

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING HELD ON: Oct 4, 2018**

- The meeting was called to order by CMDR Chasteen at \_1902\_ hours.
- Colors were posted.
- Opening prayer offered by Chaplain Komarek.
- CMDR Chasteen after which the MIA Flag was placed on the empty chair, read Resolution 288, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by the Preamble of the Legion Constitution.
- Roll call of Officers
  - CMDR Chasteen Present \_\_X\_\_
  - Sr. Vic CMDR Amberg Present \_\_X\_\_
  - Jr. Vic CMDR Slown Present \_\_X\_\_
  - Sgt At Arms Granat Present \_\_X\_\_
  - Fin. Officer Colby Present \_\_X\_\_
  - Chaplain Komarek Present \_\_X\_\_
  - Advocate Hennessy Present \_\_EX\_\_
  - Service Officer Barbour Present \_\_Ex\_\_
  - Adjutant Rios Present \_\_EX\_\_
- No minutes were read. November meeting will need to read and accept Sept and Oct minutes.
- Guests: None

**Post 43 Meeting Notes**

**Committee Reports**

**House and Entertainment:** Jr. Vice Commander

- October social will be held on the 20th
- Belgio's will cater "Oktoberfest" style meal with bratwurst, potato pancakes, German potatoes, sauerkraut and pretzels.
- Desserts being donated
- Oompah band led by Ron Keller to play for entertainment.

**Membership:** Sr Vice Commander Amberg—

- We are currently at 71%
- Faith based leader's breakfast to be held Oct 16th
- Only 1 RSVP so far
- Jack to call all organizations over the weekend.

**Finance Report:** Finance Officer Colby –

- Finances in good shape
- All bills paid and funds deposited
- Balance \$46k

Motion to accept Financial Report by Roger Treend Motion Second by Mr. Lou Kelso

**Americanism:** Advocate Hennessey –

Terry Jelinek: Veterans Day flag raisings at the local schools to be held Mon Nov 12th.

-Please RSVP to email to participate

**Legion Riders:** Tom Dillon –

- -Sep 29th held fundraiser dinner at Texas Roadhouse
- -Band and music selection very entertaining
- -Oct 25th 10% of all profits will go to the Legion Riders Fund.
- -Must present flier / mention the Riders event.
- -Oct 5 is legacy dinner

**Sons of American Legion:** Chris Lance –

None

**Honor Guard:** Jim Oftedal

September report:

Five military funeral events:

- 9/5: John Orban (Army) 7 members, 14 hours
- 9/10: George Pradel (Marine) 12 members, 24 hours
- 9/12: Raymond Yackley (Army) 9 members, 18 hours
- 9/19: Williams Kohley (Army) 7 members, 14 hours
- 9/29: Paul Reidy (Army) 9 members, 27 hours

Total hours: 97

**Color Guard Report:** Jim

- North Central Stadium honored veterans.
- Approximately 25-30 veterans present
- Very nice event that recognized veterans

**Girls State – Eileen Lass/Boys State – Terry Jelinek:**

No Report

**Service Officer:** Service Officer Barbour - Not Present

Hines Visit yielded:

- 18 flu vaccinations
- 8 claims filed
- 6 veterans enrolled in VA healthcare system

Nov 7th is next event

**Boy Scouts:** Jerry Cooney Boys are transitions to fall season. Going back to downtown. More info next month on activities

-Looking to see if any Legions are willing to sponsor a Girl Scout troop.

-Motion for Post 43 to sponsor a Girl Scout troop made from Jerry Cooney. Seconded by Jennifer Slown

**Trustees: Jim Vahle.**

-Trustees met tonight.

-\$5,000 donation made to the Gold Star Families Foundation

**Scholarship.**

**Historian Report:** Lee Lindberg -

- -Mr Strebel:
  - -2019 is the 100th anniversary of the American Legion
  - -Requesting that the City of Naperville do a proclamation in honor of this
  - -Suggested to contact Nichols Library if they will put some post artifacts in their display case.
- -Naperville Settlement: request for them to do a display as well.
- -A committee will be formed to spearhead this effort.

**Home Visits to Senior Living Centers:** Lee Lindberg

- The Senior Living Center visits are: 10 AM Saturday to Monarch Landing on the first Saturday, Brookdale Plaza on the second Saturday, Independence Village on the third Saturday and Harbor Chase on the fourth Saturday of every month.
- Last Saturday was at Harbor Chase
- Don Hennessy played his accordion and was well received.
- Hines hospital visits will occur on the 2nd Tuesday of the month.  
The bus leaves promptly at 6:15pm

**Post Everlasting and Sick Call: no sick call**

-Request for current address list to verify which members are living and which are deceased

**Parades and Ceremonies:**

-Little Friends Lighting Parade Dec 1st weekend is on the calendar.

### **Old Business:**

- Roy Bonus: Powwow event at Naper Settlement was a success. Great turnout of 17 veterans that were recognized
- Chief Joseph Standing Bear gave a donation to the post of \$150.
- Our Saviors Lutheran Church is holding a Men's Breakfast "Chat with a Vet" event. Doug Deetjen to speak at the Nov 10th breakfast at 0730.

### **New Business**

- Mike Rechenmacher: VFW Life Member breakfast is held the 2nd Sunday of the month on EVEN months (Feb, April, June, August, October, December)
- The next breakfast will be October 14th at 9am and will be a "Band of Brothers" breakfast for free. Other non "life members" are invited.
- Lee Lindberg: the annual VFW Pig Roast will be held October 19th at 6pm. Bring a dish to pass.

### **Consideration for the post**

None

### **Correspondence:**

- Notice from District: The district meeting will take place October 21st. Must RSVP as lunch will be served.

### **For the Good of the Legion:**

- Free \$1,000 in life insurance if a Legion member with dues paid up. Free \$5,000 life insurance if injured/killed while conducting Legion business. Additional restrictions apply for both the \$1,000 and \$5,000 but once you sign up, you are set for life as long as membership is paid up.
- Ken: Concern expressed for how do we keep the interest in the programs we sponsor and support? Jack Amberg noted the upcoming Legion Breakfast for Faith Based leaders
- Doug Deetjen: Judd-a-Thon raised \$21,000!
- Legion Callers: trying to reestablish this group
- Honor Flight
- Marine Corps Ball to be held November 9th at the Chicago Naperville Marriott.

**Closing prayer offered by Chaplain Komarek.**

**Meeting adjourned by CMDR Chasteen at: 2007**