



# American Legion

## Sumter Post 15

34 South Artillery Drive  
[www.sumterpost15.com](http://www.sumterpost15.com)

**Sep 2016**

**Next Meeting: 12 Sep 2016, 7:00 pm**

### Commander's Call...



It is a true honor to serve as Commander of Sumter Post 15. Post 15 has a long history of service to veterans and the Community. We support our youth, the leaders of our future. I

hope to uphold this tradition of service this year as your Commander.



At Our June Meeting, Department Of South Carolina Commander Bob Scherer administered the

Oath of Office to our 2016-2017 Officers who were present. I was administered the oath at the Department Convention the preceding weekend. Commander Scherer urged those in attendance to reach out to our fellow Veterans and encourage them to join the American Legion.

It has been a busy summer for post 15. Starting with the Flag Disposal Ceremony held on Flag Day in June. A video of the event is on the post web page

[www.sumterpost15.com](http://www.sumterpost15.com). In July, over 50



members of the post and their family got together for a cookout. Jim Morris cooked



up some Angus Beef burgers and all beef franks. With potato salad and other fixings, it was a great meal. We had a cake for Jim



because it was his birthday and he came out and cooked anyway.

Our P-15's had a great year again this year.



Finishing undefeated in League play and Champions of League III. Post 15 was

eliminated in the State playoffs by Chapin/Newberry, the reigning national American Legion team. In August, the post had its first flea market, held in the Farmers Market building. It was a great Success and the first of many.



Now as September is here, it is Fair time. This is the 100<sup>th</sup> edition of the Sumter County Fair. We hope for a great Fair this year. We have lots of wonderful entertainment planed, including the return of 98-68Reithoffer Shows for our midway. We hope to have a helicopter, for the first time, to give rides above



the fair. No tickets were sent out this year, you only have to show your membership card and you and a guest get in free all week. Speaking of membership cards now is the time to renew your membership. The Post stands at 52% and we want to make 100% of our goal of 469 paid members before January.

I hope you notice the new striping in the parking lot. Please obey the traffic arrows and exit through the middle gateway.

***Commander, Buddy Suitt***  
***From our Chaplain...***

Three members were transferred to post everlasting over the summer: Joseph V. Brown, Ralph E. Cottingham, and William A. Thompson. I am looking for volunteers for the Funeral detail. All veterans deserve a proper send off. Please call if you can assist rendering honors to our fallen comrades. If you know of the passing of any member, or a member who is ill or hospitalized please let me know. (803) 983-9546

***Chaplain, Billy Thompson***

***From our Adjutant...***

Bingo is being played on Mondays and Tuesdays. All able-bodied members and the Auxiliary are asked to park on the fair grounds during meeting nights. Handicapped members should continue to park in front of the building.

Everyone needs to reach out to veterans and invite them to join post 15. I encourage all members to go to the National Legion web page and join "mylegion.org". Once you register, you can view post newsletters, messages, and a calendar of events. You can also renew your membership on-line.

***Adjutant, Nick Nero***



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American Legion Auxiliary  
Sumter Unit 15

I hope everyone has had a good summer. Our first meeting, will be held on September 12, 2016. Our program for the meeting will be our Girls Staters. It is always great to hear their experiences. As President, I am looking forward to seeing each one of you and I hope to be a team leader with all of us on the team. Our Fall Conference is to be held September 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> in Columbia, SC. If any of you are interested in attending, please let me know as soon as possible. There is a fee of 10.00 for a luncheon that Saturday, if interested in attending the luncheon as well. School supplies are now on sale for our back to school programs. Don't forget to clip your manufacture coupons to be shipped to the overseas commissaries. We are also asking you to bring in your non-perishable and canned food goods for Sumter United Ministries to our September Meeting. Thank you for your participation in these and all of our programs. I am looking forward to seeing you in September.

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