

Los Angeles County Council

General Meeting – Nominations of Officers

June 5, 2026

Temple City Post 279

1. Meeting called to order with ritual at 7:02pm by Vice Commander Palmero, without a quorum being declared.
2. Roll call of officers by LACC Adjutant
3. Introduction of distinguished guests by LACC Commander.
4. Bravo Zulu to Post 279 commander for hosting and hospitality.
5. Reports:
 - A) Service Officer Steve V. Ramirez
 - B) Adjutant Robert C. Brown
 - C) Treasurer Gil Soto
 - D) Judge Advocate Hugh E. Crooks Jr.
 - E) Sgt-at-Arms Manny Vital
 - F) Chaplain Dave Whalen
 - G) Vice Commander for Women Rocio Palmero
 - H) Vice Commander Area 4 George Aguilar
 - I) Vice Commander Area 6 Auggie Galaviz

District Commanders:

1. District 17 Alex Herrera
2. District 18 Sam Cafiero
3. District 19 Karl Wilvert
4. District 20 Johnnie McDowell
5. District 23 Gregory Tayler
6. District 24 Kevin Niles

LACC Vice Commanders:

1. District 17 Stuart Chan
2. District 18 Irvin Flores
3. District 19 Fernando Gallardo
4. District 20 Larry Van Kuran
5. District 23 James A. Hadley
6. District 24 Melissa Orduna

Executive Committee:

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| 1. District 17 | Johnny Harris |
| 2. District 18 | Dago Perez |
| 3. District 19 | Angelo Maldonado |
| 4. District 20 | OPEN |
| 5. District 23 | James H. Wilson |
| 6. District 24 | Jacob O'Meara |

Service Officer Report: Introduced VSO that were present. Continue to support area internationally as well as in other states. Supporting veteran events throughout the county. Fleet week, Torrance Parade. Activision provided hot lunch for veterans. Will be supporting WLA VA on Juneteenth. Veterans are coming and asking questions. That's a good thing. Proposing a fundraiser for LACC – A coin cost is \$5 sell for \$20. Looking for a car to raffle. \$100 per entry. Questions about the areas for presumptive conditions.

Adjutant: Make sure all Posts get their end of the year reports into Department. Also send me a copy of all District Certification of Officers

Finance Officer: No report

Judge Advocate: No report

Chaplain: Post Everlasting: No report

Area 4 Vice Commander Report: No report

Area 6 Vice Commander Report: No report

Vice Commander for women: Focusing on the convention meet and greet “Spill the Tea” please get the word out to all female veterans. Next Wednesday there will be a town hall meeting with prominent women speaking. Location will be online June 10th. Congrats to Dr. Kathy Cash for the award she will be receiving. Attended the VPAN tea event.

District Commander Reports:

District 17 – No report

District 18 – Attended the memorial service for Lupe Galviz, District meeting will be 6/19. B & G State attendees will be leaving that night. May 23rd we served food for the Supervisor Barger event. Calvet authorizes DMV DV plates. Many posts have breakfasts and dinners. See the district website for more information.

District 19 – See attached report.

District 20 – 1st Vice reported No report.

District 23 – Attended Oakdale on Memorial Day. Remember to uplift the American Legion and those who have served this country

District 24 – No report

LACC Vice Commanders:

District 17 – Attended the Chinatown Memorial Day ceremony. 2 Chinese Americans that were KIA at Kowlin. B & G State sending 4 candidates.

District 18 – No report

District 19 - No report

District 20 – No report

District 23 - No report

District 24 - No report

LACC Executive Committee:

District 17 - No report

District 18 - No report

District 19 – 6/6 Comedy night at Post 359 @ 7:00pm \$15. 6/7 Post 359 Installation. Redondo Beach install on 6/11 @ 7pm. 6/14 is Flag Day. Post 359 is having a flag retirement ceremony @ 3:00pm. Dinner to follow \$10. B & G State 44 attendees. LB Fish park 6/20 free fishing for vets and their kids under 16. July 1st Post 259 Blood drive. 1-6pm.

District 20 - No report

District 23 - No report

District 24 - No report

Committee/Commissions:

Hall of Fame: Sam Cafiero – Completed

Finance Commission: No report

Membership: Manny Vital – Report submitted via Department.

Resolutions: Scott Sinclair

23 Resolutions at convention

Personnel: Larry Van Kuran – No report

Baseball: No report

SAL: Area 4 & 6 are at 100% membership. Signed up 7 SAL , 8 TAL & 10 ALA at the LA County Fair. SAL Convention will have a dress code this year. No shorts, flip flops tank tops. Legion or SAL T-Shirts only.

Commander Report: No report

LACC Website:

Special Presentation: JVS Presentation.

Old Business: None

New Business: 1st Nominations

Commander: Dr. Cathy Cash – D23

VC for Women: Rocio Palmero – D24

Good of the Legion: Raffle for USMC needlepoint. \$55. Nov. 15th due date for taxes. Fleet week had a good turnout. All CHP can join Post 309. SAL is doing a Corn Hole tourney at Convention. Friday 6/26.

Next meeting July 10th Location TBD.

No further business to come before the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:41pm by Vice Commander Palmero

Respectfully submitted

Scott Sinclair

LACC Adjutant