



**VFW POST
10262**
2970 Hickory Drive
Plover, Wi 54467
Post Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2024



JOINT MEETING.

- Quick update on manning at the Bar and chatter within the public setting
- Poppy drive does NOT count as community service unless we are donating all of the funds somewhere. Auxiliary presented the VFW with a check for \$730.95
- POW/MIA Ceremony was conducted for the membership.
- Consider Moving start time of meetings from 7pm to 6pm – Review again in October

INTRODUCE GUESTS - ANYONE WAITING. Membership Chair, Sr. Vice Cdr. John Cansino: Quartermaster Chris Ankele from the Oxford Post was here for our Annual Audit – we passed.

Any new members or transfers sworn in.

- New members Kenneth & Lisa Bernhardt

COMMANDER, OPEN MEETING FOR BUSINESS: Time: 1910

Salute to the Colors:

Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Prayer: Chaplain Bob Decker

DRAPING/UNDRAPING OF OUR POST CHARTER.

- Undraping for Post Members - Jim D Borski and Robert J Pallen

READING OF SECTION 230102 OF OUR CHARTER.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: Adjutant Shufelt.

Present 6

Excused 3

Absent 4 _____

Post Member's Present 28 Members on Zoom 0

MEMBERSHIP STATUS, APPLICATIONS & TRANSFERS: Membership Chair Sr. Vice - John Cansino

INTRODUCE NEW MEMBERS; (Mustering in New Members). Two new members are being sworn in.

Membership; As of June 4th, 211 members. 161 Life members, 50 Annual members. Remember: the goal is for every member to recruit one (1) new member every year. Our National Commander has set a goal for all Posts to work for 102% membership.

REVIEW & ACCEPTANCE OF Meeting MINUTES of: August 12th Meeting
(Corrections/additions) No changes.

QUARTERMASTER REPORT: Quartermaster Ryan McCaffrey & HC Chair Verhage.

- Post Finances and QM Report. (McCaffrey).
- House Committee Chair Verhage (Financial).

Q&A _____

Motion to accept: Jr Vice Mike Wolf & Comrade Larry Kinyon second. Motion carried

SERVICE OFFICER REPORT: Comrade Yelkin.

- Reviewed 10/20 disability rule:
 - 10-year rule - the VA cannot terminate a veteran's disability rating after it has been in place for 10 years or more.
 - 20-year rule – prevents the VA from scheduling routine reexaminations for veterans who are 55 years old or older and ultimately taking your disability away.
- Bottomline - Veterans should diligently maintain comprehensive medical records and seek regular medical evaluations to document the status of their disabilities. Familiarity with these VA rules and an understanding of their rights can help veterans protect their ratings and secure the benefits they deserve.

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MEMBERS OR FAMILY MEMBERS IN DISTRESS. None Reported.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE ADJ Brad Shufelt: Thank you cards or updates

- Thank you to Comrade Raschka for the donation of bingo cards
- Village of Plover thank you for donating to park memorial
- Rifle Squad received two \$100 checks from families for honors performed

Community service on-line report:

Turn in all Community Service sheets to the Commander for reporting.

SENIOR VICE COMMANDER REPORT: Sr. Vice Cdr. Cansino. Excused

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER REPORT: Jr. Vice Mike Wolf. 23rd

Honor Flight for September 23rd – None known from our Post.

Honor Flight for October 28th – Comrade Larry Kinyon.

CHAPLAIN REPORT: Chaplain Bob Decker – He will be going south for the winter and only available to be Chaplain from April to November. Please think about volunteering

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

HOUSE COMMITTEE: Members present, HC Chair David Verhage, HC Member Wysocki, Jr. Vice Michael Wolf, CDR McCloy and C of Staff Strasser.

Items Discussed:

- Any Auxiliary issues/concerns/updates
- Hood Cleaning today, Sept 9th
- Canteen Manager Chris is getting quotes for kitchen and bar equipment – yearly cleaning, maintenance and repairs
- West side rain gutters – Quotes are coming in for replacing gutters
 - Comrade Strasser made a motion to spend up to \$1500 to replace gutters. Comrade Wysocki seconded. Motion carried.
- Update to bathrooms being reviewed with Mark
- Upgrading lighting to LED – being discussed with House electrician
- Waxing Floors has been scheduled for Monday, Sept 23rd and Monday, Sept 30th.
 - Will need volunteers to help. Will do one half at a time. Start around 0800 each day.
- Bar employee issues – Mandatory staffing meeting today (Sept 9th). 'Inappropriate Behavior and Harassment Training'
- Karen's replacement – ads have been placed. No responses.
- Any Member issues

- Approval of Beard Brothers BBQ lease and start date
 - Comrade Norb Strasser made motion to accept as sound, signed lease
 - Comrade Mark Wysocki second. Motion carried.
 - Fish Fry will start September 20th, 4pm – 9pm. More to come.

Entertainment/Planning Committee: Chair Members present, Jr Vice Wolf, CDR McCloy, Debbie Manthey, Sally Michelkamp & C of Staff Strasser

Issues discussed:

September:

- 12 Sept – Thursday – Operation Healing Hearts
 - Pedal bikes riding from Eau Claire
 - Need veterans to line the Memorial Bridge on Clark St (4:15pm ish)
 - Will be food trucks at Iverson for bikers
- 13 Sept – Friday Morning Breakfast for Bike Riders at Post 7am ish
 - Rifle Squad serving riders breakfast (pancakes for 25-35 people)
- 15 Sept – Rifle Squad Steak & Omelet Breakfast – first one after summer
 - 0830 – 1200hrs
- 15 Sept – Sunday Car Show 9am-2pm
- 23 Sept – Never Forgotten Honor Flight #49 from Mosinee
 - Carpool from the Post around 2000/8pm
- 28 Sept Saturday – Live Music by Distilled Rhythm
 - Public Event 5-9pm
 - Themed Drink at bar

October:

- 14 Oct – Post & Auxiliary Meeting
- 21 Oct – Rifle Squad Steak & Omelet Breakfast
- 26 Oct – Halloween Party
 - Rocker-Rocker band booked 5-9pm.
 - Food TBD
 - Costume contest
- 28 Oct – Last Honor flight of the year from Mosinee
 - Carpool from the Post around 2000/8pm

Golf Committee: Chair Comrade Larry Kinyon.

- The last "pre-Golf Scramble committee meeting was held September 3rd. It appears that we are very close to matching last year.
- The Golf Scramble was held on Saturday and the weather cooperated. We had a full slate of golfers. Thanks to all the volunteers that helped make it a success!
- It is going to take a few weeks to get final numbers to see how we came out as donations are still coming in.

COMMUNITY & CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION & YOUTH DEVELOPMENT.

VFW Community Activities Committee Chair: Jr. Vice Cdr Wolf.

High School Senior SCHOLARSHIPS, Comrade Mike Zynda.

- Nothing to update

VOD, PP & TEACHER OF THE YEAR. Completed for this year. The Post Leadership has committed to getting this information out to the area schools.

Military Assistance Program (MAP), Chair Comrade Ron Charneski.

- Nothing to report.

SURGEON UPDATE: Comrade Larry Kinyon

Volunteers Needed for 23rd Anniversary of 9/11 National Day of Service and Remembrance events
Volunteer opportunities are available across the country at more than 60 VA national cemeteries on Sept. 11. Find a participating location near you and register in advance for the National Day of Service.

Volunteer: [Patriot Day National Day of Service and Remembrance - Carry The Load](#)

Find a cemetery: [National Day of Service 2024 - National Cemetery Administration \(va.gov\)](#)

This counts as community service. Keep track and please turn it in.

DONATION REQUESTS:

Donation Committee Members; Jim Maas, Mike Worzalla, Barb McCloy, Brad Shufelt & The Commander.; Incoming Sr. Vice Cdr. Cansino Report.

For the reference of post members:

- Any donation request over \$500 will be reviewed by the Donations Committee before brought to the post members for vote.
- Any emergency donation requests need to be submitted 3-5 days ahead of time (where possible).
- This committee would like to extend the invitation for volunteers. We could use the assistance of two or three more members to assist fellow veterans and our community through our Donations Committee.

8:00 PM PRAYER Chaplain Decker.

RIFLE SQUAD: Rifle Squad Cdr. Strasser.

- Update on Rifle Squad activities.
- 2500 flags retired August 13th in ceremony at Comrade Mugridge's house.
- Thursday, Sept 12 – Healing Hearts Riders - meeting at Post and bringing all flags to bridge at Clark St Bridge by Pfiffner Park. Bikers will be coming through
 - 4pm – 7pm – Start at bridge end at Iverson for events
 - This is a fundraiser for Camp Hometown Heroes in Grafton, WI, helping children of fallen heroes
- Steak Feed update – 125 tickets sold. \$3810 was our cost. \$1512 was our profit.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

- Purchase of Overflow parking area from DOT. 75' X 200". Still waiting for DOT Appraisal information. No updates as of 9/5/24

NEW Business.

Good of the Order.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES, EVENTS AND DATES.

- Thursday, September 12 – Healing Hearts 2024 (Welcome at the Iverson Lodge.
- Friday, September 13 – Post Hosts Breakfast for the bike riders.
- Sunday, September 15 – Rifle Squad Steak & Omelet Breakfast
- Sunday, September 15 – Car Show

This Month in History:

September 1, 1939 - At 5.30 a.m., Hitler's armies invaded Poland starting [World War II in Europe](#).

September 2, 1945 - President [Harry Truman](#) declared V-J Day (Victory over Japan Day) commemorating the formal [Japanese surrender](#) to the Allies aboard the USS *Missouri* in Tokyo Bay.

September 3, 1783 - The [Treaty of Paris](#) was signed by [John Adams](#), [Ben Franklin](#) and John Jay, formally ending the [American Revolutionary War](#) between Britain and the United States.

September 9, 1776 - The United States came into existence as the Continental Congress changed the name of the new American nation from the United Colonies.

September 11, 2001 –

- Airlines Flight 11 carrying 92 people and United Airlines Flight 175 carrying 65 people were piloted into the twin towers of the World Trade Center. killing 2,752 persons.
- American Airlines Flight 77 with 64 people on board was piloted into the Pentagon building, killing everyone on board and 125 military personnel inside the building.
- Flight 93 with 44 people on board crashed into a field in Pennsylvania

September 17, 1787 - At the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, delegates from twelve states voted unanimously to approve the proposed [U.S. Constitution](#).

September 18, 1947 - The U.S. Air Force was established as a separate military service.

September 29, 1789 - Congress created the United States Army, consisting of 1,000 enlisted men and officers.

ANNIVERSARIE'S and BIRTHDAYS For June 2024.

**WE WISH EVERYONE A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY!
BIRTHDAYS.**

9/3 Kenneth Carpenter

9/8 Michael Pohl

9/10 Gary Jay

9/13 Jason Prinsen

9/14 Clayton Miller

9/20 Michael McKenna

9/21 Ronald Wroblewski

9/22 Ron Stoflet

9/28 Samuel Rodriguez

9/30 Dan Garrett

ANNIVERSARIES.

9/9 James & Kathy Wrycza
9/23 Ron & Terry Wroblewski
9/21 Michael & Maria Byrum
9/26 Richard & Kim Peterson

Attendance Raffle: Winner: Comrade Tim Bubla

CLOSING CEREMONY; Next Meeting will be 19:00 hrs. October 14, 2024
Adjournment time: 2015

Barbara McCloy
Commander

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