

# AMERICAN LEGION POST 3 THE COFFEY CUP

**JUNE 2019**

**COMMANDER'S CORNER –**

## YOUR OFFICERS

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Dear Members, our next Monthly meeting will be held on 4 June 2019 at 19:00 at the Post Home.

If you have any question, concerns or comments about the Post or why we are doing or not doing something the meeting is the place to bring these topic's up.

This year the Legion and the Post are Celebrating their 100-year Anniversary.

Post Elections were held at the May Meeting we still have positions open. All committees need Seats filled. Remember this is your Post, if you want to see changes you must get involved. Our Membership numbers are up.

The Post will have four delegates attending the Department convention in June.

I will be at the Post Home between 16:00 & 17:00 on Mondays for any Member that has a Questions or wants to see the Post.

Anyone can contact me by phone or. email.

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Editor

Barney Barbera



## **CHAPLAIN'S REPORT –**

William G. Raiche, 91, member for 52 years, died May 6, 2019 (WWII)

Richard S. Seymour, PC, 1989, member for 62 years, died May 9, 2019 (Korea)

Please see if you can support the post by attending his interment at the New Hampshire Veterans Cemetery, 6 June 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

Military burial and honors for Steve Morin, US Army (Vietnam) will be held 21 June 2019 at noon at Edgewood Cemetery. I will do the interment prayers. Again, we need your support. Please join us in your blue and gray as honor guards.

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## **SERVICE OFFICER'S REPORT -**

No Report -

Let's Remember We Are All Veterans Helping Veterans



Post 3 Commander John York presented The American Legion General Military Excellence Award to Jr. AFJROTC cadet Autumn Pinsonneault at the Jr. ROTC Award Ceremony held at Nashua High School North on 3 May 2019 at 7 PM. She is a Nashua High North student.

## POST HISTORIAN'S REPORT -

This month I digitally archived the post history folder for 1996-97. James McDowell served as commander for that year.

On Sunday, Sept., 29, 1996, a Testimonial for the Life Membership Award to Past Commander Harlan "Ed" Pierce, was held at the James E. Coffey Post 3 home. Pictured seated in the photo are his wife Frances, Ed, and his mother Dorothy Pierce. Back row L-R are life members Royal Miller III, Royal Miller Jr., Roland Brisson, Gary Johnson, Roland Caron, Fred Larocque, and William Powell. Ed's gold card had not arrived at the time of the testimonial, so he was presented with a token one.



On Sunday, 6 Oct 1996, Past Commander John "Jack" Lemery passed away.

On Friday, 11 Oct 1996, Past Commanders Gary Johnson and Royal Miller III went to Ed Pierce's home and presented him with his gold Life Membership card. Ed passed away on Sunday 13 Oct 1996, exactly one week after Jack Lemery.

On Sunday 13 April 1997, Alex Henlin, 18, a resident of Dracut, Ma. and a senior at Bishop Guertin High School bested a field of 54 state champions to win the American Legion's National Oratorical Contest in Indianapolis. Henlin's victory marks the first time an New Hampshire representative has won the national oratorical title. He takes home an \$18,000.00 scholarship. His constitutional themed 10-minute speech was titled "A More Perfect Union".



Alex Henlin

Alex, who was sponsored competed last year as well, won the state title and was by the James E. Coffey Post 3, regional runner-up at the national contest. He was also a NH state representative at the 1996 American Legion's Boys Nation conference in Washington, DC. Alex plans to study political science and law in college at either Georgetown or Villanova Universities.

You can reach the Post 3 history page on-line at <http://centennial.legion.org/new-hampshire/post3>. There is also link to the history on the Post 3 web site. Anyone that has a story or event that they feel is worthy of entry into the post history, please provide me with details and/or photos and I will add the event.

For God and Country,  
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### **VETERANS COFFEE CLUB -**

The Veterans Coffee Club is held every second Tuesday of the month. Next meeting is Tuesday, 11 June 2019, 2:00 pm at the Nashua Senior Center. Guest speakers will present information of interest to military veterans. Meet you in the Coffee Talk Lounge. The talks are free and open to the public.

Hosted by Barney Barbera,  
Chairman, Mayors Veterans Council

## MEMBERSHIP -

GOAL FOR POST # 3 IS ( 242 )

**MEMBERS PAID TO DATE 302 WHICH IS 124.79%**

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*The next District Meeting will be selected by the new District Commander.*



## AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY (AUX) -

**From the Membership Chairman:** Just a note to say thank you to all who have renewed their membership for 2019. The memberships have been sent to Department. Our Goal for this year is 65 members. we now have 46 members. 69%



## SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION (SAL) -

SAL meeting is held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. Membership Goal is 25 Members to date we have 13 Members renewed 52 %

If you would like to pay your dues, come to the next meeting on 9 April 2019.



# Show your support for **VETERANS**

## Send Us Your Photos

We plan to recognize all who served our nation. Honor your family's veteran or a friend who served by submitting a photo to be published free of charge on July 5.



Photos of veterans may be submitted to [veterans@unionleader.com](mailto:veterans@unionleader.com) or bring your photos to the Union Leader at 100 William Loeb Drive, Manchester, NH Monday through Friday 9am-4pm. Photos must be submitted by June 28.

*Please include the veteran's name, branch, rank and city or town of residence (out-of-staters are OK.)*

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