



**American Legion Post 3  
Regular Meeting on August 20, 2024  
Dinner at 6 PM, Fried Chicken**

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**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](http://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 [newtalp3sc@outlook.com](mailto:newtalp3sc@outlook.com)

**Membership Goal for 24-25 is 662. We have 240 Paid**  
You may mail your 2025 American Legion dues of \$60.00 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**

**From the Command Corner:**

Fellow Legionnaires,

August is here and hopefully it's the last of the heat wave. Public school starts on 8 August, so be aware of the school buses and more kids on the streets. We had a great speaker last month, Todd Carpenter, who spoke about his military career and PTSD. If you need to contact him, please let Rita know. Todd loves helping Veterans.

Post 3 was established on 30 July 1919, so we are officially 105 years old!

North American Rescue sponsors a monthly Coffee with Veterans and First Responders program for Vets looking for employment. This is a terrific chance to get an insiders view of what companies and HR managers are looking for in the hiring process and network with employers and other veterans. This month the program is on Friday, 16 August from 9 am – Noon, at The Marriott, One Parkway East, Greenville. Sign up for this free event at [www.EventBrite.com](http://www.EventBrite.com) and search for Coffee with Veterans and First Responders. Please share this with your veteran and first responder friends. I can attest that this program works.

The Legion Auxiliary is holding their Family Breakfast on Saturday, 17 August from 9 – 10:30 am. The cost is only \$7 per person, and it's a great deal for a great cause. Post 3 is also holding a blood drive that day from 8:30 am – 12 pm. Donors will receive a \$70 gift card from The Blood Connection, and all who donate blood (or try to donate blood) will be reimbursed for their breakfast by the Commander. If you want to schedule your blood donation, go to [https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/264942](https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/264942)

This month, please invite your family and friends (especially young adults!) to attend the meeting on Tuesday, 20 August. Charles Ratterree, a Post 3 sponsored attendee at South Carolina Boys State, is coming to speak about his experience at both Boys State and Boys Nation. As many of you know, American Legion Boys State is among the most respected and selective educational programs of government instruction for U.S. high school students. As always, there will be dinner beforehand at 6 pm, and the meeting starts at 7 pm.

The Post 3 Litter Pick-up is scheduled for Saturday, 24 August at 10 am. We meet at the triangle parking area at the intersection of State Park Road (Hwy 344) and East Mountain Creek Road (Rte 253), near the Parkwood Baptist Church.

The next visit to the Blake will be on Tuesday, 27 August, at 2:30 pm. Hope to see you there for coffee, donuts, and some lively discussion.

On Wednesday, 28 August, from 10 – 11 am, there will be a Andy Quattlebaum Warrior Hunt Information Session, at the Rupert Huse Veteran Center, 770 Pelham Road, Greenville. All veterans are invited to come learn how to apply to participate for free in a weekend duck hunt in the historic Santee Delta, near Georgetown, SC. The hunt takes place 7-8 February 2025. For more information, email [info@aqbff.org](mailto:info@aqbff.org).

THANK YOU to all who have renewed your Post 3 membership for 2025. You will be getting renewal requests by both regular mail and email. When you do renew and receive your 2025 membership card, you will also get another application for membership in Post 3. This is for you to recruit a new member to the Post. Please DO NOT resubmit your own membership.

Thank you all for your continued support of our post. If you have questions, want to volunteer, or need a ride to our meetings, reach out to any of the Post officers.

**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 August Training Drill Post 3 --- 0930 - 1200 hrs.
  - 7 August Purple Heart Day
  - 23 August Presentation of Colors Ft. Inn Football Game
  - 30 August Presentation of Colors Ft. Inn Football Game
  - 2 Sept. VJ Day
  - 7 Sept. Training Drill Post 3 -- 0930 - 1200 hrs.
  - 11 Sept. Patriot Day -- Attack on the USA
  - 13 Sept. Presentation of Colors Ft. Inn Football Game
  - 17 Sept. Presentation of Colors Masonic Outing
  - 5 Oct. Training Drill Post 3 -- 0930 - 1200 hrs.
  - 11 Oct. Presentation of Colors Ft. Inn Football Game
  - 23 Oct. Presentation of Colors Ft. Inn Football Game
- For information regarding membership and participation in the Color / Honor Guard contact Chuck Rouse [c.rouse@earthlink.net](mailto:c.rouse@earthlink.net) 864-423-5372*



**Chaplain:**

**George Aiken**

O GOD the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers, 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.

**NOTE: We will be visiting The Blake on Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

**Sick:** David Andrews, John Bryant, Robert Campbell, Jimmy Campbell, James Martin, Ronny Rogers, George Chastine, Alfred Zimmerman, M.S. Ward, Sam Clarke, David Davenport, John Vinkus, Romulo Dalaten, John Collins, Garry Tucker, Jeff Taylor, Travis Galloway, Robert Anderson, Mike Breland, Paul DeMarchis, Alex Ming, and Joe Wood.

**Homebound:** Walter Devore, Edward Floyd, Bobby S Jones, Jack Overpeck, Johnny Mitchel, Billy Reynolds, John Poulos, Arthur Laser, James Grady, Thomas F. Jones, and Eddie Saurier.

**Assisted Living:** Wiliam Shepard and Hugh Glymph, and Gilbert Scales.

**Nursing home:** Alvin Johnson, Bill Bodnovich, James Binder, Joseph Craze, Loch Aldrich, and Douglas Thomas

**Post Everlasting:**

If you know changes or sick members, please let me or one of the Assistant Chaplain 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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**American Legion Auxiliary:  
Carol Burrell, President**



Greetings,  
I hope you are doing well. So many have been sick with so many illnesses going around.  
Patti Elliot the National President of the Gold Star Mothers visited the post on Monday July 22. She was accompanied by Claude Schmid (Veteran's Last Patrol). It was an honor to have her visit our post.  
Our next Legion family breakfast will be on August 17 from 9:00-10:30. Mark your calendar and come out for good food and fellowship. The cost is \$7 per person.  
Our next neck pillow and pocket flag folding party will be September 8 at the post at 2:30pm.  
Several of our members will be attending the ALA National Convention in New Orleans August 22-29.  
Our next meeting will be August 20. We will have dinner at 6:00 and meet at 7:00. Hope to see you there.  
It is time to pay dues for you 2024-2025. You may pay your dues at our meeting or mail them to Brenda Collins at 5 Clingstone Drive, Taylors, SC 29687. Senior member dues are \$45.00, and juniors are \$7. Please make checks payable to ALA Unit 3.  
Yours in service, Carol. Contact information: [ccburrell1@gmail.com](mailto:ccburrell1@gmail.com); Cell 803-239-8514.  
**Please like us on our Facebook page at Unit#3 - American Legion Auxiliary-Greenville, South Carolina**



**Sons of the American Legion (SAL):  
Bobby Lyles, Commander**



I am Bobby Lyles, the new Commander of SAL Squadron 3. I would like to get to know all of the SAL members. Please provide updated contact information to me, as well as any suggestions for when we should hold a Squadron meeting. I have a few ideas I would like to bring to the table, and any ideas or recommendations you may have are also welcome. Your help is greatly appreciated. I am looking forward to hearing from each of you. God Bless and thank you. I can be reached via email at [lhdlk2wn@gmail.com](mailto:lhdlk2wn@gmail.com) or via phone at 864-341-4346.

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



Look twice, Save a Life.  
Now that Summer is bringing some wet weather, I thought I would remind everyone of safety tips for riding in the rain. And for drivers, be aware of riders behaving more conservatively – give us some space. Here are the tips, which may be obvious for experienced riders. However, knowing your combined personal and bike limits in the wet is a unique learning experience for each of us.  
Ride slower:  
Precipitation reduces visibility and increases reaction times. Ride slower so that you have time to react calmly to anything that happens. It also helps other drivers have time to respond to you safely. Learn more about driving in fog.  
Lean less:  
While some leaning into a turn is necessary while riding, leaning can be a problem when you don't know how much traction you have. [The United States Army](#) recommends that riders "keep the bike in as upright a position as possible until conditions improve."  
Avoid sudden changes:  
Swerving, sudden braking, and sudden acceleration all make it harder to keep control of your bike, especially when riding in the rain. Whatever maneuver you make, be gradual and smooth. It also helps make you predictable for other drivers so that they can avoid hitting you.  
Scan the road:  
Keep an eye out for puddles, oil spots, and any change in the pavement's texture. Anything other than the typical road surface may offer less traction. Standing water is a risk. Like cars, motorcycles can easily hydroplane, but the consequences are usually more severe for bikers than for motorists.  
Look out for lightning:  
Lightning makes a storm more dangerous, especially for motorcyclists. Get off the road as soon as possible and wait it out.  
Our chapter meets the first Thursday of each month, at a different restaurant venue each time somewhere in the upstate. In August, we will be at the Silos in Easley. To get involved, feel free to call, text or write.  
Best regards, Kevin R. Smith, Director, 954-701-4897, [smithwaremail@charter.net](mailto:smithwaremail@charter.net)  
*TAL Riders Chapter 3 Facebook Group:*  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ALRChapter3/>

**Ways to Get Involved:**

- Work a shift at the Post 3 Museum (contact Travis)
- Donate blood
- Come to the Family Breakfast
- Pick-up Litter with Post 3
- Call a fellow Vet (Be The One)
- Join the Color Guard

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**Happy Birthday to our Legion Family members with Birthdays in August!**

*Most Senior Member, Roy Ray 104 years old*  
*Youngest Member, Bryan Metoyer 50 years old*  
AL, James Taylor 8/1, Sharon Harper 8/1, Kenneth Green 8/1, Joseph Gillon 8/2, Joseph DeStefano 8/3, Alex Meng 8/3, Don Patterson 8/3,, Jim Anderson 8/4, James Boyles 8/4, Brian Cranny 8/4, Joseph Lockwood 8/5, Allen Chaplin 8/5, Joseph Cole 8/5, Walter Moragne 8/5, Joseph Cuyar 8/5, Alve Jackson 8/5, James Jones 8/6, John Goos 8/6, Maryann Steinmetz 8/6, Charles Boone 8/7, Ray Brower 8/7, Kenneth Baxter 8/7, James Rhoten, Jr. 8/7, Roy Ray 8/8, Wayne Taylor 8/8, Bryan Metoyer 8/9, Jimmy Campbell 8/10, Eddie Waddell, Jr 8/11, Clinton Belk 8/11, Robert Daly 8/12, John Dendy 8/13, Larry Watts 8/13, Hoyte Griffis 8/13, John McDermott 8/14, James Hunt 8/15, Dudley Scott 8/15, John Soden 8/16, Donald Brown 8/17, William Greene 8/17, Robert Patterson 8/17, Daniel Hunt 8/18, Richard Knipfer 8/19, Tina Crowe 8/19, John Cutler 8/19, Hugh Bell 8/20, Dennis Franckowski 8/20, Charles Sharpe, Sr. 8/21, William Roberts 8/23, David Finley 8/23, Robert Cox 8/23, Keith Barksdale 8/24, Keith Chandler 8/25, Phillip Jackson 8/25, Eric Rendall 8/25, James Power, Jr. 8/26, James McGuffin 8/26, Brian Hilliard 8/26, Leonard Sullivan 8/27, Vernon Meek 8/27, Richard Vieth 8/27, Robert Neubacher 8/28, David Davenport 8/28, Charles Reider, II. 8/28, Kenneth Safford 8/30, Dennis Mort 8/30, Gerald Schultheis 8/30, and Jeffrey Martone 8/30.  
ALA, Catherine Deuty 8/8, Aubrey Heffler 8/8, Antoinette Lowell 8/10, and Nancy Duncan 8/18.  
***These are all the birthdays we have on file for the month of August.***

**Coming Events**

The Blake retirement home, on Woodruff Road, On the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month for coffee and donuts  
**08/01/24** – 6:30 pm Legion Riders Meeting  
**08/10/24** - District 13 Meeting (Westminister Post 107)  
**08/13/24** – 6:00 pm Executive Committee Meeting  
**08/17/24** – 8:30 am – 12Noon Blood Drive Post 3  
**08/17/24** – 9:00 am – 10:30 am Legion Family Breakfast  
**08/20/24** – 6 pm Legion Family Dinner  
7 pm Post 3 & Auxiliary Meetings  
**08/22-29/24** – Legion Family National Convention (New Orleans)  
**08/24/24** – 10:30 am – 12 pm Litter Pick-up  
**08/27/24** – 2:30 pm Blake Visit  
**09/10/24** – 6:00 pm Executive Committee Meeting  
**09/17/24** – 6 pm Legion Family Dinner  
7 pm Post 3 & Auxiliary Meetings  
**09/18/24** – USAF 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
**09/24/24** – 2:30 pm Blake Visit  
**10/08/24** – 6:00 pm Executive Committee Meeting  
**10/15/24** - 6 pm Legion Family Dinner  
7 pm Post 3 & Auxiliary Meetings  
**10/19/24** – 10 am District 13 Meeting (Post 3)  
**10/22/24** - 2:30 pm Blake Visit  
**10/22-23/24** SC Department AL & ALA Fall Conference  
**11/05/24** – Election Day  
**11/10/24** – USMC 249<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
**11/11/24** - Veterans Day