

American Legion Post 39
Gilbert Arizona
General Meeting Minutes
May 2, 2017

Meeting convened at 1800 by Commander Ellis, a quorum was present and officer roll call was taken, with 29 members in attendance.

Guests:

- Mr Vesely – Americor (Bridging AZ Furniture bank)
 - Help people who are placed in housing furniture
 - Trying to get the word out
 - Serve ~ %40 veterans
 - Service Tempe and Mesa areas

Minutes:

- Motion, second, voted, passed

Sr Vice Gray:

- New - 6
- Transfers - 5
- Motion to accept, seconded, no discussion, all passed
- 789 members 104.6%, Way to go!

Jr Vice Grosch:

- Discussed the calendar
 - 5 May not surprise b-day party
 - 13 May spaghetti dinner free – donations accepted
 - 20 May bar tender's appreciation day
 - 27 May – need volunteers at 0700 to go to Queen of Heaven to put flags on graves
 - 29 May 0515 putting flags out, retrieval 1730
 - 3 Jun – Volunteers needed to retrieve flags from the graves at Queen of Heaven
- Kitchen report
 - Discussed kitchen report
 - Kitchen made \$54

Finance Officer Szabo:

- Went over finance report
 - Everything looks good
 - American Legion Merrill Mitchel Post 39
- Reviewed by Sr Vice and approved. Motion, second, voted, passed

Service Officer Lane:

- Ernie discussed the new burial benefits
- There's a new health care program
- Veteran's Choice Program is being support by Sen. McCain

Chaplain Adamson:

- Celebration of Life for Vic is this Saturday
- Discussed the funeral arrangements for Aldon Pell
- WWII veteran Florian Glowacki passed away

Color Guard:

- Apr 3 gun salutes and 1 posting
- May CG will be doing breakfast on Mother's day

Committee Reports:

- Bingo
 - Only getting 10-12 people

Old Business:

- State Convention
 - Post pays for people going
 - 21-25 Jun
 - See Chris if you want to go, but do it soon
- Front renovation
 - Finally got approved from the city
 - Building permit pulled
 - Getting bids from contractors
 - Things should start to move soon
 - Looking at 4-6 weeks construction period barring any unforeseen problems
 - Looking for volunteers that would be available during the day, See Gil
- Christmas for Kids raffle
 - Spent \$500 and got 2 shotguns and 1 pistol, and 15 prizes
 - Start selling raffles tickets on 15 June

New Business:

- Consolidated reports
 - Get your hours in ASAP to Chris or Lisa
 - If you have it in soft copy you can email it to me at toulouse7983@yahoo.com
 - 1 June to 30 May is the time period that we want the information for.

Good of the Legion:

- New Officers
 - Commander – Chris Ellis
 - Sr Vice – Dave Gray
 - Jr Vice – Larry Grosch
 - Finance Officer – Wayne Szabo
 - E-board – Julio Beatrice, Gil Gilligan, Brad Heck, Leslie Minner, Ron Minner, Mike Johnson, Dave Earney, Fred Meyers

- Motion to burn the ballets, second, passed
- American Legion has an app for your phone and it's free. Called "The Legion"

Adjourned at 1847