

#### VFW POST 8180 POST MEETING MINUTES AND NEWSLETTER

"VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES, POST 8180, SONGTAN, KOREA"

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# BEST POST IN PACIFIC AREAS 2009-2010, 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-13 & 2013-14, 2015-16

These are the minutes from Post 8180 meeting held on Saturday 24 February 2024. There were 19 members in attendance.

**Opening Ceremonies:** The meeting opened at 1200. Chaplain Billy Quintero led us in our opening prayer and Post Commander Mark Morgan led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Past Post 8180 Commanders and Distinguished Guests:

- \* Past Department of Pacific Areas (DPA) Commander and 3-term Past Post Commander (PPC) Warren Maxson
- \* Past Department Surgeon and Chaplain, Past District Commander and Chaplain, 3-term PPC Billy Quintero
- \* Department Chaplain and Past Department Surgeon, three-time Past District III and Past Post Commander,

#### **Ron Davis**

- \* PPC Dan Delaney
- \* PPC and current DPA Grand Commander David Gley

<u>Congressional Charter</u>: Members recited Section 230102 of the Congressional Charter Incorporating the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States:

The purposes of the corporation shall be fraternal, patriotic, historical, charitable, and educational, to preserve and strengthen comradeship among its members; to assist worthy comrades; to perpetuate the memory and history of our dead, and to assist their surviving spouses and orphans;

to maintain true allegiance to the Government of the United States of America, and fidelity to its Constitution and laws; to foster true patriotism; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom; and to preserve and defend the United States from all enemies.

#### **Roll Call of Officers:**

Commander Mark Morgan: Present

Senior Vice Commander (SVC) Terrance (T\$) Smith: Present Junior Vice Commander (JVC) Robert Chatman: Present

Quartermaster Ron Davis: Present Chaplain Billy Quintero: Present Surgeon Anthony Mosley: Excused Advocate David Gley: Present Adjutant Rob Madison: Present

Service Officer Ricki A. Rice: Present Trustee 1-Year Ronald Roman: Present Trustee 2-Year Owen Powell: Excused Trustee 3-Year Victor Diaz: Excused HRC Chairman Leterrial Ashby: Present

Officer-of-the-Day / Guard: Appointed at Meeting (David Gley)

Community Activities Chairman / Public Relations / MAP Ernie Lee: Excused

Cub Scout / Scout Council Representative David Gley: Present

Voice of Democracy / Patriot's Pen David Gley: Present

POW/MIA Justin Canizales: Present

Hill 180 Committee Chairman Ernie Lee: Excused

Buddy Poppy Chairman Ron Davis: Present

First Responders - Special Projects Doc Higgins: Excused

Safety Chairman Kevin Brady: Present

Retiree Affairs (Service Officer) Ricki Rice: Present

Post Historian David Gley: Present

Reading of New Members and Induction Ceremony: 22 Feb 2024 - Was unable to get

updated report, will seek and backfill if available.

<u>Post Meeting Minutes</u>: January meeting minutes were disseminated via email, unable to upload to our our website link at <a href="https://www.vfw8180.org">www.vfw8180.org</a> and our Facebook page at:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/VFW8180/ Max made a motion to accept the minutes subject to correction; 2nd by Larry Lyons. Motion carried.

<u>Quartermaster Ron Davis</u>: QM Ron motioned to accept that our bottom line at the end of December was \$36,711.95, 2nd by Dan Delaney. The October audit has been reviewed by one Trustee. Motion carried.

**Bills:** None

**Report of Service Officer Riki Rice:** Al Fich proposed SVC Officer training for Riki Rice in Thailand. Motion accepted & second. Motion carried. Moderna booster for Covid-19 is now available at the clinic. Service Officer Rice encouraged post members to ensure they are in the new Genesis medical filing system. Inquire at the Tricare office.

## **Reading of Incoming Communications**: NTR.

<u>Comrade(s) in Distress</u>: Past post Commander Bob Renault's wife passed away and Life Member Bob Maupin is in critical condition, please keep them in your prayers.

### **REPORT OF COMMITTEES:**

#### Report of Membership Statistics (MemStats) by SVC T\$:

Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Adjusted Prior Year	Percent	Div	City	State	N/R LM	Prior Annual	Retention	N/R %
8180	3	1834	17	16	7	1874	2103	89.11%	1	SONGTAN-SI, KOREA		7	141	9.22%	1.90 %

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Post	Dist	Life	New	Reinst	Cont	Total	Prior Year	Percent	Div	City	State	N/R LM	Prior Annual	Retention	N/R %
8180	3	1852	138	45	16	2051	2103	97.52%	1	SONGTAN-SI, KOREA		21	141	14.89%	9.70 %

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#### Report on Community Service Reports (CSR) by JVC Robert Chatman:

**20 Jan – 22 Feb 2024** 42 Members volunteered/donate 95hours/287miles/\$3,422.00.

Send all CSR activities to JVC Robert Chatman or place the info in any Post Officers' locker. If community service is reportable, report it and quantify / qualify it.

**Advocate Report / Ernie Lee: NTR** 

Surgeon's Report / Anthony Mosley: NTR

<u>Buddy Poppy Report / Ron Davis</u>: New aluminum Buddy Poppy's are in  $\sim 7,000$ . We are going to share with Anjeong-Ri Post 10223. A member inquired with VOD rep on the possibility of initiating a youth Buddy Poppy design competition at the elementary schools.

Public Relations Officer & Community Affairs / Ernie Lee:

DATE	EVENT	TIME	REMARKS	LOCATION
31 January	Annual Hill	1300	Flowers and Plaque will be	Hill 180
	180		delivered by David Gley before	
	Ceremony		30 Jan practice	

The Post will housing an Enlisted Leadership Call Thursday 22 Jan 1700 – 1900.

**Social Media:** Check out our sites:

- World Wide Web http://vfw8180.org/
- Facebook Post Page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/VFW8180/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/VFW8180/</a>

Hill 180 Ceremony Chairman Ernie Lee: Planned for 31 JANUARY 2024

<u>Military Assistance Program (MAP) and Adopt-A-Unit Ernie Lee:</u> JVC Chatman request TAP report for Travis Hunter.

Post Commander re-stated that MAP volunteer Miles, Expenses, & Time should be tracked and submitted by individual post members

<u>Voice of Democracy (VOD) / Teachers Award / Patriot's Pen David Gley</u>: On Thursday 22 Jan the Voice of Democracy award will be handed out at the school

Cub Scout Pack 86 / Scout Representative Wendy Canizales: NTR

Civil Air Patrol / JROTC / David Gley: NTR

**History / Dave Gley:** NTR

"First Responder" Special Programs (EMT/Law Enforcement/Fire Fighter) Doc Higgins: NTR

**POW/MIA Justin Canizales:** NTR

<u>House Rules Committee Chairman / Terry Ashby</u>: Terry Ashby presented a motion for getting Post funds to put in a counter in place of the two folding tables used for brunch buffet. 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Gley. motion carried.

Chairman Ashby stated that the Superbowl Party menu will consist of Chili

**Canteen Report / Terry Ashby:** QM Ron stated the Canteen made \$377 last month.

<u>Safety Chairman / Kevin Brady:</u> Be careful driving as there has been an uptick of hit and runs. Recommend you get a black box if you don't have one.

Remembering of our National Home: Chaplain Billy Q. offered remembrance and prayer for our National Home in accordance with VFW tradition and ceremony.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Canteen funds to be used for Thanksgiving support and hallway lighting. No vote required.

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

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Military Order of the Cootie (MOC): We will have our next Scratch 24 February @ 1330ish



Our next General Membership meeting is 24 February at 1200.

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Robert Madison Post Adjutant Surgeon's Report from Anthony Mosley: Mark Morgan Commander