Holloway – Moore Post 273 The American Legion, Department of Virginia Poquoson, VA

Business Meeting Minutes

Commander : Larry Hale √	Treasurer: D. Rhoades	Athletic Director: Vacant
1 st Vice : Jeff Gross	Sgt-at-Arms: R. Yannello	Historian: J. Mullen
2 nd Vice: John Frankenburg √	Chaplain: Les Kahn	Past Commander: Mark Carroll √
Adjutant : Mark Moncure √	Service: S. Dominguez √	

Normal opening ceremony and breakfast. The meeting opened at 0800 AM followed by breakfast. Meeting convened at 0820. 25 Members were present.

Date: 4 Jun 16

Guest Speaker – Our new member, Legionnaire Lonny Legrand, (transfer from Post 214) gave a terrific presentation of his momentous tour of duty with the 3rd Infantry, Old Guard, at FT Myer, VA, where he served as member of the very selective Honor Guard of the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington Cemetery. A big "HOOAAH" of thanks to Lonny, and welcome to Post 273!!

Adjutant's Report – Adjutant was grossly negligent (AGAIN!), and forgot to bring the minutes of the May meeting. Wouldn't have made any difference anyway, it was unanimously agreed to waive the May minutes even if he had brought them.

Membership – We're up a little last month, to a whopping 93.5% from 91.87%. Current membership goal still stands at 123. Continue to beat the bushes for new members. Well done, and welcome also to Legionnaire Dave Hyser(?) also a transfer from Post 214.

Finance Officer's Report – May was a good month, which means our Finance Officer (AGAIN!) is off on another vacation out of the country. LFCU Checking Account: \$3,553.43 and LFCU Savings Account: \$8,199. We moved \$2000 out of Savings into checking to cover operating expenses. Jackson Life Insurance Annuity: \$9,813 and Edward Jones Long Term Funds: \$88,426 for a Total Financial Assets Balance of \$110,076 (down \$1,143 from Apr). We will see Dusty again when the financial markets take a deep turn south.

Athletic Director – Leck Hangar is doing a stellar job filling in as our baseball director but stressed the need for an Athletic Director. Baseball tryouts will be at Tabb High School today and schedules were provided. Baseball programs will be forthcoming as soon as the team becomes final and pictures taken. The program can use some help w/concessions and other tasks, see Leck or Mark Carroll. As always, many thanks to both Leck and Mark!

Illnesses – As you know we sadly lost Bill Emerick after a courageous battle with cancer. Sal Dominguez will deliver our customary memory books to both the families of the late Frank Andriliunas and Bill Emerick today. Please remember them in your thoughts and prayers. God's mercy and comfort to both families. Larry Hale mentioned that we should give special honor to Ms. Kathy Nelson who does the calligraphy work for our memory books, without any charge. We will attempt to have her at a future breakfast meeting if her work schedule permits. Any ideas please pass them to any EXCON member.

Old Business – We successfully sent three young men to Boys State and were able to return the generous donations to the Kiwanis Club for their continuing work. We are thankful for their support.

Our annual Memorial Day observance was this past Monday, 30 May, and was a tremendous success despite the tough call to hold the ceremony indoors due to threatening weather. Nevertheless, the attendance beat all expectations and attendees were overflowing out in the hallway of the City Council chamber. The guest speaker, Col (R) Tom Sheppard, gave an inspiring address and we were also honored by the attendance of many foreign military members from the school at the US Coast Guard station who were very impressed with the ceremony. Thanks to Sam Tate for inviting these representatives who added a significant measure to the impact of the ceremony. Related to the holiday weekend, unofficial report of the poppy sales indicates that approximately \$2500 was taken in. Terrific effort by our Ladies Auxiliary and the Legionnaires who assisted throughout the weekend. Sadly, please keep Mary Westbrook in your prayers over the loss of her son.

Future Events - The next regular breakfast meeting is on **2 July 2016**. Our tour of duty at the Poquoson Food Pantry will be the 26th of July. Please mark your calendars to support this worthy effort if you can.

Good of the Post - The 50-50 winners were \$5 to Charlie French, \$8 to Janet Bargeman (who devotedly passed it to John, continuing his winning tradition) and \$10 to Rich Howe.		
Meeting adjourned at 0930.		
Respectfully Submitted,		
Mark Moncure, Adjutant		
SignedMM	Larry Hale, Commander Web-Site: www.ALPost273.org	

¹ HOOAAH – For Air Force members, a US Army motivational term used to indicate wholesale agreement, or merely an acknowledgement of what is being communicated, or to add support.