



BRAZOS VALLEY DETACHMENT #1391

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Meeting Minutes of March 11, 2019

LOCATION: Golden Corral, 700 University Dr E, College Station 77840

OFFICERS PRESENT: Commandant Keith Stephens; Sr Vice Commandant Doug Tennis; Jr Vice Commandant/Adjutant Thorin Moser; Paymaster Glenn Burnside; Sergeant-at-Arms Don Hutchcraft; Jr Past Commandant John McGuire

OFFICERS ABSENT: Staff Judge Advocate Roger Martinez; Web Sergeant Ed Holcomb; Chaplain Mary Jean Holcomb; Historian Misti Moser

OPENING CEREMONY: The meeting was called to order at 18:55

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP: None

GUESTS:

- Rusty Dunn, Reel Recovery
- Brazos Valley Quilting Association
 - o Kitty Ard
 - o George Ard
 - o Marjean Neve
 - o Kerry Dwyer
 - o Michele Jackson
 - o Pat Patterson
 - o Marlyn Patterson
- Brothers Powell
 - o Lee Powell
 - o Bill Powell
 - o (*not present*) Rich Powell

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Minutes for Jan regular meeting were foregone to allow for guest presentations.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REPORT OF THE PAYMASTER: Report foregone to allow for guest presentations.

REPORT OF SICK/INJURED MEMBER OR FAMILY: General Hopgood in recovery from treatment for bone cancer and is ornery as ever.

REPORT OF OFFICERS: None



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REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

- Recruiting Committee
 - o New Detachment business cards drafted. With consent, will print
 - o Plan for upcoming date to visit various parking lots and distro cards on parked cars with USMC decals/plates
- Harry Bruce "Retreat Hell" Award Committee
 - o Pending name of recipient
 - o Expect to present award in mid-May on TAMU campus
- Wreaths Across America Committee
 - o Wreaths Across America recognized Det 1391
 - o Presented framed certificate for consistent yearly support
- Recruiting Substation College Station Poolee Family Day Committee
 - o Located at Museum of the American G.I. in south College Station
 - o Setup at 17:30
 - o Feed at 19:00
 - o Need volunteers to support dinner for approx. 150-200 people
 - o Det will cook burgers and hotdogs with basic fixings
 - o Sign-up sheet to participate
- Election Committee: Presented Nomination Slate 2019-2020 officers:
 - o Additional nominations requested and none given
 - o **Marine D. Hutchcraft motioned for voice vote; Marine McGuire seconded; Regular members present voted unanimously in favor**
 - o **The following members were elected by unanimous voice vote:**
 - Commandant: Benny Vallejo
 - Senior Vice Commandant: Doug Tennis
 - Junior Vice Commandant: Thorin Moser
 - Paymaster: Glenn Burnside
 - Staff Judge Advocate: Roger Martinez
 - o **The following members are proposed for appointed positions:**
 - Adjutant: Thorin Moser
 - Chaplain: Mary Jean Holcomb
 - Historian: Misti Moser
 - Sergeant-at-Arms: Don Hutchcraft
 - Web Sergeant: Ed Holcomb



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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Upcoming calendar events

- o Mar 26 Recruiting Substation CS Poolee Family Night
- o Apr 7 Chili Fest T-Post removal
- o Apr 8 Regular Det meeting
- o May 13 Regular Det meeting
- o Jun 10 Regular Det meeting
- o Jun 27-29 Department of Texas Convention (Abilene, TX)
- o Jul 4 Chappell Hill 4th of July Parade
- o Jul **(no detachment regular meeting in July)**
- o Aug 12 Regular Det meeting
- o Sep 9 Regular Det meeting
- o Oct 14 Regular Det meeting
- o Nov 10 Marine Corps' 245th Birthday
- o Nov 11 Veterans Day
- o Nov 11 Detachment Regular Membership meeting
- o Dec **(no detachment regular meeting in December)**
- o Dec Operation Seatback (Kyle Field seat removal fundraiser)
- o Dec Make-A-Smile-Happen (MASH)
- o Dec Detachment Christmas party
- o Jan Det Scholarship presentations at TAMU Troops to College
- o Jan 13 Regular Det meeting
- o Feb 10 Regular Det meeting

PROGRAM:

- Reel Recovery

- o Rusty Dunn described activities of the Reel Recovery program:
 - Program began in 2016 for the Brazos Valley
 - Several retreats a year, some reserved for vets only
 - Intended for men with or recovering from cancer
 - Ways to become a part of the program:
 - Attend as a participant
 - Volunteer as a fishing buddy
 - Provide financial support
 - Contact:
 - Rusty Dunn (337) 344-4385 or caandu2@gmail.com
 - Steve Wikse (979) 446-2386
 - www.texasreelrecovery.org



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NEW BUSINESS:

- Chili Fest Support
 - o Mission: remove t-posts for Det fundraising effort
 - o Det 1391 stands to earn approx. \$1,700
 - o 10:00 - 13:00 on Sunday, Apr 7 after Chili Fest
 - o Sign up to participate!

- Det 1391 Meeting location
 - o Det has met at Golden Corral for last two meetings
 - o So far - no issues
 - o Provide Commandant with feedback if you have concerns

- MCL Life Membership
 - o Commandant presented Life membership card plaques to
 - David Sahn
 - Colonel AJ Kostic

- Quilts of Valor
 - o Maggie McGuire, on behalf of the Brazos Valley Quilting Assoc, presented quilts to the following for their military service:
 - Tom Powell
 - Lee Powell
 - Bill Powell
 - (*not present*) Rich Powell
 - John McGuire
 - o Visit Quilts of Valor to support or submit a request
 - <https://www.qovf.org/>

- Contact Doug Tennis to be a part of the Det 1391 Photo Board!

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:

- Mar 17: Bataan Death March Remembrance event

- Mar 23-24: Living History weekend at Museum of the American GI
 - o World War II battle reenactment on Saturday
 - o World War I battle reenactment on Sunday

- Mar 30: TAMU Softball Military Appreciation Day

CLOSING CEREMONY: The meeting concluded at 19:53



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Meeting Attendees:

Bill Brown
Glenn Burnside
Bill Collopy
Al Diaz
Don Jalufka

Dale Hutchcraft
Don Hutchcraft
A.J. Kostic
John McGuire
Maggie McGuire
Thorin Moser

Tom Powell
David Sahn
Keith Stephens
Doug Tennis
John Withers
Benny Vallejo
Sherry Vallejo