

MINUTES FOR DAV MEETING; November 1st 2019 6:30PM

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Opening ceremony**-Pledge of Allegiance.

\*Chaplin, Seat of the POW & MIA and unknown soldier recognized. Prayer given.  
(Gordon Lohrman filling in for Chaplin Dan Reinhard)

**Roll Call of Officers**

Terry Vorderer, Commander	PRESENT
John J. Fanning, Treasurer	ABSENT
Mike Butler, Senior Vice Commander	ABSENT
Dan Reinhard, Chaplin	ABSENT
Joseph Bertucci, 1st Jr. Vice Commander	EXCUSED
Mary Paul, Adjutant,	PRESENT
Al Precher, Former Commander	ABSENT
Ben Fugate, National Service Officer	EXCUSED
John Stevo, Chapter Service Officer	PRESENT
Charly Luhand, Hospital Chaplin	ABSENT

**Introduction of new members & guests**

Seven new members stood and introduced themselves to the group.

**Reading of minutes of the last meeting** was read by Adjutant, Mary Paul. Terry Vorderer clarified the minutes concerning a motion to help fellow members in need. Clarification on Christmas Party.

\*\*Motion to accept the minutes: Frank Wager 1<sup>st</sup> motion to take the minutes and Bob Lopez 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion of the minutes, called to vote; Passed.

**Treasure Report:** Was read by Terry Vorderer. Beginning balance \$51, 551.50, \$450.00 in deposits and donations \$4,125.38 in expenses, total ending balance \$47,876.12. Donations came from Hometown VFW \$250.00 and a monthly donation of \$100.00 from Jim McKenchy from Anchorage Alaska

\*\*Motion to accept the financial report was made by the Frank Wayne and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Stevo.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** The TV which was won at the raffle was defected so the DAV Chapter gave the winner \$500.00 cash instead. Mailed the check to the winner on October 31<sup>st</sup>.

The grand prize was the trip and the winner took the \$2,000.00 instead of the trip. The winner receive the check.

Sent \$100.00 to ex-commander's wife funeral.

If you volunteered to raise money in June you were invited to a dinner which John Stevo organized the cost of the dinner cost \$1,047.00.

Banner on 95<sup>th</sup> Street in Oak Lawn on Cicero for any veteran or their family \$100.00 can have your picture on the banner, it will fly for 2 years. If there isn't enough interest in the issue the interest will be tabled.

**Sickness and distress:** John Fanning's wife had surgery at Rush Hospital, she has a serious infection. Mike Butler was admitted into Engles Hospital for an allergy reaction. Jim Zwitt was diagnosed with bladder cancer, has part of his bladder removed and undergoing chemotherapy. Jim is also being honored at Wintrust Bank. John Howlett had a heart attack on Sunday the same day his wife passed away on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Reading of Communications:**

Memorial Day Foundation maintains burial sites in foreign countries. [MemorialDay foundation.org](http://MemorialDay foundation.org)

To maintain the burial sites of veterans buried in foreign nations.

\*\*Motion for donation of \$100.00 to the foundation: John Wayne 1<sup>st</sup> and John Stevo 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

Village of Oak Lawn Hometown Middle School 9:00 November 8<sup>th</sup> to be honored at a meal.

Jim Zwitt plus 3 other WWII veteran and 3 Korean War veterans are being honored at Wintrust Bank at 231 S. LaSalle on November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Christmas Party; on December 6<sup>th</sup> at the VFW, will have toys from member who is a member of Toys for Tots.

On January 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 membership dues are going up in cost.

**Legislative Committee Report:**

Ken Boor addressed the group stating that:

Blue Water Events will start benefits in January 2020. Can make applications.

Veteran Day meal; any veteran who attends will be honored, the list of restaurants was read free haircuts to all veterans at Great Clips.

Together We serve; data file can connect fellow veteran with who you served with.

**Membership Committee:** Tony La Belle membership chairman: Applications of Memberships see Tony.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

LTC Jones stated on November 17<sup>th</sup> Temple church honoring veterans with a meal. Any female on November 23<sup>rd</sup> luncheon for women veterans. She brought in breads and sweet rolls from Panera Bread to our group.

The Village of Oak Lawn and the VFW will sponsor an event at 10:30 for veterans on November 11<sup>th</sup> on the Village Green to honor veterans. Wreath is placed at memorial, refreshments will be given.

Deena Morris is not able to make monthly meetings Deena was recognize for her volunteerism.

Mary Paul was sworn in as Adjutant to take minutes of the meetings.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

Gordon Lohrman told the group that Commissary and PX benefits are extended for veterans online, must have a military or VA ID. Can go online for a VIC card, Veteran identification Card. You will need your DD214.

Gordon Lohrman presents a check to the chapter from his son who is an Afghanistan veteran and could not attend for \$500.00. His son is grateful for the efforts of the DAV Chapter and especially to Ben Fugate for his assistance of VA compensation.

Tony had restaurant gift certificates from local business and restaurants for veteran. Rich helped Tony collect gift certificates for veterans.

Harry Gougis donated \$150.00 to the DAV.

Harvey IL concealed carry class for veterans will be an 8 hour class, certification good for 5 years.

Fannie Mae would like to sell candy and give 30% of proceeds go back to Chapter. February was discussed as a good month for the candy sale. They are making a donation of one box of candy to our Christmas party.

Vietnam veterans and families are invited to a ceremony at Humana on 9522 S Western Ave Evergreen Park Plaza, they are offering healthcare to Vietnam Veterans on November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 2:30pm; will be given a pin for attending.

**50/50 Raffle:** 50% goes to the winner and 50% goes to the pizza and beer.

Total collected was \$270.00, \$135.00 was for the winner which was donated back to the chapter.

Pizzas for the group totaled \$85.00

**MEMORIAL CEREMONY:** Officer played TAPs and the Chaplain said the final prayer.

**ADJOURNMENT,** 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Barry Painter and 2<sup>nd</sup> motion by Rich Orowksi.