

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

ROY REED SQUADRON #252

WINSIDE, NE

DECEMBER 26, 2023

Commander Darin Greunke called the meeting to order with 5 members present (Darin Greunke, Bud Neel, Kevin Andersen, Arlin Kittle and David Greunke) and led the salute to the flag. David Greunke offered prayer. A moment of silence was observed for our comrades, the comrades of our forefathers and the POW/MIA's. Cmdr. Greunke led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance and the SONS preamble.

Bud advised there was no meeting in November as we packed Troop boxes and attended the Winside Auxiliary Christmas party.

Kevin Andersen offered the treasurer report for account for November and December:

David Greunke moved to approve the report, Arlin Kittle second, motion passed.

The Benevolent checking and savings report for November and December was given by Kevin:

Kittle moved to approve the benevolent checking and savings account reports, David Greunke moved approve, second by Arlin Kittle, motion passed.

Committee reports:

--Troop support packages—14 packages were sent. Received Thank you from Daniel Shimonsky, Matt Youngmeyer, Brian Greunke and a phone call from Daniel Reinhardt. We had numerous donations and volunteers assisting with packing boxes. We might start in September of 2024 gathering addresses and collecting items.

--Norfolk Veteran's Home Root Beer floats went over very well. We served about 85 floats. Left enough ice cream and Root Beer for 24 serving in the Alzheimer's unit for staff to serve. Total costs was \$33.83 for pop and ice cream.

Sick Call:

--Joe Mundil, card signed

--Dave Bloomfield, card given at Legion breakfast

--Dalbert Gowler, Jr. passed away. No word on funeral

Unfinished business:

--David Kohl's benefit went over well at the Norfolk VFW club.

New business:

--Scholarship essay's—need to get info to school.

Tim Voss Scholarship—"What is the meaning of the 13 folds of the U.S. Flag at a funeral"?

SAL Scholarship—Pick one of the 3 service members killed in the Vietnam War from Winside and write a 500 word essay.

--Legion Soup lunch is Sunday, January 14, 10am-1pm

--Discussion on holding a raffle or Valentine supper. Need to check with Winside bar to see if they have plans. Winside Fire Department has breakfast on Jan 11. Would need to have RSVP to plan for workers. Would like to do steak, baked potato, vegetable, salad, dessert and drinks. Email will be put out for helpers. Price can be discussed in January.

--Valentine boxes for shut-ins and Veterans. List includes: D. Vanhouten; Ms. Haines; Betty Andersen; Jan Topp; Ms. Stoaks; Joann Field; Lyle Kreuger; Bonnis Baird; Betty Moris; Bonnie Wylie; Jim Remfer; Ms. Hartmann; Victor Mann; Butch Edwards; Lenell Quinn. Need to get a Thrivent card.

--Wayne County Sharpshooters Invitational will be in Carroll Auditorium on Saturday & Sunday, February 3 & 4. Set up is about 6 PM Friday night. Any help would be appreciated. Winside SONS is a sponsor of the Sharpshooters.

--Membership was discussed. Still have some to renew. Membership for 2023 expires on December 31.

--The Legion breakfast went over very well. Had several volunteers.

--Detachment Newsletter was read.

Next meeting is January 30, 2024

Benediction by David Greunke

Cmdr. D. Greunke closed the meeting.