

POST 30 NEWS



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Commander's Corner

We hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving. With Christmas just around the corner we want to remind everyone that we will hold our annual Christmas dinner and party on December 15th at 1800. All legionnaires and their spouses are encouraged to attend. **A reminder that you must RSVP to Billy Doolittle (803-637-3722) or email the post no later than December 8th.** The dinner will be catered by 3rd Generation Restaurant and the meal will consist of turkey and dressing, mac & cheese, green beans, bread, and ice tea. The dinner will cost \$10 per person and you can pay that night. We will not conduct any business at the dinner.

Let's make this a fun night. We will have the hut decorated and would like to take pictures of everyone in attendance. We will also play a game or two. Everyone should bring five \$1 bills for a chance to play and win big. It's going to be a great night.

As always, if you are willing to receive our newsletter electronically please send us an email – alpost30sc@gmail.com.

-- Tommy Tripp, Post 30 Commander

Adjutant Advisory

Let's keep Post 30 lively! Membership is an important part of our mission. We should always be recruiting the next generation of Post 30 colleagues, encouraging former members to rejoin our ranks, and promoting our post every chance you get. All veterans and their family members are welcomed so please extend an invitation to our monthly meetings to all.

November is membership retention month for the American Legion. The membership target for each post is 65% and we are currently sitting at 59%. If you have not paid your 2023 dues please get them paid as soon as possible. You can pay me in person or pay online at <https://www.legion.org/>.

At our November meeting, we welcomed guests John "Pete" and Sandy Peterson from Arizona who were visiting us for the second time. Pete is a retired Air Force Lt Col pilot who served in Vietnam. We hope they'll come back next year to enjoy another serving of Chris' delicious meatloaf.

-- Jane Doolittle, Post 30 Adjutant

Post 30 has Gone Nuts!

Our pecan order has arrived and after filling the pre-orders we have over 200 bags left. This is our big fundraiser for the year and our goal is to get all the bags sold by our

Christmas dinner on December 15th. Each bag is \$12 and we have some of each kind still available. Jane has the pecans at her office and you can reach out to her (803-480-1061) or email us to coordinate all orders. We also plan to have a table setup at the fire station during the Christmas parade on December 4th. We will set the table up around 1430 and will take it down after the parade. If you are willing to help man the table let us know. Thanks in advance for your assistance.

The selections are listed below and all are \$12 per bag; we accept cash or personal checks only.

Mammoth Pecan Halves	12oz
Roasted & Salted Pecans	12oz
Roasted & Salted Cashews	12oz
Milk Chocolate Pecans	12oz
Cinnamon Glazed Pecans	10oz
Glazed Pecans	8oz

Calendar of Events

December 4, 2022

Edgefield Christmas Parade, Starts at 1500

December 15, 2022

Post 30 Annual Christmas Dinner and Party, Starts at 1800

January 19, 2023

Monthly Meeting, Dinner at 1800, meeting at 1830

NOTE! IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND:

You must call Billy Doolittle (803-637-3722) or email the post no later than the Monday prior to our scheduled meeting.

SOUND OFF!

We've received positive feedback on our updated newsletter format and we thank you for that. To help us continue to improve we'd like to ask what you would like to see in the newsletter. Let's make it fun and informative. We look forward to hearing your suggestions.

Transfer to Post Everlasting

★ Manly DeLoach "PeeWee" Padgett passed away on November 20, 2022 at the age of 95. He was a veteran of the Merchant Marines and served in World War II. PeeWee was a member of the Post for 33 years, served as Commander, and worked as the Post chef for 15 years.

★ Robert Henry "Bob" McKie, a former member and Commander of Post 30, passed away on November 20, 2022 at the age of 90. Bob served in the US Army for 28 years, obtained the rank of Lt. Colonel, and completed two tours in Vietnam.

News & Notes

Did you know that military retirees and disabled veterans will see the largest increase in pay, 8.7%, since 1981? This represents an adjustment in the Cost of Living Allowance due to inflation. The increase will take effect in your January 2023 payment.

Veterans, Gold Star Families get free lifetime pass to national parks, wildlife refuges, other public lands. The J. Strom Thurmond Project in Clarks Hill, SC is expected to have veteran passes available for issuance soon. Call 864-333-1100 to check on availability of passes.