

# Leonard W. Kidd Memorial AMERICAN LEGION POST 2001 ASHBURN, VA 20146

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### AGENDA 10 May, 2018

I. Open Meeting	Commander
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- Commander's comments
- Approval of Minutes

II. Welcome Guests/ Potential New Members	Commander/ALL
Special Presentation	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander

### 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
- Loudoun Salute 2018	Frank Mullen

- Other Committee Chair reports
  - \* Honor Flights Sam Meyers
- Need an Historian

#### V. New Business/Briefings

- Poppy Distribution Memorial Day Sign up	Dennis Kellen
- Baseball season starts	Scott Morse
- Final Announcement: Slate of Officer Candidates; Election	Adjutant
- Commander's Presentation	Chuck Loomis

- Other

#### VI. For the Good of The American Legion ALL

VII. <u>Final Announcements</u> (See below)

VIII. Adjournment CMDR

## **Dates to remember:**

Flag Pole and Plaque to Vets Dedication: 12 May; 0900

Rock Ridge HS athletic fields, Ashburn, VA

Memorial Day Poppy Distribution: 25 & 26 May

Giant Food Store, Ashburn Village Shopping Center

Next Business Meeting: 14 June, 2018; 1930

AVFRD, 20668 Ashburn Road, Ashburn, VA

- **Dedication ceremony** of the recently installed athletic field flagpole and Veterans memorial Stone at Rock Ridge HS, Saturday, **12 May, RRHS Athletic Fields at 0900**. Commemorative stone and plaque placed in front of the flagpole honor all Veterans, especially American Legion Post 2001. All members are encouraged to attend. Contact Richard Ryan if you have questions.
- Poppy Distribution for Memorial Day, 25 & 26 May at Giant Food Store entrance, Ashburn Village Shopping Center, Ashburn. Sign up for a shift(s) and help distribute poppies to raise funds for our less fortunate Veteran brothers and sisters. Call **Dennis Kellen**, 703-327-8627, to sign up.
- This year's **Honor Flight greeting events** are on!. Be part of one...Contact **Sam Meyer**, coordinator, at <a href="mailto:schwanme@aol.com">schwanme@aol.com</a>. See calendar on our website: <a href="mailto:www.ashburnlegion.org">www.ashburnlegion.org</a>
- The American Legion's 100th anniversary celebration (Mar 15-17 thru Nov 10-12, 2019) has begun as of March15th (see special website <a href="www.legion.org/centennial">www.legion.org/centennial</a>). 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. Serves military veterans and families in Loudoun County. Veterans' services representatives Pepper Burgess and 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 the **Loudoun County Veterans Services Coordinator**; office phone (571) 258-3815. Know a Vet who needs help? Tell them to contact Tom.
- A VA-connected "**Vet Center (VETCEN) Community Access Center" is open** in Leesburg (751 Miller Drive, Suite E, Leesburg, VA) to serve Veterans, active duty military and families. They provide certified counseling services for any mental health needs to include PTSD, marriage / family counseling, Military Sexual Trauma, Substance Abuse, Anxiety, and Depression; assist with socioeconomic issues that face the veteran community; and help navigate the Department of Veterans Affairs. Call Martinsburg (304) 263-6776, and ask receptionist for the Leesburg office. Mission focuses on veteran needs, community integration, and first rate counseling tailored to veterans' issues. Congresswoman Comstock, Supervisor Buffington, LC Administrator Hemstreet and staffs were instrumental in getting the VETCEN established 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. Choose plan during TRICARE's open season, Nov. 12 Dec. 10, 2018. To start getting information and pre-enrollment communications, use website <a href="www.TRICARE.benefeds.com">www.TRICARE.benefeds.com</a>
- 4<sup>th</sup> Annual **Gold Star Mothers Family Monument Golf Tournament** at the Stonewall Golf Club in Gainesville, VA on Friday, **September 28<sup>th</sup>**. http://GoldStarMothersGolf.com.
- New American Legion **Post 1836 in Lovettsville**, Virginia; Commander Nate and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Lizzy Fontaine (lizzy.fontaine@gmail.com, nathaniel.fontaine@gmail.com).
- **Veteran Business Owners Networking** meeting -- Third Wednesday of month, 7 pm at Weichert offices, Lakeview Center Plaza. Please invite other vet business owners to come with you. Comrade Josh Morimoto, Coordinator: 703-967-8679; Email: <u>JMorimoto@weichert.com</u>