



The American Legion

Chapin Post 193 Inc.

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January 2020

Commanders Corner



The New Year is here and has started off busy, busy, busy. We had the first reading of the proposed changes to the Constitution and By Laws, ran our first Bingo game of the year, held the Post Oratorical competition, identified three previously unclaimed Veterans, replaced our busted water heater and more! It is amazing how our Post is able to get so much accomplished and all for the good of Veterans and our community. I cannot **thank** everyone enough for all that you do. There always seems to be a need for something, whether it is to give a ride to a fellow member, install a handicap ramp, pick up and install a water heater or to sell raffle tickets to raise money to fund our Post projects. There is always something. If you are able to fill in and assist with any of the needs that just seem to pop up it would be appreciated. Speaking of members that are always helping meet the many needs that seem to pop up and are perfect examples of selfless servants. During our January meeting we had two members nominated to be our 2019 Roy E. Stone Legionnaire of the Year. I cannot say enough about these two Legionnaires and all they have done and continue to do for the Post, community and Veterans. The membership present at the meeting voted and selected our Chaplain Richard Mullinax as our 2019 Roy E. Stone Legionnaire of the Year. Congratulations to Richard on his selection. We will forward a nomination packet to the Department of S.C. where he will compete at the state level. As you read this newsletter all throughout it you will see ways that we would like to get some of your money. I hope that you do not feel like you are being fleeced every time you hit the door to the post but we are just providing you an opportunity to win a prize, have a great meal with comrades or an opportunity to be part of something bigger than yourself. In order to fund programs, we must have funds. If we are to ever have our very own Post home, we must have funds. When we have our Post meetings, we will have a table set up in the main room that you can visit and purchase raffle tickets, breakfast tickets etc. This should make it easy for everyone and should be a little better than having someone coming up to you every five or ten minutes trying to sell you something. Our February meeting will be our annual Valentine's Day dinner therefore we will not be conducting any Post business. The dinner menu is rotisserie chicken, scalloped potatoes, green pea salad, macaroni and cheese Broccoli casserole and desert (tba). Please get your payment in to George NLT 7 Feb 2020. March 4th will be the homecoming dinner for Department Commander Walt Richardson at the Town Hall. Please get your rsvp and funds turned in as soon as possible.

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

Adjutant



New year, new goals and resolutions. I believe the Post's first goal should be to find a steady source of revenue in which to promote our # 1 goal. That is finding a post home we can call our own. We have somewhat answered the first goal, Bingo is an excellent revenue generator, your Bingo committee is working diligently to find us a new venue to conduct our games. That being said, we need all the help we can get to make sure this venture continues to operate and run strong. That means volunteering to set up, run the games and break down. The same 15 people can't continue to carry the operation if we expect it to be successful. We're not asking for a lot, just a couple hours of your time to assist in one of the areas of the operation. This endeavor will lead to our overall goal of finding a new home. We have

several people making calls, looking at options for a new Post home. Get involved, ask an executive committee member what you can do. Our post is strong, all we need is some hard work, luck and determination to get where we want to be.

James Pepper/For God and Country

ALR Chapter Director



Chapter 193 hopes everyone had a good holiday season. A new year is upon us and new adventures await. The Riders are gearing up for our annual breakfast fundraiser to be held on February 29 at Zorba's between 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. This is an all you can eat buffet. Tickets are \$10.00 each. See any Rider to get your ticket. On February 7th the Post and Chapter will be conducting a funeral for three unclaimed veterans. We will form at the Post NLT 9:30 a.m. and depart to escort the cremains to Ft. Jackson National Cemetery at 10:10 a.m. Burial with military honors will be at 11:00 a.m.

ALRSC is preparing for the State annual Legacy Fund Ride. 100% of all monies raised from this event will go to The American Legion Legacy Fund, which provides scholarships for children of military members who have been killed or disabled 50% or more while on active duty since 9-11. In conjunction with this ride, ALRSC is selling raffle tickets. First prize is an AR-10 rifle and second prize is a 45 caliber pistol. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00 or 7 for \$20.00. All proceeds from this raffle will also go to the Legacy Fund. Please see a Rider to purchase your tickets and support this cause. Special thanks to Department Commander Walt Richardson for donating the rifle and pistol.

John Siemers/For God and Country/In the Wind

Chaplains Corner



Good Works: Ephesians Chapter 2 verses 8 & 9 reads "For by grace you are saved through faith, and that not of yourself; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast." In Matthew's Gospel 5:16 "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

As Post members and Comrades, we work. Some work long hours and do difficult tasks. Most all of you, when asked, will do whatever is needed to serve the needs of our comrades and community. Thank you for your commitment and support of the work in our charge. I have been feeling overwhelmed recently and about to lose sight of why I do the things that I do. I had a dream the other night that my dad, who passed from this life in 1987, spoke to me and said "don't be discouraged in your good works for when those that you serve get to heaven they are anxious to tell God about the things that you did to help them." Why do you do so much to help others. Your good deeds do not purchase your salvation because salvation is a free gift from God. You just accept His gift. Jesus spoke of giving that cup of water to the thirsty as being a great work. Visiting the sick and tending to the weak are some of the things that lay up treasures in heaven for you. When we show forth the love of our Lord by helping others, I believe our heavenly Father is impressed and will magnify our efforts and cause them to be adequate for the needs at hand. It is no small thing that you do when you allow Jesus to love someone through your hands and words of comfort.

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, Pearl White, Joe Keilb (Jim Pepper's brother-in-law), Richard Strobel, Past Commander, Bill Smith, Jerry Robbins, and Past Commander, Bill Haggard.

Doug Abramson's son activated and in preparation for deployment, James and Tammy Blackwell's on, Paul Collingsworth in Air Force boot camp, Moses Cohen daughter Sharini Cohen deployed Saudi Arabia in the Air Force
 John Wayne Fulmer – brother of Eddie Fulmer in Saluda Rehab Center
 Gerald White – outpatient treatment
 Joe Grimaud – in hospice care
 Tom Yeoman – mother in hospice care
 Ken King – knee surgery
 Clare Fincher – Alzheimers
 Benny Mellon – knee replacement recovery
 Ken Sullivan – stroke recovery
 Bill Mustard – hip surgery recovery
 Bill Moser's - grand daughter
 Walt Richardson, Dept. Commander – recovery from knee replacement
 Floyd Rogers – shoulder surgery recovery
 Gunny Kuhns – hip replacement surgery recovery
 Remember Eva Ezzel and family in the loss of her husband Sam Ezzell

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

Auxiliary



Thanks so much for being at the January meeting. Ashley Miller and Mary Pifer, two of our PGS Delegates talked their experiences at Girls State. Our unit is over 100% on membership and we got a phone call from the National membership chair congratulating us which was an unexpected honor. We really appreciate all of the renewals of our old members and the new members that have been joining. Our Christmas projects were successful. Our unit donated over 300 dozen cookies to the 'Cookies for Soldiers' project which supports our soldiers at Fort Jackson that do not go home for Exodus. We supported the 'We Care Christmas Sponsorship' giving 33 children a wonderful Christmas. Our unit collected clothes for the

Central Midlands Transitional retreat in Lexington which is an outreach housing facility for veterans. Our midyear reports were sent into the state as required. Thanks for the support from each of you. We will be selling 'Meat Bundle' raffle tickets at the Valentines Dinner on February 13th. Hope to see you there.

Anne Richardson/President

Calendar of Events

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| February 1 st | District meeting at Cayce Post 130 10:00 a.m. |
| February 7 th | Unclaimed Veteran Interment at Ft. Jackson National Cemetery
11:00 a.m. Escort leaves Post 193 at 10:10 a.m. |
| February 8 th | Quadrant Oratorical competition at Chapin Post 193, 12:00 p.m. |
| February 10 th | Post Executive Committee Meeting 6:15 p.m. ALR Executive
Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m. |
| February 13 th | Valentines Dinner 6:15 p.m. (In lieu of Post membership meeting)
RSVP to the Post Finance Officer NLT 7 February 2020 cost \$10.00 |
| February 18 th | ALR Chapter meeting 7:00 p.m. |
| February 29 th | ALR Chapter 193 Breakfast at Zorba's \$10.00 per person (See any
Rider for tickets) 7:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. |
| March 4 th | Homecoming Dinner for Department Commander and Past Post 193
Commander Walt Richardson 6:00 p.m. RSVP NLT 25 Feb 2020, \$12.00 |

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 0900-1100** for our weekly **Veteran Breakfast**. Come on by and have some coffee, breakfast and a little comradery.

Highlights



BINGO is not all fun and games! Anne and Linda hard at work.



Post member Gerald White autographing Battle of the Bulge materials at the South Carolina Military Museum



Chaplain Mullinax is highly talented and always willing to do what must be done. Thanks Richard.



Post Bingo Team focusing on the task at hand.



The troops, Auxiliary, Francis Bisset, and others group photo with the troops. The young men were thrilled to sample the cookies ahead of the other soldiers that we due to come in later.



Auxiliary Unit 193 and members of Post 193 Loaded up and delivered clothing and material donations from Post members and delivered them to Central Midlands Transitional Retreat