



6:30pm also Sun Sep 25, 2016 from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Interviews will be conducted by TEAM BACK PACK JOURNALIST from Charleston University, supervised by Linda Dennis, email is: [Ldennis@backpackjournalist.com](mailto:Ldennis@backpackjournalist.com). See calendar for other interesting things to do.



**AMERICAN LEGION**  
**DEPT OF SC**  
**COMMANDER**  
 BOB SCHERER

As I sit here trying to find what write to about and for the life of me, I can not figure out why those that protest use inanimate objects to further their own agenda, like the Southern Flag and now the American Flag. These items do nothing, yet they center on them to further their own agendas. Take for instance the latest in the NFL by a few of the highly paid athletes, that have done nothing for this country except pay taxes and put on a show. Look at the quarterback for the San Francisco 49's, he would not stand as the flag is a symbol of the racial differences. (to me, I can not stand to look at him as he reminds me of someone that is so very self-centered, which is probably why he does these things). I will paraphrase what a friend had talked to me about. " I would like to put a challenge to Mr. Colin Kaepernick of the 49 ers and those from the Seahawks and other football stars. I want you to go to the closest and largest airport and when a squadron of our soldiers return from their last 9 month to 12 month tour of duty from Iraq or Afghanistan, I want you to stand in the middle of them and look at the flag that is velcroed to their sleeve, and I want you to rip it off and stomp on it and desecrate it. I am pretty sure you will soon find out what that flag means to those who fight under that flag so you can sit there and collect your enormous salary. When you desecrate that flag and use it as a symbol of hate you desecrate and bring shame to those who fought and some died to give you the right to do what you do. I challenge you and all others like you to take that flag off one of our soldiers. Enough Said!!!!



**COMMANDER**  
 CARROLL OWINGS

Autumn is here, and it's time to prepare for our many fall activities at Post 28. Looking back, we all want to congratulate John Barron and all of the other volunteers for another outstanding summer baseball season. As always, we appreciate the Honor Guard for their continued contributions to serving the families of our veterans who have recently passed on. The Commemorative Walk program, headed by Ed Hall, has been a great success again this year. Please consider purchasing a brick to honor those on our memorial wall. The "Not Just a Name" program is a way to remember those who gave the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country. As Adjutant, Jim Harbison has done a great job in recruitment and keeping our records current. Many thanks to the Women's Auxiliary and their leader, Geneva Padgett, for the many hours of volunteering at various functions of our post. We congratulate them for a very successful summer yard sale held in August! The Veterans' Affairs Luncheon for Vietnam Veterans was much appreciated by those in attendance.

We have accomplished much, and there is more work to be done. Our District Meeting was a success at the post, and others will be scheduled. The interviews of Vietnam Veterans to become part of the archives at the state museum will be showcased November 12<sup>th</sup> in Columbia. Working the Doyle Boggs, I will be implementing the oratorical program once again for our high school students. The contest will be held in February, and hopefully we will hear some inspirational speeches from our students.

All of our Legion officers do a wonderful



**DIST 5 COMMANDER**  
 JACK WRIGHT

Judges Needed for Oratorical Contest: Interested? Contact Area 1 Quadrant Commander, Michael Strass, email: [legion100percent@bellsouth.net](mailto:legion100percent@bellsouth.net). Vietnam Vets Interviews at AL

Post 28 on Sat Sep 24, 2016 10 to 12:30am and 1:30 to

job in making our post successful. As usual, contact any of our officers if there are concerns or questions. Please be reminded that our assessment payments from our members to keep our facilities in proper working order need to be paid by January 2017.



**AUXILIARY PRESIDENT**

MARY MINER

We were so honored to have Geneva Padgett as our Auxiliary President for the past two years and previous years. As we already know, Geneva is such a devoted woman who passionately continues to support the Auxiliary. We truly would not know what to do without her. What tough shoes I have to fill, but I will do my best. Our annual Yard sale was a success! It's funny because in the beginning we were a little concerned that we wouldn't have very much to sell. We thought since we do this every year, people were running out of donations. With total faith and Geneva Call everyone she knew we received just enough. I would especially like to thank Brenda Lytle for her truckloads of quality goods. Thanks to the Post for helping us to set up and clean up. We are grateful that we can depend on your strong arms. We thank everyone that participated. Check the Calendar for upcoming events.



**1<sup>ST</sup> VICE COMMANDER  
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR**

JOHN J BARRON

Each year for the past several years in November our Post has done yard work to clear away the dead fall from the Post's grounds. We usually pick the second week of November because it is just before the start of the holiday season and the weather hasn't gotten too cold to work outside. Everything that needs to be done can be done in about 5 hours with the help of 20 Legionnaires. Jesse Campbell Way circles the building and it has a bank that collects a lot of dead fall which needs to be raked into piles for the city to pick up. There are drains along the road that need to be cleared. Many of the trees on the bank need pruning of the low hanging branches. The crape myrtles need cutting back. The fence in the back courtyard needs to be cleared of the growth of unwanted plants and weeds. The hedges around the building and the monument need trimming. I will be sending out an email informing every one of the date to dust off their garden tools and come to down to the Post. Lots of fun!



**2<sup>ND</sup> VICE COMMANDER**

LEAH WHITE

Leah has been sick for a while and unable to attend functions, so no blurb. She ask for your prayers



**ADJUTANT**

JIM HARBISON

We will be working on the upstairs dormers next week. Lumber has been purchased to completely repair or replace the dormers. Our September Membership drive, on the 10<sup>th</sup>, that everyone said they would be involved in, flopped, did not pass muster, and fizzled to name a few things that happened. If you have someone that qualifies to join the post, bring him to the Adjutant's Lair and make him a Legionnaire. We have a new display in the lower hall of Aircraft Art, come see, be amazed.



**HISTORIAN**

ED Y HALL

Legion Brick Walk To Be Expanded Two extended Brick Walk sidewalks will be constructed on Monday 26 September. These two extensions will increase our brick capacity by over 750 bricks making way for the expected inflow from our Veteran's Pointe "Adopt A Name Program." The new walks will be in place by Wed 28 September. Currently we have 763 bricks in place and paid for. Cost of the expansion will be \$2,500. Adopt A Name Program In Full Swing Our membership is reminded that our "Adopt A Name Program" is moving along very well. During last months announcement of the program we have already adopted 75 names. Our plan is to have all of the 650 Veteran's Pointe names on the wall adopted by Memorial Day 2017. As you may recall, the Post is asking each Legion member to adopt at least one name. Local Radio Stations have begun to announce the program and we are beginning to see results from the advertisements. So, come on, lets get on the ball and fill up our new brick walks with the young men from Spartanburg County who have given their lives in defense of our Nation



**SERVICE OFFICER**  
**COMDR, HONOR GUARD**  
 TED HEMENWAY

The following is what is happening to me. Just wondering if there any other cases out there. I get my meds from Express Scripts and all prescriptions are on auto-refill, at least all of them were until the last year. Three times I ran out of one of my meds. Checking the website I found that two of my meds have been taken off auto-refill. The first time I called I was told that all were on auto-refill. The second time I called I was told it is true, I have to go on line to reorder those two. At that time I did reorder, an email that followed said they would ship on a certain date, one week after I ordered, tho they were overdue to reorder. On the second call I asked why the two were taken off the auto-refill list and the agent hesitated, and started to read something from some directive, which she had a very hard time reading. It is my personal feeling the VA is getting more harassment. All of these meds have always been on auto-refill, now with no real explanation two of them are taken off. When ordered, being overdue, still they wait a week to ship. Any other cases out there?

**CALENDAR 4<sup>TH</sup> QTR 2016**

**OCTOBER**

- 1<sup>st</sup> ----- Post Membership Meeting
- 6<sup>th</sup> ----- Navy Reserve Supper
- 8<sup>th</sup> ----- Joint Supper w/entertainment
- 10<sup>th</sup> ----- Columbus Day
- 11<sup>th</sup> ----- St James UMC Tour 10am
- 12 & 13<sup>th</sup> ----- Upstate Standdown Setup
- 14<sup>th</sup> ----- Upstate Standdown
- 15<sup>th</sup> ----- Honor Guard Practice
- 15<sup>th</sup> ----- Shamrock Dance Club
- 20<sup>th</sup> ----- Masons Lodge #10 6-8
- 21<sup>st</sup> ----- National VVA 9-4
- 22<sup>nd</sup> ----- National VVA 9-4

- 27<sup>th</sup> ----- Honor Flight, KGSP  
Leaving 7am returning 8pm, come out and support.
- 31<sup>st</sup> ----- Board of Directors
- 31<sup>st</sup> ----- Halloween

**NOVEMBER**

- 5<sup>th</sup> ----- Post Membership Meeting
- 6<sup>th</sup> ----- Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 7<sup>th</sup> ----- Aux Flags on Heritage Cemetery S Church St Ext
- 7<sup>th</sup> ----- Veterans Day Parade
- 7<sup>th</sup> ----- Veterans Day Supper
- 8<sup>th</sup> ----- Election Day
- 11<sup>th</sup> ----- Veterans Day
- 12<sup>th</sup> ----- Dist 5 Mtg at Woodruff Post 33
- 14<sup>th</sup> ----- Spartanburg Pilots Assn 530-730
- 19<sup>th</sup> ----- Honor Guard Practice
- 19<sup>th</sup> ----- Shamrock Dance Club
- 24<sup>th</sup> ----- Thanksgiving
- 28<sup>th</sup> ----- Board of Directors

**DECEMBER**

- 3<sup>RD</sup> ----- Post Membership Meeting
- 3<sup>rd</sup> ----- Dance Unlimited
- 8<sup>th</sup> ----- Open House – Lighting of Christmas Lights
- 10<sup>th</sup> ----- Amy’s Christmas Party
- 31<sup>st</sup> ----- New Years Eve
- 11<sup>th</sup> ----- Scoggin Family
- 16<sup>th</sup> ----- Christmas Dinner “covered dish”
- 17<sup>th</sup> ----- Honor Guard Practice
- 18<sup>th</sup> ----- Shamrock Dance Club
- 24<sup>th</sup> ----- Christmas Eve
- 25<sup>th</sup> ----- Christmas Day

**CALENDAR 1<sup>ST</sup> QTR 2017**

**JANUARY**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> ----- Board of Directors
- 7<sup>th</sup> ----- Post Membership Meeting
- 21<sup>st</sup> ----- Honor Guard Practice
- 30<sup>th</sup> ----- Board of Directors

**FEBRUARY**

- 4<sup>th</sup> ----- Post Membership Meeting
- 14<sup>th</sup> ----- Valentine’s Day
- 18<sup>th</sup> ----- Honor Guard Practice
- 20<sup>th</sup> ----- Presidents’ Day
- 27<sup>th</sup> ----- Board of Directors

**MARCH**

- 4<sup>th</sup> ----- Post Membership Meeting
- 18<sup>th</sup> ----- Honor Guard Practice
- 27<sup>th</sup> ----- Board of Directors

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**LEGIONNAIRE OF THE YEAR**  
*TURFIS SPROUSE*



**COMMANDER'S AWARD**  
*JOHN J. BARON*

Editor's note: I know it is difficult to keep up with have I paid my dues or have I not. As an aid, on the address of this newsletter a year will be shown, it should be 2017, if not your dues are out of date. Contact the Adjutant.