American Legion Post 3
Regular Meeting January 16, 2024
Dinner 6:00PM, Country Style Steak

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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,
I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and has a Happy and prosperous New Year!
We are back to our regular schedule! Let's start 2024 off right and have a big turnout for our regular post meeting.
I want to thank everyone who supported Goodfellows, either through donating or coming out to help with setup, loading and handing out the boxes. We helped over six hundred (600) area families this year!
Your continued support is greatly appreciated and if you know of a person or business who might want to sponsor part or all, of the Goodfellows program, please get their information to myself or Don Patterson.
If you have not sent your membership renewal for this year, please get those in so we can make our membership goal for this year.
Also, there are still a few projects on our list to finish and if you are available, contact me or the Post Adjutant Don Patterson and we will put you in contact with our organizer for the projects.
Our regular Post Meeting is January 16th, dinner at 6PM and the meeting at 7 PM.
Contact info, Rich58@att.net, 864-901-8283

First Vice Commander:
Kirk Conover

Greetings, Legionnaires!
I hope that you enjoyed the Christmas season and had the chance to fellowship with family and friends. I was able to spend some time at the Goodfellows Food Drive for both packing and distribution; it was (and is) quite an impressive operation. Congratulations and BZ to all who took part in such a noble endeavor.
As we move into 2024, please remember to renew your membership with Post 3. If you have already renewed your membership for 2024, thank you!
Our next visit to the Blake will be on Tuesday, 23 January 2024, at 10 AM. Come fellowship with older veterans and spouses, and share stories, coffee, and donuts.
This time of the year can be very busy, and potentially overwhelming. Be sure to take a break to destress, if possible, and reflect on the good things in this life. Take time to reach out to fellow legionnaires and vets. You might just "Be the One" to help a fellow vet make it through a tough time. If you or a family member are in crisis, dial 988 for confidential help 24/7.
I look forward to continuing to work with you in the new year!
Contact info: 443-745-3795, or kirk.conover@gmail.com

2nd Vice Commander:
William "Mac" McKinney

Fellow Patriots,
I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New year. WOW, 2024. It seems that the older you get, the faster that wheel turns. Can anyone say, News Years Resolutions? For the most part, they have never worked for me. I want to take this time to look back at the past year and celebrate my accomplishments and reevaluate my shortcomings (which I know I have few, LOL). This year I am going to use the ***KISS*** principal, (Keep it Simple Stupid) and yes, I know there are other definitions to Kiss. So, my 2024 resolution is, "Try to make a positive difference in someone's life each day." With any luck I can keep this one. As a Post, we have accomplished a lot this year, closing out the year with our annual Goodfellows food drive. Helping with the packing and distribution of food for some families less fortunate than us really put an exclamation point on my year.
We have a variety of exciting speakers lined up for this new year so please plan to come to our meetings and enjoy.
HAPPY NEW YEAR!!
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.

"Modern war is the most highly developed of all sciences. We have perfected our weapons but failed to perfect the men who use them."
Billy Graham

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

Post 3, Color/Honor Guard:
Chuck Rouse, Commander

Post 3 Color / Honor Guard upcoming activities:
6 Jan. 2024 Training Drill Post 3 0930 - 1200 hrs.
There are no scheduled activities at this point in time.
3 Feb. 2024 Training Drill Post 3 0930 - 1200 hrs.
For information regarding membership and participation in the Color / Honor Guard contact Chuck Rouse c.rouse@earthlink.net ***864-423-5372***

American Legion 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.

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, John Vinskus , Ray Salinas, Joe Cole

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, Arthur Laser

NURSING HOME
Loch Aldrich (Hospice Terra Bella Summit), Alvin Johnson, Indiana Thomas, and George Opalak.

POST EVERLASTING
Sam Engel, James Hughes, Bernhard Krieger and Frank Ehlermann

If you know of others or changes, please let me or one of the Assistant Chaplain's know.
Ed Brannen (864) 970 - 9934
Danny Burdette (864) 421- 4338
Rick Barnette (864) 477 - 8225
George Aikens (864) 430 – 5317

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

American Legion Auxiliary:
Carol Burrell, President

Hope everyone had a Merry Christmas! Happy New Year! We were unable to have the Christmas Gift Shop at Richard Campbell due to Covid. Two hundred and twenty gift bags were packed at Post 3 by members from Fountian Inn Unit 123, Boiling Springs Unit 200, and Greenville Unit 3. They were delivered to Richard Campbell Veterans Nursing Home for the residents.

Brenda Collins, Pat Ward, Martha McKinney, Geneva Jones, and Carol Burrell helped Goodfellows pack and distribute food boxes on December 21 and 22. Thank you Post 3, Goodfellows for doing this for veterans and needy families in our area each year.

On January 14 at 2:30 we will have a sewing party at Post 3 to make neck pillows for troops being deployed. Even if you don't sew come help. There are things you can do to help with making the pillows.

Our next meeting will be January 16. We will eat at 6:00 and meet at 7:00. Hope to see you there.

It is time to pay your dues for 2023-2024. If you have not paid them, send a check to Brenda Collins at 5 Clingstone Drive, Taylors, SC, 29687. Senior dues are $45.00 and Junior dues are $7.00. Make checks payable to ALA Unit 3.

Yours in service, Carol

Contact information: ccburrell1@gmail.com; cell phone 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.

If you would like to be nominated to the Veterans and Charities (V&C) Committee, contact Amos Hykes (864) 320-2857 or the Adjutant. The election will be January 2024.

American Legion Riders:
Kevin Smith, Director

Look twice, Save a Life.

ALR Chapter 3 voted for their 2024 officers at our December meeting. In a unanimous voice vote, the nine attending members voted for the 2024 slate, which includes:

Director, Treasurer, Secretary – Kevin Smith
Assistant Director – William McKinney
Sergeant at Arms – Travis Galloway

Did you know that four of our ALR members are also officers in Post 3? This includes our current Commander, Rich, 2nd Vice Commander Mac, Sgt. At Arms Travis, and yours truly as ALR chapter Director. I ask that you support these contributors to our Post in our 105th year. I remember celebrating our 100th year as Post 3 Commander – have five years gone by this quickly? I look forward to 2024 spending good times and effort with my brothers and sisters and great riding.

We meet the first Thursday of each month at a different locally owned restaurant somewhere in the Upstate. We began this during the pandemic to help struggling small businesses in our own way. It also ensures a little riding, and a nearby venue for each of us several times during the year, as we live all over the county. To get in on the monthly email invite, contact me.

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

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

At Dolly Cooper Cemetery

The December Riders Meeting

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To our members with Birthdays in January.
Most Senior Member Isaac G Newman 100 years old
Junior Member Robert Shelton 40 years old
William Benjamin 1/1, John Burnett 1/2, Douglas Pursley 1/3, Conrad E Nowak 1/5, Greg Lysiak 1/5, Michael J Jarvis 1/6, Christopher Petrella 1/6, Max Nemeth, Jr. 1/8, Greg Farley 1/8, Fred A Moehlenbrock 1/10, Ronald E Eskew 1/10, Thomas H McMakin 1/10, Albert LeDuc 1/13, Michael A Gaasch 1/13, Richard Brumley 1/15, Charles L Green 1/16, John C Winn 1/17, Timothy Maloney 1/17, Gilbert W Scales, III 1/18, John R Stroud 1/19, Johnnie Martin 1/20, Paul James 1/21, James Stein 1/21, Cyril B Busbee 1/22, William Sullivan 1/22, Gary Hunter 1/25, Herman E Lambert 1/26, Rufus Turner 1/26, Kurt F Heitman 1/26, Ralph L Wardlaw, Jr. 1/27, John Tarreto 1/28, David A Parrish 1/28, Terry Connell, Sr. 1/29, Albert D Hills 1/29, Richard W Hills, Jr. 1/29, Jerry S Williams 1/30, Eddie Saucier 1/30, Arthur Wilson 1/30, Gerald D Campbell 1/31, Grover B Chester 1/31, and Robert L Shelton 1/31.
These are all of the birthdays we have on file for the month. of January.

Coming Events

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

01/09/24	6:00 PM TAL Executive Committee
01/16/24	6:00 PM Legion Family Dinner
	7:00 PM American Legion Meeting
	7:00 PM American Legion Auxiliary Meeting
01/20/24	10:00 AM High School Oratorical Contest
01/23/24	10:00 AM, The Blake
01/27/24	Am. Legion District 13 Meeting, Walhalla, Post 124
02/01/24	6:30 PM Legion Riders Meeting
02/16/24	9-10:30 AM Legion FamilyBreakfast
02/16/24	10:30 AM Litter Pick up

Goodfellows 2023