

**SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION  
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WINSIDE, NE 68790  
MARCH 26, 2019**

Commander Arlin Kittle called the meeting to order with 7 members present (Arlin Kittle, Bud Neel, Kevin Andersen, Darin Greunke, Gene Jensen, Daryl Mundil and Jim Rabe) and Guests District 3 Commander Daryl Harrison and Craig and Cindy Evans. Cmdr. Kittle led the salute to the flag. Gene Jensen offered prayer. A moment of silence was observed for our Forefathers and the POW/MIA's. Cmdr. Kittle led the Pledge of Allegiance and the SONS Preamble.

District 3 Commander Harrison and Bud presented the challenge from the Beemer Legion Riders of \$500.00 to start a K-9 fund for the Nebraska State Patrol. If we start with the Challenge, we can go statewide and ask each Rider's Chapter and SONS Squadron to donate \$50.00 annually. If we can get 50% of each to donate to this cause, we can purchase a dog every two years. The donation will be given to the NSP foundation each year on the National K-9 Veteran's Day anniversary on March 13 each year and donations published in the Legionnaire. Presentation to be photographed and published for advertisement.

D3 Cmdr. Harrison would like to use the lectern for the District Convention at Beemer. Bud will take it down with him.

D3 Cmdr. Harrison gave a report on Highway 20 across the nation being considered to be named the Medal of Honor Highway. PDC Gene Twyford and Cmdr. Harrison are working to get it named as such. It traverses through District 1, 2 and 3, with South Sioux City being considered the center of the nation of the highway. We would like the State to pay for the signage, not The American Legion. The state of Oregon, Idaho and Wyoming has already approved this. **Kevin Andersen moved to accept the Resolution, Jim Rabe second, motion passed.**

Craig and Cindy Evans were allowed to speak. Melody Mann is in recovery from an operation and has had medical problems. Melody is presently at Madonna in Lincoln after 10+ surgeries. Craig and Cindy would like to host a fundraiser for the Mann's for expenses. At this time the fundraiser is scheduled for June 9<sup>th</sup>, Pancake/Omelet Feed, Silent auction and Bake sale. Craig & Cindy asked if the SONS would sponsor the fundraiser. Gene Jensen moved support the fundraiser for Melody Mann, Jim Rabe second, motion passed. Craig and Cindy Evans and District 3 Cmdr. Harrison left the meeting.

Bud Neel read the minutes of the February 26, 2019 meeting. Minutes were approved as read. Some spelling corrections were made.

Kevin Andersen offered the treasurer's report as of 3-24-19. **Jim Rabe moved to approve, Darin Gruenke second, motion passed.**

Benevolent checking and savings account. **Gene Jensen moved to approve the report, Darin Greunke second, motion passed.**

### **Committee reports:**

--Gun Show, Daryl Mundil, we have 2 vendors, 3 tables sold. Daryl will send out another reminder. Advertisement should stay about \$1500.00. We might pay rent on the Legion Hall to be able to use the tables for Gun Show. Need to talk to Dean Mann about it. Some members have some tables we can donate for the show.

--Gun Raffle, Darin Greunke, we had one prize winner ineligible and he knew it. Has surrendered the prize. We will rollover the prize for this year. Darin presented a bill for 6 prizes costing \$1793.50. **Bud moved to pay the bill, Kevin Andersen second, motion passed.** We have purchased 30 prizes. The suggested Gun Raffle dates are June 18 to September 15. **Darin Greunke moved to approve the 2019 Gun Raffle ticket sale dates as stated, Gene Jensen second, motion passed.**

### **Sick Call:**

Melody Mann, send a card.

### **Old business:**

--West Point Veteran's Park. BUD reported they are not accepting organizations for the park at this time. Will hold donation at this time. Call Kevin and tear up the check.

--Kevin advised we have 2 outstanding checks, Winside Library donation and Colton Jensen Scholarship donation.

--Daryl Mundil advised Wayne County Government Day is April 15. Speaker will be Wayne County Deputy, not sure which one. We need to ask the Auxiliary to provide bars. Set up will be at 10:30-11:00 AM.

--Scholarships, we have 3 applications; SAL Scholarship, Lucille Larson, \$250.00; Tim Voss Scholarship, Haylee Cummins, \$500.00. **Darin Greunke moved to accept the scholarship committee selection, Gene Jensen second, motion passed.**

--Butch as asked about the SONS helping paint the hall. Bud will donate the blue paint. A gallon was brought in to let members see the color.

--Need to order more A.L. presentation folders.

--Thank you from the Post to the SONS.

**New Business:**

--District 3 Convention moved to April 6 due to the flood. Beemer got hit very hard. Bud will be able to attend.

--Department/Detachment Convention will be June 21-23 in Kearney at Ramada Inn. We get 1 delegate for each 10 members. Could if possible, send 9 delegates to the Detachment Convention. DEC meeting will be Friday night, Convention will be Saturday morning joint session and Saturday afternoon SONS meeting. Elections will be Saturday afternoon.

Next meeting will be April 30 at 7 PM

Gene Jensen offered benediction

Cmdr. Kittle closed the meeting.