

## DEPARTMENT COMMITTEES 2017 – 2018

### AMERICANISM COMMITTEE

**Mission:** To inspire patriotism and good citizenship through patriotic observances, patriotic and civic instruction in schools, youth activities such as Boys State, Boy Scouts, Oratorical contest, School Award Medals, baseball, flag etiquette and other similar community services.

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## **BEALS HOSPITALITY HOUSE**

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### **DISCIPLINARY INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE**

A precursory to any internal affairs investigations, to investigate wrong doing or misconduct  
Department Commander will appoint 3 officers to conduct a fact finding review of the  
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## **EDUCATION/TRAINING COMMITTEE**

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