

SOUTHERN ARIZONA VETERANS MEMORIAL CEMETERY FOUNDATION

1300 Buffalo Soldier Trail

Sierra Vista, AZ 85635

Web Site: www.savmcf.org

Friday, October 7, 2011

Monthly Business Meeting

VFW Hall 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Welcome – called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Vice-President Ingrid Baillie

Pledge of Allegiance – all present

Officers' Roll –

President Tom Dingwall	Absent/Excused
Vice-President Ingrid Baillie	Present
Secretary Conny DeSpain	Absent/Excused
Treasurer Emeritus Earl Devine	Present
Treasurer Ron DeSpain	Absent/Excused
SAVMC Coordinator Ingrid Baillie (DAR)	Present
SAVMC Administrator Joe Larson (AZDVS)	Present

Member Organizations Roll – Tom Dingwall

Air Force Association Chapter 107	Present
American Legion Post #52	Absent
American Veterans (AMVETS) Post 89	Present
BPOE Lodge #2065 Sierra Vista	Present
BPOE Lodge #2853 Benson	Absent
Ladies & Gentlemen of the Cemetery	Present
Marine Corps League, Wild West Det #1152 Tombstone	Absent/Excused
Military Order of the Cooties Pup Tent #13	Present
Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 572	Absent
MOAA Coronado Chapter	Present
Larry McKim, Past President	Absent
USAWOA Arizona Silver Chapter #203	Present
VFW Post #10342 Huachuca City	Present
VFW Post # 6271 Benson	Absent
VFW Post #9972 Sierra Vista	Present
AL 40 & 8 Vulture 987	Absent

Committee Members Roll Call – Ingrid Baillie

Wreaths Across America	Present
VFW Riders Post 9972 Sierra Vista	Present

Guest introductions – none

Minutes of the September 2, 2011 meeting: Motion made and seconded to approve as written, accepted.

Reports of officers – No reports. It was announced Tom's mother passed away this Sunday.

Reports of Foundation Committees –

Joe Larson - ongoing Eagle Scout projects:

A.)Michael Jones (424): 2000 crosses, 20 Stars of David Memorial Day display project; cut out 800 crosses so far

Nathan Cunningham (445): Installing pavers around the Fountain area

Nathan Posey (486): Pavers at the Kiosk plus plants

Will Hill(445): Sealing retention walls at flag pole and administration area

Scott Gregory (445): Assembly area cactus island and honor pad extension

Daniel Hampel (444): Cactus island and irrigation around the Fountain; to be finished in spring 2012

John Biggs (444): Rock bedding erosion control at HSRP & Carillon

*Joe said there have been 28 completed Eagle Scout projects and one Girl Scout Gold Award completed project, with 7 ongoing Eagle Scout projects and one Girl Scout troop project.

B.) Wreaths Across America – Doing fine

C.) Donation of \$500.00 made by Paul's Pub for Eagle projects.

D.) USMC will conduct a birthday ceremony at 11:00 on November 10 at the assembly area

E.) Joe said SAVMC will have a booth in the park on November 11

F.) Kiosk – Joe said 3'x5' display cases will be put up on the walls to contain artifacts, etc.

Old Business –

WAA – Prestige turning over fundraising money at December Foundation meeting.

The Elks will be dedicating a monument November 11 at 2:00 p.m. on the Memorial Walkway at the cemetery.

The boulder was delivered Monday.

Earl Devine said he went to the kiosk, but it was locked. Joe said it was a matter of safety.

New Business –

New shed for WAA – Joe said Wreaths Across America needs another shed for wreath storage; he presented an invoice for a shed to cost (final) \$2,620.00 from Mr. Shed. This should be enough to store wreaths for ten years before another is needed.

Leo Pimple suggested ordering half-blocks to make smooth edges on paving; he also suggested getting thinner blocks.

New pavers – Joe said he talked with Joe Kucho of Young Block in Tucson, but doesn't have a quote yet.

Expansion of cemetery – SAVMC is priority for improvement funds (roads deteriorating); need an expansion grant, maintenance and improvement grant.

Joe brought up wooden flag cases because families have requested them; he has a vendor who can make them for \$10 to \$15; he will bring one in to November meeting and we will see if we want to do it.

Joe said he doesn't have a sponsor for the Memorial Day ceremony; it was decided UVC will sponsor it each year.

Good of the Order – Earl said he has \$140.00 from selling pins, badges, and from donations.

Meeting adjourned – 9:45 a.m.

Next Business Meeting – November 4, 9:00-10:00 a.m., VFW Hall.

Respectfully submitted:

Ingrid Baillie
Acting Secretary

Tom Dingwall
Foundation President