

American Legion Post 39
Gilbert Arizona
General Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2017

Meeting convened at 1800 by Commander Ellis, a quorum was present and officer roll call was taken, with 23 members in attendance.

Guests:

- Mark Carpenter – Carry the Fallen 22 Apr 17 0930-1330 Gilbert Water Tower
 - Gave a short history about himself and his brother who succumbed to PTSD.
 - Founded Active Hero's
 - Ruck march on 22 Apr 17. Carry the weight of those veterans that are burdened. Raise money to support the cause. Raise awareness of veteran suicide. Support endangered veterans. Give them coping skills, etc. They would like us to support them. Looking to make this a yearly event.
 - When in doubt is someone is experiencing problems go ahead and point that vet to someone who can help. Go ahead and call these guys for help 570 606-7531
 - The ruck will take ~3 hours, 7.2 miles. Have a chase vehicle.
- Adam & Hanna Bowles, Trisha Moore – VA Loan Mortgage
 - Would like to help our vets save money on loans
 - A portion of these loans go back to vet organizations
 - They provided information on the VA loans
 - You can own multiple homes on your VA allotment
 - Go to bayequityhomeloans.com/gilbert for this information and contact information

Minutes:

- Motion, second, voted, passed

Sr Vice Gray:

- New - 6
- Transfers - 2
- Motion to accept, seconded, no discussion, all passed
- 769 members 102.5%, Way to go!

Jr Vice Grosch:

- Discussed the calendar
 - April is a busy month
 - 8 Apr Jim Garland celebration of life
- Kitchen report
 - Discussed kitchen report
 - Kitchen is doing good

Finance Officer Szabo:

- Went over finance report
 - CG, Riders have closed their accounts and moved over to Chase
- Reviewed by Sr Vice and approved. Motion, second, voted, passed

Service Officer Lane:

- Ernie discussed the overpayment of veterans benefits
 - There's a procedure use it. If you have any questions talk to Ernie
 - Documents need to be current
 - Durable power of attorney for health care
 - Living will
 - Last will and testament
 - Etc
 - Make sure your PCP knows your medical condition
 - We have been requested by Queen of Heaven 0700 27 May 17 Flags for the graves

Chaplain Adamson:

- This has been a tough month

Color Guard:

- Mar there were 4 memorials
- Apr there are 2
- Postings there are 2
- To date we've done 12 shoots, 1 memorial and 6 postings
- CG has been very busy

Committee Reports:

- Bingo and queen of hearts are doing great

Old Business:

- Front renovation
 - Heard from the city but they had comments
 - Working on the comments and then will resubmit to the city

New Business:

- None

Good of the Legion:

- June Convention
 - Cave Creek
- Nominations
 - Commander – No new nominations, closed
 - Sr Vice – No new nominations, closed
 - Jr Vice – No new nominations, closed
 - Finance Officer – No new nominations, closed
 - E-board – No new nominations, closed
 - Vote next meeting, bring your current membership card

Adjourned at 1867

