



American Legion Post POST 316

South Cherokee County Georgia
P.O. Box 496 Woodstock, GA 30188

Member Handbook 2014 – 2015





The American Legion

Just after World War I, while still serving on duty in Paris, France, a group of war-weary American soldiers met to discuss the problems of those men returning from the war. Many had both physical and mental problems. There were also widows and orphan children of those who had lost their lives. Even though other meetings were held before the organization received a name, the result was The American Legion.

The American Legion was chartered by Congress in 1919. The Legion has its headquarters in Indianapolis, Indiana and has a membership of more than 3.1 million members, men and women. Nearly 16,000 local groups or Post, as they are called, are located in each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, plus Canada, France, Italy, Mexico, Panama Canal, and the Philippines. The major areas of involvement of the organization include National Security, Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, Legislative matters, Economics, and Americanism and Children and Youth.

Membership in The American Legion is open to those people who served honorably in any branch of the military during a wartime or conflict period. Since the organization is chartered by Congress, the eligibility periods are also determined by Congress. The newest group of eligible veterans is those who are on duty during Operation Iraqi Freedom as well as those on active duty, now during this wartime period.



A Message from the Post Commander

Dear Legionnaire:

Welcome to American Legion Post 316 - South Cherokee County.

Thank you for your service to your country. As a Legionnaire in Post 316 you will continue to serve your country; but in a slightly different way.

I encourage you to attend our monthly meetings which are held at the Woodstock Senior Center located at 223 Arnold Mill Road in Woodstock (next to the Woodstock Fire Department). Meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month starting at 7:00 pm, unless otherwise advised by the Post Commander or Adjutant.

Be sure to arrive early so that you may enjoy the fellowship of other veterans like yourself and get to know your fellow Legionnaires.

Please check out our post website at www.alpost316.org as well as The Department of Georgia American Legion website at www.galegion.org. Both websites contain valuable links for additional information in learning about The American Legion.

If you have any questions, concerns, or special interests please contact me or any Post Officer. A complete list of all Post Officers is located in your new member's handbook.

Remember, we are here to help you become an active member in American Legion Post 316.

“The Biggest Little Post in Georgia”

For God and Country,

Irma M. Martin
Commander Post 316

Preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion

For God and Country;

We associate ourselves together for the following purposes;

To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America;

To maintain Law and Order;

To foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism;

To preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in the Great Wars;

To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the Community, State, and Nation;

To combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses;

To make right the master of might;

To promote peace and good will on earth;

To safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy;

(Auxiliary Only) –

To participate in and contribute to the accomplishments of the aims and purposes of the American Legion.

To consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness;



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2014 – 2015 POST OFFICERS



**Irma Martin
Commander**



**Otto Rust
Sr. Vice Commander**



**Irma Martin
Adjutant**



**Bud Leonard
Chaplain**



**William Epps
Finance Officer**



**Jack Wilroy
Judge Advocate**



**Terry Gipson
Service Officer**



**Herb Wyatt
Sgt-At-Arms**



**Julian Windham
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**Fred Schaefer
Historian**



**John Fuller
Jr. Vice Commander**



**John Robinson
Jr. Vice Commander**



**Stan Brown
Jr. Vice Commander**



**Jeff Geyerman
Committeeman**



**Mike Satterly
Committeeman**



**Carl Welch
Committeeman**



**Calvin Englehart
Web-Site Manager**

AMERICAN LEGION

Post 316 South Cherokee County GA

Post 316 History

American Legion Post 316 South Cherokee County, Department of Georgia was chartered by the National Headquarters of the American Legion in Indianapolis, Indiana. Members who joined this Post prior to May 17, 2002 shall be known as charter members.

A temporary charter was duly issued to South Cherokee County Post 316, The American Legion, Department of Georgia, Woodstock, Georgia bearing the signatures of National and Department Commanders and Adjutants of said organizations; said charter becoming effective and dated the 20th day of June, 2001.

The following names are recorded as Charter Members of said Post and same are hereby recognized as Charter Members of this Post:

Gerald M. Abernathy	Roy Davis	Richard J. Malone	Charles F. Scheid III
Robert G. Abraham	Billy F. Dodd	James Manning	Fred N. Schaefer
Orman C. Allen	John G. Douglas	Steven J. Matthes	William E. Schley
Jack Banister	Wallace Eidson	Leonard A. McClure, Jr.	A. B. Schwartz
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Donald M. Boyee	Steven N. Gallman	Robert M. Mienscow	Laurin G. Smith III
Rita Brock-Perini	Grady B. Gee	Dale Milligan	Charles G. Slater
Herbert H. Brown	Theadore I. Gentry	Arthur A. Molitor, Jr.	Gerald T. Stanton
Arthur Bryan	Derek Good	Stephen P. Moore	Leon T. Staton
George H. Buchanan	Norman W. Grossman	Kenneth E. Moss	Charles H. Stephens
David E. Bullock	James R. Hamby	Robert A. Moss	Miles L. Stephenson
James Busi	Bruce P. Hatfield	Roy D. Morris	Frank Struzzieri
J. Michael Byrd	Jerry S. Hornsby	Douglas Motley	David M. Tate
Robert L. Campbell	Charles Hulsey	George A. Nelson	Wayne Tatum
Robert W. Campbell	Eugene L. Johnson	Donald P. Newby	Fred A. Thoma
Robert W. Campbell	Jay T. Johnson	David W. Nickerson	Robert H. Thomas
Jimmy G. Carpenter	Warren R. Johnson	Kieran V. Pavlick	James U. Thomason
Danny T. Carson	Jack R. Johnston	William C. Porter	Peter A. Timmins
Joseph E. Clare	James E. Kane	James K. Price, Jr.	Ronald C. Treadaway, Sr.
John P. Clement	Robert W. Laney	John L. Price	Charles T. Tucker
Leonard Clement	Robert R. Larchevesque	Grady E. Priest	Johnathon Q. Tucker
Donald L. Coker	Jack E. Leonard	Sarah G. Raines	William R. Webster
Alvin K. Collins	Jerry W. Lewis	Herman L. Richison	Michael N. Williams
Robert E. Conway	Lawrence Little	Robert D. Riley	John D. Wilroy
Greg Crittenden	Harold A. Lowe	C. Todd Roark	Robert J. Wolfenberger
Joseph G. Czachor	Thomas S. Lutz	John Sandberg	Adam G. Woodruff
Richard T. Dean	Wayne Mackey	Michael Sarris	Carlton N. Yancey

The First Officers of Post 316 were:

Commander – Charles Tucker, Sr. Vice Commander – Leon Staton,

Jr. Vice Commander – John Tucker, Adjutant – Robert Mienscow,

Chaplain – Les Barton, Committeemen – Orman C. Allen and Theadore I. Gentry



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Post Quartermaster

Post 316 does not have a Quartermaster or Supply Department. The Post Adjutant will occasionally make a bulk purchase of certain items for resale to the members, however this is very rare. It is up to the individual Legionnaires to purchase their uniform items direct from American Legion Emblem Sales.

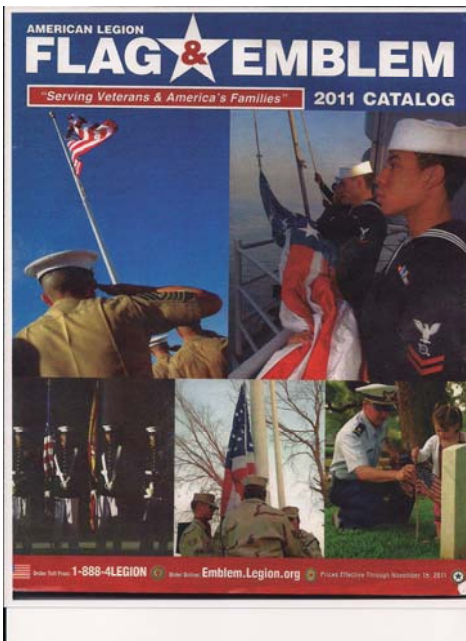
American Legion Emblem Sales is the “Official” source for all American Legion items. They are located in Indianapolis, Indiana. You can order by phone, fax, or on-line.

They have a Toll Free Number – 1-888-4LEGION (1-888-453-4466)
Fax 317-630-1381 and Internet - www.emblem.legion.org

Call for a free catalog or just order on-line. Remember to have your Legion Membership Number handy when you order.

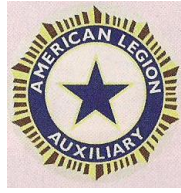
CAUTION: When you order your “Post Cap”, you must tell them what you need on it. The Georgia PEACH logo will always be on ALL Caps ordered for Posts in Georgia. The lettering on the left side of your cap should read:

SO. CHEROKEE CO. GA *(See the attached cap picture).* If you have any questions about ordering your Post Cap please contact one of your Post Officers and they will be glad to assist you.



Remember: When ordering flag related items from Emblem Sales be sure to mention that your order is to benefit POST 316 so that the Post gets credit for future purchases on Post items.

The American Legion Auxiliary



The American Legion Auxiliary was founded in 1920, and the ladies of the Auxiliary are still the largest ladies' service organization in the world.

We meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the William G. Long Senior Center located at 223 Arnold Mill Road, Woodstock GA at 7:00 pm with the American Legion.

During the Legion meeting we break away into our own meeting. We function as a separate organization within the American Legion Family.

We are involved with helping veterans and their families in any way that we can. Fundraisers are enjoyed to support our veterans, and our Poppy drives are well known for that. If you would like to know more about our adult and junior programs, please contact Annetta Tucker, President, at nanna20001@yahoo.com or 770-310-7772.

Sons of The American Legion



The Sons of The American Legion was created in 1932 as an organization within The American Legion. The S.A.L. is made up of boys and men of all ages whose parents or grandparents served in the United States military and became eligible for membership in The American Legion.

You should be able to get an official S.A.L. Membership Application from just about any American Legion Post in the country.

Not everyone is eligible to become a member of the Sons of The American Legion. There are specific membership requirements: you must be a male descendant (includes stepsons and adopted sons) of a member of The American Legion – or a deceased veteran who would have been eligible to join The American Legion before he died.

For more information about Squadron 316 please contact Charlie Tucker at 678-643-0794 or email at ccharliett@gmail.com

The American Legion Riders



Membership in the American Legion Riders is a very diverse group, so are the programs that they are involved in. In order to become a member of the American Legion Riders a person must be a member of a legion post, auxiliary unit or SAL squadron. The types of things that the Legion Riders do are far too many to mention here but here are a few examples of what they are involved in:

1. Participation in the annual POW/MIA Rally held each Memorial weekend in Washington D.C. known as "Rolling Thunder".
2. Sponsoring or participating in local Charity events.
3. Raising money for such organizations as local VA Hospitals, Battered Women and Children's Center, Varied Children and Youth programs, a School for Blind Children, Veterans Relief, Needy families and many, many others.
4. Sponsoring or participating in motorcycle "Runs" to benefit numerous charities, including charities for underprivileged children and medical research, just to name a few.
5. Participation in memorial ceremonies and community parades.

If you are interested in finding out more about the American Legion Riders Post 316 South Cherokee please contact Annetta Tucker by email at nanna20001@yahoo.com or by phone at 770-310-7772.

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