



Meridian Post 4000

Meridian Senior Center - 1920 N Records Ave.
Meets 2nd Tuesday of Month at Kleiner Park

September Letter & August Meeting Minutes

Post Officers for 2019-2020

Commander: Troy Junier
Senior Vice Commander/Adj: Tammy Clement
Jr. Vice Commander: Brian Puckett
Quartermaster: Wes Worcester

Post Auxiliary

President: Carol Williams
Secretary: Melissa Suekel

Dates and Events Coming Up:

- VA CLC Bingo** - September 9th, 2019 @ 7 p.m. – CLC @ Veterans Hospital, Boise, ID
Post Meeting - September 10th, 2019 @ 7 p.m. – 1920 N. Records Ave, Meridian Sr. Center, Kleiner Park
District Meeting - 21st September 2019 – Kuna Post 2019, Kuna Idaho
Post Fundraiser - Panda Express - @ Central and Progressive, 750 South Progressive Ave., Meridian
(next to WinCo Foods by the Meridian Exit and I-84 Freeway)
Post Picnic - September 28, @ Fuller Park, 3761 W Park Creek Dr. Shelter 2, Meridian ID, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Post Meeting - October 8th, 2019 @ 7 p.m. – 1920 N. Records Ave, Meridian Sr. Center, Kleiner Park
VA CLC Bingo - October 14th, 2019 @ 7 p.m. – CLC @ Veterans Hospital, Boise, ID

Meeting Minutes for Aug 13th, 2019

- 7:03 p.m. **Open of Meeting** - by Post Commander,
7:06 p.m. **Membership Applications**- 1 Transfer – Terry Thomas, Motion to accept by Commander, 2nd by Robert Gray, motion passed.
7:08 p.m. **Roll Call of Officer** -8 Officers, 5 members.
7:09 p.m. **Reading of the Minutes for July 14th Meeting** – Motion made to accept as read by Robert Gray, 2nd By Brian Puckett, Motion Passed.
7:10 p.m. **Quarter Master Report** – July 2019 combined Receipts - \$1776.41, expenses \$3,064.33
Quarterly Audit available for review and needs signature for submitting. Total in checking for end of July was \$5932.04, Savings/Building fund \$2001.99.
7:13 p.m. **Service Officer Report** – Ray Plumlee is recovering and at home. Robert Gray had hip replacement and is doing well. Chuck D. is currently ill. Don S is going to attend the Service Officer Conference Training on August 21-23.
7:15 p.m. **Community Reports: Honor Guard:** Honor Guard fundraiser is a 22 Take down raffle. Raffle tickets available for purchase, sold 125 currently. Yard Sale fundraiser tentative for the 23-24th at 1013 11th Ave North, Nampa (Fleet Reserve Bldg.).
-Honor Guard will have a both at Gun Show in Nampa Idaho Center on Sept 14-15.
-Honor Guard Meeting will be August 22, at 22 W Broadway at 6:30 p.m.
7:22 p.m. **-CAR Report:** Members 35 Hours 103.30 Miles 552 Money \$325.89
-Don't forget to send your Community Activity Reports to Tammy by the 24th. If you miss the deadline send them anyway so they can get added to next month's report.
Commander presented Wes Worcester with Membership coin and award from National Commander.

National Home Prayer by Chaplain

- 7:22 p.m. **Unfinished Business** – Jeep is insured and registered under the Post, has some maintenance issues to address to get running good again.
-Social picnic at Fuller Park is on Sept 28st. From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Commander handed out sign up sheet at meeting. (is Missing)
-Purple Heart run and fundraiser on August 17th. Wes and Commander are planning to set up booth for information and raffle. Auxiliary member Todd Carlson is rucking in the race.
-Hire a Vet event is September 10th. Commander handed out flyer.

- State Raffle tickets are out for sale for Mid-Winter in January drawing. Please sell.
- Post T-shirts are in for those who ordered. Will order more for Veterans and VA CLC.
- Don S. donated \$100 for shirts to help cover costs for Veterans T-shirts. Thank You!

7:31 p.m. New Business – Commander presented Flyers for: Safe talk suicide prevention training, Ride for Joy in September course – intro to horsemanship class.

- Boise Housing Authority waiting list is open for sign up from July 15th to Sept 6th.
- Commander discussed and purchased Rifle for Post Building fundraiser. The rifle is a 30-06 1500 Legacy Springfield Howay. Discounted from D&B and Vortex donated a scope 4x12x40 to the post. Commander is looking at getting a semi-automatic 9mm pistol also. Drawing will be in 2020, June maybe.
- Suicide prevention training on August 21st, info on flyer.
- Comrade Norman Chapman brought up the need for the VFW to look in to concerns on dependents of servicemembers and living conditions on a national concept. Was mentioned to him to provide information on the matter in more detail to the post.
- One Year Trustee, Dave Murray needs to be replaced, has not been to meetings to sign. Discussion was made to replace him. Don S volunteered to be nominated by single ballot election and was elected.

7: 45 p.m. Good of The Order -Reviewed General Order information pertinent to Post.

- Post Made All-American and All-State 2nd year in a row.
- Bill Heyob is the new Department of Idaho Commander.
- This year Teacher of the Year are required for all 3 levels to make All-American.
- Commander present state awards given at the State Convention for post and commander.
- Comrade and PSC Terry Thomas had enrolled a new member – Matt Bennett to the Post, that he recruited.
- Post needs to do new bonds by the end of August.
- Post received information on two veterans needing assistance in the community. Wes W made the motion to help with a \$150 to each female veteran. Brian P. 2nd and motion passed.
- Received a check from Freddy's for Caldwell for \$69.00 and from Eagle for 699.32.

8:06 p.m. Closing Ceremonies - by Post Commander, the next Meeting is on August 13th, 2019.

Notes and Information from the VFW Department of Idaho:

- Post members are to be in current good standing with membership in the VFW to be an officer in the post and should have on file DD-214's on file for verification of qualification for VFW Membership.

-District Meetings: 21 Sep 2019 – Kuna Post 2019 7 Dec 2019 – Capital City Post 63 Boise
22 Feb 2020 – Meridian Post 4000 11 Apr 2020 – Col. Stotsensberg Post 3465 Nampa

Dates of Interest and Remembrance:

September 2019

1 st World War II Began (1939)	18 th U.S. Air Force Established (1947)
2 nd Labor Day	21 st POW/MIA Recognition Day
11 th Patriot Day/Remembrance for 911	23 rd First Day of Autumn
15 th William Howard Taft's Birthday (1857)	29 th VFW Established (1899)
17 th Citizenship and U.S Constitution Day	29 th Gold Star Mother's/Family Day

October 2019

3 rd President Lincoln issued a Proclamation designating the last Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day (1863)	19 th The Revolutionary War Ended (1781)
4 th President Rutherford B. Hayes Birthday (1822-1893)	23 rd Grenada Campaign Began (1983)
5 th President Chester A. Arthur's Birthday (1830-1886)	24 th United Nations Day
7 th Operation Enduring Freedom Begins - 2001	27 th President Theodore Roosevelt's Birthday (1858-1919)
13 th U.S. Navy Established (1775)	30 th President John Adams's Birthday (1735-1826)
14 th Columbus Day	31 st Happy Halloween!!- BOO!!!
14 th President Dwight D. Eisenhower's Birthday (1890-1969)	

Commander-in-Chief Doc Schmitz sends his sincere appreciation to you for your concern for those affected by Hurricane Dorian. With the hurricane's potential to impact several states and thousands of veterans, the effects could deplete our existing Disaster Relief Fund. So, we are asking for your help in supplementing our fund to be able to offer the necessary support to areas impacted by Hurricane Dorian.

The VFW's Disaster Relief Fund established several years ago, provides us a broader relief opportunity and allows us to provide immediate relief to those affected states and territories. Departments, Districts and Posts wishing to contribute to the VFW relief efforts **needed for those in the path of natural disasters** are encouraged to donate to the VFW's Disaster Relief Fund.

Some have asked if Post Relief Funds can be used to assist with donations ... Yes, Section 704 (a) of the Manual of Procedure delineates this point clearly. To donate to the VFW Disaster Relief Fund you may send checks **payable to VFW**, earmarked "**Disaster Relief**" to:

Veterans of Foreign Wars
Quartermaster General
406 W. 34th Street
Kansas City, MO 64111

Again, thank you for your continued prayers and support for all those impacted.