

MINUTES OF THE PRE-CONVENTION D.E.C. MEETING
July 13, 2016
Quality Inn and Suites
Vestal, New York

- Commander Santa Croce called the Meeting to order at 6:08PM.
- The Colors of our Nation being in place the membership saluted.
- Acting Chaplain Ellis offered the Opening Prayer.
- Master Sgt.-at-Arms Falco placed the POW/MIA banner.
- V/C Clancy led the membership in The Pledge of Allegiance.
- V/C Coates led the membership in the Preamble.

□ **Adjutant Avery** took Roll Call, which indicated a quorum was present.

- **Adjutant Avery introduced National Commander Collier (AK) who will address us at our Convention.**
- **Convention Chairman Smallcomb** welcomed everyone to Binghamton. If you have problems with the hotel accommodations let me know. Please be respectful of the hotel as they have been very gracious and are working well with us. Busses will be running a continuous loop. The installation luncheon is sold out. The Convention Meetings will be held down the street at Post 89.
- **A motion was made by V/C Commander Bosford and seconded by 6th District Commander Hodge to dispense with the reading of the Mid-Winter minutes and to accept them as distributed. The motion was carried.**

1.00 SICK CALL & RELIEF

- 1.01 **Past Jefferson County Legion Commander and Jefferson County Sons Chaplain Robert LeJeune is battling cancer.**
- 1.02 **The Jefferson County Sons Commander John Farrell has just been released from the Syracuse Burn Unit with severe burns to both legs.**
- 1.03 **Willie Bero passed Detachment V/C has passed away**

2.00 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 2.01 **NONE**

3.00 NEW BUSINESS & CORRESPONDANCE

- 3.01 **Finance Chairman Lee** asked that you please submit your vouchers as soon as possible. There are fewer mistakes on vouchers thank you. Please pre-submit your voucher if possible. The budget was read and presented by Chairmen Lee. He thanked the commission members for their work. He stated that the Department of New York works with use and the communication has been very good. The commission went over the line item budget and is reviewing the expense authorization. The proposed budget was read line by line.
A motion was made by V/C Burtch to accept the report and budget as presented. The motion was seconded by 6th District Commander Hodge and carried.
- 3.02 **N.E.C. Denmon** made a motion to have the Sheley B. Parish Squadron #457 color guard represent the Detachment as our color guard for this meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

4.00 FOR THE GOOD OF THE SONS

- 4.01** There was a question about what happened to the dollar per member money to be donated the Child Welfare Foundation from the last dues increase. There was a discussion on this issue. It seems that some people were confused as to the wording in the final clause of the resolution. The final clause stated that we would raise the dues \$2.00 per member to go into the general fund and not to anyone specific line item.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, Chaplain Ellis offered the Closing Prayer, Master Sgt.-at-Arms Falco retrieved the POW/MIA banner, and the membership saluted the Colors of our glorious Nation.

- The Meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Raymond J. Jarvis".

Raymond Jarvis
Assistant Adjutant