



82nd Airborne Division Association

Chicago Chapter



Meeting Minutes

Date: Sunday, 09 June 2019

Location: Rock Bottom Restaurant & Brewery (Warrenville, IL)

Officers Present: Chairman Mark Mueller, Vice Chairman Glenn Granat

Officers Absent: n/a

Members Present: Dick Burnett, Larry Slavicek, Loren Helwink, Cal Roesner, Steve Corcoran, Tom Carter, Rich Fuller, Colin Gray, Ralph Peteresen, Robert Petersen, Don Strazer, Stan Gryga, Jersey Joe Scherer

Guests Present: Diane Carter (wife of Tom C.), Kelly Mueller (wife of Mark M.), Pat Burnett (wife of Dick B.), Kris Gray (wife of Colin G), Burdell Horner (friend of Don S.), Marilyn Korpalski (daughter of Stan G.), Jill Scherer (wife of Jersey Joe)

Total Members/Guests: 15/7 (22)

- 1) Call to order by Chairman Mueller at 14:08.
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance and Airborne Creed.
- 3) Officer roll call by Chairman Mueller.
- 4) Chairman Mueller recognized new members and guests: Enjoyed the company of visitors Jersey Joe and Jill Scherer from South Carolina!
- 5) Minutes from last meeting (May 2019) presented by Chairman Mueller. Motion by Carter to accept, second by Helwink. Motion passed unanimously.
- 6) Chapter Financial Report prepared by Hank Mazik. Motion by Carter to accept, second by Helwink. Motion passed unanimously.
- 7) Challenge Coin Check: \$1 donated this month.
- 8) Correspondence
 - a) National Bulletin
 - b) Chapter July newsletter published
 - c) Sprint 2019 Paraglide is now available online
 - d) Jersey Joe shared his experience of visiting the Netherlands recently, including the Nijmegen Bridge.
- 9) Committee Reports
 - a) Service (Chairman) – recognized the passing of Alan Bold and convalescence of Ralph Petersen and Norb Klaucens
 - b) Membership (Chairman) – Report submitted for record. Current headcount 192.
 - c) Airborne History (Historian) – D Day!
- 10) Special Events and Projects
 - a) 2020 Airborne Scholarship (Mueller): Our intention is to fund at least one Scholarship similarly to 2019

- b) Quarterly 50/50 Raffle: Held our Q2 drawing at this month's meeting. Winner was Loren Helwink. He kept \$20 and donated the remaining \$141 back to the chapter. AATW!
- c) LGOP – Looking for new ideas and owners.

11) Unfinished Business

- a) Update on various donations approved at January meeting (Mueller)
- b) New LGOP's: No word from Jim Thomsen, who is looking into paintball. Chapter is open to any/all ideas from membership.
- c) All-American Week: On track. Chapter members Colin Gray and Tim Hodge are planning to attend. No delegates submitted from Chicago Chapter this year.
- d) The U.S. Infantry Museum at Fort Benning is fundraising \$500K for a new building. All donations encouraged and welcomed.
- e) JROTC Medals (2) to Phoenix Military Academy. Roesner former recipient himself (and his father) attended event and presented awards.

12) New Business

- a) Corcoran shared info regarding 17th Annual Freedom Run coming up on 6/15. ~8,000 motorcyclists. Starts in Grundy County and ends in Marseilles.
- b) Carter recounted a recent MOH recognition at Arlington Park Race Track.

13) Birthdays and Recognitions:

- a) Former Chairman Larry Slavicek has moved to TN.

14) Remembering our Departed – Recognition and moment of silence

15) Free Lunch Drawing: Dick Burnett was this month's winner!

16) Door Prize: Roesner, 3 tickets to Brookfield Zoo, donated by Vice Chairman Granat.

17) Motion to adjourn made by Gray at 15:09.

18) Following the meeting, Stan Gryga shared his personal experience with D-Day.

19) We then moved to Airborne Trivia (D Day theme).

Airborne, All The Way!



Mark Mueller
Chairman