#### June 2025

### **Meeting Attendance and Opening**

In person: Tom, Bruce, Elsie, Jeff, Tim Bryant, Jamie, Rich Miller, Forrest Lingenfelter, and others..

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### **Opening Rituals**

The group recites the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a prayer led by Bruce, asking for blessings on the day and for troops and fallen soldiers.

#### **Financial Report**

Elsie provides the Treasurer's report, detailing the current balance of \$4,831.99, dues collected amounting to \$75, and additional donations including \$750 from the Ride of the Patriots and \$1,110 from the Auxiliary Unit 177. After accounting for a \$600 check to Fairfax Little League, the available balance stands at \$6,142.99. The group discusses earmarked funds for the Veterans and Children's Foundation and plans to vote on donations in upcoming meetings.

## **Upcoming Events and Rides**

#### Virginia Legacy Ride

The group plans to participate in the Virginia Legacy Ride from June 19th to 21st. The departure point is the Southern States gas station near Remington, with a staggered schedule to ensure smooth check-ins at the restaurant and hotel. Approximately seven riders from the group will join, coordinating with other posts including Stafford Post 290 and Annandale Post 1976. The ride involves scenic back roads, avoiding highways where possible, and includes an overnight stay at Natural Bridge.

## **National Legacy Ride**

Scheduled from August 17th to 21st, the national ride starts in South Boston, Virginia, proceeding to Tampa, Florida. Four members from the group are signed up, including Thomas Pike, Bruce, Nick, and Bryant. The group also mentions a "fun run" organized by Randy Gunn as an alternative one-day ride through Virginia on August 16th, with registration details to be shared.

#### Other Events

- July 5th: Cleaning of the American Veterans Disabled for Life Memorial.
- July 9th: Post general membership meeting with dinner.
- July 12th: Riders meeting (with Thomas Pike possibly attending via Zoom).
- July 13th: Post breakfast.
- September 13th: Central West Virginia Honor Flight lunch delivery.
- September 26th-28th: Virginia State ALR Rally in Front Royal, Virginia.
- July 4th: Fairfax parade with early morning lineup and float decoration volunteers needed.
- July 19th (rain date July 20th): Christmas in July Poker Run at Front Royal Post 53

# **Equipment and Safety**

Rich Miller discusses interest in acquiring an older model of a communication device called "FreeWire" or "switchback." Thomas Pike and Tom offer assistance with equipment setup, including cables and plugs compatible with different motorcycle models.

# **Organizational Updates**

- No meeting minutes were available due to a file crash.
- Membership updates include a new member, Joe Ganji, who participated in a recent ride.
- Discussion of email communications from the post commander Eric to keep members informed of events.

#### **Missing in America Project**

Forrest Lingenfelter announces a tentative internment service scheduled for September 12th at Culpeper National Cemetery. He requests experienced group riders for escort duties and mentions training materials to be provided.

## **Meeting Closure**

The meeting concludes with a motion to adjourn, a closing prayer