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Regular Meeting at 7:00 pm on November 18, 2025
Dinner at 6 PM, Turkey and Dressing

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Please send your note to adjpost3AL@gmail.com or call **Adjutant Jeffrey Crouch at Post 3, 864-271-2000** or call his cell phone 864-430-0938, 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 2025-2026 is 627, we have 387 paid. 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:
November:
1 Drill Post 3, 0930 - 1200 hrs.
4 BMW Zentrum Museum Area, Military Appreciation, Presentation of Colors; Post 3 info table
9 Upstate Salute, Fluor Field and Rifle Salute, Post 3 info table
10 Rolling Green Military Appreciation - Massing of the Colors and Service Flags
11 Women's Garden Club, Flag Raising
December:
5 Masonic Flag Retirement Ceremony
6 Drill Post 3, 0930 - 1200 hrs.
13 Wreaths Across America, Rifle Salute 1100 hrs.
January:
3 Drill Post 3, 0930 - 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**

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

We have decided to postpone all meetings until further notice. We are working on a few different programs dealing with the SAL 3rd Squadron. We are in the process of meeting with other Post Commanders regarding these programs. Please don't feel that we are forgetting about the squadron, because we haven't. The truth is, I'm very concerned about the SAL. I am asking everyone to please contact me, because we would like to speak to each one individually. Your help would be greatly appreciated. I wish everyone good health, and a safe Fall. God Bless you all.
Contact information: 864-341-5255 or clhdlk2wn@gmail.com

American Legion 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/INJURED: David Andrews, John Bryant, James Martin, George Chastine, Alfred Zimmerman, Sam Clark (back), John Vinskus, John Collins (back, legs), Robert Anderson, Mike Breland, Alex Ming, Joe Wood, Garry Tucker, Mason Young, Frank Ward, Randal Rainey, James Rhoten, Sharon Riley, Thomas G. Smith, Randall Andrews, Travis Galloway (back, knees, heart), Carol Galloway (fell), Rocky Bates (left eye), Regis "Frenchie" Pontiere (stroke), Anne Shafer (pancreas), Duane Stenzinger (stroke)
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 Saucier, Jeff Taylor (left shoulder, knees, heart)
NURSING HOME: Alvin Johnson, James Binder, Douglas Thomas
POST EVERLASTING:
We read these names every month so that we can be a blessing to those who need it most. For those on the lists above, please call them, visit them, and pray for them. BE THE ONE!
If there are any updates or additions to these lists, please contact a Chaplain:
Cody Robey – Chaplain – (760) 393-6440
Ed Brannen – Assistant Chaplain – (864) 970-9934
Ric Barnett – Assistant Chaplain – (864) 477-8225

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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

Happy Thanksgiving!
Hope you will enjoy a Thanksgiving Dinner with family and friends.
Unit 3 will have a Legion family breakfast on November 15. Come out and have breakfast with the Grinch. Take the opportunity to take pictures for your Christmas cards. The cost of breakfast is $7 per person.
We had a successful neck pillow making party on October 19. Many neck pillows were completed, pocket flags folded, and tags were put on poppies. Thank you to all who came to help.
Several members will be attending Veterans Day programs at Sevier Middle School on November 7 and Monaview Elementary on November 11. Thank you to the Veterans who volunteered to speak in classrooms.
Our next meeting will be on November 18. We will have Thanksgiving dinner at 6:00. We will meet at 7:00. Hope to see you there.
It is time to pay dues for 2025-2026. Senior members' dues are $45 and juniors are $7. You may pay dues by mailing a check to Brenda Collins at 5 Clingstone Dr, Taylors, SC 29687. 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

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.

American Legion Rider
Kevin Smith, Director

As the weather starts to chill, I thought you all might want to know how we Riders keep warm on a motorcycle. Stay in the garage! But of course, we do not let our bikes nor ourselves sit in a warm toasty shelter. We go out and brave the elements in order to satisfy our need to ride.

Now, it can certainly be colder than cold on a bike when the temp goes down. This is due to the phenomenon of wind-chill, and just plain low temperature. Riding a bike in 40-degree temps can feel like ten or more degrees colder. So how do we do it? We both simply wear more stuff and let technology aid us. Winterweight jackets and pants, chaps, and gloves. Strange names like balaclava come out in conversation and over our heads and necks. And there are various wind deflectors such as fairings and 'bark-busters' that grow in value on the bikes. And we both plug in to our bikes and charge batteries to turn on our heated everything's – heated gloves, heated hand grips, seats, jackets, even pants and helmets. And there is nothing better than hugging a motorcycle engine to keep our lower selves warm. Now we do tend to look like Ralphie's little brother Randy in 'A Christmas Story', but we don't care.

At our November meeting on the 6th, we will make nominations for the officers for 2026, and begin collecting dues for same, and selecting our annual charity. We will discuss Veterans Day ceremonies, toy runs and Christmas parades, and the Post 3 Goodfellows Food Drive. To join in the conversation, just give a shout or come to a meeting. And always look twice, motorcycles are everywhere, even in winter.

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)
- Call a fellow Vet (Be The One)
- Bring eyeglasses you no longer need to the Post for donation to the Lions Club

Happy Birthday to *our members with Birthdays in November*

Most Senior Member Mark Finkel 96

Youngest Member Richard Spencer 56

TAL: *Lanzo Sweeney 11/1, Carl Shedlock 11/2, Frank Foster 11/3, Richard Spencer 11/3, John Dawkins 11/4, Robert Owens 11/4, Frank Ward 11/4, Bruce Robertson 11/5, Jim Stauner 11/5, Bruce Lauer 11/7, C (Ed) Poore 11/7, Charles Doughty 11/8, David Des Marais, Sr. 11/11, James Seymore 11/13, Ray Shaffer 11/13, Alfred Zimmerman 11/15, Bennie Kemp 11/16, Arthur Souza 11/16, Harvey Yarnall 11/16, Charles Cain 11/17, Chris Lollis 11/17, Robert Prince 11/17, John Turner 11/17, Joe Hughes 11/19, Gregory Vaughn 11/21, Harry Blackwood 11/22, Alvin Johnston 11/24, John Vaughn 11/24, Birl Wiggins 11/24, Mark Finkel 11/25, James Lindsey 11/27,Alton Whitley 11/27, William Bledsoe 11/27, Randy Curth 11/30, Gerald King 11/30, and John Logiudice 11/30,*

SAL: *John Leong 11/1, Frank Ward 11/4, Sean Collins 11/5, Jimmy Kruse 11/9, and Christopher Collins 11/15.*

ALA*: Ledayne Polaski 11/1, Wilma Bergman 11/4, Marie Painter 11/6, Kim Stidham 11/18, Megan Collins 11/19, Sandra Moon 11/22, Sarah Hemming 11/24*

These are 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

11/02/25 - Daylight Savings Time begins
11/04/25 – Election Day
11/06/25 - 6:00 pm Legion Riders Meeting
11/07/25 – Sevier Middle School Veterans Day Celebration
11/08/25 – 9:00 – 11:00 am Adopt-A-Highway
11/10/25 - USMC 250th Birthday
11/11/25 – Veterans Day
Monaview Elementary Veterans Day Celebration
11/12/25 - 6:00 pm TAL Executive Committee
11/15/25 – 9:00 – 11:00 am Legion Family Breakfast, $7.00 each
11/18/25 - 6:00 pm Legion Family Dinner
7:00 pm American Legion Meeting
7:00 pm American Legion Auxiliary Meeting
11/25/25 - 2:30 pm The Blake on Woodruff Road
12/04/25 - 6:00 pm Legion Riders Meeting
12/09/25 - 6:00 pm TAL Executive Committee
12/16/25 - 6:00 pm **NO** Legion Family Dinner
7:00 pm **NO** American Legion Meeting
7:00 pm **NO** American Legion Auxiliary Meeting
12/19/25 – 9:00 am Tape Boxes, Greenville Convention Center
12/19/25 – 6:00 pm Goodfellows Packing Boxes, Greenville Convention Ct
12/20/25 – US Space Force 5th Birthday
12/20/25 – 8:00 am Goodfellows, Distribute Boxes, Greenville Convention Ct
12/20/25 – 1:00 pm Clean up, Greenville Convention Center
12/23/25 - 2:30 pm The Blake on Woodruff Road
12/31/25 - New Years Eve
01/01/26 – New Years Day
01/08/26 - 6:00 pm Legion Riders Meeting
01/10/25 – 10:00 am District 7 ALA Meeting in Clinton, SC
01/13/26 - 6:00 pm TAL Executive Committee
01/20/26 - 6:00 pm Legion Family Dinner
7:00 pm American Legion Meeting
7:00 pm American Legion Auxiliary Meeting
01/27/26 - 2:30 pm The Blake on Woodruff Road

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as determined by the Department Children & Youth Committee

2024 – 2025

Presented to Greenville AL Post 3 at the District 13 Meeting 10/25/25

From the Command Corner

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Happy November, Fellow Legionnaires! Hope you had a BOO-tiful October with many more treats than tricks. Alas, November is here and there is a lot happening this month concerning Vets, our Post, and our Nation.

Project 1035 Update: Leadership met with the developer, Kavneet Sethi and representatives from Johnson Design group at our new location, 1035 Lowndes Hill Road, on Tuesday 21 October. We discussed final items that need to be completed before actual construction inside the building begins. We have been assured by the developer and Johnson Design group that all of our concerns will be met and the building "Up-Fit" can proceed. We also discussed with the developer, the possibly of procuring the other half of the property at some point. More to come.

As was communicated at our last regular post meeting, Don Patterson's last day as Adjutant was October 31st. He is being "Superceded" by Jeff Crouch who we affirmed at our last meeting. Please take time to thank Don for his 10+ years of service in that job and welcome Jeff to his new position. While Don is retiring for this position, he will stay in his other positions and as an advisor to Jeff for the rest of this cycle.

Because of our annual schedule, the Executive committee has voted to move the V&C Elections to March of each year moving forward. Nominations for open positions will be taken in January each year with a vote being held at our March meeting. We will inform membership who is up for election/reelection during January's regular meeting.

It's election season again in Greenville.

City Offices scheduled for the November 4, 2025, election include:

- City Council: District 2
- City Council: District 4
- City Council: Member At-Large (1 seat)
- Commissioner of Public Works (1 seat)

Notice of Elections
Early Voting
In-person voting for November 4, 2025, Municipal and Special Purpose District Elections will begin Monday, October 20, and continue through Friday, October 31. Voters may cast their ballot from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday, at the following locations: McAlister Square, 225 S. Pleasantburg Drive go VOTE!

Join us on Sunday, November 9th at Fluor Field at the West End in downtown Greenville, to show support for our Nation's Veterans & First Responders with a family-friendly, safe and spacious event. They will be featuring displays from local Veteran organizations and our sponsors, a vintage flyover and other military programming, including the Post 3 Rifle Team. The featured concert will be Ryan Spencer & Darryl Worley. Tickets cost $5. For more information and tickets, visit https://upstatesalute.com

It's getting darker and colder out there, especially for those of you who haven't renewed your membership yet! Come into the light with a renewed sense of fellowship and joy! Thanks to those of you who have already done so. We are over halfway to our goal for membership. If we make it to 75 % by 15 November, the 1st Vice will have some pies for a drawing for those who attend the November meeting.

Please join us at the Swamp Rabbits Hockey game on 8 November. Puck drops at 7:05pm at the Bon Secours Wellness Arena. They will be facing the Orlando Solar Bears with a Star Wars theme. You get a discount while helping out Post 3. Tickets are $32 each. Regular price is $60. Use the link to get tickets. They do not accept cash at the Arena. Tickets are digital, so make sure your phone is fully charged when you go. Go to swamprabbits.com/legion3 for tickets.

Operation Stuff the Duffel—For Veterans in Need will be running through December 19th, 2025. Multiple donation sites to include Greenville County Veterans Affairs and here at the Post.
NEW ITEMS FOR MALE AND FEMALE VETERANS... blankets, hoodies, sweatshirts, socks, undershirts, underwear, hygiene items

Sevier Middle School Veterans Day celebration Nov. 7th. ALL Veterans welcome….Our Chapter will be attending "en Masse". If someone would like to speak to a classroom, contact Post 3 member, David Colvin 864-380-6916, E-mail- towgaitln@aol.com He is coordinating with Sevier Middle School.

On Saturday, 8 November will be our "Adopt-A-Highway" litter pickup. We will meet at 9 a.m. at our regular assembly point, the intersection of State Park Road and Mountain Creek Road (near the Parkwood Baptist Church). More hands make the pickup go more quickly.

The next visit to the Blake will be on Tuesday, 25 November, at 2:30 pm. Hope to see you there for coffee, donuts, and some lively conversation.

We still need to review the Post 3 Constitution and By-Laws. With our pending move to our new location, it is very important that we get this done in a timely fashion. Our Constitution and By-Laws 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!