DAV Chapter #108 Meeting minutes, 16 January 2020, 1900-2000 hours

CDR Russ Tubbs presiding.

Opening prayer led by Chaplain Hughes.

The pledge of allegiance was rendered to our American flag, followed by roll call of officers.

Members present: Tubbs, Healy, Grau, Hughes, Dryja, Murphy, Love, Pappas and Rondini.

Dryja made a motion to approve the printed minutes of the previous meeting of 21 Nov, seconded by Healy, approved unanimously.

The checking account is \$4,569.94. CD is \$11,005.68. Healy moved, Murphy 2<sup>nd</sup>, approval subject to audit. Unanimous aye. Treasurer reported on checks that were issued: \$300 to the JVC and \$200 to the Salvation Army, for their respective holiday activities. We authorized up to \$200 to participate in the Department program in matching membership down payments as discussed in the previous minutes.

We discussed the Nomination packets for DAV National Commander awards, and the 99<sup>th</sup> Annual State Convention of 26-29 Jan 2020.

Chris Grau reported on the Christmas Party that had been held at the Ohio Veterans Home. Healy reported on the party for Harlon Plummer.

Healy reported on the Veterans Day rain ride. Future persons taking this ride need reservations.

Senator Sherrod Brown may be the main speaker at our Memorial Day activity.

Our next meeting, that of 20 Feb, 2020, will be in the next building to the one we are in currently.

There have been several staff changes in the VA CBOC in Parma. Patients should check in a half-hour early for appointments.

Chaplain Hughes commented on Veteran depression and suicides. The hot line is 1-800-273-8255.

Service officers reported on their work loads.

AMVETS has taken over the Rolling Thunder operations.

Healing Waters is now in the process of getting organized on the East Side.

Once again, there was then a discussion to consider new Treasurer and Adjutants at the next election.

The Power and Piston Show will be held March 13-15, with emphasis on saluting veterans and families.

DAV membership increases to \$300 after 1 January 2020.

There followed honors for our departed comrades in arms, and a salute to our flag. The Chaplain led us in a closing prayer. The next meeting of this Chapter will be 20 February 2020, at 1900 hours.

Very respectfully, Gerald E. Murphy, Adjutant