



**American Legion Sumter Post 15**

**34 South Artillery Drive**

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**May 2022**



**Commander's Call...**



**Next Meeting: 6 June 2022 at 6:30 pm**

The regular meeting of Post 15 was held on 2 May 2022.

Commander St. Onge welcomed about 59 members and guest to our monthly meeting.

Assistant Chaplain offered a prayer.

Minutes of the April meetings were read and accepted as read.

New members and guests were introduced.

Commander St. Onge then moved to committee reports.

Americanism: 14 applicants has been accepted to Boy's State. 2 candidates for Law Cadet Academy.

Baseball: On schedule and try outs for the teams will be on May 10th. Pre-season tournament to be held on 27-

29 May. Senior team plays in Sumter on Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> and in Florence on the 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. The junior team will play at Riley Park on the 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> at 10 am; 1 pm; 4 pm and 7pm.

Boy Scouts: Cross-over for cub scouts and during an outing at Poinsettia Park the Girl Scouts jumped into action putting out a nearby fire.

Fair: Carnival in April was successful, and the circus was cancelled. 3 fair businesses were informed that they needed to upgrade there cooking area by the fire marshal, or they can't cook in the kitchen anymore. Two of the three are going to set-up cooking outside of the building and one (The Potato House) decided to close up and has sold the building and its contents to the Fair. Might be able to use this building for small meeting or small parties, such as Baby showers and Birthday parties.

Home: No Report.

Legion Riders: Saturday May 21, Fire Fly's baseball game in Columbia at Segra Park. All legion members are invited to attend. The Legion Riders will be at this event.

Public Service: Post 15's firefighter and officer were not selected at state level. We will try again next year.

Public service will resume activities in November.

Publicity and Historian: memorial bricks orders are ongoing and will sent them off in July to be made. Will be on the radio mid-month to talk about the legion and what it does for the community. Sammy Way to do a write-up in the Item around 15 July. Would like an updated list of email addresses so to sent legion updates.

Service Officer: Update links for VA sites.

Membership: 336 paid and is 84.38% of goal.

Post Everlasting: No members to be transferred.

Adjutant: Rifle raffle tickets on sale but need to be turned in by June. Convention is May 26-29 need to know who is going so I can send in the application with the names and payment.

New business: Convention will be at the Marriot Hotel on Main St. in Columbia, SC. Our delegates will be attending on Friday May 27<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to around 4 pm and Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 am to around 4 pm.

May 28<sup>th</sup> at Sumter Cemetery we will be placing flags on the graves. If you would like to participate, be at the cemetery at 8 am.

On Monday May 30<sup>th</sup> will be Memorial Day ceremony at Mabry Park out be Shaw AFB at 11 am. Set-up for the ceremony will be on the same day at 8 am.

Our program for the night was elections for the 2022-2023 year.

Nominee for:

Commander-

Ray Keeton

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander-

Sidney C. Pitcher or Bill Lyons

Bill Lyons elected 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander be a hand vote.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commanders-

Billy Thompson

Judi Pandorf

Sidney C. Pitcher

Kenny Mixon

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Commander elect announced his cabinet for the upcoming year and accepted by the members.

Athletics Officer-Kenny Mixon

Chaplain-Billy Thompson

Historian/Publicity-Ray Keeton

Finance Officer-Tim Richards

Service Officer-Dorian Brunson

Adjutant-Larry Lighthill

Assistant Adjutant-Nick Nero

Sgt at Arms-Sidney C. Pitcher

Assistant Sgt at Arms-Penelope Giambanco Q

Commander elect announced that his choice for Fair Chairman for the next two years is Nick Nero and his choice for Fair Treasurer for the next two years is Stephanie Gibbons.

Commander, *Peter St. Onge*



From our Chaplain... We had no members transferring to Post Everlasting. 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, *Larry Lighthill*



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No Report

Next Meeting:  
5/2/2022

Serving our Veterans in love,  
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President