

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER ISSUE-1 AUGUST 2022

COMMANDER'S CORNER



Greetings Post 143 family. Thanks to each of you for your contributions in making Post 143 successful during the recently completed Legion Year (LY) on June 30th. A few invaluable members stepped down from leadership positions. Senior Vice Commander Randy Purser moved to the Blood Donor committee chair. Thanks to Randy for his many years of invaluable contributions to the Post. In fact, Randy was selected as Legionnaire of the Year. Also, Adjutant Jim Hill stepped down and will now concentrate on Legionnaire Basic Training. Thanks to Jim for handling the Post business admirably. Cecil Davis has served in the Chaplain position for a number of years, however, he stepped down due to family illness that required much of his time. Cecil is also a past Post Commander. Thanks to you, Sir, for your many years of service in support of veterans and the community. In addition, Sergeant at Arms Ben Sinclair moved to Post Adjutant. Ben is coming up on his first year anniversary as a Post Legionnaire. However, he has proved to be a capable asset in a short period of time.

Four Legionnaires have moved up to leadership positions for Legion Year 2023. Rose Miller has been installed as the Senior Vice Commander. Ben Sinclair has accepted the position of Adjutant. Randy Knight has been appointed Chaplain. Randy is also a new Post member that I've known for a number of years. Ronald (Ron) Knowles has accepted the position of Sergeant at Arms. Ron has served on a number of Post positions over the years. These are four very important positions in terms of meeting the requirements of the American Legion. Therefore, please help me welcome these four Legionnaires that have stepped up.

Now let's highlight a few successes: We have received the LY 22 Outstanding Children & Youth Award from the American Legion's Dept. of GA. Children & Youth is the fourth Pillar of the Guiding Principles that's prescribed by the National American Legion. This Pillar is the responsibility of Junior Vice Commander Frank Joswick, therefore, we want to thank Frank for his excellent work in this area.

We exceeded the Post membership goal that was issued by the 5th District. Many thanks to Randy Purser and the membership committee for their tireless efforts in this area.

We started the monthly Buddy Check program about two years ago during the pandemic. This is a communication tool that we employ to check on the Health & Wellbeing of our brothers and sisters. Thanks to Bill Maddox and the Service Committee for their excellent leadership of this vital program. Also, Bill has openings for telephoners, therefore, please get involved in this program by contacting Bill at 770.546.8513.

Thanks to the Sons of the American Legion (SAL) lead by Commander Steve Fuller, for achieving 100% of their membership Goal. The SAL has membership slots available, therefore, please see Steve for the qualifications needed.

Lastly-We operate the business of the Post by employing strong Core Value principles that were established many years ago. One of these values is that we operate virtually on donations and fund raisers because we do not have any earned income. Therefore, the success of the annual BBQ fund raiser is absolutely essential to financially support the many programs for Children & Youth, Americanism and other Community initiatives. This year's BBQ is scheduled for Sept. 30th at the Carroll County Ag Center. This effort is lead by Co-Chairs, Don Levans and Steve Holder. Ticket sales are in progress, therefore, please contact Randy Purser at 770.836.0125 or Ron Knowles at 404.747.9786 to acquire your tickets. In addition, Don and Steve have a number of vacant work assignments for the day of the BBQ, therefore, please consider adding your name to the list to support this very important Event that's FUN filled. This is an ALL HANDS ON DECK for this Post Family Event, therefore, please do your part as your personal situation allows. In closing, it's a pleasure to volunteer with this Post Family of dedicated servants.

ADJUDANT'S NOTES



Post 143 Family.

It is time to get to work! The next few months will be packed full of opportunities to support both our Post family and Veterans in our area. Upcoming events include our annual BBQ event that raises the funds to help keep our Post running and the upcoming 5th District meeting taking place at our Post. In addition to these events, it is membership renewal time! Finance Officer Joe Harrod and I have been working diligently to process the renewals as we receive them. Membership cards will be distributed via USPS or in person at the upcoming regular Post membership meeting. If you have not submitted your renewal fee of \$40, there are several ways to do this: in person to myself, Finance Officer Joe Harrod, or Senior Vice Commander Rose Miller; via mail in renewal form that was sent from National via USPS; or through your online access on MyLegion.org. Your dues and continued support of the Post 143 family are integral in supporting our operations and assisting our fellow Veterans in our area. I look forward to serving you this year as your Post Adjutant. Let's keep moving forward!

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MEMBERSHIP: SVC ROSE MILLER

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- **Post Goal:** 216 (Members Paid)
- **Post Percent of Goal:** 51.9% (112 Members Paid)
- **No. of Transfers:** 4 (Since July 1st)
- **New Members:** 1 (Since July 1st)
- **Membership LY 2023 Renewal & Cards Available:**
Membership renewal is underway and prompt renewal is encouraged.
Renewed members should check with the Adjutant for their new cards.
- **Post Deceased Members:**
Total from 1 July 2022 to present: 2

FINANCE: JOE HARROD



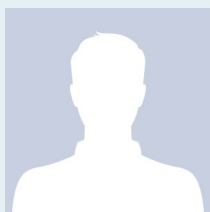
American Legion Post 143 Finance Report 7/31/2022

Beginning Bal: \$26,482.23
 TL Income: \$ 1,652.00
 `Sub TL: \$28,134.23
 Expenses: \$ 1,158.75
 Balance: \$26,975.48
 Reserve Funds: \$ 6,620.77
 Operating Funds: \$20,154.71

Post 143 Investment Fund:

Jun. 30th 2021-2nd Qtr.
 Bal. _____\$230,575.40
 Sep. 31st, 2021 3rd Qtr.
 Bal. _____\$227,338.21
 Dec. 30th, 2021 4th Qtr.
 Bal. _____\$239,400.49
 Mar. 30th, 2022 1st Qtr.
 Bal. _____\$231,781.53
 Jun. 30st 2022 2nd Qtr.
 Bal. _____\$202,077.96

CHAPLAIN RANDY KNIGHT



Hello, my name is Randy Knight, I am a new member of the post and I am also your new Chaplain. I know I will have a hard time filling Cecil's shoes, for he has been a fixture around the Post for many years. So I will need your help as I get to know everyone and what your needs may be. So when you see me at the meetings, please come up and introduce yourselves. I am willing and eager to assume the role of chaplain and look forward to serving the Post. So please contact me if you or you know of someone that is in spiritual need, is sick or has passed away. My email address is: froggknight@att.net

HONOR GUARD: DALE ROBINSON



The Honor Guard Team has had a lot of Face Time in the community so far this year. In addition to the Military Honors services, we have participated in the Peoples Parade in Carrollton, the 4th of July parade in Mt Zion, Bowdon Founders Day Parade, and opened the 4th of July Concert by raising the Flag, provided a Rifle Team for the Memorial Day program at the Veterans Park, and provided a Flag Retirement Program at the Veterans Park. Looking ahead, we still have the Roopville Homecoming Parade and Flag Service, a Flag Retirement Service for Heritage Days, Rifle Team for Veterans Day at the Veterans Park, and a request from Mt. Zion to participate in a Christmas Parade. For a bunch of "Old Warriors", we are getting along and keeping up with the needs. I am proud to be part of the Team with these guys. They do a great job of representing the Post and supporting the Community. The Honor Guard is open to new members who have a desire to serve the community and represent our Post.

SERVICE OFFICER: DON LEVANS

There were no requests for financial assistance in August.

Finances for the next "Grant Year " has been submitted.

SERVICE CMTE CHAIR: BILL MADDOX

Continued thanks to the volunteers who make our Buddy Check calls each month. The names of Post members who have health issues or other needs are forwarded to our Adjutant Ben Sinclair. We can always use more callers to help with this important service. If you wish to help, contact Bill Maddox at 770-546-8513 or wmadd123@bellsouth.net.

SAL CMDR STEVE FULLER

The Sons of The American Legion 2022-2023 officers :

Commander	Steve Fuller
SVC	Wayne Driver
JVC	Jeff Liggett
Judge Advocate	Paul Scheufler
Adjutant	Evan Fuller
Chaplain	Dale Robinson



AUX PRES. JEANETTE HENSON

The Auxiliary supports Impact West Georgia which will be holding their Shoe Drive from August 5 through December 5, 2022. So, bring a pair of shoes and help those in need to the Impact West Georgia located at 410 Newnan Rd, Carrollton. GA 30117 (Their goal is to collect 300 pairs of shoes)

2. We are still asking for spouses to join the Auxiliary.

3. We just loss our 6th member Dee Sammon during the past two years. We had \$ 150.00 collected for poppies at the Memorial Day Ceremony which these donations are used to do things for our Veterans.

4. We provided refreshment for the 5th District Officers Installation and will be providing a complimentary breakfast for the 5th District August Meeting. We provided a meal for Josh Fuller's Family.

5. The Auxiliary sent 4 Girls to "Girls State" this year.

6. We also donated to the Coweta County Quilts-of-Valor Chapter.



2022-23 Auxiliary Officers

President Jeanette Henson
V. Pres. Wanda Maddox
Secretary Linda Pyle
Treasurer Jean Whitner
SAA Becky Sinclair
Chaplain Sandy Pate

CHILDREN & YOUTH: JCV FRANK JOSWICK



I want to thank those that have volunteered to help with the upcoming Heritage Days 2-day event scheduled on September 22-23 at the Carroll County Ag Center.

There will be walk-thru of the complex on Tuesday, September 20th at 5pm. For all volunteers. I will send out a reminder a week before.

OTHER:

- The Post Scholarship Committee is in the process of visiting High Schools within the City and County to explain the "Bob Hilliard" Scholarship program that will be awarded during the 2022-2023 school year.
- The Department of Georgia awarded eight, \$1000 Scholarships this year, unfortunately, no graduating student from our Post or any Post from the 5th District were recipients of a scholarship.
- The post held an Awards Banquet for several team members of the Central High School Shotgun Club on August 18th. Cmdr. Ronnie Pate and JSSP Chairman, Frank Joswick presented Certificates and medals to the members that attended the SCTP State Shotgun Championships.



NEW POST 143 OFFICERS INSTALLED FOR 2022-2023 POST YEAR

Commander Ronnie Pate
SVC Rosemarie Miller
JVC Frank Joswick
JVC Sam Pyle
JVC Steve Fuller
JVC Steve Holder
Judge Advocate Bill Hearnburg
Chaplain Randy Knight



MIA: JVC SAM PYLE



Three MIA memorials have been placed near the MIA/POW table in the Post meeting room at the veterans building. Two are from WWII and one from the Korean War. Their photographs, military information and their link to Post and Auxiliary members are shown. If any Post or Auxiliary member has a family MIA dating from WWI to present, please contact JVC Sam Pyle at pylesll@aol.com or call at 770-537-5438. You may also contact me during any general membership meeting.

BBQ FUNDRAISER: DON LEVANS & STEVE HOLDER



BBQ tickets are now on sale for \$15 a plate. Tickets will be available at the August 18th Combined Membership meeting or you may place orders now by calling Randy Purser at 770-366-9723 or Ron Knowles at 404-747-9785.

The BBQ event will be held at the Carroll County AG Center on Friday, September 30, 2022, from 11:00am to 2:00pm.

BBQ plates will be available for Dine-In, Drive-Thru, Take-out, and Delivery (**For 10 or more orders**).

The menu will consist of the following:

- Smoked Chopped Ham
- BBQ Sauce
- Slaw
- Baked Beans
- Bread
- Chips
- Iced Tea/Water (**Not available for Delivery orders**)

Proceeds are used to support Veterans, Military Funeral Services, Veterans families and the youth within our community.



SICK CALL/BUDDY CALL



Families that had recent deaths:

Cecil Davis's wife Brenda

Steve and Donna Fuller's son, Josh Fuller, member of SAL

Bill Sammon's wife Dee Sammon member of Auxiliary

Sick Call:

Sharon Hearnburg had knee surgery, Roger Knowles fell no serious injury, Donnie Smith fell and broke hip, James Bone long term medical problems, Dale Huckeba adjusting to pacemaker, Sandy Pate upcoming knee surgery, Brenda Knowles ankle surgery. Carlos Fuller's (Stewart House), son John Fuller had a heart attack, he is home had to have pacemaker.

Others include Gene Yearty, Richard Gynn, and Steve Holder

TAPS

Our Fallen Comrades since January 2022

Donald Chavez

Bill Duncan

Horace Geter

Wilson Knot

McEwen

Robbie Merrell

Horace Sanders

Joseph E Schadt

Willie Wynn



MISC PHOTOS



UPCOMING EVENTS

August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

AUGUST

4—EC meeting

—Department Scholarships awarded to 8 seniors— No one from the Post was selected

—BBQ tickets are available, call Randy Purser or Ron Knowles for tickets

5—Temple High School Invest-30 event. (Cmdr. Pate & JVC Joswick to attended)

18—Combined Membership Meeting, Central HS Shotgun club members receive awards & medals

21—**5th District meeting to be held at post 143 beginning Sunday at 0830hrs**

29—Heritage Days final meeting at 1000hrs. Don Levans, Jeanette Henson, and Frank Joswick will attend

SEPTEMBER

1—Executive Committee Meeting starting at 6pm

20—Heritage Days walk-thru for volunteers will be held at the Ag Center at 1700hrs.

22—Combined membership Meeting starting at 6pm

22-23 Heritage Days 2 day event. Volunteers report at 0730 at the Ag Center both days

29—BBQ prep day at the Ag Center

30—BBQ event begins. All volunteers are to report at the Ag Center by 0800hrs

Member Profile Change Form

First Name: _____	<u>COMMENTS:</u>
Last Name: _____	
Street Address: _____	
City: _____	
State: _____	
Zip Code: _____	
Phone: _____	
Email: _____	
Member is Deceased: <input type="checkbox"/>	

***NOTE:** Please give this "PROFILE CHANGE FORM" to the Adjutant during the next Regular Membership meeting
or call 770-830-5979 & leave a message