



**Woodbury American Legion**  
-----*The Fighting 501<sup>st</sup>*-----

**Post 501 Membership Meeting, 23 January 2025**

**Meeting called to order, by Commander Dolan, with opening ceremonies at 6:35PM.**

**Previous Meeting's Minutes**

-- Meeting minutes from 23 January were reviewed and approved.

**Financial Report**

-- Post 501 financial report, referencing checking account balance of \$ 16,433.30, savings account balance of \$ 5.00, and certificate of deposit account balance of \$ 10,956.17, with total account balance of \$ 27,394.47 was approved, with correction to Eagle Scout Award plaque cost.

**Membership**

Currently one hundred eighteen (118) members are paid through 30 June 2025. Our goal is to reach 127 members by the end of the 2024-2025 year.

**Service Officer**

-- Annual Awards Program and Banquet is scheduled on 20 February at the Green Mill Restaurant. Woodbury Non-Profit Round Table is scheduled at 2:00PM on 6 March. Vietnam Veterans Day Program is scheduled at the Forest Lake American Legion Post 225 on Sunday, 30 March. Master of ceremonies is Don Shelby and special guest speaker is Ann Margret. Veterans Day on the Hill is scheduled on 9 April. DAV is providing a bus to the event from Roseville VFW Post 7555.

**Communications**

-- Recent Legionnaire included a picture of Post 501 members participating in a Veterans Day activity. Commander Dolan mentioned a recent Post 501 article in the Woodbury Magazine and that the "Roundabout" included a recent article regarding American Legion Boys State Program.

**Donation Committee**

-- No donations received since last month's membership meeting. Commander Dolan mentioned several thank you messages from organizations thanking Post 501 for previous donations.



## **Unfinished Business**

### **-- Wall of Thanks Project**

Wall of Thanks received \$ 1,997.00 in donations, which was rounded to \$ 2,000.00 to enable donation of \$ 500.00 to each of the four (4) previously identified recipients.

### **-- Awards Program and Banquet**

Award Program and Banquet scheduled on 20 February, please RSVP, as we need to provide estimated attendee count to the Green Mill Restaurant.

## **New Business**

### **-- Boys State**

Information regarding Boys State should be available in February. Vice Commander Kramer will be contacting schools in Woodbury to solicit candidates/applicants.

### **-- Poppy Distribution**

Poppy distribution to be scheduled in May and September, typically close to Memorial Day and 9/11. The consensus of group identified 16, 17, 18 May and 12, 13, 14 September for distributions. Dates will be provided to VFW Post 9024, for their feedback.

### **-- Post Project/Event**

Attendees discussed suggestions, including cleaning a park, veteran outreach at senior centers, cleaning veteran grave markers at cemeteries, contributing to American Legion baseball team uniforms, blood drive, etc. Discussion to be continued at our February meeting.

## **Announcements**

-- Reported that Post 501 member (WWII and Korean veteran) is experiencing some health issues and has been hospitalized

-- Woodbury Gala is scheduled on 24 January. Post 501 will be recognized as the Outstanding Non-Profit Organization of the Year.

## **Closing Ceremonies and Prayer**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:55PM**

**Next meeting scheduled at 6:30PM on 27 February at City Hall.**

**Respectfully submitted  
Paul Lindahl**