



Meridian Post 4000

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

January Minutes and Letter

Happy New Year!

Post Officers for 2018-2019

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

Post Auxiliary

President: June Pack - 208-888-2839
Secretary: Melissa Suekel – 208-353-0154

Dates and Events Coming Up:

Post Meeting - January 8th, 2019 @ 7 p.m. – 1920 N. Records Ave, Meridian Sr. Center, Kleiner Park
VA CLC Bingo - January 14th, 2019 @ 7 p.m. - CLC @ Veterans Hospital, Boise, ID
Mid-Winter Conference for Department of Idaho VFW - January 11-13, Riverside Hotel, Boise.
VA CLC Bingo - February 11th, 2019 @ 7 p.m. – CLC @ Veterans Hospital, Boise, ID
Post Meeting - February 12th, 2019 @ 7 p.m. 1920 Records Ave, Meridian Sr Center, Kleiner Park
District Meeting - February 23rd, 2019 @ Noon, Meridian Sr Center - 1920 N Records Ave. at Kleiner Park

Meeting Minutes for December 11, 2018

7:05 p.m. Open of Meeting - by Post Commander Troy H. Junier
7:08 p.m. Roll Call of Officers – 7 Officers and 4 Members.
7:10 p.m. Membership Applications- Two new members introduced: Robert Stucker and Bob Wheeler. Commander presented info and asked for motion on members to be approved. Motion made by Woody Jones and 2nd by Hugh Fryling. Motion passed.
7:14 p.m. Reading of the Minutes for November 13th, 218: Motion made to accept minutes as written by Robert Gray, 2nd by Don S. Motion passed.
7:15 p.m. Quarter Master Report –November 2018: Receipts - \$3,935.44 **Expenses** – \$3,707.78. End of November totals are: **Cash on Hand** \$0.00, **checking** \$9,626.17, **savings** \$2,345.83
Totals Funds for end of November: \$11,972.00, Motion made to accept as read by Chuck D., seconded by Robert Gray, Motion Passed.
7:16 p.m. Service Officer Report – Scott Worcester, Son of QM has hurt his knee and has had to miss work for treatment and surgery coming up. Discussion was made on how to assist Veteran's family Member. Motion will be discussed in New Business.
7:20 p.m. Community Reports: Honor Guard: Honor Guard meeting will be on December 19th at 7 p.m. at 22 W Broadway. (American Legion Building). No current events scheduled.
-CAR Report: Members 52 Hours 212.5 Miles 1500.5 Money \$1089.66
-Don't forget to send your Community Activity Reports to Tammy by the 24th.
-Membership – Post is at a 100% by the deadline asked by Commander Rocky Davis.

National Home Prayer by Chaplain

7:28 p.m. Unfinished Business –Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen Awards presented by judging committee:
-VOD Winner – Kristen R Stanciu \$150.00
-Patriot's Pen Winners - Andrew D. Gordon, Dallan S Riley, Sofia C. Stricker, Samuel Jensen – Received a \$100 Each.
-Patriot's Pen Runner-ups: Jack M. Evans - 1st Runner up -\$75, Abigail J. Reinhardt - 2nd Runner up -\$50.
Teachers of the Year was Mrs. Garey Kelly from Meridian received \$200. The second teacher of the year entry the commander discussed with Denny and Jim from Post 142 to help them get All-American since the could not get a teacher this year. They awarded Mrs. Heather Bond \$200 and they will be moving to District level competition.
-Commander thanked everyone and expressed the Dinner went great!

-Cricket Raffle and prizes Raffle winners drawn:

Raffles were to – Dean Echbert, Bob Wheeler, Jim, Jason Green

Gift cards: \$200 Don S. \$100 Wes Worcester

Metal Flag – Jim Wood Flag – Lendon Smith

-State Raffle tickets we have sold 190 of 280, discussion on post buying them for the post was brought up by the commander. Discussion was Tabled for next Meeting.

-Festival of Trees – Vietnam Themed Tree was finished and set up. Went great with the help of Robert Gray and thank you for assisting and creating ornaments for the tree.

-Commander and Robert Gray picked up 20 turkeys for the Boise Rescue Mission drive. The Kevin Miller Radio show hosted the “The don't be a turkey but give a turkey” drive at the Wal-Mart in Nampa. Commander showed paper of the Picture with Kevin Miller in the Idaho Press Tribune.

7:44 p.m. New Business – Flyer for Meridian Community Thanksgiving Dinner.

The discussion for Scott W. and needed assistance was discussed. Offer suggested by Robert Gray, for the post to help to directly pay the utilities for up to \$250. Motion made by Don S., seconded by Hugh Fryling. Motion passed.

7:51 p.m. Good of The Order- Email about “Sense of Self Project” discussed by commander. An email is going out about a T-Shirt company look for members support. They say proceeds will be donated to the VFW. The VFW has no relationship with Jeffery Seaney or the project. Members have no obligation to respond.

-District Meeting is December 15th, @ noon. Need a side dish if you are eating. Presentation of VOD, PP, and TOY District awards to recipients.

-General orders review – post with 85% and 100% membership listed

-Mid-Winter Conference coming up in January 2019, registration forms are due by January 4th. It will be held at the Riverside Hotel in Boise.

-Wreaths of America is on December 15th, check in at 0900 hours.

8:04 p.m. Closing Ceremonies - by Commander, the next Meeting is on December 11, 2018.

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.

-The 2019 State Convention will be held at the Red Lion Hotel in Lewiston, June 16-19, 2019.

Dates of Interest and Remembrance:

January 2019

1st New Year's Day

1st George Washington unveiled the Grand (1776, 1st Union Flag)

7th President Millard Fillmore's Birthday 1880-1874)

9th President Richard Nixon's Birthday (1913-1994)

11th President A. Hamilton's Birthday (1755-1804)

12th John Hancock's Birthday (1737-1793)

President of the Second Continental Congress

17th Desert Storm Air War Begins (1991)

17th Ben Franklin Born (1706)

21st Martin Luther King Day

23rd Peace in Vietnam Announced, (1973)

27th Signing of Vietnam Peace Accord (1973)

29th President William McKinley's Birthday (1843-1901)

30th Viet Cong Launch Ted Offensive (1968)

30th President Franklin R. Roosevelt's Birthday (1882-1945)

Union Flag

February 2019

1st National Freedom Day

2nd Ground Hog Day

6th Ronald Reagan's Birthday (1911-2004)

9th William Henry Harrison's Birthday (1773-1841)

12th Abraham Lincoln's Birthday (1809-1865)

14th Valentines Day

15th Susan B. Anthony Day and Birthday (1820-1906)

18th Presidents Day

19th Battle of Iwo Jima Begins (1945)

22nd George Washington's Birthday (1732-1799)

24th Operation Desert Storm Ground Ops Begin (1991)

28th Operation Desert Storm Ground Ops Ends (1991)