



Meridian Post 4000

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

March Letter & February Meeting Minutes

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
Secretary: Melissa Suekel



Dates and Events Coming Up:

VA CLC Bingo - March 11th, 2019 @ 7 p.m. – CLC, Building 23 @ Veterans Hospital, Boise, ID
Post Meeting - March 12th, 2019 @ 7 p.m. – 1920 N. Records Ave, Meridian Sr. Center, Kleiner Park
ID State Home Bingo - March 21st, 2019 @ 7 p.m. – Across from VA Hospital, Boise, ID
VA CLC Bingo - April 8th, 2019 @ 7 p.m. – CLC @ Veterans Hospital, Boise, ID
Post Meeting - April 9th, 2019 @ 7 p.m. 1920 Records Ave, Meridian Sr Center, Kleiner Park
District Meeting - April 13th, 2019 @ Noon, Eagles Lodge, 118 11th Ave N, Nampa, Idaho.
ID State Home Bingo - April 18th, 2019 @ 7 p.m. – Across from VA Hospital, Boise, ID

Meeting Minutes for February 12th, 2019

7:08 p.m. **Open of Meeting** - by Post Commander Troy H. Junier
7:11 p.m. **Roll Call of Officers** – 8 Officers and 8 Members present.
7:12 p.m. **Membership Applications**- Transferred Member Adam Wilson.
7:13 p.m. **Reading of the Minutes for January 8th, 2019:** Motion made to accept minutes as written by Robert Gray, 2nd by Brian P, Motion passed.
7:14 p.m. **Quarter Master Report –January 2019: Receipts - \$467.09 Expenses – \$1,102.20.**
End of December totals are: **Cash on Hand \$0.00, checking \$6,469.92, savings \$2,346.42.**
Totals Funds for end of January: \$8,816.34. Motion made to accept as read by Brian. P, 2nd by Ray P., motion passed.
7:16 p.m. **Service Officer Report** – Draping of the Charter and Ceremony for Jimmy Ogilvie.
-Ray Plumlee back from hospital stay. Christi is doing good after moving.
-First Choice now has option if you live 30 min away to qualify.
7:22 p.m. **Community Reports: Honor Guard:** Honor Guard practice on February 16th with Army HG at 1300, at usual location.
-HG Flag Raising ceremony on the 21st in Nampa. Honor guard meeting was scheduled on February 28th at 6:30 p.m. at 22 W Broadway. (American Legion Building). **Meeting was changed to the 22nd.**
-**CAR Report:** Members 7 Hours 7.7 Miles 245.5 Money \$530.00
-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 months report.
-**Membership** – Post is at a 112.25% - 2nd in the District and 9th in National Division 5.
-Commander discussed National Commanders Membership contest for February 2019.

National Home Prayer by Chaplain

7:37 p.m. **Unfinished Business** —Commander discussed Freddy's Frozen Custards and Steakburgers presenting the post with 3 checks on February 15th. Would like to have members present to thank them and get a picture. The post has received one check so far for \$199.00.
-The post has a received a request form to submit for doing fundraisers at the restaurants.
-Thanks to Bob Wheeler and Tom Volz for bowling with the Commander in the Quad AAAA scholarship fund raiser. Post sponsored a prize under a \$100 and paid or the three bowlers' entries (\$60).
-State Raffle Winner for Midwinter Conference were mentioned and are listed on Department of Idaho VFW Website. Commander broke down the number of tickets sold by member as well.
-Post has received 280 new raffle tickets for the State Raffle for Midwinter Conference 2020.
-Leo Castle explained some information on the VA Tour and email.
-National Home information was emailed out by Commander with info on the home and what they do.

- 7:49 p.m. New Business** – Home Depot is hosting a Construction Combine for 2019. Flyer presented to members.
 -Commander did Operation Valentine for 3rd year. Willow Creek made 811 valentines and they were sent to service members overseas.
 -Idaho Department of Veterans Services is asking for donations when filing you state tax returns. When you donate to the veteran's fund on your Idaho Tax form.
 -Blue Star Mothers is having a chili cook off on March 2nd at Post 63. 3-6 p.m. Motion was made to donate \$150 to Blue Star Mothers by Bob Wheeler and 2nd by Robert Gray. Motion passed.
 -Discussion on new brochures made by Carly Broadhead. Motion was made to donate \$100 for her services by Tammy and 2nd by Bob Wheeler, motion passed.
- 7:57 p.m. Good of The Order**- Midwinter Conference went well with lots of information out to membership.
 -Post website going great. Thanks for Bob Wheeler for working on it and doing great job for us.
 -Meridian Race Way has asked about renewing sponsoring the sign again. Cost is \$500 this year. Motion was made to pay \$500 by Robert Gray and 2nd by Bob Wheeler. Motion passed.
 -Post inspection was successful, and the two discrepancies were corrected at Midwinter Convention.
 -Scout of the year is due March 1st and Patriot Art is due on March 31st.
 -VFW Auxiliary Continuing Education Scholarship form is available for submission and due in February.
 -General Orders – Congrats to VOD winner Reagan Yamauchi for 1st place, and PP winner Louise Grimaldi, Good luck at national.
 -Members received a letter for insurance from Department of Idaho. Send them in if you wish to get.
 -State convention is in Lewiston Idaho, June 16-20, at the Red Lion Hotel. Info will be out in March.
 -District Meeting is in Meridian at the Senior Center on February 23rd. Post will provide fried and baked chicken for main course. Bring a dish if you plan to eat. Starts at 12 p.m.
 -Poppies dates for Memorial Day Weekend are needed.
 -3rd Trustee nomination and election took place. Motion made to accept him by Wes W. and 2nd by Robert Gray. Swearing in was performed by Commander.
 -Nominations for Officers for next year will be held on March Meeting, elections will be at April's Meeting.
- 8:19 p.m. Closing Ceremonies** - by Commander, the next Meeting is on March 12th, 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.
- The 2019 State Convention will be held at the Red Lion Hotel in Lewiston, June 16-19, 2019.
- National Convention is in Orlando Florida, July 20-24, 2019
- District Meeting: request was made to change the By-Laws for per capita payments be changed from December 31st to 30 November in order to permit more timely payment of awards and funding for Teacher of the Year, Patriots Pen, and Voice of Democracy winners. The change will be brought up at the April District meeting for discussion.

Dates of Interest and Remembrance:

March 2019

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| 7 th US Troops invade Germany over Ludendorff Bridge at Remagen (1945) | 18 th President Grover Cleveland's Birthday (1837) |
| 10 th Daylight Saving begins (1 hour ahead) | 19 th Operation Iraqi Freedom Begins (2003) |
| 15 th President Andrew Jackson's Birthday (1767) | 20 th First Day of Spring |
| 16 th President James Madison's Birthday (1751) | 29 th President John Tyler's Birthday (1790) |
| 17 th St. Patrick's Day | |

April 2019

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| 1 st April fool's Day | 22 nd Earth Day |
| 6 th U.S. Enters WWI (1917) | 23 rd President James Buchanan's Birthday (1791) |
| 12 th First U.S. Space Shuttle Launch (1981) | 25 th Administrative Professional's Day |
| 13 th President Thomas Jefferson's Birthday (1743) | 26 th Arbor Day |
| 14 th Palm Sunday | 27 th President Ulysses S. Grant's Birthday (1822) |
| 19 th Revolutionary War Begins (1775) | 28 th President James Monroe's Birthday (1758) |
| 19 th Good Friday | 30 th Vietnam War Ends (1975) |
| 21 st Easter | |