



Minutes for General Membership Meeting 10/13/2008

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT BILL BOUDREAU AT 7:00 PM

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: Bill Boudreau, Darrell Bazman, Bill Juchartz, Bob Dew and Mike Schlott

58 MEMBERS PRESENT

OFFICERS REPORTS:

President - Bill Boudreau Bill Boudreau welcomes guests/new members, Agenda for October 13th 2008 GM Meeting, and happy birthday to USN. Guests: Guests Introduction and or Concerns :



This year our Navy celebrates it's 233rd birthday

GUEST: Guests: Debbie Eichholtz, Barb Atkins, Matt Thomason & Amanda, Sam Bell, Phil Smith, Teresa Moriatty (Salvation Army)

1. Teresa Moriatty - spoke to the chapter membership about the up coming bell ringing for the Salvation Army. John Fleming requested December 13th at Hiller's but that spot had already been taken. So Teresa give a choice of some other spots on December 13th and it was decided that we would do our bell ringing this year at Wal-Mart in Canton from 10 am to 8 pm.

Scholarship awards presented to the winners 1st.Place Sam Bell 2nd place Matt Thomason 3rd. place Alex Enright (not present)

1st Vice President - Darrell Bazman - No Report but Darrell would like everyone to pack at

least two boxes with goodies to be send to our troops before the meeting is over.

2nd Vice President - Bill Juchartz - No Report

Secretary - Mike Schlott - minutes from the previous meeting will stand as published.

Treasurer - Bob Dew

M/ Mike Steffes

/SEC/ Joe Agius

MOTION TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT SUBJECT TO AUDIT.

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Chaplain - Rick Popa – Past Color Guard Commander John Wallace is very ill and his wife has cancer. Also Sandy Troell (George Troell wife) has cancer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Chapter By-Laws – Joe Agius – No Report

Membership - Bob Lamoureux- We picked up 3 new members to bring the membership to 178 members and the AVVA added 4 new members to bring up the membership to 38.

VFW with Boy Color Guard - Bob Lamoureux – October 18th there will be a flag burning ceremony at the Scouts performing the ceremony. In November the color guard will be participating in the following events: November 7 & 8 presenting the colors and service flags for a musical @ the Village theater in Canton, November 9th St. Johns Armenian church, 10th Plymouth Inn & Westland Convalescent Center, November 11th Redford Convalescent Village, Veterans Memorial Park in Plymouth & Westland Convalescent Village and last November 20th Northville Community Center.

Product Sales - Gary Boucher – Gary has 2 LZ buttons from Kokomo. Gary says it's going to get cold and it will be sweatshirt time so let him know if you want to order a sweatshirt.

State Product Sales - John Riling – No Report

Public Affairs - Don Dignan- Poker Shootout is this Wednesday and all of the spots are filled but you can come and see all of the action.

Webmaster/Home front Editor - Tom Brown- Finally we received the shirts for the Wayne County Parks fishing derby. All of the winning essays will be posted on the web site.

POW/MIA - Al Kerbyson- No Report

VFW Liaison - Mike Schlott/Gary Kubik – VFW will have an Oktoberfest this Saturday from 3 pm.

A.O.- Health Care

Coordinator - Vaughn Hull- No Report

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

VA Service Rep – Aggie Little - No Report

VVA State Council - Gary Estermyer – Gary a brief overview of his State Council report that will be in the newsletter.

Fundraising - Bob Dew- No Report

CHAPTER SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. "Sportsman's Raffle"- Dennis Bielskis – please turn in your unsold tickets and the sold ticket stubs and the money. A volunteer list will be going around for this Sunday's raffle.
- B. Kokomo Reunion- Dale Luebke – Dale thanked all who helped out with the dog tags at Kokomo. 340 days and a wake up.
- C. "528" Point Man Program- Rich Whipple & Rick Ciaramitaro
- D. Chapter Christmas Party December 6th – Mike Steffes – Mike has 6 quotes for the Christmas party caterer board will pick a caterer at the next board meeting October 18th.

OLD/CURRENT BUSINESS:

- A. "American Flag Exchange Day" program follow up report-Bob Dew – Bob reported that out of 110 flags from our last order will have 30 flags left.

DONATION-MOTION REQUESTS: -

Donate \$3000 to VVA Service Representative Director Phil Smith for office equipment and supplies to aid him in doing our Benefits more efficiently and quicker.

M/John Riling /SEC/ Gary Estermeyer
 *****Board Approved*****

(WE RECEIVE A LETTER FROM PHIL SMITH)
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Chapter Up Coming Events: see chair of each to participate

Chapter Scholarship" August 1st to September 12th see Tom Brown, or Dean Bell

Sportsman's Raffle" drawing Sun.Oct.19th 1-5p.m. at VFW see Dennis Bielskis

We still need volunteers to work at drawing see Dennis

November 9th Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church
 Veterans Appreciation free dinner @ 6 pm

Veterans Day Ceremony November 11th at Veteran's Memorial Park

Chapter Christmas Party Dec. 6th contact Mike Steffes
 (Need help for committee, and setup, and cleanup)

Sunday December 7th Pearl Harbor Remembrance at Veterans
Memorial Park

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Board Meeting – Tuesday October 28th 2008 at 7p.m. VFW

Next General Meeting – Monday November 10th. 2008 at 7p.m. VFW

Celebrating the U.S.M.C. Birthday

ADJOURNMENT:

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

BILL BOUDREAU

MIKE SCHLOTT