



LOUDOUN COUNTY
VFW POST 1177



Rotary Club Of Leesburg
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Mission of VFW

- Perpetuate the memory and history of our dead**
- Preserve and defend the honor, integrity, and rights of all veterans**
- Hold government accountable for delivering benefits and services**
- Foster patriotism through education and volunteerism**
- Advocate strong national defense, equal pay and decent housing**
- Serve our communities and promote a positive image of the VFW**
- Respect the diversity of veteran opinion**

VFW/Loudoun County VFW Post 1177 History

- VFW began in 1899 with veterans of the Spanish American War**
- Veteran organizations banded together in 1914 before WWI**
- VFW chartered in 1936, just one year before VFW Post 1177**
- 1950 VFW 1177 acquired one acre on Old Waterford Road**
- 1960 the VFW built a block building on that property.**

Activities of VFW Post 1177

- Work with County Vet Coordinator to Provide Relief for Veterans in Need +\$20K/yr. Poppy Program
- Veteran Services, Service Officer for veterans' benefits assistance
- Color Guard, Honor Guard, Rifle Squad, Bugler (Ceremonies and Funerals)
- PT17, Military Order of the Cootie for VA Hospital/Nursing Home Visits, "Honor Order of VFW"
- VFW Auxiliary and Riders
- Support local National Guard Unit, C Company, 3/116th Inf.) and community
- Sponsor for Scout Organizations
- Sweats for Vets/Flag Retirements
- Leesburg Memorial Day Ceremony
- Leesburg Independence Day Parade
- Veterans Day Sunrise Service at Balls Bluff Cemetery
- Patriotic Programs: Patriot's Pen, Voice of Democracy, Recognize Teachers and Law Enforcement
- Naval and Air Force Junior ROTC Awards Recognition Program
- Provide the Meeting Space for American Legion, Scouts, and other civic organizations
- Storage Areas for American Legion, Scouts and facility maintenance



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Proceeds from
Veterans of Foreign Wars
veterans assistance programs.











Maintaining our Heritage and Post Facility

- **Constructed in the 1960's, added to in the 1970's**
- **Over \$100K in renovations over the past ten years:**
 - **2010 new Furnace**
 - **2013 new Roof**
 - **2014 renovated Bathrooms**
 - **2015 Property and Facilities deeded to all Loudoun Veterans through VSO**
 - **2016 new Windows**
 - **2017 connected to Town water**
 - **2018 interior renovation: walls, floors, lighting, and fans**
 - **2019 other renovations: drainage, roadway, signage, storage, security system, and grounds**
 - **2020 connect to Town sewerage, Friends and Neighbors!**









QUESTIONS