JOHN E. JACOBS AMERICAN LEGION POST 68 SEPTEMBER 2021 - MEETING MINUTES ADDENDUMS:



Photos from our 9-11 memorial event.

FISH FRY:

Tickets for the Fish Fry are available and I will have them available. Contact me at dan14ef@hotmail.com or 413-834-4106.

If everyone helps with selling the or at least purchases tickets for themselves or family, we will be in good shape. They are also available on-line at Post 68's website ncpost68.org and onsite the day of the fish fry

Last spring, we sold over 250 meals and we to sell upwards to 400 meals this year so your participation is very important.

I will put out another message this week listing the number of volunteers and the jobs we'll need filled. Please respond so I can get a count.

Thanks, Dan Fortini - Cell# 413-834-4106

Wreaths Across America Tracking

John E. Jacobs American Legion Post 68 in Leland, NC

Overall Target Overall Total On Track Target Overall 1,200 Overall Target 1,000 On Track Target 100 1,000 Overall Total 115 **Overall Percent** 11.5% 800 This Period 600 Start: 7/1/21 End: 9/14/21 400 Total: 115.00 200 Today Date: 9/13/21 0 Total: 115 11.5%

Progress

115

Date	Name	Type or Check #	Amount	This Period	Comments
7/1/21	Carry Forward		20.00	yes	Count not dollars
9/13/21	Checks Received		16.00	yes	Count not dollars
9/13/21	Online sales		99.00	yes	Count not dollars

CLICK link below to see ATMC video of Commander Hacker discuss Wreaths **Across America**

(20+) Watch | Facebook

WAA: Still asking for EACH POST MEMBER to purchase 2 wreaths each!

FINANCE REPORT: August Transaction Register and account balance:

TYPE	DATE	TRANSACTION DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	Line Item	CREDIT	BALANCE
	31-Jul-21					\$11,692.02
DEBIT	4-Aug-21	American Legion National Dues Internet payment	\$495.00	4000		\$11,197.02
DEBIT	9-Aug-21	Facebook Ad	\$26.91	5001.04		\$11,170.11
CREDIT	10-Aug-21	One Wreath Across America		4001.03	\$5.00	\$11,175.11
CREDIT	10-Aug-21	13 Membership Renewals		4000	\$520.00	\$11,695.11
CREDIT	10-Aug-21	14 Membership Renewals		4000	\$560.00	\$12,255.11
DEBIT	11-Aug-21	American Legion National Dues Internet payment	\$82.50	4000		\$12,172.61
DEBIT	10-Aug-21	Trailer Insurance Premium-State Farm. Paid via DEBIT Car at State Farm Office on 10 Aug 21	\$21.50	5001.06		\$12,151.11
DEBIT	16-Aug-21	American Legion National Dues Internet payment	\$137.50	4000		\$12,013.61
CREDIT	20-Aug-21	50/50 \$96.00 No winner came forward		4002.01	\$96.00	\$12,109.61

		Purchased Water & Ice for Car Show via Debit				
DEBIT	21 Aug 21	Card	\$18.40	5004.09		\$12,091.21
		Purchased Water & Ice for Car Show via Debit				
DEBIT	21-Aug-21	Card	\$25.87	5004.09		\$12,065.34
		Cash Deposit from Car Show: \$125.00 Donations;		5004.09,		
CREDIT	23-Aug-21	\$40.00, 4 Service hats, and \$10.00, 2 masks.		4004	\$175.00	\$12,240.34
DEBIT	23-Aug-21	American Legion National Dues Internet payment	\$110.00	4000		\$12,130.34
		Processing fee of \$12.00 for the bogus returned				
DEBIT	23-Aug-21	check of \$40.00 back on 12 Jul 2021.	\$12.00	5000		\$12,118.34
	20 //ug 21	Check #1053 to Hacker, Elderhouse Veterans	ψ12.00	0000		ψ12,110.04
DEBIT	20-Aug-21	Activity Cake	\$22.99	5006.02		\$12,095.35
	20-Aug-21	Activity Care	ψΖΖ.99	5000.02		ψ12,030.00
CREDIT	24-Aug-21	11 members due deposit; \$40.00 cash and 10 checks.		4000	\$440.00	\$12,535.35
DEBIT	25-Aug-21	American Legion National Dues Internet payment	\$55.00	4000		\$12,480.35
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				Zoom;		
		Check # 1064, \$54.70 to Dan Dodge. \$41.96 four		5002.01-		
DEBIT	24-Aug-21	months of Zoom Fees and \$1274 for labels.	\$54.70	Labels		\$12,425.65
Ending Balance As		As of 31 Aug 21				12,425.65

POST 68 MEMBERS:

I want to thank all of the members that attended and helped with the Blood Drive at the WWAY studios on Friday. We had a very good turn out with a number of new members pitching in to assist. Although we met our minimum goal of 50 donations, we had hoped an ultimate goal of 60 could be met.

It was a terrific day and the weather wasn't a factor, maybe the week end after Labor Day or the 9/11 anniversary was, although there was a continuous flow of donors.

A special thanks to Past Commander Alan Simmons for providing a 9/11 commemorative flag that was presented to station WWAY for allowing us the use of their event center and their promotion of our events.

One very good result of the event is that we enlisted 4, possibly 5 new members! This shows that our sponsoring and attending this type of event is a major boost to Post #68's exposure and growth!

By having our members available to talk to our local veterans we are able to talk about and to talk up Post #68 and promote our dedication to veteran services, our support to the youth in Brunswick County and also to the residents of our local communities.

I sincerely hope that this is an omen of what's in store for the John E. Jacobs American Legion Post #68 and the veterans in our area. Remember that Post #68 is our Post, your Post, and will only become what we make it!

Again, my thanks to all that attended,

Dan Fortini 1st Vice Post #68

POST MEMBERS:

Thank you for participating in the 911 ceremony. It was a very classy and sacred ceremony. I cannot tell you how proud I was to be your commander. I attended a very well run 15th anniversary of 911, but this was heads above that one.

An event like this humbles one.

John Hacker, Commander – Post 68

CLICK link below to be taken to the Wilmington Veterans Day Parade website <u>https://sencveteransparade.com/</u>

Members: Per Commander Hacker, please see message below from USS North Carolina for an appreciation event Oct 2nd @ 1730 hours. If attending, please wear your Legion shirt and caps.

As you may be aware, the October 2nd 60th Anniversary Gala event to wrap up our 6 month program of celebrating the ship being on the Cape Fear and in Wilmington has been cancelled. It is hoped that the event will be rescheduled, possibly in the spring.

With that said, the Friends of the Battleship USS North Carolina still wanted to recognize those that made this program the success it turned out to be. On behalf of the USS North Carolina 60th Anniversary Committee, we would like to extend an invitation to your respective post members and their spouses/significant others to join us for a celebration on behalf of all those who assisted the committee in pulling off this program and to celebrate its success.

We are planning an informal pizza party on **October 2nd beginning at 17:30**. If the weather is nice, it will probably be held in the park next to the ship, or if needed we will hold it on board. Beer and soft drinks will also be provided.

Please extend this invitation to the VFW and American Legion members who so graciously gave of their time to assist us in the flag raising program, as our THANK YOU for helping us.

If your members can get back to you by Wednesday September 29th, I will then circle back with you that evening to get a count of those who are planning on joining us. We look forward to you and your membership joining us for this fun event, and the opportunity to join in the celebration.

Thanks... Jim Buell <<u>jimmyb658@gmail.com</u>> Flag Raising Committee Co-chair



September 9, 2021 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE **Contact:** <u>Erin McBride</u>, (202-225-2731)

Rouzer Seeks A Wounded Warrior or Medically Retired Veteran for A Position in Bolivia District Office

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Congressman David Rouzer (NC-07) today announced he is seeking a wounded warrior or medically retired veteran for a position in his Bolivia, North Carolina district office. The person chosen for the special fellowship will work with military and veteran constituents to handle veterans-related casework and act as a facilitator between constituents and federal, state, and local agencies.

"Our nation's veterans deserve the very best for their service and sacrifice to our great country," said Rep. Rouzer. "I'm honored to work with the House of Representatives to hire a Wounded Warrior Fellow that will help make sure veterans and military personnel living in

North Carolina's 7th Congressional District have access to the care and treatment they have earned."

The Wounded Warrior Fellowship Program was established by the House of Representatives to provide employment opportunities for wounded or disabled veterans within member offices.

The program is limited to veterans who meet all of the following requirements: Honorably discharged, released from active duty within the last five years, terminal pay grades at or below E-5 or O-3, 20% or greater service connected disabilities (waived if you have a Purple Heart). Veterans who are in receipt of a 20-year or Temporary Early Retirement Authorization (TERA) retirement are not eligible for the program.

Interested veterans should go to <u>https://www.usajobs.gov/</u> and search "Wounded Warrior Fellowship Program" for more information and how to apply.