

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
EDWARD W. THOMPSON SQUADRON 49
MONTHLY MEETING

Date: 9, May, 2917

The meeting was called to order at 7:08

Opening ceremonies/Chaplain's Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance

A motion was made to suspend the meeting to introduce guests. Supported & passed.

*Mr. McCormack introduced Brian Hysler, director of the Wellness Center. Mr. Hysler spoke about a scholarship program offering free memberships for veterans and those who financially and medically qualify. The membership includes help with weight loss & fitness nutrition & cooking, etc. Informational pamphlets were left behind.

*Next, Mr. McCormack introduced Jacoline Churchill from Meijer Corp. On behalf of Meijer, Ms. Churchill accepted an award of appreciation offered by the SONS for their donations over the past two years for the Larry Carlson, Senior, Thanksgiving Dinner.

A motion was made to resume the regular meeting, supported and passed

Roll Call:

Commander; Ben Newton X

First Vice; Marc Till no

Second Vice; Roger Bush X

Finance Officer; Greg McCormack X

Historian; Brett Novy X

Chaplain; John Michael McCormack X

Stg-at-Arms; Mike Hollis X

Adjutant; Steve Hamilton X

Reg. Mem. Rep.; Mr. Jim Montgomery no

Members also in attendance; Tip Bierhalter, Earl Lash

Guests; Brian from the Wellness Center and Jacoline Churchill from Meijer Corp.

Sick Call; Mr. Bierhalter reported his wife Vivian was dealing with some health issues but is recovering nicely. Prayers go out to Mrs. Bierhalter

Reading of the minutes; A motion was made to accept as written, supported and passed

Finance Report; Currently \$7,499.70. A motion to accept (pending audit), was supported and passed

Adjutant's Report; Dept. goals for the year for Squadron 49 are 347 members. We are currently at 305 paid members. 263 of those are renewals and 42 are new members. We should be at 100% at this time but are currently at 87.9%. Since this report was made, we have added 17 more renewals and new members.

Unfinished Business;

*Mr. Hamilton reported that the S.A.L. Constitution and Bylaws are ready to be sent to Dept. but first need the signatures of the Post Commander and the Squadron Commander. They will be sent as soon as this is accomplished.

**A motion was made to suspend the meeting for the purpose of counting the ballots. Supported and passed. Results for the year 2017/2018 are as follows;

Commander; Marc Till (unopposed)

1st. Vice Commander; Ben Newton (unopposed)

2nd Vice Commander; Earl Lash (unopposed)

Historian; Brett Novy (unopposed)

Finance Officer; Greg McCormack (unopposed)

Sgt-at-Arms; Mike Hollis (unopposed)

Chaplain; John Michael McCormack (unopposed)

Adjutant; Steve Hamilton (unopposed)

**A motion was made, supported and passed to resume the meeting

New Business;

*There will be a bake sale fund raiser during Sunday morning breakfast. Donations are needed.

*100 Carnations have been ordered for Mother's Day. Mr. McCormack will hand them out.

*Mr. Hamilton is selling raffle tickets for the 4th District. The raffle is for a gas BBQ grill valued at \$265.00 and tickets sell for \$5.00 ea.

*As a reminder, the state S.A.L. convention will be June 3, 4, 5 in Stevensville

*Our Squadron owes district dues, also \$50 to the Stevensville post for an ad and delegate dues for the meeting

*Commander Ben Newton was presented with a plaque honoring Life Membership.

For the good of the SONS;

Closing Ceremonies

Meeting was adjourned; 8:02

Respectfully submitted by Steve Hamilton