# American Legion Post 39 Gilbert Arizona General Meeting Minutes Nov 2, 2021

Meeting convened at 1800 by Commander Gray, a quorum was present and officer roll call was taken, with 20 members in attendance.

**Guests**: Christine Perez, Director of Sales, SunRise Gilbert. Sunrisegilbert.com Introduction to Sunrise Senior Living, (Independent, Memory, Assisted Living, etc.) Honor Wall – many Vet's staying there.

- VA has a good benefit SunRise uses.
- 10 am Veterans Day visit.
- Classic Car Show in March 2022.
- Minimum Age 60 years old.
- Independent Elderly helping with Temp issues (2 weeks and on)

#### Minutes:

• Oct 2021; Motion to accept. Second, Discussed, voted, passed.

# **Vice Cmdr Grosch:**

- New member's; 12 Transfer 1
- Motion to accept all these folks into our Post, seconded, passed.
- 50.82% for renewal. Target is 50% by EOM Nov 2021

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Cmdr Cusick:

- Discussed the calendar
- Kitchen report Laddy still working on this.
  - Discussed kitchen report
  - o \$608 total income
  - \$ Expenses
  - o \$(1145.00) Profit
  - Expense YTD \$
  - o YTD LOSS (\$)
- Calendar Laddy still working on it.
- Friday night T-bones and Walleye on the menu.

## **Finance Officer Skwirtz:**

- See information attached in today's packet.
- Bills are paid
- Sales have dropped off a bit.

Motion to accept the Finance Report as written, pending review. Seconded, No Discussion, Passed.

# Service Officer Wayne Montes De Oca:

Absent

# **Chaplain Adamson:**

## **HEALTH & SICKNESS:**

- Larry Plote (SAL) we are saddened to learn of Larry's passing after his battle with cancer.
- William Kervahn (Legion) Will was a Navy veteran, having served deployments throughout the Middle East. He retired after a 27 year career.
- Steve Philippi (SAL) Steve passed on 25 Aug after an extended battle with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease). He had held positions within the SAL Squadron over the years.
- Pete Hernandez moving to Extended Care.

## **SERVICE BIRTHDAYS**

ARMY JUNE 14 COAST GUARD AUGUST 04
AIR FORCE SEPTEMBER 18 NAVY OCTOBER 13
MARINES NOVEMBER 10

#### **NEWS**

• 02 Nov Election Day

• 07 Nov Daylight Saving Time ends for everyone else

11 Nov Veteran's Day25 Nov Thanksgiving Day

• 28 Nov Hanukkah begins at sundown

## **POST EVERLASTING**

**Father in heaven**, I stand before You today in Your omnipotent presence to ask that You grant me strength. I want You to give me the strength to power through all of the tasks today — whether little or big. It is by Your will that I live oh Lord. AMEN

Doug Adamson, Post 39 Chaplain. (<a href="mailto:DougDebAz@gmail.com">DougDebAz@gmail.com</a>; 602-882-8030 cell)

## **Color Guard: From Mike Bailey:**

Hello Gentleman,

Thank you in advanced for Posting the Colors once again at our Gilbert Veterans Day Ceremony on Wednesday, November 10th at Gilbert Regional Park 3005 E Queen Creek Rd, Gilbert, AZ 85298. We will have patriotic music between 5:30pm-6:30pm with the ceremony beginning 6:30pm. Once again SMSgt Danny Alltop from the Higley Unified School District will organize the different Color guards we have participating this year. Try and arrive no later than 4:45pm for a 5:00pm run-through. The stage will not be available at 5:30pm. Please meet at the large Amphitheatre.

Please forward this onto your respect Color Guard/Ceremonial team.

If you need to contact me the day of the ceremony please call me at 480-815-9373.

Thanks again and let me know if you have any questions.

## **Mike Leppert**

Recreation Coordinator-Special Events Town of Gilbert 90 East Civic Center Drive | Gilbert, AZ 85296 Work: 480.503.6235 | Mobile: 480-815-9373 Email: mike.leppert@gilbertaz.gov

Mon-Thurs, 7:00am - 6:00pm; Closed Fridays

Rodeo is set for Friday-Sunday.

**Looking for Color Guard Volunteers.** 

## **Committee Reports:**

- Queen of Hearts \$1000 (Jackpot won this past Monday Gemma)
- Bingo –
- Christmas for Kids –
- Town of Gilbert Veterans Advisory Board: The chair of the board, Les Presmyk, would like to have an American Legion/ VAB combo meeting at the end of Nov/Dec. Any suggestions for agenda items are greatly appreciated.
- 50/50 doing good.
- Dog Tag Campaign slowing down.
- Packages for Troops Packaging Dec 4 at 0900 her at the Post. Short of People to send to. Need Names.
- Flags for First/Second Graders see Fred Meyer
- Gilbert Days Meeting Nov 9, 1700.

## **Old Business:**

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#### **New Business:**

- By Law Committee: Brad Heck, Mitch Ellis and Mike Bailey, Chris Ellis, Leslie Minner. Reading in December, voting on Constitution/Bylaws in January 2022. Vote will be 2/3 approval by those members in attendance.
- We went through the changes made to the Constitution and Bylaws during this meeting.
- Anyone touching money should be bonded. We'll discuss who during E Board Meeting in November. We may
  put a list of personnel in Standard Rules.
- Motion to donate \$750 to the United Food Bank. Seconded. No discussion. Passed.

### **Good of the Legion:**

- Dog Tag Campaign –
- Audit Committee -
- Audit Fund Raising –
- There will be Boys State this year. (Doug)
- Positions based on 4 pillars (input)i
- Letter from Bill and Betty Cross thanking Laddy and the Post for our contribution and Laddy's immediate action!! Well done Laddy!!!!
- We need the following positions:
  - Sgt at Arms –
  - Historian –
  - Tax Officer recommended by Finance Officer, Commander has final say. Form 990.
- Fall Conference Nov 5-7<sup>th</sup>. Commander Gray, Brad and Colleen going. Need to book early.
- GET INVOLVED WITH YOUR POST. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS.
- ATTEND THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS.
- Home Depot looking for a Veteran that might need help with their home, etc. See Dave Sabel.
- Flags on Veterans Day at 0600. Saturday 11/11 to Sunday 11/21 (remove at 0600).