



The American Legion

March 2018

Chapin Post 193 Inc.
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Commanders Corner



Our March meeting went very well. Hearing from Bill Dukes about the Columbia Fisher House and the Quilt presentations was wonderful. I certainly appreciate all the time, energy and effort that our Chaplain Richard Mullinax put into coordinating the presentation of these beautiful Quilts of Valor to our members. Our Boys State Committee has completed their selections of candidates for Boys State and this year we will be sending 18 young men to Boys State. Thank you to everyone that contributed to this great cause, without your support many of these boys would not be able to attend. We are now above

100% membership which is great, we need to continue recruiting and bringing in new people, new ideas and energy into our Post. There are a couple of recruiting awards available from the Department as well as from National and I would like to see our members receive these awards. If you recruited one or more members into the American Legion this year, let Jim Pepper or myself know who it was. Once we verify that it was a new member we can process the pin or certificate whichever applies. There are a fair amount of activities happening over the next couple months, please do what you can to attend or participate. It is hard to do everything no doubt about that, just do what you can when you can and the rest will take care of itself. One area I really need your help with is selling our Labor Day raffle tickets. We are a bit behind on selling the tickets and only a couple members have picked up any to sell. This is our big fundraiser for the year and without your help we will not be able to raise much money to support our programs and causes. Thank you to everyone for all your hard work in making Post 193 a great organization. Over the years our Post has done many good things and I am sure we will continue to do so in the future

Steven Goulet/For God and Country – “We Can Build It”

Adjutant



Hello from the Adjutants desk. The year is moving along quickly. We have met one of our largest milestones in the American Legion calendar, 100% membership by February 9th. This allowed us to apply for three SC Department awards. The next few months will be critical to the yearly operation of the Post. Nominations and elections of Post Officers. We have positions open that must be filled. Please consider volunteering for one of these. As of this newsletter we are seeking a 1st Vice, 2nd Vice, Historian, and Service Officer. There is a District meeting April 21 @ 10:00 at Irmo Post 174. All are welcome, it's a good opportunity to catch up with other Posts and here what is happening in the state. See me if you'd like to become a delegate for this years' State Convention the first week of June. It will be the Centennial Year Convention for the American Legion.

James Pepper/For God and Country

1st Vice Commander



Thanks to everyone who stepped up to take care of the Post family night during my absence. The Post will have two recruitment and raffle tickets sales at Boland's Ace Hardware, one on 7 April and the other on 28 April. Please come out and help your Post. For our Post to grow stronger and continue to provide help and assistance to Veterans and our community, we all work together as a team. On 14 April the Post will be cooking and serving hot dog lunch for Chapin's community work day. We will be serving out of town hall. All help is appreciated.

John Sieimers/For God and Country

ALR Chapter Director



The Riders had a very successful breakfast fund raiser. \$2,700.00 was raised and this year was earmarked for The American Legion Legacy Scholarship Fund. The Riders are gearing up for The ALRSC State Legacy Ride April 20th thru April 22nd. Please take time to donate and sponsor a Rider. You can pledge so much a mile ridden or make a lump sum donation. 100% of all monies raised go to the AL Legacy Fund. this event.

John Siemers/For God and Country

Chaplain



You like it when someone remembers your name, especially when you are the new guy. Someone said that the sweetest sound in the world is the sound of your name "from a friendly direction". Most of us have problems remembering names of the new people so I'm suggesting "a" way. At every meeting or gathering, I try to renew old acquaintances by being intentional in greeting them. Then I choose one person to spend a little extra time with to get to know them. The more that I know about them the easier it is to tie their name to their face. Then I try to be friendly with

everyone. It is overwhelming to try to remember every new acquaintance, but it is worse to shy away from them because you can't recall their name. I would rather be embarrassed and ask again and again than shy away from them. Our Post is growing, we have quite a few new members and picked up two more this past weekend. Wouldn't it be great to have new faces at every meeting? Let's make them welcome and immediately feel at home with us. Call their name and call it often. After all...we are brothers and sisters!

Comrade Care List

Remember these "Daily" it doesn't take a formal prayer, it takes a compassionate heart. If you would like to add someone to this list, please call me, [803.622.4300](tel:803.622.4300). If you would like to contact any of these comrades, call me for contact information.

Past Commander Joyce Mustard, Keith Alverson, Roy Nelson, Ed Betts, Hal Morrison, Jim Morris, Jim Allison, Robert Barber, John Siemers, and Jasper Lykes – prayers please

Richard Mullinax Sr - If you believe in it you'll be recruiting for it

Facility Manager



Thanks for all of the support as we continue to make improvements on our Post. Doug Abramson is constructing a display board for us and Padre Mullinax is constructing a rack for our coffee cups. Thanks to Tom Yeoman for the model of the OV-10 Bronco added to our display case. If anyone can donate a small office desk, chair and small easel it would be appreciated.

A reminder for everyone to bring in a patch or two from your ship, squadron, division, or other unit insignia so that we can add it to our new

display board. Also, bring in your personal coffee cup to be added to the rack so it will always be available when you want that cup of coffee. This will also help with us not having to purchase as many hot cups that get thrown away after one use.

We want to add to our display case - or better yet, add another display case. Let me know if you have any old military equipment you would like to donate. A reminder - we serve breakfast every Monday morning. Coffee on by 0800 and serve chow at 0900. Appreciate the help from The Chaplain, Tom Yeoman, Dan Goldston, and Jerry Lebar with food prep and KP.

Dave Schimsa

Ladies Auxiliary



Nancy Graham and the Girls State Committee have concluded their interviews for Girls State. The committee does a wonderful job each year selecting candidates from Chapin and Spring Hill High Schools. There are 3 girls from Chapin and 3 girls from Spring Hill that were selected. The Auxiliary will be supporting the Legacy Scholarship ride by providing lunch on April 22nd for the riders that stop by our post for the last leg of the ride before heading to the statehouse. If you can volunteer to help serve lunch please contact me. A reminder that we still need nominees for the position of President. If you know of anyone willing to step up and represent our Auxiliary please notify me as soon as possible.

Carmen Goulet/President

Calendar Events

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| April 7 th | Recruiting and Raffle ticket sales At Boland's 10:00 am |
| April 9 th | Executive Committee Meeting 6:15 pm |
| April 12 th | Regular membership Meeting 7:00 pm, (dinner 6:15 pm) Persons of the Year Awards presentations |
| April 17 th | ALR Chapter 193 meeting |
| April 21 st | District meeting Irmo American Legion Post 174 10:00 am |
| April 21 st – 22 nd | ALRSC Legacy Scholarship Ride. Auxiliary Unit 193 will serve lunch for all riders on Sunday the 22 nd . Come welcome the Riders from across the state |
| April 27 & 28 th | Freedom and Hope Foundation fishing rodeo support. Friday 1800 fish fry and Saturday lunch 1130 |
| April 28 th | Recruiting and Raffle ticket sales At Boland's 10:00 |
| May 7 th | Executive Committee Meeting 6:15 pm |
| May 10 th | Regular Membership Meeting 7:00 pm, (dinner 6:15 pm) |
| May 17 th | Post 193 Family night / Pot Luck |

More calendar items can be seen on the Post webpage at www.americanlegionpost193.com
Join our Post 193 Facebook Page at: <https://www.facebook.com/americanlegionpost193/>

Reminder: Post 193 is open every Monday morning from 0900-1200. Come on by and have some coffee, breakfast and a little comradery

The meal for our April meeting will be grilled pork loin, green beans, salad, and roasted sweet potatoes.

Highlights



Auxiliary Unit 193 Girls State Committee preparing for candidate interviews.



Post 193 members recruiting and selling raffle tickets at Harley Haven, March 24.



Post 193 members with National Commander Denise Rohan at Post 6 Meer and Greet.



Post members receiving Quilts of Valor during our March meeting.