

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

Date: 05 December, 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 Comrades Glatz and Evans.

A total of 2 guests and 26 members were present.

3. Roll call of Officers:

1. Commander Michael Holmes	Present
2. Senior Vice Mike Glatz	Absent
3. Junior Vice John Cosentino	Present
4. Quartermaster J Sapp	Present
5. Judge Advocate Al Evans	Absent
6. Chaplain James Welch	Present
7. Surgeon David France	Present
8. Trustee 1 Year Ron Torrence	Present
9. Trustee 2 Year Pat Webb	Present
10. Trustee 3 Year Ace Hatton	Present
11. Adjutant Mike See	Present

The Post welcomed two guests, Norm Olesen and John Tucker to the meeting.

The Post welcomed new applicants Michael Ciosek and John Bales. After introductions, a motion to admit them into the Post as members was made by Comrade Cosentino and seconded by Comrade Sapp. Motion carried.

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

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

6. **Reading of Bills:**

1. A 500 baht reimbursement to Comrade See for the purchase of a wreath for the Veteran's Day ceremony at the *Gymkhana Club*.
2. A \$12.87 reimbursement to Post Quartermaster Sapp for telephone and postage bills incurred by his office from December 2008 to present.

A motion to pay out the two reimbursements was made by Comrade Webb and seconded by Comrade Torrence. Motion carried.

7. **Surgeon's Report:** Comrade France updated members on Dr. Wirachat's new location within the Rajavej Hospital in Chiang Mai and provided brochures of same. The H1N1 flu vaccine is not due to arrive in Thailand until January or February. The Post

Surgeon indicated that wintertime means less sunshine so get out in the sun more or take cod liver capsules to give your body the vitamin D it requires.

8. Service Officer Report: The Service Officer reminded members that McCormick and Chiang Mai Ram hospitals are Tri-Care hospitals and will bill Tri-Care directly. Commander Holmes explained the uses of VA forms SF 180, 2122 and 2122a and offered his assistance with completing the forms.

9. Communications:

1. None

10. Old Business:

1. None.

11. New Business:

1. Commander Holmes proposed that we donate \$58 to the *National Buddy Poppy Program*. Motion made by Comrade Webb and seconded by Comrade Torrence. Motion carried.
2. Commander Holmes proposed our support for Operation Uplink. Comrade Sapp motioned that we donate \$50 to the operation. Motion was seconded by Comrade Torrence. Motion carried.
3. Comrade Sapp motioned that the Post contribute to the *National Home for Children*. Comrade Webb motioned that we donate \$25. Motion seconded by Commander Holmes. Motion carried.

12. Committee Reports:

1. Comrade Francis, the July 4th committee chairman informed us on meeting rules, the job description of committee members, and committee meeting times.

13. Good of the Order:

1. Comrade Webb suggested we support the *Adopt a Unit* program and will provide details at the January meeting. Comrade Hatton added we might consider the purchase of a Skype account for a deployed unit.
2. Comrade Cosentino is going to explore the procurement of a POW chair cover to display at future Post meetings.
3. Comrade Hatton solicited for donations for hill tribe children.
4. The merits of banking and insuring with USAA were discussed.
5. Comrade Hatton was the winner of 1,650 baht in the lucky draw.

14. Closing Ceremonies: Closing Ceremonies were held in accordance with the MANUAL OF PROCEDURE at 1150 hours.

The next meeting will be held at 1030 on 2 January 2010 at Dukes' Restaurant at the Night Bazaar in Chiang Mai.

Michael A. See
Adjutant

Michael Holmes
Commander