

COMMANDERS MONTHLY REPORT
JUNE 2021

Members who attended the Department Conference in Roanoke observed two separate meetings. One to catch up on business lost during the pandemic where no meetings took place and one to accomplish a current meeting to get back on track. An election of officers saw Cynthia Bailey assume Department Commander and Francis Mitchell assume Department Senior Vice Commander. Both individuals are from the Tidewater area. The Fall Conference is scheduled to be held in Virginia Beach.

At our last General Meeting, the body approved the opening of our office from Monday thru Friday 0900 hours to 1500 hours effective July 6. The office will be closed on July 5, in observance of Independence Day. Our Service Officers can now do two cases per day providing they have arranged appointments. No Walk ins. This is to insure they are not just sitting there waiting for someone to walk in. During the month our Service Officers completed and submitted 9 claims.

It was determined there will be no Chapter General Meeting for July and August as members will be attending the National Conference in Tampa, Florida. The next General Meeting will be held on September 4th in conjunction with the Chapter Induction Picnic at a place and time to be determined. Junior Vice Pat Grant is working on arrangements for the induction picnic and more information will follow.

Comrade Jerome Payton has volunteered to assume the position of Webmaster for the Chapter. He is quite a photographer and we are expecting big things from him.

The Chapter has signed up for a table at the New Kent Fair where they will be spreading the word about the DAV and trying to recruit new members.

A special thanks to Comrades Rodney Corwin and Tom Coleman for helping with the flags at Cedar Grove Cemetery in Williamsburg for Memorial Day. This use to be a Chapter responsibility however other organizations are doing it and our Chapter is providing the flags.

Chaplain Rodney Young has reported that Jon Ancellotti is doing well after his surgery. Doc Anderson is home after his surgery and Ron Christian is getting along pretty well. He asks you keep them and others in the Chapter in your prayers.

Past Commander John Yakshe is also looking into holding classes for the Chapter. These classes will be beneficial as they will inform you of the benefits available to members. He has also been asked to look into the requirements necessary to get a Chapter home.

If anyone has any questions do not hesitate to contact the office and we will try to assist in any way possible.

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