

## Meeting Minutes November 2024

**Guests:** Bonnie Gerlt, Lara McMillan, Kathleen Brietinger, Meighen Friesen, Karla Kaufman.

Meeting opened at 1900 with 15 Members Present.

**Officer Roll Call:** All officers were present except the Surgeon who was excused and the Guard who was absent. As this was in informal meeting to permit signing of ENVH Xmas cards and have our bi-annual wing feed, only essential business was conducted.

**Minutes:** As minutes were emailed to all members and spare copies were available, motion to dispense with reading of the minutes was made by Frank and seconded by Gary. Motion passed.

**Reading of the Bills:** None

**QM Monthly & Quarterly Reports:** Accepted subject to audit.

**Community Service/Service Officer** – Larry Gerlt – NR

**Members in Distress:** Marty Shelton and Rich Klinger.

**Members Deceased:** None

**Committee Reports:**

**Membership - Larry Gerlt:** Our post won the October Commander-in-Chief's Challenge with the greatest increase in life memberships in division 3 – 328 posts, and will be receiving a Poppy table cover (\$270 in the VFW Store)! We are now at 98.32.% and only need 18 more to achieve 102% and qualify for All American. However, the Chief has added a new requirement – participation in "Say-of-Service" on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will do a police call around the DAV with a start time of 0900. When I do the March & May newsletter I will add it to the schedule! No Dec membership drive. Marty S. state he had signed up for Day of Service doing grave location service at the Omaha National Cemetery. Next Membership drive will be scheduled for Jan 11th. We meet at Village Inn on Fort Crook Rd at 0830, post pays for breakfast and I provide a short training while waiting for food. I also provide a 'route list' to run. We meet back at VI at 1130 so I can collect the route sheets and any monies. Will send an email prior to. If no one responds, I skip breakfast and go on my own. If you have any family members, coworkers, neighbors or friends who are veterans and may qualify for the VFW, ask them if I can contact them about joining and pass me their contact info (at least name & phone number, address and email is good to have.)

**Blood Drive/VA & Chaplain Report - Frank Durham:** NR

**Surgeon - Bernie Jennings:** NR

**POW/MIA - William Guy:** NR

**Voice of Democracy/Patriots Pen/TOTY - NR**

**Buddy Poppy - Josh Andrus:** NR

**Political Action - Matt Whitaker: NR**

**Webmaster/Facebook - Rick Imgrund: NR**

**Women Veterans - Sonja Hosler: NR**

**We remembered our National Home.**

**Correspondence – None**

**Old Business**

1. **Subj:** Xmas Party **Content:** A consolidate Xmas party with the Fleet Reservice, American Legion Post 331, American Legion Auxiliary and possibly the DAV has been proposed. We would still do short program to recognize VOD & PP winners if we have entries. Would reduce our costs as all orgs would contribute towards entertainment. Don Reynolds band is booked for a wedding and we have hired DJ/KJ Anthony Infante.

**New Business**

1. **Subj:** Hams for New Visions Thanksgiving Dinner – Larry **Content:** New Visions is in need of enough ham to feed 30 people for Thanksgiving. I move we buy approximately 15 lbs of ham for a maximum donation of \$75 for them. Motion was made by QM to purchase the ham and was seconded by Jeff G. Motion passed.
2. **Subj:** Dept. Raffle Calendars **Content:** We have to sell 20 calendars to qualify of All State. I move the post purchase 5 for a total donation of \$100 and any winnings go to the post treasury. Motion was made by QM to purchase 5 Calendars, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Frank. Motion passed.

**Good of the Order (*All guests should be invited to speak*)**

- Post Membership drive Saturday, 11 Jan 2025, 8:30-11:30, VI Fort Crook Rd.
- Xmas Party Saturday, 14 Dec here at the DAV. Deadline for reservations & monies, Dec 6<sup>th</sup>!
- Next post meeting will be 22 January 2025 at 7pm at the DAV NE Chapter 2 Hall, 4515 F St.



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Quartermaster