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## **Post 1980 Minutes Post Meeting – 24 May, 2016**

*Meeting held at Highland Bible Church; Vets hall under re-construction*

**Call to order at 7 PM** – Commander Williams

**Welcome to members and guests;** Hero's Pac representatives presented their program; training trainers to train service dogs for veterans, particularly effective for PTSD Vets

**Roll Call** (Sign in Sheet) – 18 Members present; see roster at end

**Minutes** from April Post meeting – Tabled; not discussed

**Finance Officer's Report** – Presented and approved

### **Committee Reports/ old business:**

- **New Officers:** assumed their duties effective this meeting
- **Boys State:** no report; we have 5 attending this year
- **Scholarship:** two \$1,000 scholarships presented Zack Hess and Garrick Arias; one \$500 scholarship presented to Zack as last year's Boys State graduate. Norm Steen presented at the Woodland Park High ceremony May 18. A special Post Meeting was called to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> \$1K scholarship, since it was not approved in the budget. A 3<sup>rd</sup> 1K scholarship had been received past the submission deadline so was not considered.
- **Membership:** Post at 124 on a goal of 122.
- **Vet's Hall Remodel:** Home Depot work day was May 11 with ~ 120 volunteers putting finishing touches on phase 1 of the remodel. Certificates of appreciation were presented to 3 Home Depot managers. A brief ceremony was held including honor guard. Coverage was by 4 local newspapers. On May 28 a team moved items to the basement to allow work to continue. Next is refinish of inside trim and floor. The hall should be usable after that while the kitchen is supplied with new appliances. Work on the basement refinishing will occur after.
- **National Commander Dale Bennett** was visiting Colorado and had extra time on May 23 and visited the Hall to view the renovation.
- **Adopt a Highway;** Postponed until mid- summer.
- **Salute to Veterans events:** Events were held on May 11, 12 and 13 in WP, Florissant and Cripple Creek.
- **Resolution:** Bob Lowry drafted of the resolution to expand membership eligibility in the American Legion to all members who have honorably served in the Armed Forces of the United States, not just those who have served in wartime. Bob attended the May 7 District convention where it was approved unanimously. Bob will now send to all State posts. It will proceed to Department of CO, then National, then Congress for consideration
- **Pig Roast/ Silent Auction;** the event will be at the Crystola Roadhouse on June 11. Attached is the sign-up sheet for the pig- cooking. **We still have slots open at from 1 to 3 AM and 3 to 5 AM. RSVP if you can man one of these slots (2 per slot).** Also

attached is signup sheet for food for the event. **Email with your additions**. Will need volunteers to help set up at 9AM. Bring food at 10. Doors open at 11; Volunteers needed for cleanup at 2PM.

### **New business**

- **Memorial Day- May 28**; along with VFW, put flags on Vets graves at 4 cemeteries, starting at 10AM in WP. **May 30**; Flags at Lions Park + ceremony at WP cemetery at 10 AM. Bugle and color guard with rifles.
- **July 4 Booth**: Plan is for 300 hot dogs, buns, brats and condiments. Chair Chuck Gardner on vacation; we will set up subcommittees. Also, we will use the new wood smoker donated by Home Depot.

**Auxiliary update**: Yvonne reported on

- Girls State
- Mother's day luncheon
- basket assembly for Silent auction
- Use of Vets hall basement for Auxiliary meetings
- Possible grand opening of Vets hall
- Christmas party location

**Correspondence**: None

**Sickness/ Illness**: Dan Weber broke hand

**Good of the Legion**: Bob Lowry discussed VA info, community service.

**Next Post Meeting**: June 28. If Vet's hall is not available on that date, the meeting will be moved to another location.

**Adjourn**: Time not recorded

**Attendees**: Dan Williams, Norm Steen, Paul James, Rod Herk, Bob Lowry, Bob Mericle, Al Pickup, Jim Spieth, Buck Dugger, Keith Wilson, Larry Ingram, Bruce Taylor, Greg Alberts, Bruce Nottingham, Vern Wilson, Yvonne Wilson, Robby Cox, Ken Dalton

### **Summary of Upcoming Events:**

- May 30 – Memorial Day
  - Flags at Lions Park – 7AM up 7PM Down
  - AM time TBD flags on all Vets graves in Woodland Park
  - Time TBD Ceremony honoring most recently interred Vet in Woodland Park cemetery
- June 11 – Pig roast and Silent Auction, Crystola Roadhouse
- July 4 – Booth at Woodland Park July 4 celebration