

American Legion Post 133

Minutes of February 22, 2022 Meeting

Commander Sladyk opened the meeting with the proper ceremony. All officers were present or accounted for.

Introduction of Guests:

Minutes: A motion was made and seconded to accept the Minutes of the December meeting.

Finance Report: Finance report on file.

Deceased members: Patrick Lausier

Sick Call: Skip Hammond, Tom Fields, Pete Nevers, Mario Zapata, Dave Papp, Carter Sutherland, Sal

Terranova, Sid Rabin and his wife

Prospective new members:

Membership: Goal for 2021 = 195, Actual 2021 = 208. The 2022 year has started we have 225 members who have renewed, transferred or joined, our 2022 goal is 195, Art has set our goal at 250.

Roger has Legion Lapel Pins for any new members that have never received one.

Service Officers Report. Since the December meeting, we have had 2 new client for SS&M Fund. Service Officers at the Community Center, we met with 2 veteran on February 3rd.

Officer Reports.

Committee Reports:

Legion Baseball. Jim Anastasio. No report.

- Boy Scouts. Randy Olson. Troop 186 has two Eagles coming up soon.
- Girl Scouts. Tom Field.
- <u>Wreaths Across America</u>. Art Sladyk. We received donations for 1492 wreaths raising approximately \$7000 for the Post, Eli Terry Elementary School Students raised \$929 for WAA, 66 Wreaths. The State Ceremony will be on Monday December 12, 2022, 12:00 noon and the South Windsor Ceremony will be Saturday December 17, 2022, 12:00 noon.
- <u>Oratorical. Roger Anderson/ Mark Stanulis</u> The 1st District contest was held on February 5th at the South Windsor Community the contestant from Post 72 in Southington will be going to the Department contest on March 5th at the Meriden State Police Academy.
- <u>Boys State and Girls State. Roger Anderson/Pete Bortolan</u>, The program will go on in 2022 not at Eastern, the DEC voted at the Mid-Winter Conference to hold it at the Trumbull Marriott, they voting to keeping the cost to Posts \$350 per delegate.
- <u>State Police Youth Week. Tom Field</u>, State Police Youth week will be at the State Police Academy in Meriden, the cost will be \$125.

- -Blue Star Families. Contact Art with any one we should honor, planning for March.
- <u>-Graduation cords.</u> The High School took care of the cords for 2021, they will take care of 2022, also looking into sashes for the students from local recruiters.
- <u>Visits With Veterans. Skip Fisher. Sid Rabin</u>, visited 23 veterans, 9 residents by 21 post member man hours.
- <u>Car Show. Leigh Lovering.</u> We have the date for the 2022 car show. It will be Sunday September 11, 2022 with a Rain Date of Sunday September 18th. We have had to change the venue location back to the Nomads parking Lot due to a change in the use of the Doosan Parking Lot. It is being made into an athletic field. New address is 100 Bidwell Road, South Windsor, CT

Unfinished Business, none

- Correspondence The Department Bulletin is on our Web Site, and has been emailed out to the members.
- **New Business**. Bob Star let us know we need to set up By Laws, a mission Statement and our programs and how they work to be submitted to the IRS.

-Good of the Legion.

- 1. Check out the post's website. www.swlegion133.org. All of our forms and calendar of events are on the web site, the membership forms are now fillable.
- 2. Iwo Jima Flag Raising 77th Anniversary Wednesday February 23, 2022 at 10:30am, National Iwo Jima Memorial, 1 Iwo Jima Way (Ella Grasso Blvd & Barbour Rd), New Britain, CT.
- 3. VJ Day Parade golf Classic, Lake of Isles North Course Monday April 25,2022, \$135 per player.
- 4. American Legion Family Bowling Tournament, March 27, 2022 1:00pm Bowl -O-Rama, Newington.
- 5. Vietnam Veterans Memorial Replica Wall will be in Norwalk, CT June 2, 2022 June 5, 2022.
- 6. LIT Accident Insurance register on line one time, if you keep your membership current the coverage continues, \$1000 for accidental death coverage, if you are on Legion business, it is \$5000.
- 7. Jim let us know that Post 14 in Vernon has a Sunday Breakfast every week 7-11am, also Monday night dinners.
- 8. Carter Cares and the St Margaret's church will put on a Post social for the Post 133 family, all members and family are invited, this at no cost.
- 9. Joe spoke to our Post members about Art's service to our Post and all so around the State, Post 133 was the first Post in CT to meet 100% goal.
- 10. The American Legion Department of CT Legion College is coming back, more information to follow.
- 11. Joe Haney will be running for 1st District Commander for the 2022 2023 year.
- Next Post meeting will be Tuesday March 15, 2022, South Windsor Community Center room 205 207. Next District meeting, February 23, 2022, 6:30pm, Post 142 Hartford, this is the Americanism Ceremony, dress is Blue and Gray's.

The Meeting was adjourned with the proper ceremony by Commander Art Sladyk. Report Submitted:

Ken Lewis Adjutant