



VIETNAM VETERANS OF

AMERICA

Chapter 528 Plymouth, MI 48170

General Membership Meeting

11/13/2017

## MINUTES

Meeting called to order by President Rick Adis

Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence.

**69 Members present.**

OFFICERS ROLL CALL: Rick Adis, Gary Pritchard, Mike Steffes, Bob Dew, and Ron King

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY, U.S. MARINE CORPS—242 YEARS (1775)**

**Introduction of Guests:** None.

**OFFICER'S REPORTS:**

President– Rick Adis--

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Gary Pritchard

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President- Mike Steffes—N/R

Secretary- Ron King—October, 2017 minutes approved. M: Joe Agius; 2<sup>nd</sup>: Glenn Jewell.

Treasurer- Bob Dew- Presented October, 2017 Profit & Loss. Approved. M: Gary Kubik; 2<sup>nd</sup>: Dale Luebke.

Chaplain: Rich Whipple –N/R

Chapter Historian: Gary Pritchard—N/R

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Annual Sportsman's Raffle. Bob Dew presented a recap. 3426 tickets sold. The highest total to date. Net profit = \$45,341.31. Thank you to all who helped in any way with this major event.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Committee Reports**

Chapter By-Laws- Jim Hodgson- N/R

Membership: Bob Lamoureux- VVA: 284; AVVA: 85. Life member winner: Sharon Cabrerros.

Public Affairs Don Dignan- Dale Luebke reported Annual Car Wash net profit was \$955.00. Thanks to everyone who helped.

Webmaster/Home-Front Editor -Tom Brown- N/R

Webpage: [www.vva528.org](http://www.vva528.org)

Newsletter: all articles, photos, and flyers are due on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of every month.

POW/MIA - Al Kerbyson—N/R

AVVA Rep – Bryan Bentley—N/R

VA Health Chair- Stu Israel—Presented a VA Activities Report. Report on file.

VVA State Council- Gary Estermyer—John Riling reported. National VVA Board met in October. Politicians are attempting to cut funding to VA Service Officer Programs.

Fundraising- Bob Dew-Please think of possible fundraising ideas.

**Chapter Special Committee Reports**

Kokomo- Dale Luebke –303 days and a wake up!

Children's Christmas Party—Judy Thomason presented party details.

**DONATION/MOTION REQUESTS:**

**D2017-016** Donate \$500.00 to "Quilts of Valor". A 501 (c) 3 organization that makes quilts for veterans.

M: Gene Spurgess  
Board Recommendation: Approval

2<sup>nd</sup>: Gary Kubik  
Membership: Approved.

**D2017-017**

Donate \$2000.00 to "Veteran's Winter Clothing" Program. This is a rotating donation to worthy veteran's organizations in partnership with Kohl's Department Store and the MVF ( Michigan Veterans Fund).

M: John Fleming  
Board Recommendation: Approval

2<sup>nd</sup>: Bob Dew  
Membership: Approved.

**M2017-008**

Motion to replace the lighting in the Veteran's Display Case in the Post lobby. Cost not to exceed \$100.00.

M: Don Petrere  
Board Recommendation: Approval

2<sup>nd</sup>: Bob Dew  
Membership: Approved.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Karaoke - 1st and 3rd Friday 8pm in the Post Lounge.
- Please sign birthday book before the meeting located in the Post Lounge.
- Annual Christmas Tree Sales begin on Friday, November 24, 2017. Noon to 7 p.m. VFW Post 6695.
- Annual Children's Christmas Party, Saturday, December 9, 2017. 1-3 pm. VFW Post 6695.

Next VVA General Membership Meeting: Monday, December 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Next VVA Board Meeting: Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

**Adjourned:**

PRESIDENT  
Rick Adis

SECRETARY  
Ron King