

18th District General Meeting

February 20, 2026 @ Alhambra Post 139

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm without a quorum present. (10 posts)

Guest: Dept Membership Director, Dept. Assistant Parliamentarian, LACC Commander, Jr. Past Dept Commander, PDC Cardoza, Janice Sommers – Candidate for Dept Commander.

Adjutant held roll call of officers.

Bravo Zulu to Post 139 for hosting.

Introduction of guests by Jr Past Commander

Meeting schedule:

Mar – 280

April – 755 1st Nominations

May – 180 Elections

June – 790 Installation

July -

Commander Report – Attended LACC on Wednesday. We need a Exec Board Member for LACC. Attended Post 280 breakfast.

1st Vice Report – we are 21st in Dept. @ 83.5% Need to get those members to renew. Goal is 90%.

2nd Vice Report – No report

JR Past – No report

Adjutant report – Post Data Report Due April 15th. Audit forms are due to the District. I have contacted LA County about the Annual Salute to Heroes event at Arcadia Park on Memorial Day weekend. I will have more information next month. Next 6th Area Caucus will be April 11th in Camarillo Post 741.

Finance Report – Starting balance \$16,742.95 Closing balance \$16,742.95
GCU Account \$62,546.82

Chaplain Report – Robert Hall from Post 280

Judge Advocate – No report

JR Past Report – LACC hired 5 new VSO's for the area. Hall of Fame we had 2 candidates for HOF. Baseball fundraising dinner May 2nd in Seal Beach. Audit for LACC is set for May. Scott Sinclair has been appointed as Assistant Adjutant.

Service Officer – No report

Historian – Took photos at 6th Area Riders Director meeting and District 18 meeting at Post 13.

Sgt-at-Arms – No report

Boy's & Girl's State – We were allotted 40 spots. Bus will be shared with D20 (8 spots)

Key Dates:

2/15 – Yellow card and \$550 per delegate due to District.

2/20 – Bus transportation down payment is due by District.

3/16 – Delegate packets available to download.

An information sheet will be available later with instructions for the delegates to register online.

Oratorical – District speak off Sunday March 1st @ Post 279. Area Speak off Saturday March 7th @ Palisades Post 283 11:00am.

Baseball – Fundraiser coming in May. D18 to possible sponsor a table.

Blood Drive – Alhambra Post 139 monthly. New dates and locations to come.

Sick call –

Internal Affairs – No report

Webmaster – Check the calendar for District meeting dates. All events being added weekly. Calendar is up to date. We will be posting the Meeting Minutes on the website for everyone to see. Renewals have taken place.

Break in meeting for 4 Chaplains ceremony

Candidates for 2026-2027 spoke to the district.

Old Business – FTB Update – Veterans Village – Need food donations

New Business – Hotels at Lamp Litter Inn will be \$131 plus tax. Contact them for reservations.

Motion to sponsor a table at the baseball fundraiser, cost of \$1000 as a pass through. By Neil. 2nd by Ben. Motion passed.

Veteran Village update: Over 100 movies were donated and a DVD player. Donated 2 blenders.

Nomination for LACC Executive Board Member - Ted Fife was nominated and declined. Dago was nominated.

Good of the Legion – New program for Dept membership. Bring in 2 and you get a pin. Dept VSO has resigned. 2/21 will be the 100th Anniversary for Post 180. Buddy muster for Post 291 will be 2/24 @ 11:00am. See Neil for more information. Post 280 breakfast March 1st. DEC next month. Committee chairs need to submit their reports. District 16 has a memorial fund to help combat wounded veterans. A modified Harley will be donated to a Gulf Vet. Veteran Relief in Irvine gives out wheelchairs. Post 272 having Bingo on 2/21 and Comedy night 3/21. Post 139 having Cinco de Mayo party that Saturday. Blood drive coming. Post 139 has a '50's & '60's lunch on Sundays.

Next District Meetings:

Executive Meeting 3/9/2026 @ East Pasadena Post 280

General Meeting 3/20/2026 @ East Pasadena Post 280

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm

Respectfully submitted

Scott Sinclair 18th District Adjutant