

American Legion Post 39
Gilbert Arizona
General Meeting Minutes
August 1, 2023

Meeting convened at 1800 by Commander Banaszewski, a quorum was present and officer roll call was taken, with 12 board members in attendance and a total of 25 members/board members.

Guests:

- No guest

Minutes:

- July 2023 Minutes:
 - Motion to accept, seconded, no discussion, voted and passed.

Commander, Frank Banaszewski:

- Nothing reported

1st Vice, Chris Ellis:

- New members 1 – Transfer – 0
 - Motion to accept these folks, seconded, no discussion and passed.
- To Date: Members: 345
- 38% for this year (total)

2nd Vice, Jim Sivigny:

- Kitchen Calendar: Nothing to report.
- Kitchen/Legion/Post; Profit for previous month; \$612.50
- Went over courtesy remind if you are present at the club during a meeting to keep talking limited, signs purchased to put up during meetings

Finance Officer/Treasurer, Rob Heibult:

- Quickbooks has been updated for club and post, accounts set up for individual programs, Christmas for kids, packages for troops, boys state, semper fi, TUP.
- Balances - \$5332.40 (post/legion)
- Insurance reimbursed approx. \$21K of the \$24K spent
- Club profitability for – made \$4,818.76 year to date
 - \$2K, will be moved from the Club account to the Post (general fund) the last day of every month. To be reevaluated in a couple months.

Service Officer, Open Position

- George Robles nominated in as new service officer, will complete swearing in at a later date
- Jimmy P, reported on PACT, deadline to file is 8/9/2023
- Moment of Silence for the passing of Doug Adamsons mother

Chaplain, Jim Paplaczyk:

HEALTH & SICKNESS

- “Super Loser” Ed Muniz had successful surgery on his arm and is recuperating at home.

Important Dates

US COAST GUARD BIRTHDAY	4 August	MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY	10 November
V-J DAY	4 September	VETERANS DAY	11 November
PATRIOT DAY	11 September	THANKSGIVING	23 November
US AIR FORCE BIRTHDAY	18 September	PEARL HARBOR DAY	7 December
US NAVY BIRTHDAY	13 October	USNG BIRTHDAY	13 December
DAY OF THE DEPLOYED	26 October	CHRISTMAS DAY	25 December

MONTHLY INVOCATION

The greatest thing I can do for my country, Lord, is to honor You. If I hold You in the highest regard, I will do my civic duty with pleasure. Let me do service to my country and to others with a genuine willingness. Amen.

Color Guard, Pete Brown:

- Still dark for summer
- Looking at a new container to hold flags
- Need replacement and new members to join

Committee Reports:

- **Queen of Hearts;** \$8,336 (11 cards remaining)
- **Tech,** Rick Knull; new texting service has been rolled out, meetings will be set up to all entities to review and send to blast texting.
- **Bingo;** No update
- **Gilbert Days,** Ken Skwartz; no update
- **50/50** – Six months for Boys State
- **Flags for First/Second Graders,** Fred Meyer; No update
- **Boys State,** Doug Adamson; is pending a response from the contact on how many kids for the 2023
- **Building Committee,** Frank Banaszewski; No update
- **Christmas for Kids,** Eric Wilcox; no update
- **Veterans Advisory Board,** Mike Bailey; No update
- **Packages for Troops,** Julio Beatrice; No Update
- **Semper Fi Committee,** Ken Skwartz; 8/26 memorial being held for Afghanistan withdrawal. Looking to pick up a dinner or breakfast to raise funds for post improvements. Will get with entities to see what weekend can be covered.
- **TUP,** Ken Skwartz; 9/23 final event, working on permits for use of park next to post
- **ROTC,** Frank Banaszewski; No update, schools usually reach out in March
- **Audit Committee** – Finance Officer cannot lead this group
- **Veterans Business Council,** Jimmy Paplaczyk; no report
- **Finance Committee,** Rod Heibult; budget reviewed by finance committee 8/1 members, Mike Bailey, Jimmy Paplaczyk, Chris Ellis; Frank Banaszewski. budget was reviewed will be presented to E-Board meeting on 8/15/2023 and presented to GM in September 2023.

Old Business:

- Nothing reported

New Business:

- Gilbert Days Rodeo Banner Sponsorship \$125, per entity motion made, seconded, passed.

Good of the Legion:

- Nothing reported

Adjourned at 1845 hr. by Commander Banaszewski