



**Sons of The American Legion  
Detachment of Wisconsin  
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SATURDAY OCTOBER 27th, 2007 COMMANDER KIRK D. HOVE CALLED TO ORDER WITH THE PROPER OPENING CEREMONIES, THE FALL D.E.C. MEETING BEING HELD IN CLEAR LAKE WISCONSIN SPONSORED BY SQUADRON 108 AT THE CLEAR LAKE GOLF COURSE CLUB HOUSE.

**Roll Call of Officers**

TAKEN BY THE DETACHMENT ADJUTANT MICHAEL L. LAWLER

DETACHMENT	<b>COMMANDER</b>	KIRK D. HOVE	(158)	P
“	<b>VICE COMM.</b>	KERRY L. SEVERSON	(245)	P
“	<b>VICE COMM.</b>	ELLIOTT W. JOHNSON	(158)	P
“	<b>VICE COMM.</b>	MARVIN E. JOHNSON	(158)	P
“	<b>VICE COMM.</b>	RON A. HENDERSON	(336)	E
“	<b>FINANCE OFFICER</b>	DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH	(406)	P
“	<b>CHAPLAIN</b>	RONALD F. FAUST	(245)	E
“	<b>SERGEANT-AT-ARMS</b>	RODNEY P. FALL	(108)	P
“	<b>SERGEANT-AT-ARMS</b>	COLIN H. MELTESEN	(129)	E
“	<b>N.E.C. MAN</b>	LAWRENCE A. RICE	(449)	P
“	<b>ALT. N.E.C. MAN</b>	PATRICK N. GRYSKIEWICZ	(093)	E
“	ADJUTANT	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P
“	ASS'T. ADJUTANT	GARY LEE LeROY	(294)	P
“	HISTORIAN	STEVEN M. CRAIG	(051)	P
“	EDITOR	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P
“	JUDGE ADVOCATE	STEVEN C. CHAMPENY	(209)	P
“	ASS'T. JUDGE ADVOCATE	THOMAS A. KNOX	(449)	A
DEPARTMENT	COMMANDER	DAVE KURTZ		E
“	CHAIRMAN	ANTHONY SODA		P
“	COMMITTEEMAN	WAYNE CHRISTENSEN		-
“	COMMITTEEMAN	MARTY CZARNECKI		-
“	LIAISON	ROBERT STONE		E
S.A.L.	LIAISON	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P
S.A.L.	COMMITTEEMAN	KIRK D. HOVE	(158)	P
S.A.L.	COMMITTEEMAN	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P

**Roll Call District Chairman**

FIRST DISTRICT				V
SECOND DISTRICT				V
THIRD DISTRICT	DANIEL OASEN	(481)		A
FOURTH DISTRICT	RUSSELL EVERSON	(018)		A
FIFTH DISTRICT				V
SIXTH DISTRICT				V
SEVENTH DISTRICT	MICHAEL CHRISTIANSON	(052)		A
EIGHTH DISTRICT	DALE VANNES	(117)		A
NINTH DISTRICT				V
TENTH DISTRICT	KARL ADANK	(158)		P
ELEVENTH DISTRICT	PATRICK N. GRYSKIEWICZ	(093)		E
TWELFTH DISTRICT	ROBERT DANIELSON	(108)		p

**Roll Call of Past Detachment Commanders**

DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH, LAWRENCE A. RICE, MICHAEL L. LAWLER, STEVEN C. CHAMPENY, STEVEN M. CRAIG, KIRK D. HOVE

QUORUM WAS REPORTED PRESENT BY THE DETACHMENT ADJUTANT MICHAEL L. LAWLER.

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**Introduction of Guests**

SHIRLEY SODA WIFE OF DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN TONY SODA.

**Reading of The Previous Minutes**

MOTION WAS MADE BY DENNIS STOCKFISCH (406) FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE PREVIOUS D.E.C. MINUTES AS POSTED AND MAILED BY THE ASSISTANT ADJUTANT, SECONDED BY LAWRENCE RICE (449), MOTIONED PASSED.

*COMMANDER HOVE TURNED THE PODIUM OVER TO VICE COMMANDER KERRY SEVERSON AS HE HAD TO LEAVE TO MAKE AN APPEARANCE AT THE LEGION POST 108 CLEAR LAKE FOR A CONFERENCE BEING HELD THERE HE WOULD RETURN LATER.*

**Official Correspondence**

ADJUTANT LAWLER REPORTED THAT THE FOLLOWING CORRESPONDENCES WERE RECEIVED.

PHOTO'S OF CONVENTION FOR THE DETACHMENT HISTORIAN, FROM DENISE ROHAN.

THANK YOU FROM PRESIDENT ROSE WAGONER AND THE MEMBERSHIP TEAM THANKING COMMANDER HOVE FOR HIS APPEARANCE DURING THEIR MEETING.

INVITATION FROM McFARLAND FOR COMMANDER HOVE TO ATTEND MEETINGS NOV. 3, 2007, AS COMMANDER HOVE WILL BE UNABLE TO ATTEND HE IS SENDING VICE COMMANDER KERRY SEVERSON.

MICHAEL GARY FROM VERONA ON BEHALF OF THE CHILDREN'S ORGAN DONORS ASSOCIATION (CODA) WHO HAS A FRIEND WITH A RARE HEART DISEASE IS ASKING IF THE DETACHMENT WOULD BE INTERESTED IN HELPING WITH A FUND RAISER.

INVITATION FROM MARSHFIELD FOR COMMANDER HOVE TO ATTEND MEETINGS NOV. 3, 2007.

TOMMY CISNA CANDIDATE FOR NATIONAL COMMANDER 2008 SENT REQUEST TO VISIT THE DETACHMENT OF WISCONSIN IN THE FUTURE.

NATIONAL SENDS RENEWAL NOTICES, THESE NOTICES JUST INFORM THE MEMBER THAT THEIR DUES ARE DUE.

**Standing Commission Reports**

**Constitution and By-Laws**

CHAIRMAN DENNIS STOCKFISCH (406) REPORTED THAT DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD AND IT RECOMMENDED THAT C/B/L MEMBER RICHARD A. SHAW BE REPLACED DUE TO LACK OF ATTENDANCE. THE QUESTION AROSE AS TO THE PLACEMENT OF RESOLUTIONS/POLICY AS A SUB COMMITTEE OF C/B/L IF THIS WAS LEGAL, PROPER OR CORRECT, THE COMMISSION SHALL REVIEW THIS SUBJECT FURTHER AND PRESENT A CLARIFICATION AND OR RESOLVE TO THIS ISSUE.

MOTION WAS FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT WITH SEPARATE ACTION ON THE DISMISSAL BY DENNIS STOCKFISCH (406) , SECONDED BY MARVIN JOHNSON (158), MOTION PASSED.

BY SEPARATE ACTION MOTION WAS MADE BY MARVIN JOHNSON (158) TO REMOVE RICHARD A. SHAW FROM THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMISSION, SECONDED BY ELLIOTT JOHNSON (158), MOTION PASSED.

**Policy**  
NO REPORT

**Resolutions**  
NO REPORT

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**Internal Affairs**

REPORTED BY MICHAEL LAWLER (158)

**Commanders Advisory** – COMMISSION RECOMMENDED THAT COMMANDER HOVE CONTINUE TO PREPARE ARTICLES FOR THE BADGER LEGIONNAIRE AND MAKE AN APPOINTMENT FOR THE VACANT INTERNAL AFFAIRS CHAIRMAN.

**Fund Raising** – THE COMMISSION HELD DISCUSSIONS ON A PROPOSED FUND RAISER LETTER AND OR MAJOR RAFFLE PROGRAM. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE DIRECT FUND RAISER LETTER BE ADOPTED AND PUT INTO OPERATION AT THIS TIME. DRAFTS HAVE BEEN MADE AND WILL BE REFINED FOR ISSUANCE.

**National Officers Campaign-** FOR THE NATIONAL CANDIDATES CAMPAIGN LAWRENCE A. RICE HAS PUT IN HIS NAME FOR NATIONAL VICE COMMANDER CENTRAL 2009/2010, THERE ARE FUNDS BUDGETED FOR A NATIONAL CANDIDATE. MR. RICE HAS NOT REQUESTED ANYTHING OF THE DETACHMENT AT THIS TIME.

**Scholarship-** NO APPLICATION REQUEST HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AS OF THIS TIME.

MOTION WAS MADE BY LAWRENCE RICE (449) FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT, SECONDED BY RODNEY FALL (108), FROM DISCUSSION IT WAS NOTED THAT THE ADJUTANT WOULD FINALIZE THE FUND RAISER LETTER. MOTION PASSED.

**Finance**

FINANCE OFFICER DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH REPORTED THE FOLLOWING.

THE COMMISSION REVIEWED THE GENERAL ACCOUNT FROM AUG. 1 TO OCT 25<sup>TH</sup> 2007 THERE WERE NO MAJOR CONCERNS AS WE ARE ONLY THREE MONTHS INTO THE YEAR.

THE SPECIAL FUNDS ACCOUNT WAS REVIEWED AND FOUND TO BE IN ORDER.

THIS YEAR AFTER THE AUDIT WAS DONE A \$948 ROLL OVER WAS ISSUED AND ADDED TO THE NET ASSETS.

IT WAS VOTED IN APRIL BY THE DETACHMENT TO DONATE \$500 TO JAN PULVERMACHER-RYAN'S CAMPAIGN FUND FOR NATIONAL AUX. PRESIDENT. THE FINANCE COMMISSION HAS NOT ISSUED THESE FUNDS AS YET DO TO LACK OF ADDRESSES TO SEND IT TO AND AN OVERSIGHT BY THE FINANCE OFFICER THIS ISSUE HOWEVER WILL BE RESOLVED.

THERE ARE APPROX. (25) 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY PINS LEFT.

IT IS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMISSION THAT FINANCE MEMBER KELLY POWERS BE REPLACED DUE TO LACK OF ATTENDANCE.

MOTION WAS MADE BY DENNIS STOCKFISCH (406) FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT WITH SEPARATE ACTION TO BE TAKEN ON THE DISMISSAL AND SUBJECT TO AUDIT, SECONDED BY STEVEN CHAMPENY (209), MOTION PASSED.

BY SEPARATE ACTION MOTION WAS MADE BY LAWRENCE RICE (449) TO REMOVE KELLY POWERS FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION, SECONDED BY STEVEN CHAMPENY (209), MOTION PASSED.

**Standing Committee Reports**

**Americanism**

REPORTED BY ELLIOTT JOHNSON (158)

**Americanism** – FROM DISCUSSIONS THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT ARTICLES BE DONE AND SENT TO LOCAL NEWS AGENCIES REMINDING PEOPLE TO REPLACE AND PROPERLY DISPOSE OF WORN FLAGS.

**A&G Testing** – SCHOOLS SHOULD BE CONTACTED TO SEE IF THEY ARE RECEIVING THE PROPER PAPER WORK FOR A&G TESTING.

**Flag Education** – NO REPORT

**Patriotic Observances** – SQUADRONS SHOULD BE REMINDED TO TAKE PART IN VETERANS DAY OBSERVANCES.

**POW / MIA** – NO REPORT

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORTS BY ELLIOTT (158), SECONDED BY MARVIN JOHNSON (158), MOTION PASSED.

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**Children and Youth**

REPORTED BY MARVIN JOHNSON (158)

**Child Welfare Foundation** – DONATIONS OF \$50 (120) AND \$5 (366) WERE RECEIVED.

**Badger Boys State –**

**Education –**

**Oratorical -**

**Scholarship-**

IT WAS DISCUSSED AND RECOMMENDED THAT WHEN SQUADRONS WORK WITH THE SCHOOLS ON THE ABOVE PROGRAMS BBS / EDUCATION / ORATORICAL AND SCHOLARSHIP, WHEN PROVIDING INFORMATION ON THE PROGRAMS SUBMIT THE INFO AFTER THE SCHOOL YEAR STARTS AND CHANNEL IT TO A SPECIFIC TEACHER OR COUNSELOR SO THAT THE INFORMATION DOES NOT GET SET ASIDE OR THROWN OUT BEFORE IT IS NEEDED.

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT BY STEVEN CHAMPENY (209), SECONDED BY MARVIN JOHNSON (158), MOTION PASSED.

**Convention and Activities**

ADJUTANT LAWLER REPORTED FOR ACTING CHAIRMAN KIRK HOVE THE FOLLOWING.

THE WINTER D.E.C. WILL BE HELD AT THE SAME TIME AS THE LEGION MIDWINTER IN WIS. RAPIDS AT THE McMILLIAN LIBRARY ON JAN. 26, 2008 STARTING AT 9:00 AM..

THE SPRING D.E.C. IS TENTATIVELY PLANNED APRIL 26, 2008 IN PORTAGE AT STATE HEADQUARTERS, WITH THE POSSIBLE LOCATION OF POST 13 RICHLAND CENTER BEING CONSIDERED.

STATE CONVENTION WILL BE IN LaCROSSE JULY 18, 19, 20. ITEMS DISCUSSED WERE MINI GOLF, GO CARTS, RIVER CRUISES, BOWLING, BASEBALL GAME. THE OPEN FORUM IS BEING CONSIDERED AGAIN FOR THIS CONVENTION.

IT IS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE TO REMOVE DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH (BY HIS REQUEST) FROM THE 2010 NATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE LIAISON AND THAT PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ BE SUBMITTED AS HIS REPLACEMENT.

THE DETACHMENT HAS A CD & DVD OF THE NATIONAL CONVENTION ACTIVITIES. IF ANY SQUADRONS OR MEMBERS WOULD LIKE THEIR OWN THEY ARE AVAILABLE AT THE COST OF \$46 CONTACT THE ADJUTANT.

THERE ARE 25 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY PINS AND 10 PORTFOLIOS LEFT FOR DISTRIBUTION.

THE OFFICERS WORK SHOP WILL BE HELD AUG 2, 2008 AT STATE HEADQUARTERS IN PORTAGE.

THE LEGION BOWLING TOURNAMENT WILL RUN FROM MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup> TO MAY 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2008.

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION FOR 2008 WILL BE HELD IN PHOENIX AZ.

FROM DISCUSSION IT IS RECOMMENDED TO TRY AND KEEP THE SPRING AND FALL D.E.C. MEETINGS CENTRALLY LOCATED OR NOT ALLOWING BOTH MEETING TO WIND UP IN THE SAME AREAS EITHER NORTH OR SOUTH AND YET STILL ALLOWING SQUADRONS TO PUT IN BIDS FOR THE MEETING.

IT WAS NOTED THAT ALL EVENTS ARE NOW BEING LISTED ON THE WEB SITE CALENDAR.

MOTION WAS MADE BY STEVEN CHAMPENY (209) FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT, SECONDED BY ELLIOTT JOHNSON (158), MOTION PASSED.

**Membership**

REPORTED BY STEVEN C. CHAMPENY (209)

**Membership** – AS A RESULT OF RETURNS ON THE PUFL 59 WERE RECEIVED 30 INDICATED FOR A DETACHMENT RUN PROGRAM, 15 WERE IN FAVOR OF A NATIONAL RUN PROGRAM AND 14 DID NOT CARE EITHER WAY. WITH ONLY 59 RESPONSES THE COMMITTEE STILL CAN NOT FORMULATE A DECISION.

AS OF 10/23/07 THE DETACHMENT IS AT 1190 OR 44.3%, THE DETACHMENT IS EIGHTH IN THE NATION AND FIRST IN THE CENTRAL REGION, THERE ARE STILL 33 SQUADRONS SITTING ON GOOSE EGGS THE VICE COMMANDERS ARE WORKING ON THESE.

**Squadron Recruitment** –THREE NEW POTENTIAL SQUADRONS WERE REPORTED LINDEN (POST 493), ASHLAND (POST 90) AND ODONA (POST 25) ALSO RICHLAND CENTER (POST 13) HAS SHOWN INTEREST. THREE NEW SQUADRONS ARE IN THE WORKS CLINTONVILLE (63), BLACK EARTH (313) AND OKAUCHEE ALSO OMORO HAS BEEN SENT A START-UP PACKET.

HARTLAND SQUADRON (294) TURNED IN 34 MEMBERSHIPS AND MAIDEN ROCK (158) 17 MEMBERSHIPS.

MOTION WAS MADE BY STEVEN CHAMPENY (209) FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT, SECONDED BY MARVIN JOHNSON (158), MOTION PASSED.

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*COMMANDER HOVE RETURNED AND VICE COMMANDER KERRY SEVERSON RETURNED THE PODIUM TO THE COMMANDER.*

**Public Relations**

REPORTED BY MICHAEL LAWLER (437)

A DVD WAS RECEIVED FROM NATIONAL COMMANDER RAY GIEHLL THESE HAVE BEEN COPIED AND WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO EACH SQUADRON ADJUTANT.

FROM DISCUSSION THE ADJUTANT HAS REQUESTED THAT EACH VICE COMMANDER SHOULD CONTACT EACH OF THEIR SQUADRONS IN THEIR DISTRICTS AND HAVE THEM FILL OUT THE SQUADRON REPORT FORM OVER THE PHONE THEN RETURN THEM TO THE ADJUTANT.

**SALute** – ARTICLES ARE DUE FROM ALL OFFICERS BY NOV. 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2008.

**Web Site** – THE WEBSITE HAS BEEN UPDATE AND REFINED PLEASE CHECK IT OUT.

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT BY KERRY SEVERSON (245), SECONDED BY LAWRENCE RICE (449), MOTION PASSED.

**Veterans Affairs And Rehabilitation**

REPORTED BY RODNEY FALL (108)

**VA&R** – FROM DISCUSSIONS IT WAS FOUND THAT REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE TOMAH AND MINNEAPOLIS VA HOSPITALS HAVE EITHER BEEN RELEASED OR HAVE BEEN ASKED TO RESIGN THEIR POSITIONS SO REPLACEMENTS ARE NEEDED. ROBERT DANIELSON HAS VOLUNTEERED HIS SERVICE FOR THE MINNEAPOLIS POSITION.

DONATION OF \$82 WAS MADE BY WEST SALEM FOR THE WOUNDED SOLDIERS FUND.

THE VA CLINIC IN RICE LAKE IS NOW OPEN.

THERE IS A KIT AVAILABLE FROM THE POST OFFICE OF MAILING MATERIALS TO SEND PACKAGES OVER SEA'S TO OUR TROOPS. THIS INFORMATION SHOULD BE SHARED WITH THE SQUADRONS.

**VAVS Representative** – THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT DANIELSON FOR THE TOMAH VA REP. AND ASKS THAT KELLY POWERS AND MICHAEL CHRISTIANSON BE REMOVED AS REPS.

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT WITH SEPARATE ACTION ON THE APPOINTMENTS OF VA REPS BY RODNEY FALL (108), SECONDED BY DENNIS STOCKFISCH (406), MOTION PASSED.

**Officer Reports**

**Vice Commander** – KERRY L. SEVERSON (245) REPORTED THE FOLLOWING:

DISTRICT NO. 1,2,3, NO. OF SQUADRONS 36, TOTAL MEMBERSHIP 642, NO. OF GOOSE EGGS 14, SQUADRONS AT CURRENT GOAL 22, SQUADRONS AT 100% 7, SQUADRONS AT FINAL GOAL 7, NO. OF NEW SQUADRONS 2 AND CONTACTS MADE 0. ATTENDED THE FOLLOWING EVENTS, MEMBERSHIP RALLY AT STATE HEADQUARTERS, HAS BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND DINNER AT McFARLAND IN PLACE OF COMMANDER HOVE.

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT BY KERRY SEVERSON (245), SECONDED BY LAWRENCE RICE (449), MOTION PASSED.

**Vice Commander** – ELLIOTT W. JOHNSON (158) REPORTED THE FOLLOWING:

DISTRICT NO. 6,8,9, NO. OF SQUADRONS 11, TOTAL MEMBERSHIP 409, NO. OF GOOSE EGGS 5, SQUADRONS AT CURRENT GOAL 5, SQUADRONS AT 100% 1, SQUADRONS AT FINAL GOAL 1, NO. OF NEW SQUADRONS 0 AND CONTACTS MADE 7. ATTENDED THE FOLLOWING EVENTS, CLINTONVILLE (63) CHARTER RALLY AND CHARTER START UP EVENT.

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT BY MARVIN JOHNSON (158), SECONDED BY RODNEY FALL (108), MOTION PASSED.

**Vice Commander** – MARVIN E. JOHNSON (158) REPORTED THE FOLLOWING:

DISTRICT NO. 10,11,12, NO. OF SQUADRONS 10, TOTAL MEMBERSHIP 264, NO. OF GOOSE EGGS 6, SQUADRONS AT CURRENT GOAL 7, SQUADRONS AT 100% 1, SQUADRONS AT FINAL GOAL 1, NO. OF NEW SQUADRONS 0 AND CONTACTS MADE 4, ATTENDED THE FOLLOWING EVENTS, CLINTONVILLE (63) CHARTER RALLY AND CHARTER START UP EVENT. FALL LEGION 10<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT MEETING AT ELLSWORTH.

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT BY RODNEY FALL (108), ELLIOTT JOHNSON (158), MOTION PASSED.

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**Vice Commander** – RON HENDERSON (336) SUBMITTED WRITTEN REPORT BY E-MAIL:

DISTRICT NO. 4,5,7, NO. OF SQUADRONS 24, TOTAL MEMBERSHIP 306, NO. OF GOOSE EGGS 10, NO. OF SQUADRONS AT CURRENT GOAL 11, NO. OF SQUADRONS AT 100% 2, NO OF SQUAD. AT FINAL GOAL 2, NO. OF NEW SQUADRONS 0, CONTACTS MADE ALL BY MAIL, ATTENDED THE FOLLOWING, LaCROSSE COUNTY COUNCIL INFO MEETING WEST SALEM 8/7/07, LaCROSSE COUNTY COUNCIL INFO MEETING AT LaCROSSE 9/7/07, LaCROSSE COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTIONS AT HOLMEN 9/7/07, MEATBALL DINNER WEST SALEM 8/7/07, FISH FRY HOLMEN 9/7/07 AND CHICKEN & RIBS DINNER WEST SALEM 10/7/07.

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE WRITTEN REPORT BY KIRK HOVE (158), SECONDED BY LAWRENCE RICE (449), MOTION PASSED.

**Chaplain** – RONALD FAUST (245) - NO REPORT

**National Executive Committeeman** – LAWRENCE A. RICE (449) REPORTED THAT THE NATIONAL COMMANDERS HOMECOMING WOULD BE NOV. 2<sup>ND</sup> TO THE 4<sup>TH</sup>. THERE IS A NEW PROGRAM IN PLACE THE “SEARS MEMBER PURCHASE PROGRAM” THIS IS FOR MAJOR APPLIANCES AND WOULD NOT BE THROUGH A DEALER OR RETAILER BUT BY DIRECT CONSULTATION, ADJUTANT HAS THE INFORMATION.

AT THE NATIONAL CONVENTION THE DETACHMENT WAS AWARDED 100% MEMBERSHIP AWARD.

THERE WERE FIVE RESOLUTION APPROVED BY NATIONAL AT THE CONVENTION.

THERE WERE DISCUSSION HELD ON A \$1.00 DUES INCREASE FROM NATIONAL BUT THIS ISSUE WAS TABLED FOR FURTHER REVIEW.

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT BY DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH (406), SECONDED BY ELLIOTT JOHNSON (158), MOTION PASSED.

**Alternate N.E.C. Man** – PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ (093)-NO REPORT

**Historian** – STEVEN CRAIG (051) – NO REPORT

**Department S.A.L. Chairman** - TONY SODA REPORTED THAT HE ATTENDED THE LEGION AMERICANISM COMMITTEE MEETINGS AT THE LEGION D.E.C. LAST FRIDAY IN PORTAGE AND HAS GIVEN COMMENTS TO THE APPROPRIATE S.A.L. COMMITTEES FOR REPORTING. HE WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO REVISITING THE OSEO AIR FORCE RADAR STATION DOWN THE ROAD FROM HERE WHERE SOME 30 YEARS AGO HE STARTED HIS TOUR OF DUTY IN THE MILITARY.

MOTION WAS MADE BY KERRY SEVERSON (245) FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT, SECONDED BY DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH (406), MOTION PASSED.

**Department S.A.L. Liaison** – ROBERT STONE - NO REPORT

**S.A.L. Liaison** – MICHAEL LAWLER REPORTED THAT HE DID ATTEND THE LEGION D.E.C. ALTHOUGH THE S.A.L. DETACHMENT DOES NOT HAVE A SEAT BACK YET HE WAS STILL RECOGNIZED AND GOT TO SPEAK AND PRESENT THE FOLLOWING UPDATED SQUADRON ADDRESS LIST, SQUADRON OFFICER LIST, S.A.L. ACCOMPLISHMENTS, ANNOUNCED NEW SQUADRONS GRAND MARSH AND GRAFTON, NOTED THE WEBSITE HAS BEEN UPDATED, NOTED THE DETACHMENT CURRENT MEMBERSHIP AND PRESENT OUR GOAL FOR 2008, NOTED THAT TWO DETACHMENT MEMBERS HOLD NATIONAL COMMISSION /COMMITTEE OFFICES AND ONE IS GOING TO RUN FOR NATIONAL VICE COMMANDER CENTRAL REGION IN 2009/2010.

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT BY DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH (406), SECONDED BY KERRY SEVERSON (245), MOTION PASSED.

**Commander** – KIRK HOVE (158) REPORTED THE FOLLOWING:

ATTENDED THE AMERICAN LEGION AUX. ORIENTATION AT DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS PORTAGE WI. AUG. 22, 2007, MEMBERSHIP RALLY HELD IN PORTAGE AUG. 22, 2007, AMERICAN LEGION 10<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT FALL CONFERENCE IN ELLSWORTH AUG. 23, 2007 AND A PIG ROAST HELD BY SQUADRON 63 CLINTONVILLE OCT. 20, 2007.

SENT A MASS MAILING TO ALL SQUADRONS THAT HAVE NOT PAID ANY DUES AND MADE CONTACT WITH BLACK EARTH (313) AND OMRO (234) CHECKING ON THEIR STATUS AND INTEREST.

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT BY KIRK HOVE (158), SECONDED BY LAWRENCE RICE (449), MOTION PASSED.

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**District Chairman Reports**

**10<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT** – KARL ADANK REPORTED THAT HE ATTENDED THE MEMBERSHIP RALLY HELD AT STATE HEADQUARTERS AUG 22, 2007, LEGION 10<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT FALL CONFERENCE AT ELLSWORTH AUG. 23, 2007 AND A TURKEY TRAP FUNDRAISER SPONSORED BY THE MAIDEN ROCK (158) POST OCT. 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2007.

MAILED SIX LETTER TO THE 10<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT LEGION S.A.L. LIAISON.

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT BY MARVIN JOHNSON (158), SECONDED BY ELLIOTT JOHNSON (158), MOTION PASSED.

**12<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT** – ROBERT G. DANIELSON REPORTED BY WRITTEN REPORT THE FOLLOWING: HE ATTENDED THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT FALL CONFERENCE SEPT. 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2007 AND INFORMED COMMANDER STEVE DUBOIS THE HE WAS THE S.A.L. CHAIRMAN FOR THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT. THERE ARE ONLY THREE SQUADRONS IN THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT 108 CLEAR LAKE, 143 ST. CROIX FALLS AND 316 SHELDON. IT WAS BROUGHT TO HIS ATTENTION THAT THERE ARE OTHER POSTS INTERESTED IN STARTING SQUADRON WITHIN THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT. MR. DANIELSON HAS INFORMED THESE POSTS THAT HE COULD BE CONTACTED OR THAT THE CURRENT SQUADRONS COULD HELP WITH START-UP INFORMATION.

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT BY MARVIN JOHNSON (158), SECONDED BY ELLIOTT JOHNSON (158), MOTION PASSED.

**Receive Resolutions, Motions and Petitions**

**Resolutions** – NONE

**Petitions** – NONE

**Motions** - NONE

**Unfinished Business**

COMMANDER HOVE PASSED OUT SEVERAL AWARDS AND OR CITATION.

**Appointments of Members of Standing or Special Committees**

COMMANDER HOVE (158) MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDED APPOINTMENTS

**VAVS REP. MINNEAPOLIS** – ROBERT DANIELSON (108)

**CONST. BY-LAWS COMMISSION MEMBER FOR 2008** – LAWRENCE A, RICE (449)

**INTERNAL AFFAIR CHAIRMAN** – KERRY SEVERSON (245)

**2010 CONVENTION LIAISON** – PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ (093)

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE APPOINTMENTS BY RODNEY FALL (108), SECONDED BY MARVIN JOHNSON (158), MOTION PASSED.

**New Business**

ADJUTANT LAWLER NOTED THAT AT THE NATIONAL CONVENTION THE DETACHMENT WAS AWARDED A 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY MEDALLION, WHICH SHOULD BE PRESENTED TO THE DETACHMENT COMMANDER SO ADJ. LAWLER DID SO PRESENT THE MEDALLION TO COMMANDER HOVE.

COMMANDER HOVE ALSO THEN NOTED THAT HE WAS PRESENTED WITH A 75<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY DETACHMENT COMMANDERS CAP.

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**Good For The Sons Of The American Legion**

ADJUTANT LAWLER REMINDED OFFICERS THAT ARTICLE FOR THE SALute WERE DUE BY NOV. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

A PLAQUE "THE CHILDREN FIRST GIFT CLUB" WAS PRESENTED TO SQUADRON 449 ELMBROOK FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE CWF PROGRAM.

MOTION WAS MADE BY DENNIS STOCKFISCH (406) TO INCLUDE THE INCENTIVE OF THE NOV. 11<sup>TH</sup> DATE TO ACHIEVE 100% MEMBERSHIP A PERMANENT PROGRAM YEARLY GOALS OF THE DETACHMENT AND SQUADRONS, SECONDED BY LAWRENCE RICE (449), MOTION PASSED.

WITH NO OTHER BUSINESS COMMANDER HOVE CLOSED THE FALL D.E.C. WITH THE PROPER CLOSING CEREMONIES.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY THE DETACHMENT ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GARY LEE LE ROY.

*Gary Lee LeRoy*