



**LEONARD W. KIDD**  
**AMERICAN LEGION POST 2001**  
Minutes of Meeting  
14 July 2016



**Members in Attendance:** John Alban, Dave Austin, Ken Canterbury, James Hinkle, Carl Johnson, Norm Larson, Chuck Loomis, Sam Meyers, Nick Monje, Bob O'Such, Larry Rosenberger, Richard Ryan, Joe Scalione.

**General Meeting.** The meeting was at Woods Recreation Center (alternate meeting location).

**Opening.** First Vice Commander Chuck Loomis began the meeting at 19:33 hours. The colors were posted prior to opening. Chaplain Hinkle delivered the opening prayer.

**Report of Officers.**

**Post Minutes.** The Adjutant presented the minutes from the June 2016 meeting, having been distributed earlier. A member moved to accept the minutes of the meeting into the Post archives, and the motion was passed by voice vote.

**Significant Announcements.** Comrade Loomis provide an update on our Post Commander, Charlie McKinney, who is doing much better. Following that, Comrade O'Such gave an update on coordination with other local Veteran support groups. He noted that Post had played an important part in assisting a Veteran in the Virginia Beach area. The work of our Post Service Officers and others resulted in a Virginia Beach Post (Post 110) assisting the Veteran.

**Membership.** Comrade Larson reminded everyone that the campaign for membership for 2017 is now underway (as of 1 July).

**Finance.** The Finance Officer Richard Ryan reviewed the budget and presented the finance report for June 2016. He also provided an overall financial update for the year-to-date. A member moved to accept the report into the archives of the Post, subject to audit. The motion was passed by a voice vote.

**Second Vice Commander.** Comrade O'Such briefed Post on a local high school student who has volunteered to assist Post with any tasks we might have. If you have an idea, please send it to Bob O'Such for consideration.

Comrade O'Such then briefed Post on the Medical Musical Group (a participant in the Loudoun Salute) and their upcoming concert on 14 August at 4:00 pm (pre-event starts at 3:00 pm), at Schlesinger Hall in Alexandria. The concert is free for Veterans. See their website at [www.medicalmusical.org](http://www.medicalmusical.org) for more details.

He provided an update on the mobility vehicle that local dentist Dr. Lans has been working to fund. As of this update, the vehicle will be going to an active duty soldier. The effort is being worked by our Post and Lorton Post 162.

The Loudoun Salute is on track for 15 October at Stone Bridge High School. The guest speaker line-up is still being worked.



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Comrade O'Such asked for volunteers to assist with the 19 July cook-out at the Leesburg National Guard Armory. The event is at 4:00 pm and they need a volunteer to assist with cooking.

**Boys and Girls State.** Comrade Scalione gave a short brief on an article about a West Point cadet who was inspired by the Boys and Girls State program.

**Old Business.**

**Baseball.** Comrade Loomis provided an update on the Post's American Legion baseball team. At the time of the July meeting, our team was 13 and 0 in District play. There was discussion about purchasing an advertisement for the Post and Loudoun Salute in the program for the American Legion regional baseball tournament. A member moved to have post purchase an advertisement for \$1000.00, and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**Fourth of July Parade.** Comrade Loomis gave a short update on the Independence Day Parade in Leesburg. Comrade Canterbury was able to borrow a convertible for the event, allowing several of our Legionnaires to participate without having to march the route. Comrades Scalione and Larson carried the colors, and Comrades Canterbury, Rosenberger, Christeson, Holleran, Loomis and Graff represented our Post at the event.

**Scouting.** First Vice Commander Loomis provided a quick update on the scouting program. Post is sponsoring a Cub Scout Pack that is about 120 strong. Comrade Biggs will present further details at a future meeting as he was not able to attend.

**Gold Star Mothers.** Comrade Nick Monje reminded us of the Gold Star Mothers golf tournament on 23 September. The event will help raise money for a monument to mothers who have lost one of their children in the line of duty. Go to [www.gsmmoonument.org](http://www.gsmmoonument.org) for additional details. Comrade Monje discussed the possible Post sponsorship of a "hole" during the golf tournament. After discussion, a Legionnaire moved to give the Executive Committee the authority to decide on Post support of the golf tournament and the dollar amount. The motion passed by voice vote. For further details about the tournament, contact Comrade Monje ([nickandianne.monje@gmail.com](mailto:nickandianne.monje@gmail.com)).

**Poppies.** Comrade Rosenberger asked everyone to "save the date" for our Veterans Day poppy distribution. Post will be handing out poppies on 4 and 5 November this year.

**Service Officer.** Comrade Scalione noted that Post is working on setting up priorities and guidelines for support to Veterans in need. The group discussed some of the parameters to receive assistance such as proof of Service (DD214) and being in the area.

**For the Good of the Legion.** A Legionnaire noted that there would be the "Worlds Largest Golf Outing" on 1 August at the 1757 Golf Club. The event provides funding for Veterans' families staying at the Fisher House while the Veteran is undergoing medical treatment.

**Closing.** At 21:10 hours, there being no further business to bring before the Post, Comrade Loomis delivered the closing prayer and adjourned the meeting.



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NOTE CHANGE FOR NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be 1930 hours, 11 August 2016, at the Woods Recreation Center at 44020 Louisa Drive in Ashburn Village (just off of Ashburn Village Boulevard).

Our webpage is: <http://ashburnlegion.org/>

Check out our Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/alpost2001AshburnVA>

Loudoun Salute 2016: <http://www.loudounsalute.com>

Meetup : <http://www.meetup.com/American-Legion-Post-2001-Ashburn-VA/>