

**Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States  
Post 12074, Chiang Mai**

Date: 02 May, 2009  
Location: Post 12074, Chiang Mai

1. **Call to Order:** The Monthly Meeting of Post 12074 was called to order by Commander Holmes at 1035 hours this date.
2. **Roll call of Officers:** All officers were present with the exception of Comrade Cosentino.

A total of **29** members and 1 guest were present.

3. Roll call of Officers:

1. Commander Michael Holmes	Present
2. Senior Vice Mike Glatz	Present
3. Junior Vice John Cosentino	<b>Absent</b>
4. Quartermaster J Sapp	Present
5. Judge Advocate Roger Proper	Present
6. Chaplain Gerald Buffington	Present
7. Surgeon David France	Present
8. Trustee 1 Year Al Evans	Present
9. Trustee 2 Year Bill Duden	Present
10. Trustee 3 Year Ron Torrence	Present
11. Adjutant Mike See	Present

4. **Reading of Minutes:** The Minutes of the April meeting were read by the Adjutant. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Comrade Evans and seconded by Comrade Torrence. Motion carried.

5. **Quartermaster Report:** The Quartermaster read the report for April. A motion to accept the Quartermaster Report as read, subject to audit, was made by Comrade Evans and seconded by Comrade Kricos. Motion carried.

6. **Surgeon's Report:** Comrade French reported to the Post on the H1N1 virus. The Surgeon cautioned members to stay away from crowds and mentioned that a common food preservative, BHT could prove useful in combating the flu. He reported that a UCLA drug study suggests that the diabetic medication, Januvia can cause pancreatic cancer. Post members are reminded to contact Comrade France to get on his Post Surgeon's email list.

7. **Service Officer Report:** Commander Holmes cited two recent deaths of veterans that resulted in added financial hardships for surviving family members due to the failure of the departed to have their personal affairs in order. Commander Holmes related that he is considering a position here as a Retired Affairs Officer. The Service Officer reported that the APO at the US Consulate will no longer be selling postage stamps. Postage stamps can be ordered online at the USPS website. Those utilizing the APO might want to consider having another individual listed on their APO signature card in case of emergency or death. Otherwise, your mail could wind up getting returned when you're unable to pick it up.

8. **Communications:** None

9. **Committee Reports:** Comrade France, the July 4<sup>th</sup> committee chair, reported that the planning phase of the event is 85 percent complete and the remaining part is mostly the execution phase. He called for volunteers to assist with the event.

10. **Reading of Bills:**

1. A motion to pay \$58 for buddy poppies and \$10 for the National Convention was made by Comrade Glatz and seconded by Comrade See. Motion carried.

11. **Old Business:**

1. The Post congratulated Commander Holmes and Comrade Sapp on their selection as the "District All State Commander of the Year" and "District All State Quartermaster of the Year."

12. **New Business:**

1. Comrade Sapp informed us that he is doing a conversion of 45,000 baht in Post funds and will deposit that money into the Post credit union account.
2. Commander Holmes stated that he, Comrades Webb, Glatz, and Evans will be attending the District meeting on May 15 and 16 and asked that we approve a Delegate Letter for the meeting. Comrade Johnson motioned that we approve the Delegate Letter as written and Comrade Sapp seconded. Motion carried.
3. Commander Holmes asked that we approve a Delegate Letter for the Department Convention listing Comrade Krebs and Comrade Pinkosh as the delegates. Comrade Torrence motioned that the Delegate Letter be accepted as written. Seconded by Comrade Glatz. Motion carried.
4. Commander Holmes recommended that we look at our website from a security standpoint.
5. New Post officers were sworn with an effective date of July 4<sup>th</sup>.

13. **Good of the Order:**

1. Comrade Evans asked that the Post approve Comrade Webb for Military Order of the Cootie. Motioned by Comrade Sapp and seconded by Comrade Kricos. Motion carried.
2. Comrade Evans implored Post members to save their aluminum pull tabs and eye glass frames for donation to the Princess's Prosthesis Foundation. Contact Comrade Evans for more info.
3. Comrade Kricos announced that Lek Optical, the drug store at Thapae Gate, and a printing shop near the 3 Kings monument offer Post members a discounts.
4. Comrade Glatz was the winner of the monthly drawing for the amount of 1,700 baht.
5. Commander Holmes asked members to send him inputs via email to ascertain interest in having David Duke prepare a buffet style lunch menu for our meetings.

14. **Closing Ceremonies:** Closing Ceremonies were held in accordance with the MANUAL OF PROCEDURE at 1210 hours.

The next meeting will be held at 1030 on 6 June 2009 at The Duke's in the Night Bazaar, 145 Changklan Road (next to McDonalds).

Michael A. See  
Adjutant

Michael Holmes  
Commander