



BRAZOS VALLEY DETACHMENT #1391

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Meeting Minutes of April 8, 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; Staff Judge Advocate Roger Martinez; Sergeant-at-Arms Don Hutchcraft; Web Sergeant Ed Holcomb; Chaplain Mary Jean Holcomb; Jr Past Commandant John McGuire

OFFICERS ABSENT: Historian Misti Moser

OPENING CEREMONY: The meeting was called to order at 19:00

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP: None

GUESTS:

- Ronnie Knox and wife Karen - joined USMC in 1969
- Daniel Ray and wife Teresa
- Myrna Saldana-Trevino - US Family Plan Health Coordinator, Christus Health Plan Sales
 - o myrna.saldanatreviso@christushealth.org
 - o (cell) 713-870-7688

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Minutes for March regular meeting were read. Request made to change Brazos Valley Quilting Association to Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild. **Marine Holcomb motioned for minutes with corrections be accepted; Marine McGuire seconded; Regular members present voted unanimously in favor**

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REPORT OF THE PAYMASTER: Reports for February and March provided.

REPORT OF SICK/INJURED MEMBER OR FAMILY: General Hopgood in recovery at home after treatment for bone cancer; Approx. one year before his immune system is recovered enough for regular activity. Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Guild made him a quilt.

REPORT OF OFFICERS: None



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REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

- Election Committee:

- o Commandant presented nomination slate for 2019-2020 officers:
- o Additional nominations requested and none given
- o All nominations are running unopposed
- o **Doc Powell motioned for voice vote; Marine Withers seconded; Regular members present voted unanimously in favor**
- o **The following members were elected by unanimous voice vote:**
 - Commandant: Benito Vallejo
 - Senior Vice Commandant: Doug Tennis
 - Junior Vice Commandant: Thorin Moser
 - Paymaster: Dave Sahn
 - Staff Judge Advocate: Roger Martinez
- o **The following member relinquished position duties & responsibilities:**
 - Previous Paymaster: Glenn Burnside
- o **The following members are proposed for appointed positions:**
 - Adjutant: Ed Holcomb
 - Chaplain: Mary Jean Holcomb
 - Historian: Misti Moser
 - Sergeant-at-Arms: Don Hutchcraft
 - Web Sergeant: Ed Holcomb

- Recruiting Committee

- o Draft of new Detachment business cards presented to membership
- o Membership approved to go to print
- o Will 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 Midshipman 1st Class Travis M. Knapp is 2019 recipient
- o Award presentation at Rudder Theater at noon on May 10, 2019 during commissioning ceremony
- o TAMU point of contact is Captain Jordan M. Reid

- Recruiting Substation College Station Poolee Family Day Committee

- o Cooked burgers/hotdogs at MAGI for close to 200 people
- o 18-20 Det volunteers but everyone helped with cleanup

- Fundraising Committee

- o Removed 200-250 t-posts for Det fundraising effort
- o Det had 11 volunteers
- o Chili Fest organizers will disburse checks in May
- o Commandant Stephens thanked everyone for the hard work in the cold and wet weather



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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Upcoming calendar events
 - o May 13 Regular Det meeting
 - o May 25-27 Brazos Valley Weekend of Remembrance
 - o Jun 10 Regular Det meeting
 - o Jun 27-29 Department of Texas Convention (Abilene, TX)
 - o Jul 2 Operation Meat Ready-to-Eat (Rudy's BBQ)
 - 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

NEW BUSINESS:

- Officer Installation
 - o Scheduled for next meeting on Monday, May 13
 - o Department Junior Past Commandant will be installation officer
- Department Convention
 - o June 27-30 in Abilene, TX
 - o Det 1391 will submit advertisement in Convention program
- Operation Meat Ready-to-Eat (MRE)
 - o Rudy BBQ has agreed to support again this year
 - o Asking for \$100.00 donation per brisket
 - o Plan:
 - Deliver meat on Friday, June 28
 - Rudy's will smoke meet over weekend
 - Det will prep meat on Tue, July 2
 - o Goal to collect donations for 50 briskets by mid-June
 - o Advertise internally and with other veteran service orgs



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- Donations to Boy Scout Troop 159
 - o Troop trailer containing all camping equipment was stolen over one month ago
 - o Trailer was recovered but without equipment
 - o Trailer was stolen again on week ago
 - o **Marine O. Burnside moved that Det 1391 donate \$200.00 to support Troop 159; Marine Moser seconded; Regular members present voted unanimously in favor**
 - o Troop 159 will provide itemized list of needs as well as a description of security measures implemented to prevent loss in future

- Det 1391 Meeting Location
 - o Commandant Stephens asked if membership is satisfied with meeting at Golden Corral
 - o No objections were stated
 - o Only comment made was an inquiry to see if audio/visual can be installed in room
 - Considering acquisition of roll-up screen for presentations
 - Roger O. Sheridan offered potential screen donation
 - o Discussion ended with request to revisit if Det membership needs to reconsider meeting location

- Life Membership
 - o Commandant Stephens presented Life membership plaque to Roger O. Sheridan

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:

- VVA still selling tickets for gun raffle
 - o Sold 320 of 500
 - o \$100.00 each
 - o Reminder: in the last raffle, three of Det 1391 members won a gun, two of whom won two guns
- May 24: Statue dedication at Veterans Park at 10am
- May 25: Remembrance Ceremony at Veterans Park at 6:30pm
- May 27: Memorial Day ceremony at VFW at 11am; Commemoration event at Museum of the American G.I. at 2:45pm

CLOSING CEREMONY: The meeting concluded at 20:10



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Meeting Attendees:

Bill Brown
Glenn Burnside
Olivia Burnside
Al Diaz
Larry Farmer
Don Jalufka
Ed Holcomb
Mary Jean Holcomb

Dale Hutchcraft
Don Hutchcraft
Roger Martinez
John McGuire
Maggie McGuire
Thorin Moser

Tom Powell
David Sahn
Roger N. Sheridan
Roger O. Sheridan
Keith Stephens
Doug Tennis
John Withers