



American Legion Sumter Post 15

34 South Artillery Drive

www.sumterpost15.com

SEP 2017

Next Meeting: 11 SEP 2017, 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 Michael D. Strauss administered the Oath of Office to our 2017-2018 Officers who were present. Commander Strauss 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.

You may have noticed campers in the campgrounds. The Fair is now renting spaces to the public, in an attempt to generate revenue. Spaces rent for \$150 a week.

Our P-15's had another great year this year. Finishing undefeated in League play and Champions of League III. The Sr. P-15's won all six of their playoff games. We lost the first 2 games of the State Tournament. Ending the season 22-9. Our Jr team won their Region, won one and lost two at their first visit to the State Tournament since 2007. A major accomplishment. Finishing the season 18-5.

We Have a new Legion member, Herbert Hilmer, Herbert has agreed to replace Michele Brumbaugh as our scouting Liaison. Michelle is transferring with her husband, I want to thank Michelle for her dedication to our scouting program.

Our post Historian Ed Venticinque reports that he is working to place the Post History book on the web site so that all members have a chance to review it.

At the Department Convention in June, Ride Director, Darrell Hodge, on behalf of Post 15, presented a check to the Department Commander, for more than Thirty-One Hundred Dollars, raised by our Legion Riders. This money supports the Legacy Scholarship Program.

First Vice-Commander, Peter St.Onge reports that membership stands at 221 paid members. That is well short of our goal of 434. All members are asked to check your membership card to ensure that you have paid your 2018 dues.

In an effort to save money, the monthly Newsletter will only be available on line. The Newsletter will be posted on the post web page, www.sumterpost15.com and the mylegion.org web page.

Commander, *Jim Morris*



From our Chaplain...

Two members were transferred to post everlasting over the summer: David Pressley Burns and Ramon Schwartz.

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...

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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We have had a great summer of events that numerous members volunteered.

Our VA&R - Bessie Williamson organized the annual **Veteran's Picnic** at the VA Center in Sumter at the end of July. Many ladies and Juniors of Sumter Unit 15 and assisted with serving our veteran at this event. They werethanked by so many and just that made this event quite successful. Thank you Bessie and all for loving our men and women who serve and have served our country.

Imrane “Immy” Roberts and myself attended the **Girl State Tea** in July, 2017, on beautiful of campus Presbyterian College in Clinton, SC. Having over 600 young ladies personally thank you for enabling them toattend Girls State was truly humbling. It reminded us of why we volunteer so hard to ensure that so many attend this weekend adventure.

The P-15's was again an enjoyable time to be together in the booth at the ballpark. As always we have our liveaction of the baseball players and of course hearing our own “Foul Ball Lady” during the games. We already look forward to having many new items in the booth for next year for our “peeps” to see and buy.

We will begin our year meeting on **Monday, September 11, 2017**. We look forward to all ladies coming at **6:30 pm** to enjoy a delicious meal together and then open our meeting at **7:00 pm**. Our upcoming event is the **Sumter County Fair** scheduled for end of September. Please contact **Nancy Jordan at 803-720-4144** or at nancywjordan77@gmail.com with any questions you may have. *Please know that you can assist our local United Ministries by bringing **can goods** and/ or **school supplies** for our Educational program.*

Our Ladies working the P 15 Booth



ALA Ladies serving our Veterans at VA Sumter Pinic



Junior passing out school supplies



Girls State Volunteers at VA Sumter Pinic Da



Submitted by: Tammy Cornwell {ALA Unit #15 Vice President}