

American Legion Post 39
Gilbert Arizona
General Meeting Minutes
Nov 1, 2022

Meeting convened at 1800 by Commander Bailey, a quorum was present and officer roll call was taken, with 9 board members in attendance and a total of 18 members/board members.

Guests:

Minutes:

- September and Oct 2022 Minutes:
 - Motion to accept, seconded, no discussion, voted and passed.

1st Vice Ellis: -

- Challenge with Aux and SAL, please renewal online ASAP
- New members – 24, Transfer – 5
- 66.3% for this year (total)

2nd Vice: Vacant, no update

- Kitchen Calendar:
- September Kitchen report
 - Income
 - Expenses
 - Profit
 - Profit/Loss YTD now \$

Finance Officer/Treasurer Ken Skwartz:

- Bills paid
- Renewing Corporation Commission
- AZ Lottery for pull tabs being renewed, need gaming officer

Service Officer Shoemaker:

- 8 Calls
- 8 Worked
- 7 finished
- VA Short 500 employee's
- Masks are required for all VA in-house appointments

Chaplain Jim Paplaczuk:

HEALTH & SICKNESS

- Doc (Dan DeSantis) at home recuperating and improving.
- Henry (Al) Williams passed away on Wednesday, 26 October, 2022. Our thoughts and prayers go with him.

IMPORTANT DATES

US MARINES BIRTHDAY	10 November
VETERANS DAY	11 November
SPACE FORCE BIRTHDAY	1 December
PEARL HARBOR DAY	7 December
USANG BIRTHDAY	13 December

MONTHLY INVOCATION

Father, we come to you for help and guidance. Grant that we may serve You and find peace, wisdom, and strength. Be with us in all our deliberations and be our guide as we work for the good of our comrades, our communities, our state, and our country. In Your name we pray. Amen.

Jim Paplaczuk, Post 39 Chaplain jrpapy50@gmail.com (630) 408-8210

Color Guard:

- Parade on 19 Nov (Gilbert Days)
- Rodeo ??
- Gilbert Vets (2 events)

Committee Reports:

- Queen of Hearts – \$3,300
- Bingo – Larry Mann/SON guest at meeting, volunteers are needed for Sunday Bingo. Money raised goes to the legion, would like more legionnaire volunteers. George volunteered to help.
- Christmas for Kids – Need help for 2022. Already collecting for this program. Looking to collect about \$1,000 per month prior to this event. Christmas party for kids Saturday December 17th \$8,410 made Saturday during Chili Cook-off, plus Donation from Aux we have \$9,910.
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- Gilbert Days – No report
- 50/50 – doing good. Money going to Christmas for Kids. Julio will give Erica an amount already deposited.
 - Starting next week, money from 50/50 will go to Packages for Troups.
- Flags for First/Second Graders. Fred says it will start up beginning of February 2023
- Boys State – No report
- Building Committee – Frank Banaszewski;
 - Bar – getting quotes
 - Permit for Gazbo
 - Legion needs help this weekend in Kitchen (cook and clean-up) (Friday and Sunday)
- Veterans Advisory Board – No update
- Packages for Troups: Start Oct 1 (Julio). Send around the first part of December. Dec 3 at 0900 we'll package gifts at the post. – No update
 - Selling Stars and Hearts.

- 125 packages this year.
- **Tech Committee** – Andy Duncan;
 - Replaced managers office computer. Moved everything over and setup computer to automatically backup.
 - Need to look at replacing the computer in the other office.
 - Will start looking at creating a business page for Facebook. Plan on keeping the group page, this will allow us greater access to the public, it will be very restricted to who can post.
 - TV's outside have been wired to now be able to display bingo, or any other items that we would want to display on the back TV.
- Audit Committee – Finance Officer cannot lead this group. Mike Bailey, Leslie, Frank and Andrew. No update, Commander reached out to several companies with no luck obtaining an outsider auditor
- Finance Committee Chaired by Ken Skwartz, Frank Banaszewski, Establish budgets. – No update

Old Business:

- Wally – 100 Club
 - Golf Tourney (update at next eboard meeting); update at next meeting
- Red Tee Shirt, State 48
 - Approved at eboard, shirts will be sold for \$34 & \$36 (1XL & up)
- Flag Fund Raiser – Mitch will make an American Flag that will hang Dog Tags inside the Stripes. Could bring in \$17K.
 - Update at next meeting

New Business:

- Motion to reimburse expenses to Katrina \$438.00 spent on Saturday. Seconded, Discussed and Voted. Passed.
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Good of the Legion:

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- Motion to appoint new Finance Officer/Treasurer

Commented [ME1]:

Adjourned at 1841 hrs by Commander Bailey.