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Leonard M. Johnson Commander

Samuel D Robinson III Adjutant/Treasurer

Minutes for June 2025 June 23, 2025.

Meeting for DAV Naomi Chapter 15 started at 1805 hr. is called to order by Commander Leonard M. Johnson at the Michael J Crescenz medical facilities, 3900 Woodland Ave, Philadelphia, PA. 19104. Recording in progress after opening ceremonies, Commander Johnson ordered everyone to face and salute to the flag of the United States of America by the numbers. Pledge of allegiance led by VAVS Deputy Marion Hargrove and then prayer by Assistant Chaplin Tonyatta D Smith. Officer of the day, timekeeper Senior Vice Commander Jesse Butler.

Roll call of officers resulted in Commander Leonard M. Johnson present, Senior Vice Commander Jesse Butler present, Junior Vice Commander Henry B Spady present, Adjutant / Treasurer Sam D Robinson III present, Judge Advocate Richard D Fields present, Chaplain Anthony Schultz excused, Assistant Chaplain Tonyatta D Smith present, Sergeant at Arms Joe Brown excused, 3-year Trustee Larry Kirkland present, 2-year Trustee Johnny Walker present, 1-year Trustee Tonyatta D Smith present, VAVS Deputy Marion Hargrove present, Committee Chair Ways and Means Marcia Smith present, Legislative Benefits Team Leader Larry Holman present, Membership Chair / Webmaster Joseph F Reid present, Women's Veterans Chairperson Susan Price excused, Hospital Service Coordinator Mac Johnson present. Virtual google meet Sandra Taylor Boyd.

Commander Johnson asked if everyone had a chance to read over the minutes, and if so, we need a motion to approve minutes as printed. Commander Johnson also stated If you need to see him you can talk about it after the meeting or any recommendations if something needs to be changed. Motion made by Comrade Mike Singletary for minutes to stand as printed, 2nd by, Membership Chair / Webmaster Joseph F Reid.

Commander all in favor, Signify by I, any nays? any questions I's have it, vote passed.

Sickness and Distress report for June 2025 given by Assistant Chaplin Tonyatta D Smith - Reported under the weather were veterans' sisters

and brothers: Vanessa R Porter, Deborah L Gilmore, Kathy Green, Jackie Wright, Joseph Sloan, Roosevelt Worsley Jr, Lonnie W Ragin, Sean W Artist and Mr. and Mrs. William Warburton, Stefan Eberhardt, Leonard Bryant, Steve Unchniat. "We want all DAV members and their families to know that they are not alone in their struggle. We offer our heartfelt prayers and support to all DAV members and their families at home or in the hospital wishing them speedy recovery and good health." We urge all members to play an active role in our community by promptly notifying or having knowledge of sick and distress or death of members, forward to Chaplain Schultz at 2676712280, Assistant Chaplain Tonyatta D Smith 3026880028, or Commander Johnson at 2672549097.

Treasures report by Adjutant / Treasurer Sam D Robinson III for June 23, 2025. All bills are paid against the Chapter, which includes all travel vouchers as of June 23, 2025. Our monthly service fee of \$10.00 is waived each month. Total deposits from the May meeting was \$485.00, April was \$525.00. June Chapter donations were \$550.00. Humana representative Ricky Bugs Sr donated \$50.00 to chapter. Members still sent in donations. We thank them very much, but this month's statement will not be on this month's statement at the end of the month. A total of \$1,240.00 collected for the Hurricane Disaster Relief Fund. We thank all who contributed. We received a thank you letter from National DAV Headquarters. Our DC bus trip was a success. Our chapter did not have to go in the red. Final numbers will be given out at our September meeting. We thank all who supported our mission. Looking forward to 2026. From May 2025, the Statement Business Checking Ending Balance is \$5,985.45, Business Savings Ending Balance is \$39,125.91.

Mandate / Delegate Fee paid to State Headquarters \$230.00

Commander Johnson is asking for a motion to accept the treasurer's report as read. Comrade Elliott Eberhardt made a motion to accept the treasures report, 2nd by 2-year Trustee Johnny Walker.

Commander Johnson asking all in favor signify by I, any nays, if there are any questions? The I's have it. Vote passed.

Correspondence: Read by Adjutant / Treasurer Sam D Robinson III, thank you letters.

Dear Mr. Robinson, on behalf of the Delaware Valley Veterans Home Patients and staff, we would like to extend our appreciation for the recent donation of \$50.00 in Bingo tickets on January 31, 2025, to Delaware Valley Veterans Home. 2701 Southampton Road Philadelphia, PA. 19154.

Dear Mr. Robinson, on behalf of the Delaware Valley Veterans Home Patients and staff, we would like to extend our appreciation for the recent donation of \$100.00 in Bingo tickets on March 28, 2025, to the Delaware Valley Veterans Home 2701 Southampton Road Philadelphia, PA. 19154.

Delaware 2025 Veterans Stand Down Friday September 19, 2025. from 0830hr to 1400hr Schutte Park 10 Electric Ave Dover, DE. 19904.

Stand down of South Jersey Friday September 26, 2025. from 0830hr to 1230hr Cherry Hill Armory Grove Street and Park Boulevard Cherry Hill, NJ. 08002.

Pennsylvania Vet Con Wednesday October 22, 2025. Valley Forge Casino Resort 1160 First Ave King of Prussia, PA, 19406.

DAV & Auxiliary 2025 State Convention Central Hotel and Convention Center 800 E Park Dr. Harrisburg, PA.17111. June 18, 2025, CSO and

NSO training beginning at 0900hrs. Convention June 18, 2025. Through June 20, 2025.

DAV & Auxiliary 2025 National Convention Las Vegas Saturday August 9, 2025, until Tuesday August 12, 2025. Paris Las Vegas 3655 Las Vegas Blvd. South Las Vegas, NV. 89109. Room rate is \$159.00 Single / Double. Commander Johnson points out money will be transferred from savings account to checking account to help cover expenses for State and National DAV Conventions.

Commander Johnson asking for Committee Reports: VAVS Deputy Marion Hargrove gives report on new DAV State Officers elected. The new DAV Commander Laurie Liebegott, Senior Vice Commander Robert Stoodt, 1st Junior Vice Michael Brooker, 2nd Junior Vice Dan Kately, 3rd Junior Vice Robert Cudworth, Judge Advocate David Wagner, Chaplin Tonyatta D. Smith, State Adjutant Robert Hammaker. Be sure to check out Commanders Action Network.

Senior Vice Commander Jesse Butler reiterates, when traveling to conventions, each delegate is responsible for returning with reports from various meetings that they attended.

Commander Johnson: New life membership for DAV is now \$325.00. Initial minimum membership is \$40.00.

Commander Johnson talks about Soldiers suicide, Gun Locks, Senate Bill 4929 Suicide prevention act – asking for funds to train more counselors, to get Legislators to co-sponsor, in our area we have had three suicides.

Commander Johnson asked all visitors and guests to stand and give their name and military affiliation: Edward Thompson Marines, he is also a National Service Officer.

Commander Johnson – Operation: Keep the Promise, DAV 's 2025 Policy Goals handed out.

Unfinished / Old Business - None.

New business -

Commander Johnson points out the next food drive will be the 2nd and 4th Friday in June on the 7th floor here in LVA room from 0930hr to 1130hr.

Commander Johnson points out Legislative Benefits Team Leader Larry Holman submitted resolutions and would like at least 5 more so veterans can receive Dental Health Benefits.

DAV State Convention asks that all chapters donate a 10% of their chapter donation to the State Department DAV. It is not mandatory. But our chapter voted yes to do so. And I Tresure Sam D Robinson III will keep a running total separate each month. Starting with our September meeting.

Good of the Order -

Over the summer, there will be a need for five volunteers to help formulate resolutions for toxic waste exposure to include all military bases like at Fort McCullen. Assistant Chaplain Tonyatta D Smith, Comrade Elliott Eberhardt, Timekeeper Officer of the day Rick Billups and Committee Chair Ways Means Committee Marcia Smith Chairperson and Legislative Benefits Team Leader Larry Holman.

Junior Vice Commander Henry Spady gives information about Telephone Emergency Care you can receive prompt care for many acute medical issues without the need for a visit to an emergency department Dial VA Medical Center and select option 3, Or dial 1(833)835-3874.

Available from 0700hr to 2300hr 365 days a year. May is mental health for veterans, and PTSD. Also Honor Flight is scheduled for May 17, 2025. All branches Vet Fest is coming soon, June 27, 2025. will be the next Bingo event at the Delaware Valley Veterans Home.

Information from Hospital Service Coordinator Comrade Sheran McNeil Johnson DAV Van Services – expressed the need for volunteer Drivers Recruitment.

Commander Johnson points out our next meeting will be Monday September 22, 2025, at 1800hr located at Michael J Crescenz Medical Facilities 3900 Woodland Ave, Phila. PA. 19104.

Commander Johnson asked for a motion to adjourn meeting. Motion by Senior Vice Commander Jesse Butler to adjourn meeting, 2nd by Assistant Chaplin Tonyatta D Smith. The meeting ended at 1920hr.

Commander Johnson asked everyone to stand face and salute the flag for the closing ceremony.

Closing prayer by Assistant Chaplin Tonyatta D Smith.

Comrade Joe Reid Membership-Chair / Webmaster cash app info - \$NAOMIVET.

Before, during and after closing ceremonies the following was collected from membership.

Comrade Lonnie W Ragin won 50/50 - \$45.00

Comrade Carston Warner made a donation of \$20.00. from book sales.

Number of members in attendance ----33----- virtual google meet ---5----

1. 50/50\$90.00\$	45.00 / \$45.00	- 2. Donations\$170.00
3. Wreaths\$0.00		4
Attest:	_/S/	Date: 06/23/2025.

Samuel D Robinson III / Adjutant / Treasure