



# The American Legion

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## Chapin Post 193

P.O. Box 897, Chapin, SC 29036-0897

October 2020

### Commanders Corner



I hope you all are doing well and enjoying the nice Fall weather. Time is moving fast these days and it seems as though we are a little behind the power curve in a couple of areas but I am sure we will be able to get everything covered in the time required. I have previously sent out info on We Care Christmas gift cards and donations for wreaths across America. If you can give to these great programs it would certainly be appreciated.

We have a few events coming up that you may want to participate in / attend. On the 6th of November at 11:00 a.m. we will be interring the cremains of three previously unclaimed Veterans at the Ft. Jackson National Cemetery. The procession will leave the Post at 10:10 a.m. You can participate in the procession or meet at the cemetery. Bingo is back. We will have our first game in the Old Oak Barn on the 10th of Nov. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and games start at 7:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. Due to COVID-19 Veterans Day this year is going to be much different. We will not be visiting the elementary school this year to attend their program but 9:00 a.m. we will have a short ceremony at the Library then conduct our annual Chapin Veterans Day Parade. Our Post-Christmas Party will be held on 10 December at Mid Carolina Country Club the menu will be Prime Rib Option. This will include Prime Rib carving, a salad bar, a mashed potato bar, mixed vegetables, squash casserole, and green beans. Tom is going back to have a chicken entree available as well. The cost this year is going to be \$30.00 per person. Please get your reservation and funds into the Post Finance Officer George Donnelly as soon as you can so that we can get an accurate accounting of persons attending. By the way we will have live entertainment by the band "Three Quarter Time" They graciously volunteered to play for us at no cost!

Please continue to keep yourself healthy and remain vigilant in protecting yourself and others from the nasty Covid 19 virus. I know several folks that have had it and they had a heck of a time with it. Remember that while participating in or attending Post functions we must wear masks when we are unable to maintain 6' physical distancing.

Steve Goulet/For God and Country – "We Can Build It"

### Adjutant



It's a good time to be a member of Chapin American Legion Post 193!!! We have closed on our property for the new post, thanks to Dave Schimsa and his hard work. BINGO is cranking back up in November, Vet Breakfast is going strong, and the holidays are approaching fast. It's been a great fall. Come on over and partake in all the good stuff going on. Renew your membership at the post on Monday's or at a meeting. Mail in your renewal letter, but get back in the swing of things. We are social distancing and wearing masks for everyone's safety. If you're not comfortable with attending meetings or functions, that is ok. But know that we need you guys whether you can come in person or not. Enjoy the fall weather and be safe.

James Pepper/For God and Country

## Facility Manager



The Post continues to be utilized for myriad community functions. The Chapin Woman's Club, The Chapin Women's' Service Club, the TBI Group, Lake Murray Preferred, and the Red Cross have all used our Post the past six weeks. The Monday Morning Veterans' Breakfast Group is back up and running. Thanks for all of the help by various volunteers as we prep for breakfast before the crowd arrives.

New Building Committee News - As everyone knows we closed on our property last week. Our new address will be 230 Amicks Ferry Road. A great moment in our history as Commander Steve Goulet and Finance Officer George Donnelly signed the paperwork for our new site. A big thanks to the NB Committee members - Bill Wilson, Bill Moser, Jim Pepper, and Gunny Kuhns for all of their work to date. We have a lot more to do, but a fantastic start. A special thanks to Bill Wilson for bush hogging our frontage and for filling up a old well on the property. A special thanks to everyone who helped with getting the sign up, but especially to Doug Abramson and Tom Yeoman for their work on the sign and Tom for procuring the large signage material. Leigh Ann Whitticar and Boland's provided the plywood, 4 x 4's, paint, and concrete for the sign. Also, a huge thanks to John Rizzo for the portable sign we can use at all of our functions.

Dave Schmis/ For God and Country

## ALR Chapter Director



October has gone by fast. A lot has happened this month. We did an escort for the final ride of one of our members, Bill Smith, to Ft. Jackson National Cemetery. Several members of the Chapter went on our annual retreat to the mountains of North Carolina. On the 24th Chapter 193 did their 2020 Legacy Ride to St. Matthews, SC to help support Quilts of Valor and American Legion Post 12. We are excited that our Post has taken a big step with the purchase of land for a new Post home. Please remember to vote, your voice counts.

John Siemers/For God and Country/In the Wind

## Chaplains Corner



In these COVID 19 and difficult times I would like you to read or sing the words of my favorite hymn, "Just as I am by Billy Graham."

Just as I am without one plea but that  
Thy blood was shed for me  
And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee  
Oh lamb of God I come I come  
Just as I am and waiting not  
To rid my soul of one dark blot  
To Thee who's blood can cleanse each spot  
Oh lamb of God I come I come  
Just as I am Lord Thou tossed about  
With many a conflict and many a doubt  
Fighting fears within and without  
Oh lamb of God I come I come

This that we do we do for GOD and Country.

## 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.

Ernie Massaro, Joyce Mustard, Past Commander, Hal Morrison, Coach Frank Singleton, Joe Keilb, (Jim Pepper's brother-in-law), and Jerry Robbins.

John Wayne Fulmer - brother of Eddie Fulmer in Saluda Rehab Center  
Gerald White - outpatient treatment  
Pearl White - recent fall bruised but nothing broken  
Tom Yeoman - mother in Hospice  
Clare Fincher - Alzheimer's  
David Kelly - tumor in neck (Bill Moser's father-in-law)  
Dianne Cook - (Linda Warren's friend)  
John Awtrey, WWII Veteran - ongoing UTI problem  
John Wayne Sandel and his wife Dianne - John is at home continuing his recovery  
Marcus Reeves - recovering from knee replacement surgery  
Floyd Rogers - recovering from a recent hospital stay with heart issues  
Richard Mullinax - upcoming surgery 10/29 to remove growth from left kidney

Remember our active duty family members:

Doug Abramson's son has been activated and is deployed and James and Tammy Blackwell's son, Paul Collingsworth is in the Air Force.

Moses Cohens brother-in-law lost his father to COVID-19.

Continue to remember our bereaved families: The Mustard, Haggard, Smith, Strobel and Schimsa families.

Richard Mullinax Sr. - For God and Country, If you believe it you'll be recruiting for it.

## Auxiliary



We had a really great turnout at the October Auxiliary meeting. It was wonderful to see more of our great women. Our membership renewals are going up. We are up to 16 renewals and appreciate everyone sending them in. Several loads of clothes and supplies have been taken to the Lexington Transitional Retreat (a Veterans home) by Kathy, Carmen, Jeanne and Jodi (different trips). Jodi delivered our donation to the Quilts of Valor and we are going to find out how to help supply the needs for building urns for the Veteran interment program. We also discussed that Bingo will be going forward starting in November (Nov 10<sup>th</sup>) as well as the Christmas Party (Dec 10<sup>th</sup>). The Cookies for Soldiers will also be going forward this Christmas as well as the Chapin 'We Care' Christmas

program. Jodi will be having a QOV presentation for 10 Veterans on October 25<sup>th</sup> and she would really appreciate the support. Things are really beginning to open up but please stay safe and don't let your guard down

Anne Richardson/President

## Calendar of Events

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| November 1 <sup>st</sup> | Lexington Veterans Day parade. Meet up starting at 1:30 p.m. at the Shell station highway 6 North Lake Dr. next to Wings and Ale. We will depart from there at 2:00 p.m. |
| November 6 <sup>th</sup> | Interment at the FJNC for six previously unclaimed Veterans. Procession depart the Post at 10:10 a.m. service at 11:00 a.m.  |
| November 9 <sup>th</sup> | Executive Committee Meeting 6:15 p.m.  |

- November 10<sup>th</sup> Pledge of Allegiance 7:00 p.m. at Town Council meeting (Dave Schimsa)
- November 10<sup>th</sup> Bingo at Old Oak Barn 5:30 p.m. doors open games begin at 7:00 p.m.
- November 11 Chapin veterans Day parade. Meet up at Chapin Library at 9:00 a.m. for a short ceremony then the parade will begin at 9:20 a.m.
- November 12<sup>th</sup> Regular Membership Meeting 7:00 p.m. Guest speaker Albert Koon
- November 17<sup>th</sup> ALR Chapter Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- December 10<sup>th</sup> Post 193 Christmas Party, Mid Carolina Country Club. 6:00 p.m. – unwrapped Toy for Toys for Tots – \$30.00 per person

**REMINDER:** If you want to renew your membership you can do it online or by sending your check for \$45.00 to P.O. Box 897 Chapin SC 29036. I for one would greatly appreciate you renewing earlier rather than later. <https://www.legion.org/membership/renewals>

More calendar items can be seen on the Post webpage at [www.americanlegionpost193.com](http://www.americanlegionpost193.com)

**Reminder: Post 193 Monday morning weekly Veteran Breakfast has resumed.**

## *Highlights*



**Along with a bunch of shingles, tar, glass bottles and trash we also found an old well.**



**Chaplain Mullinax sharing wisdom**



**A little relaxation was in order while visiting Fontana, NC. The American Legion is a family affair.**



**There is always something to do. Thanks John Graham for spending a little time out on our property.**

**Great sign, thanks John!**

