



VFW POST 10262

2970 Hickory Drive

Post Meeting Minutes

Dec 12th, 2022



INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS/ANYONE WAITING DURING THE JOINT MEETING;

- Voice of Democracy awards handed out prior to meeting’s start to the following:
 - 1st Place \$250 – Abigail Hoyt, 12th Grade, Stevens Point Christian Academy
 - 2nd Place \$225 – Zachary Kolodziej, 12th Grade, Stevens Point Area Senior High
 - 3rd Place \$200 – Tanina Levin, 11th Grade, Almond Bancroft High School
- Patriot’s Pen awards handed out prior to the meeting’s start to the following:
 - 1st Place \$150 – Madison McCarren, 8th Grade at St Paul’s Lutheran
 - 2nd Place \$125 – Connor Hintz, 7th Grade at St Paul’s Lutheran
 - 3rd Place \$100 – Hadassah Uitenbroek, 6th Grade at Stevens Point Christian Academy
- New members Clayton Miller (Life Member)

COMMANDER STRASSER OPENED THE MEETING FOR BUSINESS; 19:15 HRS.

Message from Junior Vice/State of Wisconsin: Posts are not following rules and regulations. Commanders have been relieved for not doing their job. Senior leadership in Kansas City is emphasizing the fact that all posts need to follow protocols and run their meetings in a more military fashion. We are veterans, regardless of branch and thereby still military and need to proceed accordingly. When speaking, stand-up, salute commander, wear VFW covers, no dining with covers on and so on.

Salute to the Colors & Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge Was recited by all members.

Opening Prayer: Read by Chaplain Raschka.

Draping/Undraping of the Charter:

- Our Post Charter was undraped for Post Member William “Bill” Doxrude.
- Our Post Charter was draped for Post Member Alvino Sayas.

Recitation of section 230102 of the Congressional Charter:

- Was recited by all.

Roll Call of officers.

Present	12	
Excused	2	
Absent	2	
VFW Members Present	18 members physically present & 0 online participants.	

MEMBERSHIP STATUS, APPLICATIONS & TRANSFERS and “Mustering in” of New Members; Membership Chair Mark Wysocki.

- Mark reported that a potential new member, Randall Lemke needs his DD214 verified and should be “Mustered-in” next meeting. Also, new life member Clayton Miller.

Membership as of;	<u>MEMBERSHIP</u>	<u>LIFE MEMBERS</u>	<u>Annual & CONTINUOUS</u>
6/30 2022	195	163	32
12/9/2022	202	161	41

Our Post membership has been steady at around 200 members for a number of years.

Submissions of Meeting Minutes of previous month: Approved with no changes.

QUARTERMASTER REPORT and Financial Status:

Quartermaster Pro-Tem & Trustee Verhage reported;

- For November, we had a gross profit of \$15,345.82, but between salaries, donations/awards and maintenance/repairs, we had more going out than coming in so we ended the month -\$5,029.74.

Vote to accept the report was made by Don Mugridge with a motion to second made by Mike Worzalla. The motion carried.

SERVICE OFFICER REPORT: Comrade Yelkin,

- Home Health Aide Care. This program is for Veterans who need Personal Care Services and help with daily living. It is also for Veterans who are isolated, or their caregiver is experiencing burden. Homemaker and Home Aide Services can be used in combination with other Home and Community Based Services. Services may vary by location. Service first needs to be established through the Social Services and Primary Care services. Contact the Wisconsin Rapids Clinics.
- VA will have a VA Whole Life insurance program again. Complete application online.

MEMBER OR FAMILY MEMBER IN DISTRESS: None at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE ADJUTANT: We received ‘Thank You’ cards from the Memorial Day Foundation for our \$250 donation, thank you from family of Neil Peterson with \$150 donation. Thank you from Tim Yanish family for funeral honors, as well as a ‘thank you’ and \$25 donation to the Rifle Squad from Tim Ward, Sgt/Retired Wood Co. Sheriff Dept for honors at the Bill McGregor funeral.

Community service on-line report: Adjutant.

Please report your Community service hours to the Adjutant or myself.

REPORT from 29 April AND AS OF 7 DEC 2022

HOURS	MILES	MEMBERS	DOLLARS SPENT	VALUE	TOTAL DOLLARS
792	4448	397	\$20,198.95	\$110.81	\$20,309.76

POST OFFICERS REPORTS;

1. **SENIOR VICE CDR:** Comrade Wysocki - Nothing to report
2. **JR. VICE CDR.** Comrade Griffith absent; nothing to report.
3. **Asst Jr. Vice:** Comrade Mugridge; Nothing to report.

4. CHAPLAIN Raschka:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

HOUSE COMMITTEE: House Committee Members Commander, Mark Wysocki, Perry Engel, David Verhage, Darrell Berg, Auxiliary Rep – Robbie Dunlap.

David Verhage; House Committee Report;

- Wall is removed!
- As of January 1st we will need to increase prices for food, drinks and tap beer.
- New Marketing TV installed. There are issues being worked out for the control boxes.
- A new bartender is starting training on Friday nights. JD Manville.
- Rasmussen Plumbing completed contracted work. They did not bill us for the 30 gallon trap. They billed for a 20 gallon trap.

Entertainment & Planning Committee: Auxiliary members Debbie Manthey, Diane Lutovsky & Peggy Klitgaard-Mancel, Guy Jones, Mike Zynda & Commander Strasser

- The meeting was called and the members present; Chair Diane Lutovsky, Lori Sniadajewski, Chris Schildt, Debbie Manthey, Mike Zynda and Commander Strasser.
- Dec 18th, Rifle Squad Steak & Omelet Breakfast 08:30 – 12:00. Breakfast with Santa starting at 10:00 AM.
- Jan 1st, New Year's Party. Post will provide Ham & Buns etc. Pot-Luck for the rest, bring in your dish to pass; Check out the "signup sheet". Gray Catz Band from 4 – 8:00 PM.
- Jan 9th, Decorate Post for Valentine's Day
- Feb 11, Valentine's Day Dinner, 4 – 8 PM, and Entertainment, (DJ)
- March 11th Post 50th year anniversary scheduled. This must be an event that includes the support of the entire Post. It would be great if someone, or two or three would volunteer to head up this important event. Please contact me ASAP with your support and ideas!
- April 1st. Final Vietnam Veterans Celebration.
- **Golf Committee:** Comrade Zynda – Mike has informed us that he will not be handling the Golf event next year. We need someone to step up and volunteer to chair this event next year.
- Committee donations - \$1000 to Salvation Army, \$1000 to Operation Bootstrap, \$1000 to the Boys and Girls Clubs – \$500 to Stevens Point and \$500 to Plover. \$3000 towards the wall construction. \$10,000 towards the Golf Event scholarships for the next ten years (\$1000/year).
- Need post votes for the following:
 - \$900 to the Hero Banner Program earmarked for veterans without family
 - \$150 matching fund for State Commanders Equestrian Project
 - Bob Decker made motion to approve the two above donations. Mike Worzalla seconded. Motion carried.

Citizenship, Education & Youth Developments Committee:

Scholarship Committee: Comrade Zynda: Mike reported that the scholarship applications will be handed out during March of 2023.

Voice of Democracy & Patriot's Pen & Teacher of the Year.

- 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place PP & VOD winners were recognized and Awards handed out prior to the start of the meeting -

Donation Committee: Donation Committee Members; Darrell Berg, Mike Worzalla, Scott Halverson, Barb McCloy, Brad Shufelt and John Thomas & The Commander.

Chair Wysocki Report that includes the Golf Committee Recommendations.

1. \$1000.00 Boy's and Girl's Club, \$500.00 to each club.

2. \$3000.00 to help cover the Post interior wall removal.
 3. \$1000.00 to the Local Salvation Army.
 4. \$1000.00 to Operation Bootstrap.
 5. \$500.00 to matching fund for Guardian Angel Cemetery Flag Pole.
 6. \$10,000.00 set aside for 10 years of Golf Committee's Annual College Scholarship Fund.
 7. \$900.00 for three (3) Street Veteran Banners. (Specified for veterans with no families left)
 8. \$150 for the State Commander's Equestrian Therapy Project.
- Two new requests for donations:
 - \$100 to Leukemia/Lymphoma Foundation
 - \$100 to the Elks Lodge for their Jolly Cork Newsletter. We get a small spot for advertisement. This is a yearly thing. Reaches roughly 400 people.
- Motion made by Mike Zynda to approve all that included the two new requests. Manny Rocha seconded. Motion carried.

The 8:00 PM Prayer was recited by Chaplain Raschka

Rifle Squad: Strasser;

RIFLE SQUAD:

- **Rifle Squad Activity;** Provided Military Honors Nov 19th, at the Central Waters Brewery for Deceased Marine Veteran, Honors at St Mary's Mount Carmel, Nov 25th for Deceased Army Vet and Honors at Holy Spirit Stevens Point, Nov 29th for deceased Navy Vet.
- **Dec 17th 11:00 hrs. Rifle Squad** Will provide Honors for the Civil Air Patrol Wreath Placing Ceremony at the Village of Plover Korean War Veterans Memorial.
- **Dec 17th 13:00 hrs. Rifle Squad** will provide Honors for the DAR Wreath Placing Ceremony at the plover Cemetery.
- **JAN 21st 10:00 HRS.** Rifle Squad Training/Certification for Flag Folding and Honor Guard Training! Free lunch! (Open to all 7th District Posts).

DECEMBER 18TH Rifle Squad breakfast; David Verhage.

- **Steak & Omelet Breakfast and Breakfast with Santa;**
- **Breakfast 08:30 hrs.**
- **Santa 10:00 hrs.**

MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (MAP) Comrade Ron Charneski: Nothing new to report.

Surgeon: Worzalla: Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- New and unused POS system! Still working on it!
- Questions about the new kitchen grease receptacle were cleared up by Rasmussen Plumbing. We were not billed for a larger receptacle. Apparently, I didn't hear the specifications and calculations accurately that were made, even though I wrote down what I thought I heard.

NEW BUSINESS:

- It was brought up that Sentry is having their big Golf Event next summer. Do we want to look at possibly advertising for the Post to bring in new business? The Activities Committee will discuss further at their next meeting.

Good of the Order:

- **The VFW Calendars:**
- Motion made by Mark Wysocki that the Post would purchase remaining few calendars. Dave Verhage seconded. Motion carried.

- **ALL calendars sold directly after the meeting.**
- David Hanson provided an update on his trip to Korea with his father, John. He provided pictures shared on the TV at the end of the meeting. David also gave a huge thank you to the Post for their donation and helping make this trip a reality for his family.
- **UPCOMING**
- New Year's Party. Jan 1st 4 to 8:00 PM.
- Feb 12th, Valentine's Day Dinner and DJ. 4 to 8 PM.

EVENTS

ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAY'S FOR DEC 2022.

WE WISH EVERYONE A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY!

BIRTHDAYS;

12/3 Richard Marsolek 41; 12/6 Steven Ransbottom 59; 12/11 James Mass 79;
 12/13 Tony Carpenter 73; 12/16 John Cansino 57; 12/22 Mike Zynda 74; 12/24 Robert Carlson 68;
 12/24 Kenneth Steckbauer 73; 12/26 Robert Kitowski 76; 12/26 James Wrycza 79;
 12/28 Angela Kucharski 41; 12/30 Richard Peterson 75; 12/31 Robert Pallen 78;
 12/31 Corey Nightengale 45.

ANNIVERSARIES;

12/4 Anthony & Kathy Carpenter; 12/12 Ken & Janice Anderson; 12/23 Frank & Kathy Krush;
 12/27 Kenneth & Jill Bachman.

ATTENDANCE RAFFLE! Winner – Comrade Yelkin

CLOSING CEREMONY:

Closing Prayer: Read by Chaplain Raschka

Next Meeting 19:00 Hrs. January 9th, 2023. The Chaplain will chair this meeting.

Adjournment: 20:20 hrs.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara McCloy
 Adjutant