



**MINUTES OF VFW POST 4659 MEETING of 24 August 2016**

Meeting opened at 7:00 PM by Commander Mike Perusich

Cards inspected by the Officer of the Day Tim Slattery

Opening prayer by Chaplain Larry Pretzer

Salute to the Colors and Pledge of Allegiance rendered by all present.

National Home at Eaton Rapids and Camp Trotter, Newaygo, Mich donations collected \$62.97

Roll call of officers and positions: P- 25 Ex- 6 A- Post Members Present 20

**GUESTS:** Carol Carroll, Sherry Tudrick, Joyce Dawson, Gloria Dobbie, Kathy Crampton of Miracle Quilts gave a presentation and a display of the quilts they make and present to veterans at VA hospitals. A check of \$500.00 was presented to Carol to help them with their mailing costs.

**MINUTES FOR POST MEETING 10 August 16** was distributed to all members who were present. Minutes stand as published.

**QUARTERMASTER'S Post Receipts and Disbursements :** None

**BILLS:** \$7.36 to Rich Kiempisty for a landscape expense.

Motion Gannia/DiSalvo to pay the bills. Motion passed.

**RECEIPTS:** 1. Comrade Dobbie turned in to the QM \$1500.00 from the Tuesday bingo.  
2. Bill Mrdeza and Larry Pretzer cashed in aluminum caps and spent brass for \$53.00 for the Honor Guard Fund. 3. \$60.00 was received from the sale of shirts by Scott Metcalf.

**SERVICE OFFICERS REPORT:** Comrade Rios discussed the new Blue Water Navy Vietnam medical findings. Veterans that were aboard ships in Vietnam that were taking in water from Vietnam reservoirs could have a presumptive exposure claim. The USS Floyd Parks loaded 200,000 gallons of water from the Monkey mountain Da Nang reservoir.

**COMRADES IN DISTRESS:** Comrade Crampton met with John Dyer-Hurdons wife and John has been moved to the Shelby Nursing Center, 46100 Schoenherr Rd. The Commander visited with Jerry Novak in Romeo and he is not doing well and in a lot of pain.

**THE CHARTER WAS DRAPED** for Comrade Mike Geczi an Air Force veteran who served in Korea. Mike lived in Shelby and recently retired as a railway engineer. He and his wife are interred at Great Lakes National Cemetery along with his brother who served in Vietnam.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** 1. Comrade Gannia reports that the homeless veterans are scheduled to come to the post. A Color Guard is needed for a ceremony of a new Post Master General in Rochester. It will take place on Friday, 23 September at Hamlin and Livernois in Rochester. Contact Bruce Hartung.  
2. Comrade Crampton reports that Charity poker starts 19 Sept. at Cicerelli's and continues for 4 days.  
3. Help out with the News Letter, Tuesday, 30 August, 9:00pm.

**VFW NATIONAL HOME PRAYER** by Chaplain Larry Pretzer.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** 1. The Commander Iron Mike reports that the fence in the back is approximately 15 yrs old and we should leave it and the 4x4's weathered and not painted.

NEW BUSINESS: 1. Motion Crampton/Slattery to donate \$200.00 to the "USO". Motion passed.  
2. Motion Pretzer/Kettner to purchase one book of tickets for \$50.00, and one brick for \$50.00, and our supporting members to purchase one book of tickets for \$50.00. The receiver is Post 3055, Belding Michigan who is building a Memorial Wall. Motion passed. Motion Metcalf/Gannia to pay for the brick and tickets out of the Charity fund. Motion passed.  
3. Motion Kindinger/Tudrick to distribute 5 new National Home Life Memberships for the cost of \$175.00. Motion passed.  
4. Motion Slattery/Rios to donate \$250.00 to Comrade Dobbie for his incidental expenses traveling to Washington DC for VFW business. Motion passed.  
5. A training session is in Lansing. Members will leave the post at 8:00 am.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: 1. Around the 1<sup>st</sup> of November we will raise the 4x6 POW-MIA flag for winter.

Closing prayer by Chaplain Larry Pretzer  
Meeting closed at 8:30 PM  
Next meeting will be 14 Sept 2016, 7:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
William P. Tudrick  
Adjutant

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Veteran Outreach Sessions, Post 4659, 10 - 4:30 pm. 2nd Monday every month.  
Lisa Marie Duncan Edwards, Macomb Veterans Service Dept., 586-463-3538

To all post members, if you have participated in any community service or hospital visitation please report the mileage and hours spent to Comrade Crampton who reports this to the State. [cramps1@comcast.net](mailto:cramps1@comcast.net)

First Wednesday of each month at the National Cemetery in Holly.  
Post Meetings, Second and fourth Wednesday, at 7:00 pm.  
House Committee, 3rd Wednesday at 7:00 pm.  
Bingo Tuesday and Thursday starts at 10:30 am.  
Post clubroom euchre, every Thursday, 6pm sign-in, 7pm start

16 Sept. 6:00 pm Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens, Novi, 43300 12 Mile  
18 Sept. Golf Fundraiser with Postal Workers.  
25 September, Sunday, District 5 Gold Star Mothers Banquet, starts 1:00 pm, arrive at 12:00pm at Old Settlers Post.