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Date: September 9, 2025

Present: (See Attached) (28 members + 2 guest speakers)

Officers Present: President, 1st VP, Secretary (Treasurer and 2nd VP had excused absences)

Reading of Last Minutes: Motion to accept by Rich Kirshen and Seconded by R. Bongiorno: Passed Unanimously

Prior to Gen. Meeting: An officers meeting was held, which included the President, 1st VP, Secretary, and John Morley, Sam Velez, Chuck Broadbar, Joy Allington, Myrna Rios, and Patrick Lewis. Discussions pertained to the possibility of no meeting in October due to construction in the Legion building, and we unanimously voted to donate \$500 to that cause. Later, we learned that construction would not cause a cancellation of the October meeting. Also discussed was the passing of member Arthur Gresh and the current serious medical treatment of another member, Pat Longo.

President's Report:

The President spoke mainly about upcoming events (listed later in minutes)

1st VP Report:

Richard Bongiorno spoke of the upcoming golf tournament, as well as the fact that Vietnam Veterans are getting very positive recognition from participants in wars fought after Vietnam, i.e., Afghanistan, Iraq, and other conflicts.

2nd VP Report:

Excused Absence

Treasurer's Report:

Excused absence

Beginning Balance: **\$19189.70**

Receipts:

Disbursements: **\$417.39**

Ending Balance: **\$18772.31** Motion made to accept report by: John, seconded by: Mark. Accepted Unanimously

Miscellaneous:

New Members Introduced: Arundel Haynes and Theodore Tanglis

Made notifications of the passing of Arthur Gresh and the ongoing treatment of member Pat Longo

Our 1st guest speaker was Jason Ramsey, VP of Veterans Coalition of Coral Springs, who spoke on topics ranging from the availability of emotional support dogs for veterans to the presentation of the “Traveling Wall”, which will be available to see at the Bergeron Rodeo Grounds in Davie from April 24-27. He can be contacted at ramseyjason99@gmail.com.

Our 2nd guest speaker was Mike Miscued, who spoke on the amazing opportunity afforded to Vietnam Vets by Honor Flight of South Florida. If you have not done this, sign up immediately before it is too late. If interested, please contact at: **honorflightsouthflorida.org**. They have 4 flights a year, Apr/May and Sept/Oct.

Do not forget the opportunities afforded to all veterans due to a grant from the State of Florida. Nova University, through this grant, is offering, at no charge, eye exams which include 2 pairs of glasses, a hearing exam which includes hearing aids if needed, and a free dental exam. It would be foolish to take advantage of this free offer. Contact the Nova Vet Center at 954-678-2273 to schedule your appointments. Do it!!!

Upcoming Events:

September 12-**Veteran’s Weller Day Cruise**-12:30-2:00 pm---Victor 954-296-8646

September 19th-**National POW/MIA Recognition Day**

October 25th-**Broward Veterans Coalition Annual Benefits and Resource Fair**

11 am-3 pm: Bonaventure Town Center: Contact Joy 954-271-4808 for info

November 1-Fla. **Woman Vets Benefits and Resource Fair**

10:00 am-4 pm: Legion Post 142, 171 SW 2nd St., Pompano Beach

Contact Joan 713-998-7526 or Alan 954-562-2547

November 7-**Veteran’s Day Breakfast**

8:30-11:00 am: Bonaventure Town Center 16690 Saddle Club Road, Weston

November 8-**Military Appreciation**

Contact YMCA of S. Fla. 954-334-9622

April 24-27, 2026-**The Traveling Wall**---Bergeron Rodeo Grounds, Davie

April 2026-**Golf Tournament** ---exact date to be determined

Meeting Adjourned: 1915 hrs.

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Sign In Form

GENERAL MEETING



Time: 6 PM

Date: 9-9-25

Print Name	Print Name
1. GEORGE MUTLOS	26. JASON RAMSEY
2. WILLY WARKEN	27. Ken Kowkowski
3. John Morley	28. Phillip Kahy
4. RICH KISHEN	29.
5. JIM TEDRICK	30.
6. KARL MANWITO	31.
7. Pat Lewis	32.
8. JOE ALLINGTON	33.
9. SAMUEL KOLEZ	34.
10. CHUCK BRADMAN	35.
11. MARK HOROWITZ	36.
12. KELAND UPSHAW	37.
13. DAVID REED	38.
14. THOMAS CUCCHI	39.
15. ANGEL HUERTAS	40.
16. JIM BOWLER	41.
17. Ted Tanglis	42.
18. Ramon Aguir	43.
19. Jorge Aguir	44.
20. LANCELOT IRVING	45.
21. Raquel Ballinger	46.
22. GLENN GAMBLE	47.
23. RICHARD BONHONRU	48.
24. GEORGE DE ANGELO	49.
25. VINCENT CARBONE	50.