

NORTHWEST VALLEY VETERANS ASSOCIATION

A NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION SERVING VETERANS

MINUTES

18 April 2009 AT 0900 Hours

SUNLAND MEMORIAL PARK CONFERENCE ROOM

Meeting call to order: at 0900 hours welcome and introduction of guests.

Commander Phil Hanson

Invocation: Comrade Dennis Grau

Pledge of Allegiance: Senior Vice-Commander Bob Burns

Mission Statement: Sgt of Arms Ray Mills

Roll Call of Member Organizations and Officers: Acting Adjutant Ron Capek: 25 present, 7 excused, 8 absent.

Minutes of previous meeting: Acting Adjutant, Ron Capek posted minutes on website, corrections and additions to last months minutes, motion made to approve and seconded, minutes amended to payment to US Vets in the amount of \$363.00, Approved by all.

Treasurers Report: Harold Stern: All yearly dues have been paid by all Veterans Organizations in the NWWVA. Motion made and seconded to accept report as presented.

Old Business:

Communications: Commander Hanson: read letter from Comrade Ray Rhodes in regards to the US Vets Organization, thanking us for their new kitchen freezers.

Memorial Day Program Reports: Comrade Bob Madden: reported that Sunland Cemetery will have a Hospitality Room open to everyone with snacks, drinks, etc., 100 flyers have been printed and are being distributed throughout the Sun Cities, 22 May @ 0700 hours we will place flags at Sunland Cemetery on 26 May at 0700 we will remove flags. Reminder, Rehearsal for Flag posting on 22 May @ 1630 hours at Sunland Cemetery.

U.S. Flag Retirement: 25 April 0900 hours at Sunland Cemetery following flag retirement ceremony; flags will be burned afterwards.

Polo Shirts: Past Commander, George Cushing, payment must be received with future orders (on going).

New Business:

Fighter Country Partnership: Steve Young, Steve Yamamori presented the purpose of their organization as a voice for Luke AFB to raise monies for active Military Personal with bill paying problems, to help support 600 deployed servicemen with "care packages", help them with veterans affairs and veterans services when a need is present, publish a newsletter. To join their foundation there is a \$15.00 membership fee. On 23 April at 1730 hours at Luke AFB we have been

given the opportunity to meet them. Eight members of the NWWVA have shown interest in attending that program.

Good of the Order: Former Arizona State Veterans Services Director Pat Chorpenning Sr. had a massive heart attack: Keep him in your prayers.

Nominations for Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame are due the end of April 2009.

Closing Prayer: Comrade Dennis Grau, a moment of silence in honor of our departed Comrades.

Adjournment: Comrade Bob Burns, Hand Salute.....Commander Hanson Adjourned the meeting.

NEXT MEETING

Saturday, 16 May 2009 at 0900 Hours

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