

24 November, 2016



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Post 1980 Minutes Post Meeting – 22 November, 2016

Call to order at 7 PM – Commander Williams

Welcome to members and guests; Roll Call 17 Members present (see Attendees at bottom)

Minutes from September and October Post meeting: Approved

Finance Officer's Report – Presented and approved

Committee Reports/ old business:

- **Nov 11 Vets day dinner** - Charles Gardner reported. We had excellent turn out (estimate 250 – 300). Thanks to all members who worked so hard to make this possible. We will send a thank you card to City Market whom contributed a gift certificate and cake. Also thanks to Debbie Idelman and Paul Kennedy, photographers. A few suggestions for next year:
 - Have servers only for meat and desert. Allow lines on both sides of the food table; taking too long to serve with only one side. Auxiliary will serve.
 - Provide tickets for a door prize as Veterans arrive so we have an accurate count.
 - 100 pieces of chicken was not enough; of the 100 lbs. of pork, we had ~ 8 left over.
 - Have the “oldest” served 1st.
 - Have someone assigned to refill water pitchers.
- **Nov 11 assembly at WP High School**- Commander Williams reporting. Dan was MC and Norm Steen featured speaker. Excellent event with High, Middle and Grade schools participating. More than ½ of students had family members who served. Veterans felt acknowledged, in particular our Jim Spieth, the only WW II vet present.
- **Nov 19 Turkey shoot at TCSS**- Larry Marty reported. 18 present; 8 from Post 1980. Commander Williams won the Turkey, Vice Commander Steen the Cornish game hen. \$100 donation to TCSS approved. Will look at doing another shoot in the spring.
- **Membership** –Dan Weber: as of today our membership is at 133. 94 have renewed for 2017. Welcome to new member Bill Barger.
- **Dec 3 Honor Guard, WP Christmas Parade**- Honor Guard positions filled; John Gomes will carry MIA flag. You can still March. Parade leaves at 6PM- dress warm. Meet by Taco Bell ~ 5:30PM.
- **Dec 10 Christmas Party** - Yvonne Wilson: **RSVP by Dec 5 for the Dec 10 event**. So far ~ 25 are in. It will again be at Bronco Billy's in Cripple Creek. Food served at 6PM. Fee \$31+ \$5 per drink if you want a drink with dinner (you can also go into the Casino and get free drinks). Make check to American Legion Post 1980. The post will pick up the tip. Bring a max \$10 gift to exchange. **If you want to carpool from Woodland contact Dan Weber** (will leave from WP Library at 4:45PM). Flyer attached.

New business

- **Salvation Army Bell Ringing-** Dan Weber: our slots will be Sat and Sunday Dec 17-18 from 10 AM to 6 PM in front of City Market. Still have 2 hour periods available starting 2 PM Saturday or 4 PM Sunday, or come join members anytime.
- **Jan 14, 2017 planning meeting** - Saturday meeting will be at Commander Williams home. All members invited.

Auxiliary update – Yvonne:

- Auxiliary created curtains for Vets hall. Members approved up to \$100 for curtains
- Christmas in Divide for families of needy vets. Post had previously voted to donate \$500
- Auxiliary sponsored a brunch on 11/11 for ladies at McCandless vets center

Correspondence:

- Thank-you letter received from National Commander Schmidt (attached).
- Thank you letters to be sent to Walmart and City market for their support

Sickness/ Illness: Card signed and sent to member Buck Duggar, recovering from hip surgery; scheduled for shoulder surgery. Bonnie Mericle continues to recover slowly.

Good of the Legion:

- Cards sent to Bob Waters, who turns 90 this week
- \$100 donations sent to Community Partnership, Community Cupboard and Little Chapel of the Hills food bank

Next Post Meeting: February 22 (Dec 10 Christmas Party and Jan 14 planning meeting)

Adjourn: 8:07 PM

Attendees: Dan Williams, Chuck Gardner, Norm Steen, Dan Weber, Paul James, Rod Herk, Don Spence, Jim Spieth, Bob Lowry, Ken Dalton, Larry Marty, Bill Fischer, John Gomez, Vern Wilson, Yvonne Wilson, Bob Mericle, Lee Vulcan

Summary of Upcoming Events:

- Dec 3 - Woodland Park Christmas Parade; Honor Guard
 - Christmas Party following at Wilson's, 605 Sun Valley Drive
- Dec 10 – Goodwill volunteers- 7:45 - noon
- Dec 10 - Christmas Party at Bronco Billy's, Cripple Creek, 6PM dinner
 - RSVP to carpool from WP Library at 4:45 PM
- Dec 17, 18- Salvation Army bell ringing at City Market 10 AM – 6PM
- Jan 14 – Post 1980 2017 Planning meeting at Cmdr. Williams