knight 10/7, Theodore G Nelson 10/7, Thomas F Jones 10/7, William McKinney 10/8, Rufus Everett Jr. 10/8, Douglas M Thomas 10/9, Kenneth D Webb 10/11, Glenn Kirby 10/11, Frederick Sanderson TSgt 10/12, John C Vinskus 10/12, Joseph M Jenkins 10/12, Ronald K Rabenhorst 10/12, Alan G Rees 10/12, Jim Cox 10/12, Thurman Norris 10/13, John T Poulos 10/13, Rebecca L Conover 10/15, Ronnie E Davis 10/16, Michael P Lyss 10/18, Brian Berryhill 10/18, Walter C Terrell 10/19, Johnny F Price IV 10/19, Sherry F Bancroft 10/19, Thomas L Dawkins 10/20, Charles W De Angelis 10/20, Tom E Jefferson 10/21, Roger L Thompson 10/21, Melvin D Cliff 10/23, Kenneth Case 10/24, Joseph Sligh 10/24, James Ruke 10/24, James F Gillespie 10/24, Timothy B Parham Rev 10/24, John L Thompson 10/25, Antonio E Maisonet 10/25, Jerald L Batte 10/26, Daniel McGee 10/26, Joseph H Broadus 10/26, Raymond D Bateman 10/27, Robert E Hamilton 10/28, John F Shands 10/29, John T Gaul 10/29, Bobby O Floyd 10/29, David V Haas 10/29, Robert Robinson 10/29, Charles F Pratt III 10/29, Ralph B McRae 10/30, Robert Cutler 10/30, Steve R Johnson 10/30, John H Martin 10/30, Steve L Clark 10/31, and Bill Blacklidge 10/31.*

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

Coming Events

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

10/10/23	6:00 PM TAL Executive Committee
10/17/23	6:00 PM Legion Family Dinner
	7 PM American Legion Meeting
	7 PM American Legion Auxiliary Meeting
10/24/23	10:00 AM, The Blake
11/02/23	6:30 PM Legion Riders Meeting
11/18/23	9-11 AM Legion Family Breakfast