



VVA General Membership Meeting 9/14/2009  
Agenda

Meeting called to order by President Mike Steffes at 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: Bill Juchartz, Dennis Bielskis. Excused: Bob Dew, and Ron King

47 MEMBERS PRESENT

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

President –Mike Steffes welcomed Ron Gravel and Adam Hayes, both US Army.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President -Bill Juchartz–No Report.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President --Dennis Bielskis-Suggested adjourning the meeting and reconvening at Kokomo!

Secretary – Minutes from the previous meeting, 8/10/2009 are published.

Motion to approve the minutes, subject to corrections. Read correspondence to membership

M/Joe Agius

/SEC/ Rick Ciaramitaro

\*\*\*\*\* MOTION CARRIED\*\*\*\*\*

Treasurer–Bob Dew-No Report.

Chaplain - Rick Popa – Gary Boucher is recovering.

Committee Reports:

Chapter By-Laws – Joe Agius –No Report.

Membership - Bob Lamoureux-189 members. 3 delinquent, 1 new, 1 transfer, and 51 AVVA's.

Color Guard - Bob Lamoureux – Memorial Service for Bill Browning's cousin. As of now, there are no activities planned in October.

Product Sales - Gary Boucher –No Report.

State Product Sales - John Riling –No Report. Website is being updated.

Public Affairs - Don Dignan- Annual Poker Shoot-out in October.

Webmaster/Home front Editor-

- Tom Brown- New banner for the Home Front.
- Tom Brown is also the webmaster for the State Council.

POW/MIA - Al Kerbyson-

October 18<sup>th</sup>, Recognition Day at Twelve Oaks Cemetery hosted by Chapter 154. The original 76 Michigan POWs will be honored. The number is now at 53!

AVVA Rep – Norma Demerly –No Report.

VFW Liaison - Mike Schlott/Gary Kubik –

- The Plymouth Players will present “The Good Dr.” on October 8, 2009. Tickets, \$20.00. Half of the proceeds to be given to the VFW.
- October Fest Dinner, October 3, 2009.
- Sweetest Day Dance, October 17, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. Tickets, \$10.00.

Agent Orange Chair: Vaughn Hull-No Report.

V.A. Hospital Rep - Vaughn Hull-No Report.

VA Service Rep – Aggie Little-No Report.

VVA State Council - Gary Estermyer-No Report.

Fundraising - Bob Dew-No Report.

Chapter Special Committee Reports

**“ 528” Point Man Program-** Rich Whipple & Rick Ciaramitaro. No Report.

Darrell Bazman-There were 11 car shows, 5 were rained out. Total income: \$4,727.00. The last show was the largest to date with 140 vehicles registered.

OLD/CURRENT BUSINESS:

Chapter’s 20 Year Anniversary Celebration Committee will meet to discuss how to celebrate the event.

NEW BUSINESS:

Donation-Motion requests:

- Discussion to support Marines in Afghanistan. To be discussed at the September board meeting.
- State Convention co-host with Chapter 267 to be discussed at the September Board meeting,

Announcements:

Chapter Christmas Party, December 19, 2009.

**Next General Membership Business Meeting is: Monday, October 12, 2009 7:00 p.m. at VFW**

Adjournment: 7:45 p.m.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

MIKE STEFFES

RON KING