

# September/October Report

## From The Commander's Desk

Greetings Comrades, we start this new membership year facing new challenges, with dedicated partners and a deeply held resolve to do more for a longer period of time. I want to start the membership year by promising to be there for every veteran seeking our help. We will continue to sponsor parties for hospitalized veterans at the renamed Corporal Michael J. Crescenz Medical Center (CMCVAMC). We will also continue to offer recreational therapy for residents at the VA Community Living Center (CLC). We support the VA's call for volunteers at the local medical facility. If you have a few free hours why not join the team of volunteers that daily service the needs of veterans using CMCVAMC. Our Chapter Service Office is open for business, we are open to service your benefit needs upon request. Our response to calls to 267 254-9097 will be both prompt and accurate. Before I sign off I, let me remind you that the strength of our chapter depends largely on your participation in chapter affairs, that participation could include your financial support. A donation will help us help others. Our chapter will only be as effective as you make it. See you September 25 at 3:30 pm ---- come out, roll up your sleeves and get involved!



### Naomi Service Officer Recertified

Commander Leonard Johnson has been recertified by National as the official chapter service officer. Questions regarding claims or benefits should be directed to him at 215 765-4921 (H) or 267 254-9097 (cell). Commander Johnson, whose picture appears above is also the DAV VAVS representative at the C

### First Female National Commander



Delphine Metcalf-Foster, retired Army veteran and daughter of a Buffalo soldier was elected National Commander of the 1.3 million-member Disabled American Veterans at the organization's 96th National Convention. She becomes the first woman veteran, as well as African-American female to assume the organization's highest post. She is also the first female elected to lead a major veterans service organization.

*Van Drivers Needed -- Volunteer -- 267 254-9097*

### KEEP IN TOUCH WITH YOUR CHAPTER ONLINE

<http://www.davmembersportal.org/chapters/pa/15>

### PA Deputy Adjutant General for Veterans Affairs - Philadelphia Field Office

Phone: (215) 381-3040; Toll Free: 1-866-754-8637  
Fax: (215) 381-3492

Philadelphia Veterans Advisory Commission

Room 127 City Hall  
215 686-3256

### Chapter Meetings

Naomi Chapter 15 meets the fourth Monday of the month at the Corporal Michael J. Crescenz VAMC, University and Woodland Aves. The time is 3:30 p.m., the location is the 3rd fl multipurpose room. If you have any questions please call or write either your commander or adjutant/treasurer at the phone number/address listed on page one.

### Benefits Protection Team Leader

Comrade Larry D. Holman, our former Legislative Chairman, has a new title. Now as Naomi's Benefits Protection Team Leader, Comrade Holman would like members who would like periodic updates on the status of legislation of interest to veterans to give him your email address at [lholman@prodigy.net](mailto:lholman@prodigy.net). Don't have a computer - give him a call at 215 601-6263.



### Newsletter Fund

Because of the rising costs of design/production/mailing of this newsletter Naomi requests your support. Members are asked to donate what you can afford to; Naomi Chapter 15, DAV

### Hospital Party Scheduled

Naomi's next VA hospital party is scheduled for October 26, 2017. Volunteers are asked to assemble in the Pharmacy Area/Starbucks at 6:30 p.m. Questions should be directed to Leonard Johnson 267 254-9097.

SUBMIT NEWS/ARTICLES/PICTURES/ FOR CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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October Meeting — October 23, 2017