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**MONTHLY MINUTES FOR April 14, 2009**

Opening ceremonies conducted in accordance with Veterans of Foreign Wars Ritual; meeting opened at 1330, April 14, 2009.

**ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:**

Commander Frank B. Hilliard IV	Present
Senior Vice Commander Calvin “Sonny” Dozier	Present
Junior Vice Commander Robert Looker	Present
Quartermaster Norman Smith	Present
Judge Advocate Arthur L. Gaspard	Present
Surgeon Charles Phillips	Excused
Chaplain Thomas R. Morrison	Excused
Trustee One David Pound	Present
Trustee Two William “Joe” Dager	Absent
Trustee Three John Mesaros	Present

Appointed Positions	
Adjutant Art Gaspard	Present
Safety Officer Eli Cabrerros	Present
Service Officer Calvin “Sonny” Dozier	Present
Post House Committee Chairman	Present
Elementary Schools Chairman Roger Limle	Present

There are 34 members in attendance

Commander Hilliard made the following temporary appointments for this meeting: Comrade Darkus – Chaplain; Comrade Dozier – OOD.

Commander Hilliard recognized the following distinguished attendees. All Past Seam Squirrels, All Past Post, District and Department Commanders, and our special guest for today Ric Johnson, USVA Deputy Regional Director.

**READING, REFERRING, MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS**

Comrade Richard Johnson, USVA Deputy Regional Director, has requested to transfer to our post from Post 762. He is a Life Member. Veterans Allen Wilson, Adan Martinez, Abel Fernandes, Mark Folsom and John Esposito have all applied for membership in our Post. The credentials committee verifies their eligibility. Motion to accept by Comrade Smith. Seconded by Comrade Dozier. Approved.

Current membership prior to meeting 237, or 110.75%.

### **READING OF MINUTES**

The Minutes from the last meeting have been posted and distributed.

A motion to accept the March 10, 2009 Minutes subject to any corrections was made by Comrade Gaspard, seconded by Comrade Dozier. Approved.

### **QUARTERMASTER'S REPORT**

Quartermaster Smith gave a detailed report of disbursements and receipts.

A motion to accept Quartermaster's Reports as audited made by Comrade Smith, seconded by Comrade Gaspard. Approved.

### **READING OF BILLS.**

None.

### **IS THERE A COMRADE OR THE FAMILY OF A COMRADE IN DISTRESS?**

**Comrade Chaplain Tom Morrison has a serious liver problem. He will be prayed by acting Chaplain Darkus.**

### **REPORT OF OFFICERS**

Service Officer	Attachment #1
Surgeon	None
Judge Advocate	None
Chaplain	None

### **COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN REPORTS**

Buddy Poppy	P656.00
Bingo	Verbal
Community Activities	Attachment #2
Safety	Verbal

Post House Committee      Verbal  
Elementary School          Attachment#3

## **REMEMBER OUR NATIONAL HOME**

Chaplain Darkus said a prayer in remembrance.

## **READING OF OFFICIAL AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE**

The Commander received a phone call from the Department Commander, Larry Lyons, informing him that Post 9892 had been nominated for All American by the Department. The Commander will receive a paid trip to the National Convention from August 15 to 20, in Phoenix, Arizona.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Nominations for election for 2009-2010 term:

Commander – Hilliard

SVC – Dozier (Comrade Looker withdrew acceptance of nomination.)

JVC – Looker

Quartermaster – Smith

Judge Advocate – Gaspard

Surgeon – Cabrerros

Chaplain – Darkus

Trustee Two – Kelley

Trustee Three – Aukshun

PHC Two – Gaspard

PHC Three – Ross

Comrade Gaspard moved that the slate of unopposed candidates be declared elected by acclimation. Seconded by Comrade Looker. Approved.

QM Smith brief on current status of garbage receptacles. Ongoing.

Comrade Russell briefed the project to shift our serving RAO to Angeles from Subic is still ongoing.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

A delegate letter is being forwarded for the following delegates from Post 9892 to the District VII Convention, and elections, to be held at Post 9892 Canteen on Saturday, April 25, 2009: Hilliard, Russell, Dozier, Smith, Darkus, Looker, Gaspard, Cabrerros, Kelley, Pound, Peddy, Limle, Webber, Keller, Mesaros and Murphy.

Comrade Mundo Licudan, a WWII veteran, submitted a hospital bill for his wife in the amount of P38,680.00, or \$810.00, requesting a loan from the Post Relief Fund. Motion was made by Comrade Russell to approve same. Seconded by Comrade Gaspard. Approved.

Comrade QM Smith made a motion to transfer \$600.00 from the Post General Fund to the Relief Fund. Seconded by Comrade Looker. Approved.

### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Comrade Webber reported that Navy Guam is a good place to go for health issues. Also Rhett will help with Barongs and hat bags.

Comrade Dozier announced that the U.S. Embassy was holding an outreach in Baguio on April 17, 2009.

Commander Hilliard introduced Comrade Ric Johnson and asked all interested members to remain for a town hall type encounter with him immediately following the meeting. He also announced our meal for the day was Pork and Chicken Adobo.

### **50/50 DRAWING**

Comrade Guzman and Comrade Justo won a free dinner.  
Comrade Peddy won P1,700.00.

Meeting closed at 1415, hours in accordance with VFW ritual. Next meeting will be May 12, 2009.

Official

Approved

/s/Art Gaspard  
Adjutant

/s/Frank B Hilliard IV  
Commander

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