

October 25, 2017



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Post 1980 Minutes Post Meeting – 24 October 2017

Call to order at 7 PM: Commander Williams

Welcome to members and guests:

Roll Call 17 Members present (see Attendees at bottom). One guest (name not captured).

Minutes: from September 2017 meeting approved.

Finance Officer's Report: financial report approved

Committee Reports/ old business:

- **Walmart Booths** Oct 7, 21 and Nov 4: Paul James reported. Oct 7 was a highly productive day; Oct 21 very slow (first freezing day in some time). Thanks to all the volunteers manning this. Last Saturday at Walmart will be Nov 4. **See sign up sheet.**
- **Veterans Day** event at the High School will Friday Nov 10 starting at 9:30 AM
- **Veterans day Flags at Lions Park:** Up at 7AM; breakfast at Smoke house after; down 7PM;
- **Veterans Day Dinner Saturday Nov 11 prep:**
 - We will have 6 pork butts from the commissary at cost; Ken Dalton will cook 2 at his house on Nov 9. **Need others to cook the remaining 4.**
 - We will have 2 food lines this year (self-service) to speed up the event.
 - We will coordinate with the Eric V Dickson memorial team to promote their efforts for a new monument; donation jars on each table; brief presentation and information table.
 - Banner vendor is late again; Rod Herk will pursue using the Budweiser rep in the future,
 - **Need food donors- see attached.**
- **Veteran funerals** (and weddings): 3 members attended a funeral for veteran Don Ellis at Green Mountain Falls. Fort Carson could not participate due to no DD214 provided so we presented a flag to the family. Also, Colorado Springs army vet dying from cancer requested participation at his wedding; turnout was overwhelming. Ken Dalton attended.
- **Veterans Trust Fund:** We awarded our 1st rant to Veteran Al Nichols for car repairs, enabling him to have work transportation, Bob Lowry will promote our capability to Green Mountain Falls.
- **Turkey shoot** will be Sunday November 5 at Teller County Shooting Club. A flyer attached. There will be door prizes, and free food. Theme is WWI; weapons and ammo donated (don't bring yours). **We need a volunteer to man an information booth at the event.** Veterans, 1st responders and active duty \$5; civilians \$10.
- **Woodland Park Chamber:** Post 1980 is now a member. Events are scheduled often (check the web), Business After Hours meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

- **Salute to Veterans/ Teller County** was held October 6 in Cripple Creek/ Aspen Mine center. ~ 6 members attended. Thanks to Bronco Billy's for lunch. Dan Williams gave an inspiring speech; Col McPherson showed his Huey for the last time- it goes to a museum at the old Lowry Air base.
- **Membership:** Adjutant Weber reported. Total membership is now 139; on a renewal basis, our target is 116 for 2018; we are at 87 or 75%. Welcome one new member – Marcene Etchiesen; one transfer, Terry Hampton,

New business

- **December 9 Post Christmas party** will be at Bronco Billy's in Cripple Creek. Paul James will be chairing. We have spots for 30 people; cost is \$35 each + \$5 per drink. **RSVP if you wish to attend.**
- **Boys State and Oratorical:** Chuck Gardner and Larry Ingram visited Woodland Park high to start promoting these events.
- **Norm Steen** has been nominated by Governor Hickenlooper to be Chairman of the Colorado Board of Veterans Affairs representing the 5th congressional district, which has ~ 130,000 veterans. **Congratulations!**

Auxiliary update No report

Correspondence: Woodland Park Camber certificates received

Sickness/ Illness: None

Good of the Legion: No Report

Next Post Meeting: October 24

Adjourn: 7:57 PM

Attendees: Dan Williams, Norm Steen, Dan Weber, Paul James, Ken Dalton, Bob Lowry, Rod Herk, Larry Ingram, Al Pickup, Ken Dalton, Jim Spieth, Bob Mericle, Larry Marty, Jerry Paul, Buck Dugger, John Gomes, Larry Ingram, Cindy Meyer, Paul Thies

Summary of Upcoming Events:

- November 4 Walmart Booth
- November 5 Turkey Shoot, TCCS range
- November 11 Veterans Day dinner; Cultural Center – doors open 5PM
- November 28 Next Post Meeting
- December 9 Post Christmas Party, Bronco Billy's- Cripple Creek