



American Legion Post 3

**Regular Meeting on November 17, 2024
Dinner at 6 PM, Turkey and Dressing**

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Due to a technical problem, you may be receiving the newsletter by mail this month. Please send the Adjutant a note asking to receive the newsletter only by email. Thank you, in advance for your understanding, Brenda

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.

Please visit our FaceBook page:
@talpost3, then bookmark and like our Page

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

Membership goal for 2024-2025 is 662, we have 366 paid, we are at 54.9%. You may mail your 2024 or 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

Happy November, Fellow Legionnaires! There is a lot happening this month, concerning Vets, our Post, and our Nation.

Tuesday, 5 November, is Election Day. You served, and your fellows veterans served and sometimes died so that we can exercise this essential right. To find your polling location and get a sample ballot, go to www.scvotes.gov. If you have not already done so, go VOTE!

On Saturday, 9 November, there will be the Wheels for Warriors Car Show from 1 – 5 pm, at 1830 W. Georgia Road in Simpsonville. The event raises money for Battle Buddies of the Carolinas, a non-profit organization that trains and provides service dogs to veterans suffering from PTSD. For further information, contact 864-875-9539 or register at <http://www.EventBrite.com> and search for Wheels for Warriors.

On Sunday, 10 November, celebrate the 249th birthday of the United States Marine Corps at the 9th Annual Upstate Salute sponsored by the Upstate Veterans Alliance. It will be held at Fluor Field in Greenville, starting at 3 pm. This free event will include displays, skydivers, a flyover, rifle salute (by the Post 3 Honor Guard), and a concert by country music artist Larry Fleet. For more information and free tickets, visit <https://upstatesalute.com>

On Monday, 11 November, all veterans are invited to attend programs at two area high schools. Pendleton High School in Anderson, SC has programs at both 9 am and 10 am. The program at Southside High School in Greenville, SC starts at 9:30 am. If you can attend one of these programs, we highly encourage you to do so. The students get a lot from us being there, and it's heartening for us as well.

Our guest speaker for Tuesday, 19 November, is LtCol Andrew Wichers, the Senior Aerospace Science Instructor, AFJROTC, Southside High School in Greenville.

On Saturday, 23 November, the Legion Auxiliary is hosting the Legion Family Breakfast from 9 am until 10:30 am. Only \$7 for a great breakfast, and there will be a special appearance by the Grinch!

The next visit to the Blake will be on Tuesday, 26 November, at 2:30 pm. Hope to see you there for coffee, donuts, and some lively conversation.

Due to property damage in Hurricane Helene, The Vietnam Healing Wall visit to Liberty, SC has been postponed until 2025. Also due to storm debris collection, SCDOT has cancelled the Litter Pickup for November. The next Post 3 Litter Pickup will be in February 2025.

It is time to review the Post 3 Constitution and By-Laws. They are available to read at the Adjutant's office or contact the Adjutant to get an email copy. If you want changes made, please submit those to the Adjutant **no later than 31 December**. All suggested changes will be compiled and reviewed by the Review Committee, the Executive Committee, and the Veterans and Charities Committee, and then presented to the Post membership with our recommendations. It is up to the Post membership to decide

on changes to our Constitution and By-Laws. Be informed about your Post!

At the January 2025 meeting, Post 3 will hold elections for the Veterans and Charities Committee. Three positions need to be filled; each position is for a term of three years. Amos Hykes and Frank Ward are running for re-election; Gilbert Scales is stepping down. Thank you for your service, Gilbert! Amos has been the Chairman of the Committee since 2016; Frank has been a member of the Committee since 1994. For further information about the Veterans and Charities Committee, read the Post 3 Constitution and By-Laws. To submit your nomination for a position, contact the Adjutant.

Post 3 is currently at less than 60% for membership renewals. THANK YOU to all who have renewed for 2025. If you want to vote on proposed changes to the Post 3 Constitution and By-Laws, you MUST have renewed your 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.

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

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:

- 2 Nov Training Drill Post 3 -- 0930 to 1200 hrs.
- 8 Nov Rolling Green Veterans Day Program
- 10 Nov Upstate Salute Program Fluor Field - Rifle Salute
- 11 Nov Veterans Day
- 11 Nov Clarice Wilson Women's Garden Club Blue Star Memorial
- 12 Nov Westcliffe Elementary School
- 7 Dec Training Drill Post 3 -- 0930 to 1200 hrs.
- 16 Dec Wreaths Across America; Woodlawn Memorial Park- Rifle Salute
- 4 Jan Training Drill 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

Oh 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 26th.

Sick: David Andrews, John Bryant, James Martin, George Chastain, Alfred Zimmerman, M S Ward, Sam Clark, David Davenport, John Vinkus, John Collins, Jeff Taylor, Travis Galloway, Robert Anderson, Mike Breland, Alex Ming, Joe Wood, Garry Tucker, and George Lyda, Jr.

Homebound: Walter DeVore, Edward Floyd, Bobby Jones, Jack Overpeck, Johnny Mitchell, Billy Reynolds, John Poulos, James Grady, and Eddie Saurier.

Assisted Living: Gilbert Scales.

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

Post Everlasting: William Shepherd, Troy Barton

If you know of any changes, or sick members, please let me or one of the Assistant Chaplains know.

George Aikens	864-430-5317
Ed Brennen	864-970-9934
Danny Burdette	864-421-4338
Ric Barnette	864-477-8225

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



Greetings,
Veterans Day is November 11. We thank our veterans for their service to preserve our freedom. As we celebrate Thanksgiving, we are thankful for family and friends.

Our Legion family breakfast will be November 23. Come and enjoy fellowship and good food. The cost for Breakfast is \$7. The Grinch and his elf will be here. Don't miss this fun photo opportunity!

Mission Training is on November 16 in Nashville. Three members of our unit will be attending.

Our next meeting will be November 19. We will have a Thanksgiving meal at 6:00 and meeting at 7:00. Hope to see you there.

It is time to pay dues for 2024-2025. We are close to 50%. The Department goal for units is 75% by December 7. Let's pay our dues and exceed the Department goal. You can mail your dues to Brenda Collins at 5 Clingstone Drive, Taylors, SC 29687. Senior member dues are \$45 and Juniors are \$7. Make check payable to ALA Unit 3.

Yours in service, Carol

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

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Donate directly to the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 3 in Greenville, SC using VENMO. Via VENMO: look for charities and enter

@post3-auxiliary or use the QR code.



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**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 clhdlk2wn@gmail.com or via phone at 864-341-4346.

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



Look twice, Save a Life.

In October, Chapter 3 was among the 17 riders who contributed to the Texas Roadhouse charity event. This annual nationwide event raises funds for housing for disabled veterans.

As is usual for me on the upcoming Veterans Day, I make a pitch for you to participate in the Sevier Middle School celebration. Many Chapter 3 Riders attend each year. The school goes all out to honor and celebrate Veterans, and to honor its history as the training ground (Camp Sevier) for the US Army 30th Infantry Division which trained there and fought in France, 1917-1918. Not only are you richly celebrated for your service in a standing-room-only auditorium, followed by a complimentary lunch with teachers and local dignitaries. You have the option of also teaching a class or two of the next generation of our young people about your service experience. I find all of this extremely valuable and rewarding. You will too. Bring your family. All are welcome.

Sevier Middle School Veteran's Day Celebration (open to all)
Friday 8 Nov 2024 1000 - 1100 Hours (10:00 -11:00

AM) School Gym

Arrive by 8:15 if you wish to teach before the main event.

1000 Piedmont Park Rd
Greenville, SC 29609

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

TAL Riders Chapter 3 Facebook Group:

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

Ways to Help

- Recruit a veteran to Post 3
- Work a shift at the Post 3 Museum (contact Travis)
- Collect soda (or beer) pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House
- Call a fellow Vet (Be The One)
- Bring eyeglasses you no longer need to the Post for donation to the Lions Club



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Happy Birthday to our members with Birthdays in November.

Senior Member Alvin Johnston 100

Youngest Member Richard Spencer 55

TAL, Lanzo Sweeney 11/01, Carl Shedlock 11/02, Frank Foster 11/03, Paul Luttrell 11/03, Richard Spencer 11/03, John Dawkins 11/04, Robert Owens 11/04, Frank Ward 11/04, Barry Lauer 11/07, Charles Doughty, III 11/08, Jim Stauner 11/08, David Des Marais Sr. 11/11, Ray Shaffer 11/13, Irvin Thompson 11/13, James Johnson 11/14, Alfred Zimmerman 11/15, Bennie Kemp 11/16, Arthur Souza 11/16, Harvey Yarnell, Jr. 11/16, Charles Cain 11/17, Chris Lollis 11/17, John Turner, Jr. 11/17, Joe Hughes 11/19, Robert Prince 11/19, Harry Blackwood 11/22, Patrick O'Shields 11/23, Lee Bennett 11/24, C. Grady James 11/24, Alvin Johnston 11/24, William Lowry 11/24, John Vaughn 11/24, Birl Wiggins 11/24, Mark Finkel 11/25, James Lindsey 11/27, Alton Whitley 11/27, William Bledsoe 11/28, Randy Curth 11/30, Gerald King 11/30, and John Logiudice 11/30,
SAL, Frank Ward 11/4

ALA, Ledayne Polaski 11/1, Wilma Bergman 11/4, Marie Painter 11/6, Kimberly Stidham 11/18, Megan Collins 11/19, Sandra Moon 11/22, and Sarah Hemming 11/24.
This is all the birthdays we have on file for the month of November.

Coming Events

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

11/05/24 - Election Day

11/07/24 - 6:00 pm Legion Riders Meeting

11/10/24 – USMC 249th Birthday

11/10/24 – 3:00 pm, 9th Upstate Veterans Alliance/ Fluor Field

11/11/24 – Veterans Day

11/11/24 – 10:00 am Sevier Middle School Veterans Day Program

11/11/24 - 9:00 am Pendleton High School

Veterans Day Program

11/11/24 - 10:00 am 2nd Pendleton High School

Veterans Day Program

11/12/23 - 6:00 pm TAL Executive Committee

11/19/23 - 6:00 pm Legion Family Dinner

7:00 pm American Legion Meeting

7:00 pm American Legion Auxiliary Meeting

11/23/24 - 9-11 am Legion Family Breakfast

11/26/24 - 2:30 pm, The Blake

12/05/24 - 6:00 pm Legion Riders Meeting

12/10/24 - 6:00 pm TAL Executive Committee

12/17/24 – No Legion Family Meetings

12/20/24 – US Space Force 5th Birthday

12/20/24 – 9:00 am Put boxes together – Goodfellows

6:00 pm Goodfellows Food Drive fill boxes

12/21/24 - 8:00 am Goodfellows Food Drive distribution

12/24/24 – Christmas Eve

12/25/24 – Christmas Day **Merry Christmas**

1/14/25 – 6:00 pm TAL Executive Committee

1/18/25 – 10 am District 13 Meeting (Seneca Post 120)

1/21/25 – 6:00 pm Legion Family Dinner

7:00 pm American Legion Meeting

7:00 pm American Legion Auxiliary Meeting

1/25/25 – 10:00 am Auxiliary District 7 Meeting Post 3