



American Legion Post 68, Leland
Meeting Room, Blossoms Restaurant, Magnolia Greens, Leland
Meeting Agenda for Thursday, APRIL 18th, 2019 at 6 PM

Officers in Attendance:

Dale Todd, Commander ___	Jim Zelenski, 1 st Vice Commander ___
Dan Dodge, Adjutant ___	Art Dietrich, 2 nd Vice Commander ___
Elliott Koppel, Financial Officer ___	Brian Danielson, Chaplain ___
Lane Adrian, Service Officer ___	Richard Fry, Public Affairs ___
John Marone, Logistics Officer ___	Bill Smith, Sergeant at Arms ___
Post Historian ___	Dan Fortini, Membership ___
Lou Tranzillo, Exec Com. ___	Jim Thompson, Exec Com. ___ Exec Com. _____

POST OPENING:

Call to Order: **Commander, Dale Todd**

Chaplain's Opening Prayer: **Chaplain, Brian Danielson**

POW/MIA Empty Chair Ceremony: **Sergeant at Arms, Bill Smith**

Pledge of Allegiance and Preamble: **All**

Approval of prior meeting minutes – Commander

Guest Speaker: Ed Hawfield – Will give a presentation on his grandfather's experiences as a soldier during WWI in the trenches of France

Introduction of New Members and Guests: Membership Chair, Dan Fortini

American Legion 100th Anniversary Celebration:

Coffee / Cake and a talk by Commander Todd

OLD/CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. Post Elections:

- a. Need to fill historian and 2 Executive Committee positions where there are no incumbents
- b. An elected position cannot serve for more than 2 terms. However, if there are no viable candidates for a position then the officers will grant an exception allowing the incumbent to run again.
- c. Post 68 Officers approved extension for Brian Danielson as Chaplain and Lou Tranzillo for Exec Committee
- d. Nominations for any position will be accepted this evening
- e. Election ballot to be closed tonight

2. Membership Report: Membership Chair, **Dan Fortini**

Prior Month Membership:	115
New Members:	0
Reinstatements:	1
Transfers in:	2
Transfers out:	0
Resignations:	0
Dropped:	0
Active members as of March	118

3. Financial Report: Finance Officer – Elliott Koppel

Balance beginning of February	\$ 11,102.00
Income:	\$ 978.00
Disbursements:	\$ 2,464.28
Ending Balance, February 28th	\$ 9,615.72

Cash on hand:

Cash box 1	\$ 95.50
Cash box 2	\$ 50.00
Total Cash on hand:	\$ 145.50

4. Concerns and Sick Call: Brian Danielson

5. Service Officer Update: Lane Adrian / Dale Todd

6. Updates to Post 68 Constitution and By-Laws

- a. Membership voted to approve Constitution and By-Law changes during March 2019 meeting
- b. Approval has been received from the Jacobs family
- c. Currently working with AL NC Department on packet submission routing

7. Boys and Girls State candidates

- a. Girls State applications have been submitted
- b. Boys State interviews held April 18th

NEW BUSINESS:

CURRENT ACTIVITIES:

After Action Reports:

Upcoming Events:

1. VEAC April 24 – 27
 - a. 24 members of Post 68 have signed up to volunteer at this event

2. Post Elections: May membership meeting
3. District 9 meeting May 18th, at Post 503 in Calabash
4. Poppy Drive May 18th - Margo Chestnut stepped up as lead
5. Cemetery Flag Placement May 27th - John Marone will lead this event

Future Events:

1. Flag collection ceremony – June 15th Dan Fortini
 - a. Commons area at Brunswick Forest has been reserved
2. Pasta Dinner fundraiser – Rescheduled for November membership meeting
3. We have submitted application for DownTown concert series fund raiser event
 - Post 68 was NOT selected to participate this year
4. Department Annual Convention June 5th thru 8th

MISC. ITEMS:

MEETING WRAP-UP:

Guest Speaker for May meeting: None – Post Elections

Next Membership Meeting: Post Elections May 16th

Comments from Membership.....

50/50:

Closing Ceremony

Chaplain's Closing Prayer: **Chaplain**

Recovering of POW Flag: **Sergeant-at-Arms**

Meeting declared Closed: **Commander**

Meeting Adjourned at: _____