

American Legion Jersey City Beacon Post 419

April 19, 2023, Meeting Minutes

4pm to 5:15pm

Minutes of the April Meeting: Motion made by Vera to approve the March minutes, seconded by Landon; motion carried.

**New Business: Upcoming Opportunities and Events:**

May 5<sup>th</sup> – Pershing Field clean up day. Post members decided to participate. We will meet at 8:30am at Pershing Field – ready to work.

May 6<sup>th</sup> – Liberty State Park Awardee Luncheon. Our Post Member Danny Burgos is an honoree – we all want to congratulate Danny for being recognized for all the volunteer work he does for the community.

There will be a Memorial Day parade in Bayonne. Members expressed an interest in participating – Vera will make the arrangements.

May 20<sup>th</sup> Appletree House from 12pm to 4pm. Come support the Jersey City Museum and recognition of General Lafayette. Volunteers are in the process of marking and mapping Lafayette’s trail.

We spoke about July 4<sup>th</sup> – A number of options were presented – will continue discussion at the next meeting.

Post Picnic – members would like to have a barbecue in July or August. We will do this instead of a meeting at the Bergen Church. More details will be discussed at next meeting.

September 16 from 12pm to 6pm – Bergen Square Day. Ruth registered the Post and we will have a table at the event. We will make sure that our table is next to the Lincoln Society and Liberty State Park so that we can all support each other.

Membership – a lengthy discussion about building membership; now that we have a place to meet want to start having guest speakers and membership drives.

**Old Business**

1. TSGT Oliver Hobart Monument: Comrade John Hallahan prepared a statement regarding the location of the monument dedicated to TSGT Hobart. Ruth will add some paragraphs indicating the Post endorses this request and present it to Hudson County Leadership seeking their endorsement to relocate the monument. Currently waiting for the City or County to provide written documentation that the monument will be moved once the Park by the Court House is completed. We have a verbal commitment but nothing in writing.
2. LEGION CAPS!! If you need an American Legion cap, reach out to our “Mad-Hatters,” (Barbara and Vera). They will help you get squared away.

Meeting closed at 5:15pm.

Next meeting: May 17 at 4pm at the Old Bergen Church located at 1 Highland Ave, Jersey City, NJ 07306.