



MIKE VOTH MEMORIAL CHAPTER 5

VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA

YEAR END 2020 NEWSLETTER

MEETINGS 1ST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH @ 7:00 P.M.
HELD AT VFW POST #7232, 2900 W. FOLSOM, EAU CLAIRE, WI



Volume 6 – YAHOO! 2020 WILL BE OVER!!

EDIT OR – Julia McBee

UPCOMING EVENTS

November - Happy Thanksgiving!

December – NO CHAPTER MEETING

December – Merry Christmas!

January 2021 – NO CHAPTER MEETING

02/03/2021 – Chapter Meeting@ 7pm w/AVVA @ 6:30 pm

OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President - Mike Korger 715-404-5796

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Treasurer - Joe Heil 715-559-2945

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Color Guard – Rick Talford 715-926-5302

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Finance – Joe Heil 715-839-7089

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Membership – Joe Heil 715-839-7089

Outdoor Recreation – Bill Anderson 715-530-3481

POW/MIA/Highground – Joe Graff 715-579-0912

Public Affairs – Joe Graff 715-579-0912

Scholarship – J. Heil, Chair; J. Graff, M. Korger, J/J McBee

Veterans Assistance – Dave Mayenchein 715-669-3169

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Women Veterans – Julia McBee 715-202-0181

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***"Never again will one generation
of veterans abandon another."***



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VVA CHAPTER MEETING 10/07/2020

Sgt. At Arm opened our meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer, and asked for silent prayer for members, family or friends with health concerns and/or recent surgeries, and our still missing veteran brothers. Guest present tonight is Chris Dolan, a retired ECFD paramedic, who is here to speak to us about AED equipment.

REPORTS

SECRETARY – Motion made to accept minutes as posted in the last newsletter and sent via mail/email by Rory Schutte, seconded by Billy Buss; motion carried.

TREASURER – Joe Heil provided information on the Chapter's bank accounts, all accounts balance and are in good standing; there will be approximately \$1,300-1,400 in expenses next month. The Chapter agreed last month to support Camp Victory with the purchase of an AED and approved \$600 for this- Joe will look and price a plaque for presentation of the AED from Chapter 5 VVA and AVVA members. Joe was thanked for his report.

PRESIDENT – Mike Korger introduced Chris Dolan who gave the Chapter a presentation on the use of the AED model being considered for Camp Victory and answer questions. At the conclusion of his presentation, a motion was made by Joe Graff, seconded by Rory Schutte to purchase the AED, acknowledging the price increase to \$1,300; motion carried. AVVA members spoke up and offered to gift the cabinet for storage of the cabinet from their funds. Chris also informed the group that he does CPR training classes, which are \$40/person for a two-hour class.

Mike then proceeded to inform the group of events happening with the Legacy Signs for Dennis Werlein and the Hmong people taking place at Roadside Diner; the Vietnam Reunion at Highground; the Augusta Legion Steak Dinner at Lions Hall on 10/24/2020 at 5:00 pm for \$20/person. There will be numerous Veterans Day events, Minnesota Wire and Legion Post 53 and VFW Post 305 are still planning events--check to see if there are limitations related to Covid-19.

VICE PRESIDENT – Kenny Piel – absent.

AVVA - Rick Talford reported that the five service flags purchased for the Chapter to be used by the Chapter's Color and Honor Guard for funeral services have been picked up.

VVA NATIONAL – Plans are to continue with Board of Director meetings via Zoom.

WI STATE COUNCIL – Meetings may be cancelled for the remainder of the year.

DISTRICT 6 – No plans at present to hold a District meeting.

BENEFITS – Dave Mayenchein absent, he recently had cataract surgery, please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

MINORITY – Dave Zien passed around information on upcoming events and projects.

MEMBERSHIP – Currently we have 125 VVA members and 26 AVVA members.

VETERANS HOME – Home is still closed to visitors; no committee meetings are being held either.

RAFFLE/FUNDRAISER – Think about what we would like to do for next year. Possibly do brat stands rather than county fairs (Proposed dates: Eleva Broiler Fest 6/4-6/2-21; Dunn County 7/21-25/2021; Buffalo County 7/29-8/1/2021; Clark County 8/11-15/2021) either at Festival and/or Stockman's.

HIGHGROUND – Joe Graff reported on the fall clean-up with a Veterans Day event with a raffle drawing and spoke about upcoming events for Camp Victory.

CLOTHING – Items are available, call Joe Heil for further information.

Scholarship – Funds will be paid out once students supply Joe with transcripts of their first semester.

ELECTIONS – April 2022.

NEW BUSINESS – No new business to discuss.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Chippewa Valley Veterans Tribute Park – Foundation groundbreaking this fall with first Legacy Stones laid next year.

Next Chapter Meeting –

VVA CHAPTER MEETING 11/04/2020

NOTE: IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR MEMBERS – NO MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 2020 OR JANUARY 2021!!!!

Meeting called to order and Pledge of Allegiance led by President Mike Korger. Joe Heil offered the opening prayer with a moment of silence for members with various health issues. Moment of silence offered for deceased member John Dorsey and his family. No guests are present tonight.

Secretary's Report will be postponed until the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report submitted and Joe Heil was thanked for his report.

Presidents Report offered by Mike Korger on the follow up of the AED presentation at Camp Victory in Willard. Al said he greatly appreciated the donation as it was greatly needed. Mike further added the various events recognizing veterans on Veterans Day.

Vice President – absent.

AVVA Report – Rick absent due to illness.

National – State – District Meetings – cancelled for the remainder of 2020.

VA Benefits – Dave absent, no report.

Minority – Dave absent, no report.

Membership – VVA 123/AVVA 26

Veterans Home – Still closed .

Highground: Veterans Day celebration with a raffle drawing on the 11th.

Clothing Report – Items available, call Joe Heil for further info.

Fund Raising – Planning 2021 event in February.

Good of the Order – Dave Zein gave information on the dedication for the Legacy Signs.

Motion made by Ralph Ottum, seconded by Dave Zein to cancel December 2020/January 2021 meetings; motion carried. Closing Invocation given by Joe Heil and meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

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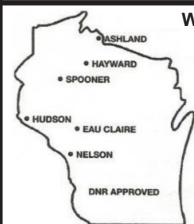
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