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**OLD DOMINION CHAPTER #364**

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## ✧ President's Message ✧

Brethren:

Communication is the key to success, which is critical for every member to know the goals, mission, and objectives of our organization. We are fortunate to have our email group to communicate through electronic means. In addition to our electronic communication, I am blessed to have assistance to set up a phonevite and phone tree to provide updates and reminders to our membership. I look forward to implementing for our August Meeting.

We will officially receive our National President, Brother William G.L. Turner at our August Meeting. Bill will provide an informative program on the progress made for our national programs and his vision going forward. I look forward to an informative and entertaining program for the evening.

I look forward to greeting every member and show our support for our National President.

Sincerely & Fraternaly,

Mark A. Harford  
President



## Commander's Column

Several members of the Light Horse Harry Lee Camp are putting on the Historic Flag Ceremony at the Fort Hunt- Skidmore Lodge at the Springfield Lodge on the 10th of August at 11:00 AM.

We have also been invited to provide a Color Guard at the Gala Banquet for the Southern Jurisdiction Scottish Rite, on the 23rd of August 2011. This will take place at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. We have been requested to supply three color guard and two musketeers. Color Guard will meet at the International Ball Room no later than 6:30 PM. Your ladies and you will participate in the Banquet as guests. Please reply to Les Albers ASAP. (NOTE from the Adjutant: Heroes from other units will be employed in this activity.)

Next Meeting is at Camp Collingwood on the 31st of August 2011 at 7:30 PM.

Kent S. Webber  
Commander, Light Horse Harry Lee Camp



## MEETING MINUTES

July 20, 2011 Minutes

Opening / Call to Order:

The July 2011 stated meeting of Old Dominion Chapter 364 National Sojourners was held in the Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge No. 2188 at 8421 Arlington Boulevard, Fairfax, VA 22031. We enjoyed an excellent dinner of half a chicken, salad, and chocolate cake and most of all the fellowship that surrounded our membership.

Attendance: 15 (5 women, 10 men).

The Chapter was called to order by President Bro. Mark Harford at 1950 hours. The Colors were

posted in place. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the President. Brother Scotty Cameron delivered the Toast to the Flag and Chaplain Bro. Les Albers offered the opening prayer. The Purposes of National Sojourners was delivered by President Bro. Mark Harford.

Correspondence (Secretary Les Albers):  
Mail received: None.

Secretary: Minutes of the last meeting (June 22, 2011) were approved by acclamation.

Treasurer: Checking account: \$2,062.93; Capitol One Money Market account \$9,093.21.

Introductions and Welcome:

Members: Bro. Ed Arndt, National trustee, PP, PC; Bro. Woody Bentley, National Historian; Bro. Kent Webber, National Trustee; Bro. Scotty Cameron, Emeritus, PP, PC; Past Commanders: Bro. Ralph Smith, Bro. Les Albers.

Program (2005-2030): Chapter President Bro. Mark Harford made a presentation on the history of the United States Cavalry, especially it's campaigns on the American West.

Some salient points:

1. General Bro. George Washington requested the first American cavalry troops.
2. Bro. Harford tied his remarks to the recent Buffalo Soldier presentation.
3. We discussed Manifest Destiny.
4. Great review of New Mexico and Arizona statehood.
5. Cavalry in the War Between the States.

Commander LHHL (Cdr Woody Bentley):

1. We did a successful Historical Flag Ceremony on July 4th. Participants: Bros. Ralph Smith, Kent Webber, Les Albers.
2. Next Historical Flag Ceremony: 11 am, 10 August, Springfield Lodge (Backlick Road).
3. Next Heroes Bivouac at Camp Collingwood: 31 August 2011. Social time: 1830, Dinner at 1900. Program: TBD.

Committee Reports:

ROTC: (Ralph Smith): Military night is November 16. He requests a replacement. He is sending out a generic letter that will mention a new Chapter LNO.

Americanism and BOL: 4 July, Monday, Historical Flag Ceremony, Herndon Lodge

Programs: No report.

Wellness and sadness: Bro. Ray Whitney is recovering at home. Bro. Tom Little is undergoing treatment. Bro. John Schroeder is recovering from an injury.

Collingwood (John Mayers): He described the Brick and Window Fund.

Old business: None.

New Business:

1. According to the Grand Master, Masonic aprons can be worn during Heroes presentations at Masonic Lodges.

2. Bro. Ed Arndt suggested the Chapter purchase a window and plaque in honor of Bro. George Harrington. It was approved for \$950. It will be paid for when we receive our funds from the National Convention booklets.

President's remarks (Bro. Mark Harford): Next meeting: Wednesday, 17 August.

Closing:

- 1. The gavel was passed to all: 2030.
- 2. Collection for Collinwood: \$46.
- 3. Chaplain Bro. Les Albers gave the closing prayer, 2035.
- 4. The colors were retired in place.
- 5. Meeting closed at 2035 hours.

At your service, Les Albers



**2012 Mid-Winter Meeting**

Date: January 2012

Location: Tucson, AZ (Tentative)



**Happy Birthday!**

Aug. 1 - Charles Detwiler

Aug. 2 - Robert Cameron  
Loomis Dement

Aug. 4 - Donald Robey  
William Sizemore

Aug. 7 - Richard Brainard  
Edwin Carpenter

Aug. 9 - David Ross

Aug. 10- Walter Margeson II

Aug. 11- Jack Moore

Aug. 13- Frank Vellella

Aug. 16- Adam Landry  
Harry Lyon

Aug. 19- Robert Garrett

Aug. 24- David Warburton

Aug. 30- J. Michael Dwyer

Aug. 31- Robert Watkins, Jr

**August Meeting Announcement**

The August Meeting of Old Dominion Chapter 364 of National Sojourners is on Wednesday, 17 August 2011, at the Arlington-Fairfax BPO Elks Lodge located at 8421 Arlington Blvd (US 50), Fairfax, VA 22031.

Uniform of the Day: Casual

Social Hour at 1830 hrs. Dinner at 1900 Hours  
Please make reservations through Brother Joe Spruill at 703-615-6275 or [joe.spruill@yahoo.com](mailto:joe.spruill@yahoo.com) by the end of the day on Sunday, 14 August.

NOTICE: The next LHHL Bivouac is at Collingwood at 1830, Wednesday, 31 August 2011.  
Uniform: Continentals. Topic: TBD

