



**Leonard W. Kidd Memorial
AMERICAN LEGION POST 2001
ASHBURN, VA 20146**
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AGENDA
8 March 2018

- I. Open Meeting CMDR
Chuck Loomis
- Commander's comments
 - Approval of Minutes
- II. Welcome Guests/ Potential New Members CMDR/ALL
- III. Report of Officers
- Adjutant Norman Larson
 - Finance Officer Richard Ryan
 - Third Vice CMDR Scott Morse
 - 2nd Vice CMDR Joe Scalione
 - 1st Vice CMDR Bob O'Such
- IV. Continuing Business & Reports
- Boys & Girls State update Greg Rhodes
B&GS Programs Chair
 - Junior Shooting Team development update Han Kuo
JST Program Chair
 - Loudoun Salute 2018 Frank Mullen
Salute Program Chair
- V. New Business/Briefings CMDR/EXCOM
- Need Poppy Distribution Chair – Memorial Day only 2 months away!
 - Need an Historian
 - FRC at Ashby Ponds: save the date, 3 May 1900
 - Honor Flights start – Sam Meyers
 - - Honor Flight luncheon
 - Announce the Nomination of Officers open
 - Other
- VI. For the Good of The American Legion ALL
- VII. Final Announcements (See below)
- VIII. Adjournment CMDR

Dates to remember:

Next Business Meeting: 12 April, 2018; 1930
AVFRD, 20668 Ashburn Road, Ashburn, VA

Final Announcements

- This year's **Honor Flight greeting events** begin soon. Be part of one...Contact **Sam Meyer**, coordinator, at schwanme@aol.com. Interested in becoming a Guardian? Please contact **Jennifer Watson Jamison**, Honor Flight at Dulles (heroeswelcomeiad@gmail.com).

- The American **Legion's 100th anniversary celebration (Mar 15-'17 thru Nov 10-12,'19)** is fast approaching (see special website www.legion.org/centennial). Comrade **Bill Wilkin** is Post 2001's chair for the anniversary; contact him to contribute/assist (wewilkin@aol.com).

- Visit the **Loudoun office of Virginia Department of Veterans Services (VDVS)** at *Lakes at Ashbrook*, Building 2, 44345 Premier Plaza, Suite 200, Ashburn **open 0830-1630, M-F. Veterans' services reps Pepper Burgess** or **Tim Hood** can help Veterans identify and apply for benefits.

- **Honor Flight - Top of Virginia** (Bus trips for local Veterans) Need a Post member to be the coordinator for a trip for local WWII vets, and to coordinate with **POC**, Dianne Klopp, President HF-TOV, (540) 692-9197; <https://www.honorflight-tov.org>

- Comrade **Tom Grant** is **Loudoun County Veterans Services Coordinator**; office phone (571) 258-3815. If you know a vet who needs help, contact Tom.

- **"Vet Center Community Access Center" is open** to serve Veterans, AD military personnel and their families. **The VetCen**, 751 Miller Drive Suite E, Leesburg, (304-263-6776), is connected to the Department of Veterans Affairs but doesn't report to VA Medical Centers. It provides certified counseling services to help veterans and families with any mental health needs, including PTSD, marriage/family counseling, Military Sexual Trauma, Substance Abuse, Anxiety, and Depression; assists with socioeconomic issues facing the veteran community; and navigating the VA. Vets no longer have to travel to VA Hospital in Martinsburg, WV or Alexandria. Mission focuses on veteran needs, community integration, and first rate counseling tailored to veterans' issues. BoS Chair Randall, Supervisor Buffington, Congresswoman Comstock, Loudoun County Administrator Hemstreet and their staffs were instrumental in establishing the VetCen in Loudoun.

- Coming: **new TRICARE dental and vision plans** administered through the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP). All TRICARE retirees and their families are eligible for both the dental insurance and the vision coverage; active duty military families, only for vision coverage. Choose plan during TRICARE's open season, Nov. 12 - Dec. 10, 2018. To start getting information and pre-enrollment communications, use website www.TRICARE.benefeds.com

- 4th Annual **Gold Star Mothers Family Monument Golf Tournament** at the Stonewall Golf Club in Gainesville, VA on Friday, September 28th. <http://GoldStarMothersGolf.com>.

- New American Legion **Post 1836 forming in Lovettsville**, Virginia. Led by Nate and Lizzy Fontaine (lizzy.fontaine@gmail.com, nathaniel.fontaine@gmail.com) and other community veterans.

- **Veteran Business Owners** networking meeting -- next: Mar 22 Wed at 7 pm at Weichert offices, Lakeview Center Plaza. Please invite other business owners to come with you. Josh Morimoto, Coordinator: [703-967-8679](tel:703-967-8679); Email: JMorimoto@weichert.com