

**General Membership Meeting
March 2018**

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Commander, John Saunders; Opened meeting at 7:00 p.m. with appropriate ceremonies.

Legion Chaplain Randy Crank presented prayer to open the meeting.

Opening:

- Introduction was made for guests, distinguished visitors and new members were welcomed.
- LT Governor Jeanne Hampton, 57th LT Gov of KY was introduced and was a guest speaker.
- Motion passed to accept previous month's general membership and executive committee meeting minutes.

Committee Reports

Commander Saunders: Ceremony held for dedication of the building to name it George Larson.

- Legionnaire Bob Casher made a presentation of an autographed trenching tool to the legion signed by CSM John Troxell.

Post Manager, Stephen Stewart: Celebration of Life will be held for former SAL Joe Luebbers.

- Legion birthday, dance and dessert auction will be held on 17 March.
- April events include a free dance with a band "Culpepper Express" on April 7th and a Neil Diamond Tribute show and dinner on April 21st.
- The biggest upcoming event is the Vietnam Honors Dinner. Donations are being solicited as this will be a community event. See Commander Saunders for further information.

Finance Officer, Brian Knoch: Provided balance sheet and profit and loss statement. The legion is debt free. 30k from savings will be split into two CD accounts of 15K each.

- Monetary contributions requests will be considered; please bring them forward to an Executive Committee member.

Adjutant, Randy Harris: Membership goal is 1307 members. Currently, there are 1236 members.

2d Vice, Randy Cote: The shed on the legion grounds is in need of organization and has stuff from all the legion families. March 3d is the scheduled date to go through the shed and legion family member representatives are requested to attend and help out starting at 10:00 am.

Nominating Committee Representative: The various positions that remain vacant include; Commander, 1st Vice, Adjutant, Finance Officer, and Historian. Members are encouraged to step up and seek office. See the Commander any executive committee member or a member of the nominating committee to be nominated for a position. Nominating Committee Members: Al Maruszewski, Mike Kabel or John Crow.

Post Commander, John Saunders:

Unfinished Business:

- Thanks to the Auxiliary Unit 113 for a wonderful Valentines dance/dinner.
- A Vietnam Veterans recognition dinner is scheduled for 29 March, Thursday. Volunteers are welcome to support the event. Doors will open at 6PM. The Auxiliary has been asked to support the event with desserts. See Commander Saunders to volunteer.
- The SAL is hosting on April 7th a local band, "Culpepper Express" will play. It is a free event.
- SAL is hosting a Neil Diamond impersonator on April 21st. There will be a dinner and a small charge.
- Volunteer Appreciation Night is scheduled for June 16th.
- Installation of Touch Tunes has been made with three different zones that can play different music or no music. Either use cash or an app on the phone to select music. It is the state of the art with Bose speakers.
- Pictionary started at the legion on Monday nights, 6:00pm and is well attended.
- Texas Holdem is scheduled for Friday night, March 2d and March 30th.
- Discussion was held previously with the Executive Board members to donate \$1000.00 toward silhouettes for the Veterans Center. Motion made and passed with the general membership.
- Legion family is requested to design a legion coin with \$100.00 given to the designer. The coin will be selected by the Executive Committee members. If the American Legion logo is used a release for the copy right must be obtained. Submit designs to Commander Saunders.

New Business:

- There are seven Soldiers in the local area who served with Iraqi Freedom and Afghanistan. Their names are to be added to the monument in the E-town park which will cost \$966.00. A motion made and passed to fund the insert of their names. Their names will be unveiled at the Memorial Day events.
- Legion baseball for Hardin Post 113 has been initiated. Ken Wright will stand up the season for 2018.

Good of the Legion:

- The next General membership meeting is scheduled for April 5, 2018.
- The Executive Committee meeting for March is scheduled for the 27th and in April 26th.

Meeting was adjourned with appropriate ceremonies.

ATTEST; Beverly R. Watkins, Publicity Officer

John Saunders, Commander