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American Legion
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American Legion Post 3
Regular Meeting at 7:00 pm on July 15, 2025
Dinner at 6 PM, Hamburger

Commander William "Mac" McKinney
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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 **newtalp3sc@outlook.com**
Membership goal for 2024-2025 is 662, we have 635 paid, we are at 95%. You may mail your **2025 or 2026 American Legion dues of $60.00** to,

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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.
Contact 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:
July: 3 Military Appreciation Fluor Field
12 Drill Post 3
August: 2 Drill Post 3
Sept: 2 Drill Post 3
For information regarding membership and participation in the Post 3 Color / Honor Guard contact Chuck Rouse c.rouse@earthlink.net **864-423-5372**

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

Attention all SAL members will have a meeting on July 12th at 10:00 a.m. Everyone please try to attend. We appreciate our members, and we thank you in advance.
Contact information: 864-341-5255 or clhdlk2wn@gmail.com

Chaplain:
Cody Robey

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. We pray your Spirit visits each need to give comfort and healing.
SICK: David Andrews, John Bryant, James Martin, George Chastine, Alfred Zimmerman, Sam Clarke, John Vinskus, John Collins, Jeff Taylor, Robert Anderson, Mike Breland, Alex Ming, Joe Wood, Garry Tucker, Mason Young, Frank Ward, James Rhoten, Randal Rainey, James Rhoten, Sharon Riley
ASSISTED LIVING: Gilbert Scales
HOME BOUND: Walter Devore, Edward Floyd, Bobby F Jones, Jack Overpeck, Johnny Mitchel, Billy Reynolds, John Poulos, Thomas F Jones, Eddie Saurier
NURSING HOME: Alvin Johnson, James Binder, Douglas Thomas
POST EVERLASTING:
If there are any updates or additions to these lists, please contact me or one of the Assistant Chaplains:
Cody Robey – Chaplain – (760) 393-6440
Ed Brannen – Assistant Chaplain – (864) 970-9934
Ric Barnett – Assistant Chaplain – (864) 477-8225

Ways to Help
- Work a shift at the Post 3 Museum (contact Travis)
- Call a fellow Vet (Be The One)
- Recruit a veteran to Post 3
- Visit the Blake
- Collect soda (or beer) pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House

Donate directly to Post 3 using PayPal.
Via PayPal: enter JFDJrALPOST3 or use the QR code.

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

Greetings,
Hope you will be celebrating our freedom on July 4. Thank you to all who have fought for our freedom and those who are still serving to preserve our freedom.
The Department Juniors Convention was June 22 at Post 174. Beth, Brenda and I attended. Beth gave a presentation on Membership and Brenda gave one on the Poppy.
We will have the district neck pillow sewing party on Sunday July 13 at Post 3 at 2:30 please join us to help . You do not need to sew to help. We will also be folding pocket flags.
The Auxiliary has the concessions at the Legion Baseball games. Come out support your team and the Auxiliary by purchasing Hot Dogs and snacks. Thank you to everyone who has attended. The schedule is in **Coming Events**.
Our next meeting will be July 15. We will eat at 6:00 and meet at 7:00. Hope to see you there.
It is time to pay dues for 2025-2026. You can mail them to Brenda Collins at 5 Clingstone Drive, Taylors. SC 29687. Senior members' dues are $45, and Juniors are $7. Make checks payable to ALA Unit 3.
Yours in service, Carol
Contact information: email ccburrell1@gmail.com; Cell 803-239-8514
Please like us on our Facebook page at Unit#3 -American Legion Auxiliary-Greenville, South Carolina

Rachel Massey Unit #3 Member of the Year
Carol Burrell President

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American Legion Rider
Kevin Smith, Director

Currently, there is a huge heat dome over this part of the country, with temps expected for us near 100F. You can read the usual literature to recognize heat stroke & exhaustion. And not surprisingly, there is specific guidance for motorcyclists in this weather. Some argue not to wear the safety gear, as it is too hot. But the t-shirt, shorts, backward baseball cap crowd risks it all, and massive sunburn too. There are many protective summer textile mesh jackets on the market, as well as gloves and shoes with airflow. All helmets have several vents, and some can be worn in 3/4 mode as well as full face. There are also 'brain buckets – think military helmets, but these are almost worthless for safety's sake. We all know that if you are moving, you are cooling, if you are stopped, you sear. Carry hydration, with bottled drinks or a 'camelback'. Stop in the shade, take rest breaks. Recognize your limitations And ride.
The American Legion Riders of South Carolina (ALRSC) annual Meet & Greet will be held/hosted at Post 25 in Laurens this year. This upstate venue will be on 9 August beginning at 1 PM. There is a donation of $10 per person to fund the food. Also, it is requested to bring foodstuffs appropriate for the local food bank as a donation. Hope to see you there.
The photo is from our June meeting. It was the Duncan Family Restaurant owner's birthday, and she relished our support and best wishes.
Our chapter 3 meets monthly on the first Thursday @ 6:30 PM, at a different restaurant venue somewhere in the Upstate. Feel free to contact me and I will add you to the notices. Be safe out there.
Best regards, Kevin R. Smith, Director 954-701-4897, smithwaremail@charter.net
TAL Riders Chapter 3 Facebook Group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/ALRChapter3/

Happy Birthday to *our members with Birthdays in July*

Most Senior Member Richard Silva 99 years old.

The Youngest Member Thomas Smith 46 years old.

TAL: *Edward L Butler 7/2, David V Clark 7/3, Bill Fessenden 7/5, Thomas L Gibson 7/5, William F Watson 7/5, John E Rice, Jr. 7/6, Thomas M Dowell 7/7, Lewis Baker 7/8, John D Davis 7/8, Carl Melton 7/9, Stephen R Stucker 7/9, James F White 7/11, Larry G Day 7/13, Daniel C Wilson 7/13, Earl S Cobb 7/14, J Ron Campbell 7/15, Waco F Childers, III 7/15, Rob Clayborn 7/15, Henry Harris 7/15, Samuel Jones 7/16, Richard A Silva, Jr. 7/16, Alan Dabney 7/17, O Frank Kirkman 7/17, Gerald Molis 7/17, John A Riley 7/17, William D Browning, Jr. 7/18, Thomas G Smith, Sr. 7/19, James H Vest 7/20, Thelmus L Rhodes, Jr. 7/21, David L Rogers 7/22, David Willett 7/22, Clare Bush 7/23, Jamie C Hicks 7/23, Larry Long 7/23, Raymond Salinas 7/24, Ira Williams 7/24, John F Bryant 7/25, Thomas J Shaw 7/25, Gilbert Willard 7/25, Walter Wysko 7/25, Greg Castle 7/26, Norman O Cox 7/28, Walter Devoe, Jr. 7/28, Leroy Herbert 7/28, Lynn Lenoir 7/28, Greig Bacsal7/29, James W Counts 7/29, Duane E Stenzinger 7/30, Paul N Garner, Jr. 7/31, and Debra Wilfong 7/31.*

SAL: *Lou Santos 7/7, and Craig Patterson 7/24.*

ALA: *Charlotte Haas 7/3, Michelle Vlaich Lee 7/4, Lennox Jacobs 7/8, Shirley Raines 7/8, Sophia Collins 7/9, Marjorie Davenport 7/9, Suzanne McRae 7/10, Billie Pearson 7/10, Louise Few 7/14, Kathleen Hills 7/19, Emily Smith7/20, Evelyn Rasha 7/23, and Verna Morrow 7/24*

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

Coming Events

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

07/02/25 – 7:00 pm Post 3 Warbirds Baseball (Furman University)
07/03/25 - 6:00 pm Legion Riders Meeting
07/04/25 – Independence Day
07/08/25 - 6:00 pm TAL Executive Committee
07/11/25 – 7:00 pm Post 3 Warbirds Baseball (Furman University)
07/14/25 - 7:00 pm Post 3 Warbirds Baseball (Furman University)
07/15/25 - 6:00 pm Legion Family Dinner
7:00 pm American Legion Meeting
7:00 pm American Legion Auxiliary Meeting
07/15/25 – 7:00 pm Post 3 Warbirds Baseball (Furman University)
07/19/25 - 10:00 am Legion District 13 Meeting, Pickens Post 11
07/22/25 - 2:30 pm The Blake on Woodruff Road
08/07/25 - 6:00 pm Legion Riders Meeting
08/12/25 - 6:00 pm TAL Executive Committee
08/16/25 – 9:00 am – 11:00 am Legion Family Breakfast
08/19/25 - 6:00 pm Legion Family Dinner
7:00 pm American Legion Meeting
7:00 pm American Legion Auxiliary Meeting
08/26/25 - 2:30 pm The Blake on Woodruff Road
09/07/25 - 6:00 pm Legion Riders Meeting
09/09/25 - 6:00 pm TAL Executive Committee
09/16/25 - 6:00 pm Legion Family Dinner
7:00 pm American Legion Meeting
7:00 pm American Legion Auxiliary Meeting
09/23/25 - 2:30 pm The Blake on Woodruff Road

GREENVILLE WARBIRDS

From the Command Corner

Commander – Mac McKinney (mac.mckinney@icloud.com / 864-760-7566]
1st Vice Commander - Rebecca Conover (gvlscp3@gmail.com / 443-745-3097)
2nd Vice Commander - Lee Ervin (doervin@yahoo.com / 864-569-2183)

Fellow Legionnaires,

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve as your new leadership team. We hope that you all had a GREAT June and are ready for the summer heat. As we celebrate our Independence Day, on the 4th of July, please remember to stay hydrated and always think safety.

As stated before, the strength of the American Legion is all based on our membership, both locally and nationally. The more American Legion members we have, the greater the influence our leadership has in Washington, DC. Post 3 current membership renewal is 635, putting us at only 95% of the goal set for us by the Department of South Carolina. If you haven't yet paid your dues for 2025, please do so as soon as possible to help us reach our goal of 100% renewals. Renewals for 2026 started on 1 July . Just for fun, there will be a drawing for a Legion apparel item from the names of those who renew during the month of July. A drawing will be held at our August meeting. You must be present to win. "May the odds be ever in your favor."

Congratulations to David Ruiz for being named the "Post 3 Legionnaire of the Year," at last month's meeting. This well-deserved recognition is for all of his contributions to Post 3 and the American Legion family.

Fireworks at Unity Park. We are thrilled to welcome Greenville back to Unity Park to celebrate another wonderful year under the bright lights at Clemson MBA Fireworks at Unity Park! We invite the community to join us for this spectacular fireworks show in our beautiful 60-acre park on July 3 from 6 to 10 pm. Fireworks will go off at 9:30 pm. Come early, bring a blanket and picnic dinner, and enjoy a memorable evening as we honor our great country. Visit greenvillesc.gov/2006/Clemson-MBA-Fireworks-on-the-Fourth for more information.

We hope to see you at this month's meeting on Tuesday, 15 July. As always, there will be dinner beforehand at 6 pm, and the meeting starts at 7 pm.

The next visit to the Blake will be on Tuesday, 22 July, at 2:30 pm. Hope to see you there for coffee, donuts, and some lively discussion.

Post 3 was established on 30 July 1919, so we will be celebrating the 106th year!

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 in the near future.