

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
AMERICAN LEGION POST 177
Wednesday, November 9, 2016**

1. Call to order: Colors presented. Pledge of Allegiance. POW/MIA Chair. Invocation. Preamble to TAL Constitution. Confirmed Quorum. Recognized VIPs.

Presentation by Boys State participants. Presentation of donation to WWAST Kids Camp. Presentation by Auxiliary of 2015-2016 Woman of the Year.

2. Minutes of previous meeting: Read and unanimously approved.

3. New Members: 5 new members accepted with unanimous approval; one new members present.

4. Old Business: None.

5. Reports and New Business:

5.1. Finance Officer: October net loss of \$342. Historically, similar to October 2016.

5.2. Adjutant: No report.

5.3. First Vice: 714 members registered, which is 72.26% of goal of 988 for 2017.

5.4. Second Vice: Newsletter will be out in mail by October 11 weekend.

5.5. Third Vice: No report.

5.6. Chaplain: No report.

5.7. Service Officer: No report.

5.8. Judge Advocate: No report.

5.9. Sergeant-at-Arms: Honor Guard activities for November given, including Veterans' Day observance on 12 November at 1200.

5.10. Historian: 10 Nov 1775 – USMC birthday. 11 Nov 1918 – Armistice Day Treaty ending WWI. 1 No 1941 – FDR put USCG under USN. 8 November 1965 – 173rd airborne ambushed at Operation Hump. Honor Guard featured in picture at Army-Navy Club for AUSA program.

5.11. Members-at-Large: No report.

5.12. Corporate Board: Email sent from Post attorney to IDI developer that Post parking lot is not available to solve their parking issues. Commander sent letter to Mayor and City Council regarding IDI parking issue. Wall in Social Quarters needs major repairs, and L.F. Jennings has been awarded contract to repair and restore building. Corporate Board meeting is 15 November at 1800. Related kudos from Lions attendees on Honor Guard presentation of colors and performance of ceremony at District Lions' Club Fall Conference. Pulte trailer not on Post property due to change in City of Fairfax zoning law as of 1 October.

5.13. ALR: Received request to participate in Veteran's Day ceremony at Great Falls assisted living facility.

5.14. Auxiliary: No report.

5.15. SAL: No report.

5.16. Commander: Post Manager in hospital, recuperating from procedure. Thanksgiving dinner will be served at Post on 24 November at 1300, \$18.00/person, served family style.

5.17. From the Floor: 1900 10 Nov – USMC Birthday cake, and libations. Documentary film "Thank You for Your Service" screening on 21 November 2016, 7:30 pm. Oratorical Chairman requests volunteers for January contest.

6. Announcements:

- 6.1.** 10 November 2016 – USMC Birthday; Department Commander at Post
- 6.2.** 11 November 2016 – Veteran's Day
- 6.3.** 12 November 2016 – Veteran's Day observance with flag retirement at 1200.
- 6.4** 13 November 2016 – 2nd Sunday Breakfast, 9:30 – 11 am
- 6.5** 10 December 2016 – Army-Navy tailgate party in Post parking lot – 3pm

7. Good of the Legion: No report.

8. Benediction: completed.

9. Adjourn: 2005 hours.