



Meridian Post 4000

Meridian Senior Center - 1920 N Records Ave.
Meets 2nd Tuesday of Month at Kleiner Park
Post website www.vfw4000.org

Happy Birthday Post 4000 – March 17, 1950 – 70 Years!!

March 2020 Letter & February 11th Meeting Minutes

Post Officers for 2019-2020

Commander: Troy Junier
Senior Vice Commander/Adj: Tammy Clement
Jr. Vice Commander: Brian Puckett
Quartermaster: Terry Thomas

Post Auxiliary

President: Carol Williams
Secretary: Melissa Suekel

Dates and Events Coming Up:

District Meeting – February 22nd, 2020 @ Noon – Caldwell Post 3886, 1101 E. Cleveland Blvd. Caldwell Veterans Memorial Hall
VA CLC Bingo – March 9th, 2020 @ 7 p.m. – CLC @ Veterans Hospital, Boise, ID
Post Meeting – March 10th, 2020 @ 7 p.m. – 1920 N. Records Ave, Meridian Sr. Center, Kleiner Park
District Meeting – April 11th, 2020 @ Noon – Meridian or Nampa?
VA CLC Bingo – April 13th, 2020 @ 7 p.m. – CLC @ Veterans Hospital, Boise, ID
Post Meeting – April 14th, 2020 @ 7 p.m. – 1920 N. Records Ave, Meridian Sr. Center, Kleiner Park

Meeting Minutes for February 11th, 2020

- 7:05 p.m. **Opening of Meeting** - by Post Commander, welcomed guests from Post 1173 - PSC Richard Cesler, William Gieseck, Scott Smith, Duane Sammons, and Post Commander Mike Brooks.
- 7:10 p.m. **Roll Call of Officer** -8 Officers, 10 members, 5 Guests
- 7:12 p.m. **Membership Applications**- received 4 Transfers from 1173 – Richard Cesler, William Gieseck, Scott Smith, and Duane Sammons. Motion made by Commander to accept their memberships to the post. Mike Clement 2nd, motion passed.
- 7:17 p.m. **Reading of the Minutes for January 14th Meeting** – Correction for Month to be made from December to January in header. Motion made to accept with correction as read by Bob Wheeler, 2nd by Mike Clement. and motion passed.
- 7:18 p.m. **Quarter Master Report** – January receipts - \$1,769.16, expenses \$688.50. Total in checking for end of January was \$5,109.63, Savings/Building fund \$2003.17 Motion to accept as read by Brian P, 2nd by Mike C. and motion passed.
- 7:20 p.m. **Service Officer Report** – Commander mentioned Ray Plumlee and his health progression. PSC Rich Ceslar discussed visiting Mel Stokes in the Veterans State Home. Offering members to visit him and bring a cigar.
- 7:22 p.m. **Community Reports: Honor Guard:** -December Honor Guard practice on the 29th, meeting on the 27th.
-CAR Report: Members 20 Hours 64 Miles 381 Money/Donations \$50.00
-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 month's report.
-Post is currently in the mid 69% percentage for membership.
- 7:26 p.m. **Blessing of the National Home Prayer**
Unfinished Business – There are few Post T-shirts still available.
-Consolidation for 1173 pending on second vote end of February.
-Consideration vote redone to affirm the process. Bob Wheeler made the motion and 2nd by Mike C. Motion passed.
-US Census sent a letter out for veteran support for helping them. Commander presented letter.
-Commander met with Teacher of the Year, Mr. Williams for middle school post winner. Presented award and plaque to teacher in class with Principal and Vice Principal present. Commander present pictures from presentation.

- 7:30 p.m. New Business-** Commander handed out and discussed the schedule for Kilroy Coffee meetings at the first Tuesday of every month at the Airhawk War Museum in Nampa.
 -Commander discussed this year's Operation Valentine. Mrs. Bond and Willow Creek Elementary students presented 800 valentines to send over to troops. The valentines were sent to Cyprus, Kuwait, and United Arab Emirates. Commander present picture of students with valentines.
- 7:34 p.m. Good of The Order** – Commander presented the Plate frames for jeep to post for putting on jeep.
 -Commander went over **General Orders**. –ID Department Convention is in June.
 -Raffle tickets will be coming out soon with some new prizes for beef and pig cuts.
 -National Commander Challenge for February. Commander stated that those who renew will be put in a drawing for the K-bar knife or part of stipend if post qualifies.
 -Election nomination is next month, if interested please let us know by letter or email you want to be nominated for an officer position.
 -National Convention is in Reno, Nevada – 18 thru 23 July 2020.
 -Sr-Vice Commander discussed SHIP transportation for veterans.
 -The District Meeting is on February 22nd at Caldwell Veterans Center in Caldwell.
 -Post members formerly from 1173 discussed that after the post consolidation becomes complete. The post donates \$2000.00 to the VA Home in Mel Stokes name from the Posts.
 -Adopt a veteran program was brought up to support veterans in the VA facilities or community.
- 7:52 p.m. Closing Ceremonies** - by Post Commander, the next Meeting is on March 10th, 2020.

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:

11 Apr 2020 – Nama

-Idaho VFW Conference – 21st thru 24th of June 2020, at Boise Riverside Hotel, Boise, Idaho.

Dates of Interest and Remembrance:

March 2020 –

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| 3 rd Star-Spangled Banner Made U.S. National Anthem (1931) | 18 th President Grover Cleveland's Birthday (1837) |
| 7 th US Troops invade Germany over Ludendorff Bridge at Remagen (1945) | 19 th Operation Iraqi Freedom Begins (2003) |
| 8 th Daylight Saving begins (1 hour ahead) | 20 th First Day of Spring |
| 15 th President Andrew Jackson's Birthday (1767) | 24 th Kosovo Campaign Began (1999) |
| 16 th President James Madison's Birthday (1751) | 29 th President John Tyler's Birthday (1790) |
| 17 th St. Patrick's Day | 29 th National Vietnam War Veterans Day |
| | 31 st Somalia Campaign Ended (1995) |

April 2020

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| 1 st April Fool's Day | 12 th First U.S. Space Shuttle Launch (1981) |
| 5 th Palm Sunday | 13 th President Thomas Jefferson's Birthday (1743) |
| 6 th U.S. Enters WWI (1917) | 15 th Income Tax Day |
| 6 th Army Day | 16 th Passover Ends |
| 8 th Passover Begins | 19 th Revolutionary War Begins (1775) |
| 9 th National Former POW Recognition Day | 22 nd Earth Day and Administrative Professionals Day |
| 10 th Good Friday | 23 rd President James Buchanan's Birthday (1791) |
| 11 th Persian Gulf War Official Cease Fire (1991) | 24 th Arbor Day |
| 12 th Easter Sunday | 30 th Vietnam War ends (1975) |