



The Kingsport Legionnaire
American Legion Hammond Post 3
V.O. Dobbins Community Center
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Newsletter November/December 2019

Post meetings are every third Monday of the month, 6 P. M. in the Eastman Conference Room,
2nd Floor of the V.O. Dobbins Community Center

Commander's Corner:

Fall is almost over, and the Holiday Season is upon us. The Post has been busy since our last newsletter. Here are a few highlights: the Honor Guard has done 156 funerals and 14 community events since July, we formed a Color Guard and they performed two community events, our Chaplain has done numerous Flag Etiquette classes and aided Post 21 establish their program.

We invite you to our 100th Year Christmas Party. It is on December 6, 2019 in the Douglas Community Center at the V.O. Dobbins Center, 301 Louis Drive, Kingsport TN. Doors open at 6 P.M. and dinner served at 6:15. RSVP to William Roberts, or 2nd Vice Commander at williamrob@chartertn.net or (423) 306-7876 by December 2, 2019. See the notice on Page 2 for more information.

As always, I appreciate your continued membership and support. Together we fight for and support all veterans and their families.

Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year.

Gary R. Stidham
Post Commander

Adjutant's Corner:

It has been a while since our last newsletter. As Commander Stidham mentioned, the Post has been busy. I don't have anything to add to that. Here are some links that I think will help you have a Happy Holiday Season.

Winter weather and storms are dangerous, be prepared. Follow the advice of the Center of Disease Control and Prevention's website on Winter Preparedness at <https://www.cdc.gov/features/winterweather/index.html>.

The Holiday season can be very stressful. The experts at PschCentra give excellent advice on coping with Holiday stress: <https://psychcentral.com/holidays/>

Suicide is a major problem in the veteran community. Check on Our Buddies, see how they are doing. Get help if they are contemplating suicide. Call the suicide hotline: **1-800-273-8255** or text **838255**. This website gives you more information about suicide and suicide prevention: <https://www.mentalhealth.va.gov/suicideprevention/veterans-crisis-line.asp>.

Please renew your 2020 membership if you have not done so yet.

Wishing everyone a Safe and Happy
Holiday Season.

Angelo A. Pellitteri
Post Adjutant

Department Chain of Command:

Department Commander – Luther
Holsonback

1st District Commander – Ron Cales

Post Commander – Gary R. Stidham

Past Post Commander/Honor Guard
Commander – Gerald Cardwell

1st Vice Commander – Doug Mancabelli

2nd Vice Commander – Robert Williams

Adjutant – Angelo A. Pellitteri

Chaplain – Phil Jones

Finance Officer – Doug
Mancabelli

Membership Officer – Doug
Mancabelli

Sergeant-At-Arms – Billy

“Buck” Connant

Sick Call:

Bobby Westbrook

James A. Beutel

To add members contact:

Ellen Burchfield (423)-246-6991

Angelo A. Pellitteri (423)-276-5358

Email Phil Jones chaplain@tnpost3.com

TAPS:

Leroy Combs, Jerry Johnson,

James W. Jones

Upcoming Events:

November 26, 2019 – Thanksgiving

December 6, 2019 – Christmas Party

December 2, 2019 – 1st District Meeting

Post 119, Rutledge TN

December 16, 2019 – Post Meeting

December 18, 1st District Meeting

Post 24, Johnson City TN

January 20, 2020 – Post Meeting

February 2, 2020 – 4 Chaplains Service

February 8 – 9 2020 – Dept Mid-Winter
Conference

Email Newsletter:

In order to reduce postage cost, we are
emailing the newsletter to those members
who have email addresses. It will also be
on MyLegion.org and Facebook.

If you want to continue receiving a paper
copy contact:

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Angelo Pellitteri (423) 276-5358

**AMERICAN LEGION Hammond Post 3, Kingsport TN
Christmas Party**

Who: Post 3 Members and
spouses
When: Dec 6, 2019
Where: V.O. Dobbins Complex
Douglas Meeting Room
301 Louis Street
Kingsport, TN
Time: 6 P.M.



Clothing Donations Requested
Purpose: Support Local
Homeless Veterans
Items Requested:
Sweatshirts, Sweatpants
Gloves, Coats, Hats
(Toboggans), Socks, etc.
Sizes: Small - XX

Menu: Ham, mashed potatoes, broccoli casserole, salad, rolls country fruit cobbler,
Christmas cookies, coffee

Live Entertainment, Door Prizes

RSVP by Dec 2, 2019 to Rob Williams (423) 306-7876, williamrob@chartertn.net