



VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA
Chapter 528 Plymouth, MI 48170
General Membership Meeting
9/11/2017
MINUTES

Meeting called to order by President Dennis Bielskis

Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence

79 Members present.

OFFICERS ROLL CALL: Dennis Bielskis, Rick Adis, Gary Pritchard, Bob Dew, Ron King

Introduction of Guests: Fishing Derby trophy presented to Landon Lotarski(4 years old). Don Nippa.

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

President– Dennis Bielskis -Stepping aside as President for an undetermined time period. Rick Adis will assume the President's position.

To date, approximately 2200Sportsman Raffle tickets sold. Please help.

1st Vice President – Rick Adis –N/R

2nd Vice President- Gary Pritchard- PBS will air the “Vietnam War” series beginning September 17, 2017.

Treasurer- Bob Dew- Presented August, 2017 Profit & Loss. M-Clyde Rains; 2nd: Mike Steffes.

Chaplain: Rich Whipple- Gary Kubik and Larry Bakucz are here tonight! Al Kerbyson is back in VA hospital. Bill Kren has cancer.

Chapter Historian: Gary Pritchard-N/R

OLD BUSINESS:

- 50th Commemorative committee. Bob Dew presented a recap of activities.

NEW BUSINESS: See Announcements.

Committee Reports

Chapter By-Laws – Jim Hodgson-N/R

Membership- Bob Lamoureux- VVA Members: 284; AVVA Members: 85. Fall Festival income was \$1,835.00. Newest Life Member is John Heraghty. Congratulations!!

Product Sales - Bill Petrere-N/R

Public Affairs - Don Dignan-N/R

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

Webpage: www.vva528.org

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

POW/MIA - Al Kerbyson—N/R

AVVA Rep – Bryan Bentley—N/R

VA Health Chair-Stu Israel-Dennis Bielskis presented the report. It is on file.

VVA State Council- Gary Estermyer-Next VVA National Convention is in Spokane, WA in 2019.

Fundraising- Bob Dew-N/R

Chapter Special Committee Reports

Kokomo- Dale Luebke— 2 days and a wake up!

Sportsman Raffle – See above.

DONATION/MOTION REQUESTS:

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Donate \$200.00 to the Canton Community Foundation for The Veterans Summit on September 13, 2017.

D: Bob Dew 2Nd: Ron King

Board Recommendation: Approval 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
- 50th VVA Commemorative Celebration, September 30, 2017. VFW Post 6695.
- Poker Shootout at Post, Thursday, October 5, 2017.
- Sportsman Raffle at Post, Sunday, October 8, 2017
- Main Street Car Wash, Sunday, October 15, 2017.

Next VVA General Membership Meeting: Monday October 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Next VVA Board Meeting: Tuesday September 26, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjourned:

PRESIDENT
Dennis Bielskis

SECRETARY
Ron King

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