

**General Membership Meeting
16 September 2021 @ 1900 hrs.
American Legion, Dept. of GA, Carroll Post 143**

**Please Silence All Electronic Devices – SAA secure the meeting room
(1 gavel RAP)**

**Post Colors & (Uncover) Pledge-SAA Underwood
(3 gavel RAPS; Please stand)**

Post Everlasting-It is my duty to report that the following Comrades have been called from our midst, and have gone to report to the Great Commander of all. Moment of silence in memory of our Comrades. (Chaplain will read each name followed by one Bell Toll by the SAA)

NONE

Play Taps-Honor Guard Chair Robinson

HONOR POW/MIAs-SAA

“A POW/MIA empty chair is placed at all official meetings of the American Legion as a physical symbol of the thousands of American POW/MIAs still unaccounted for from all Wars and conflicts involving the United States of America. This is a reminder for all of us to spare no effort to secure the release of any American prisoners from captivity, the repatriation of the remains of those who died bravely in defense of liberty, and a full accounting of those missing. Let us rededicate ourselves to this vital endeavor.”

CHAPLAIN DAVIS - PRAYER (Recover)

American Legion Preamble to the Constitution-SVC Purser

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY, WE ASSOCIATE OURSELVES TOGETHER FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

TO UPHOLD AND DEFEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA;

TO MAINTAIN LAW AND ORDER;

TO FOSTER AND PERPETUATE A ONE-HUNDRED PERCENT AMERICANISM;

TO PRESERVE THE MEMORIES AND INCIDENTS OF OUR ASSOCIATION IN THE ALL WARS;

TO INCULCATE A SENSE OF INDIVIDUAL OBLIGATION TO THE COMMUNITY, STATE, AND NATION;

TO COMBAT THE AUTOCRACY OF BOTH THE CLASSES AND THE MASSES;

TO MAKE RIGHT THE MASTER OF MIGHT;

TO PROMOTE PEACE AND GOODWILL ON EARTH; TO SAFEGUARD AND TRANSMIT TO POSTERITY PRINCIPLES OF JUSTICE, FREEDOM, AND DEMOCRACY; TO CONSECRATE AND SANCTIFY OUR COMRADESHIP BY OUR DEVOTION TO MUTUAL HELPFULNESS.”

Confirm Quorum - Ensure that each attendee has signed in.

Attendance sheet attached

“I NOW DECLARE THIS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF CARROLL POST 143, DEPARTMENT OF GEORGIA, REGULARLY CONVENED” (3 gavel raps)

EC Minutes: 05 August 2021 Emailed

GM Minutes: 19 August 2021 Emailed

Emailed to members prior to meeting

Motion to accept – Wayne Driver / Seconded & Approved by voice vote

SICK CALL: by Commander

Covered in “Meal & Meeting” 1800 hrs.

Buddy call system highlighted

COMMANDER’S REPORT

Welcome all and recognize guest

Covered in “Meal & Meeting” 1800 hrs.

David Dunlap & Mark Shreve

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS:

1. FINANCE OFFICER-Harrold

A. Budget Status Report / Copy placed in files

B. Fund Raiser CMTE Chair?

C. Officer awarded pen & certificate for Legionnaire of the year

2. JUDGE ADVOCATE-Hearnburg

3. MEMBERSHIP-SVC Purser

A. Post Active Roster-198 / 2 added at this meeting

B. Member Renewals-134

C. Member Renewal Percentage-67.7%

D. Post Renewal Goal-205

E. Goal Renewal Percentage-65.4

F. D5 Goal-5,209-Achieve 50% by 22 Sept.

G. Deceased Members (none deceased since 1 July)

a. Total from 1 July 2021 to present = 1

H. Recruitment Business Cards Available

I. 2022 Membership Cards Available (To be mailed after tonight)

J. Continuous Membership Certificates Available (To be mailed after tonight)

4. VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION, PILLAR I-JVC Holder

A. Service Officer Levans

a. Veterans Supported – one

b. Total Financial Support - \$58.45

c. Finances put forth thus far by Post 143– about \$80,000

B. Service CMTE Chair Maddox

a. Buddy Checks performed on regular basis & reported to Chaplin

- C. Honor Guard Chair-Dale Robinson
 - a. No. of Military Honors Rendered (two thus far)
 - b. Roopville parade Sat. 18 July – Post participating
 - c. Viet Nam “Moving Wall” coming to Central Hatchett 28 Oct. (Post 148)
 - d. Post 143 to support as needed for about 5 days
- D. Honor Guard/Funeral Coordinator-Steve Holder
 - a. 2 opportunities thus far
 - b. Upcoming – Roopville parade
 - c. Flag raising at Central _____
- E. Chaplain Davis
- 5. **NATIONAL SECURITY, PILLAR II-JVC Pyle**
 - a. POW/MIA Accounting by wars / 81,000 / 1,082 from GA / 41,000 lost at sea
- 6. **AMERICASM, PILLAR III-JVC Fuller**
 - A. LEGISLATIVE-JVC Pyle / To be offered in October rather than this September.
 - B. CCVMP / Honor Guard praised by county sheriff
- 7. **CHILDREN & YOUTH, PILLAR IV-JVC Joswick**
 - a. Heritage days cancelled / Coved Delta
 - b. 900 students normally attend / still available to schools via video clips
 - c. Stick flags were still passed out along with flag instructions
 - d. Reminder of October 28 “Trunk or Treat” candy collection / bring to next mtg.
- 8. **CYBER CHAIR-SVC Purser**
- 9. **COMMUNICATIONS Public Relations-Frank Joswick**
 - A. Newsletters / sent out by email & regular mail
 - B. Bulletins - none this month
 - C. Web Master-Frank Joswick
 - D. Times-Georgian News Paper
 - a. Article published for BBQ
- 10. **SAL COMMANDER’S REPORT-Steve Fuller**
 - *SAL Supervisory CMTE-Vacant
 - A. Bond paid / ready to continue
 - B. Seeking volunteer for SAL supervisor
- 11. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS-AII**
 - A. BBQ CMTE-Hearnburg
 - a. Final details discussed with members & volunteers
 - B. Post Constitution, By-Laws & Standard Operating Procedures-Hearnburg
 - C. New Member Orientation-Hill (Tabled)
 - D. Post Goals
 - a. District training session 09/25/21 at Post 160
- 12. **NEW BUSINESS-ALL**
 - A. Vote on New Members/ none
 - B. Motion raised & seconded to vote on continuation of Post Family meals
 - C. Members voted by raised hands to continue

13. Correspondence-Adjutant Hill

- a. Posted 4 cards to shut ins
- b. Encouraged members working on “Legion Orientation” to keep on keeping on
- c. Two more signed up for on line orientation

14. Business for the good of the Legion: Membership shall be permitted to make any suggestions of any kind, character or description, save of religion or partisan politics. (Motions are not allowed)

- A. D5 Comments
 - a. Cmdr. Mark Shreve, Dept. of Ga
 - b. Post Cmdr. Don Dunlap; Fairfield Post 338
- B. All
 - a. Steve Fuller informed members Ron Root has lost left leg
- C. AL Legion Online Training at www.legion.org/dispatch/alei
- D. Post 143 WEB pg. at www.gapost143.org
- E. AL Legion Member Services at www.mylegion.org
 - aa. Login
 - bb. Register
- F. Donate Vehicles, Legion.org/donate/auto or call 1.44.453.4466

15. Announcements

- A. D5 Meeting 19 September @ P294, Powder Springs
- B. D5 Training Session 25 September @ P160, Smyrna
 - a. Gather 0830 at post to travel
- C. Post EC Meeting 7 October 21 @ 1800 hrs.
- D. Post Membership Revitalization 8 & 9 October @ P29, Marietta
- E. Other

16. WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BRING BEFORE THIS ASSEMBLY, THE CHAPLAIN WILL LEAD US IN A CLOSING PRAYER. (3 gavel raps, stand, & uncover)

COMMANDERS CHARGE: “Till we meet again let us remember that our obligation to our Country can be fulfilled only by the faithful performance of all duties of citizenship. Let service to the Community, State, and Nation be ever a main objective of The American Legion and its members. Let us be ever watchful of the honor of our Country, our organization and Ourselves, that nothing shall serve us from the path of Justice, Freedom and Democracy.” (Recover)

SAA Retire the Colors, (Stand)

This day of 16 September 21, the General Membership meeting of Carroll Post 143, Dept. of GA stands adjourned at _____ PM (1 gavel rap)

APPROVED: COMMANDER: _____ DATE: _____

ADJUTANT: _____ DATE: _____