

## **SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION**

### **ROY REED SQUADRON #252**

#### **WINSIDE, NE**

**MARCH 29, 2022**

Mrs. Kathy Hansen was present to provide information on the Spaghetti fundraiser sponsored by the SONS squadron. The Thrivent card was used for supplies. There is some money left on the card. Checking on the expiration date of the card. There were 66 people in attendance plus the 13 students and parents who conducted the fundraiser. Some items were not opened and can be returned. Desserts were provided by students and/or parents. Donations at the door totaled \$955.00. Kids had a good time and Mrs. Hansen was happy with the teamwork with the SONS and the students. Mrs. Hansen left the meeting.

Commander Greunke called the meeting to order with 5 members present (Darin Greunke, Kevin Andersen, Gene Jensen, Daryl Mundil and Bud Neel) and led the salute to the flag. Gene Jensen offered prayer. A moment of silence was observed for our departed Comrades, the Comrades of our fathers and the POW/MIA's. Cmdr. Greunke led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance and the SONS Preamble.

Bud Neel read the minutes of the February 22, 2022 meeting. **Kevin Andersen moved to approve the minutes, Gene Jensen second, motion passed.**

Kevin Andersen offered the treasurer reports as of March 28, 2022:

General checking account: **Daryl Mundil moved to approve the report, Gene Jensen second, motion passed.**

Benevolent checking account beginning balance

Benevolent savings account beginning balance

Reserved accounts are: CWF \$62.00; Tim Voss Scholarship \$1008.00; SAL scholarship \$1000.00; Jr. Law scholarship \$550.00; 52 gun -0-; Troop support \$50.00; NSP K-9 -0-. **Gene Jensen moved to approve the report, Daryl Mundil second, motion passed.**

### **Committee reports:**

--Raffle report by Kevin Andersen. Expenses incurred are: Ticket printing \$39.00; prize money totaled \$600.00. There were 225 tickets sold and a profit of \$1161.00. The bank did make a \$10.00 adjustment on a deposit from \$2160.00 to \$2150.00.

--Guided fishing tour discussion. Cmdr. Greunke checked at Walmart on fishing pole prices (\$25.00 and up), tackle boxes (\$25.00 and up). If we include 4 poles, a tackle box and the box of lures (cost \$130.00) plus the 8 hr. guided tour (\$400.00) the prize package is worth about \$700.00. Cmdr. Greunke asked Kevin to order 1000 tickets. Tickets sales will be from May 20 to June 19, 2022. Drawing will be on June 21, 2022. The total number of tickets we could sell is 568. Ordered 1000 tickets as the next smaller amount is 500. Extra tickets will be taken out of circulation. This prize

package does not include the fishing license. Proceeds go to SONs programs.

--Rifle Raffle discussion. The rifle is a Savage 204 caliber, bolt action. The tickets will cost \$10.00 each and need to order them. More discussion at the April meeting.

--Discussion on the 52 Gun raffle utilizing the Carroll Station. Cmdr. Greunke talked with Carroll Station. At this time, they do not have a FFL and might take 2 years to obtain one. Question was asked if we could do a weekly cash raffle. Prize would be an amount agreed upon before the raffle starts. If the weekly cash prize is \$400.00 (\$20800.00 total); \$450.00 (\$23,400 total); \$500.00 (\$26,000.00 total). Discussion about extra paperwork if someone wins \$600.00 or more. Is the drawing a one time winner and the ticket is out or do we put the tickets back in for the next drawing? Need to call the Gaming Division on guidelines. More discussion at the April meeting.

--Discussion of Students trip to Washington D.C. in 2024. Students did very well at the fundraiser. **Kevin Andersen moved to donate \$250.00 to the trip, Daryl Mundil second, motion passed.**

--Bud advised the Sons of The American Legion is only \$38,000 away from the \$9 million donation mark. They are asking Squadrons to get their \$1.00/per member donations in before the Spring NEC meeting. We usually donate by May 15. In the past, we have donated \$3.00 per member. We have 91 members on the roster at this time. Kevin will send a check for the donation.

--Daryl advised vendors are calling about our Gun Show. Are we going to have one? Discussion was held but not too many open dates when the Fair Grounds are available.

--Bud advised there is a gun dealer in Martinsburg we could talk to about prizes.

**Sick call:** None

## **Old business:**

--The 4-H Sharpshooter had 8 shooters in competition at Scottsbluff for Air Rifle and BB Gun. The team placed 8 or 9<sup>th</sup> out of 12 teams. There were some individual placers. There will be one Air Rifle shooter going to Grand Island and Cmdr. Darin Greunke is the coach. Cmdr. Greunke will be gone in June.

--Daryl reported the Flag box will be at the Wayne Post Office soon.

--Money from the raffle will be put in the savings until we get a committee assigned to decide where to make our donations.

## **New business:**

--Any Korean War Veterans can be interviewed for the South Sioux City Interpretive Center

--Scholarships—all the entries were very good. The decision was difficult.

**SONs—Kevin Andersen moved to award Aubrie Edwards the scholarship, Gene Jensen second, motion passed.**

--Tim Voss Scholarship—**Daryl Mundil moved to award Maddie McManigal this Tim Voss Scholarship, Gene Jensen second, motion passed.**

--Letter received from the 4-H Council on sponsorships of Six (6) trophies at the County Fair. **Kevin Andersen moved to sponsor the trophies for the 4-H Council, Daryl Mundil second, motion passed.**

--Discussion on sponsorship for the County Fair. **Daryl Mundil moved to donate/sponsor the \$300.00 Bronze sponsor for the County Fair, Kevin Andersen second, motion passed.**

--No news letter received for this month

--Bud advised the Boy's State program will be in person this year barring any pandemics. Winside does not have an applicant this year.

--Bud advised National Commander Michael Fox project is "Flying Flags for Heroes" (FFFH). He has challenged all member to put 2 flags on 2 Veterans graves, take pictures and submit them to National. National Cmdr. Fox would like to report 1 million Veterans honored this way and other than Memorial Day. We can include the Legion family, Boy Scout, Girl Scouts, and any clubs or organizations at school for community service.

--After reading the essays for scholarships, we apparently need to get into the schools to provide the 13 fold flag ceremony and explain what each fold represents. Might be a program for the SONS and the Auxiliary. Need to talk with the School board.

Next meeting will be April 26, 2022.

Gene Jensen offered benediction

Cmdr. Greunke closed the meeting.