



AMERICAN LEGION NEWPORT HARBOR POST 291
215 15th Street, Newport Beach, CA 92663
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, December 11, 2019

Meeting called to order at 1900 hours

The Colors were advanced.

Invocation: Chaplin Ken Wilson

Pledge of Allegiance: Commander Jon Reynolds

POW/MIA Ceremony: Kevin Van Otterloo and Brian Fleming

Recited the Preamble of the Constitution of The American Legion: lead by Commander Jon Reynolds

Roll Call:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jon Reynolds, Commander | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Wine, Finance Officer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kevin Van Otterloo, M.a.L. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Berdine, Adjutant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rich Frauzzimmer, Historian | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert Wright, M.a.L. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Brennen, 1 st Vice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Grundmeyer, Sgt-at-Arms | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rich Whitlinger, M.a.L. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anthony Morales, 2 nd Vice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ken Wilson, Chaplain | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wayne Zippi, M.a.L. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Updike, 3 rd Vice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chase Wickersham, Ser. Off. | <input type="checkbox"/> Nick Giordano, M.a.L. (excused) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doug Nye, Jr. Past Comm | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Burt McChesney, Judge Adv. | <input type="checkbox"/> Eric Schroeder, M.a.L. (excused) |

Honored Guests: Paul Meye, Dan Ferrari, Doug Nye

Reports from Legion Family Members & Other Guests:

Auxiliary – Dana Johnson, Executive Committee Member – December 2 stuffed Sweethearts Ball raffle envelopes. Held the USO Christmas Party on December 7. The Post 291 Kids Christmas Party was December 8 and was very well attended. This Friday is the Christmas Party at the Joint Forces Training Base with many Post 291 Auxiliary members volunteering. The Auxiliary’s annual Fashion Show is coming up February 8. The Sweethearts Ball is February 15. Raffle tickets will be sold in the bar after the end of the Christmas Boat Parade. The Commander also noted the very successful troop shipping event.

SAL – Tim Sullivan, Commander – There is no meeting this month. Instead, the SALs had a Christmas Party. The January GMM has also been cancelled. The SAL Christmas Boat Parade is almost sold out. Working with the district to distribute gift cards to needy families.

American Legion Yacht Club – Angelina Garcia, Vice Commodore – Boat owners and non-owners are welcome to participate in ALYC activities. Encouraged people to join ALYC. Mentioned range of ALYC activities. Also mentioned new ALYC model yacht club. ALYC has entered a boat in the Christmas Boat Parade.

Honor Guard – Brian Fleming Jr., Commander – Nothing to report.

Bar & Restaurant – Commander Jon Reynolds – The Commander spoke about the great restaurant and bar offerings at the Post recognizing management and staff members and then mentioned the routine daily bar and restaurant activities.

General Membership Meeting Minutes: Commander Reynolds requested the following motion be made by the membership:

M/S/C to waive the reading of the previous (November 13) General Membership Meeting Minutes.
The motion was approved.

Commander Reynolds requested the following motion be made by the membership:

M/S/C to approve the Minutes of the November General Meeting Minutes.
The motion was approved.

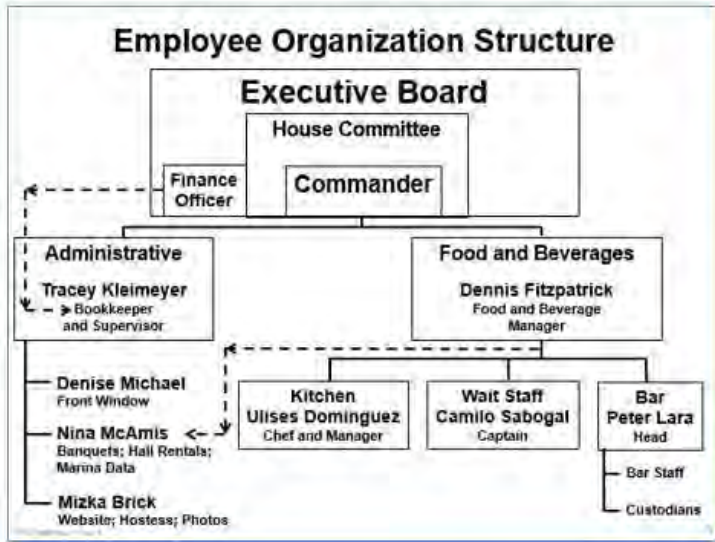
Correspondence: No correspondence to report

Officer Reports:

Commander Jon Reynolds - Per projected presentation



Commander Jon Reynolds - Continued



- ### Committees at Post 291
- Finance
 - House
 - SAL
 - Judicial
 - Audit
 - Donations — and Post Family Veterans Assistance
 - Constitution and Bylaws
 - Election
 - Yacht Clubs
 - Boys State

- ### Comments / Announcements
- **Additional New Committees to be Appointed — Volunteers ?**
 - Rules, Regulations, and Policies
 - Public Relations and Media
 - Facilities Development and Capital Campaign
 - Marketing / Fundraising / Ways and Means
 - **Goals and Objectives for 2019 – 2020**
 - Administrative and Governance
 - Facilities and Physical Plant
 - American Legion Pillars and Programs
 - Public Relations and Community Involvement
 - Communications
 - **Thanksgiving Day — Outstanding turnout**
 - **American Legion Yacht Club — Awarded SCYA Club of the Year**

Commander Jon Reynolds - Continued

Other Topics


- **Audit Committee conducting comprehensive review of Insurance Coverages**
 - General Liability Mercury
 - D&O Insurance Travelers
 - Marina Chubb
 - — Proposed changes in coverages — to E-Board on Thursday 2 January
- **Constitution and Bylaws Committee updating the documents**
 - Proposed Amendments to be presented to E-Board and to Post Membership in January and February General Membership Meetings
- **Contract signed for new POS: Toast**
 - Implementation in about six weeks
- **Budgets Completed and Approved for 2020**
 - Membership
 - Business
 - Capital
- **Post 291 Membership Goal for 2019-2020: 4,096**



Welcome the AMERICAN LEGION
National Commander
BILL OXFORD
to Orange County District 29

Dinner and Reception
Centennial Post 132 Orange, Ca.
Friday December 13, 2019 1800

Tickets \$40.00 per person
Reservations recommended:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/79457851573>

Chow:
Italian selections from

Appropriate attire/
Legion Uniform
please

Commanders Escort by:


Wreaths Across America – Pacific View Cemetery – Saturday, December 14



Newport Harbor Christmas Boat Parade – December 18 to 22

NEWPORT BEACH CHRISTMAS BOAT PARADE
DECEMBER 18-22, 2019
 Parade begins at approximately 6:30pm each night.
 Arrive early for best viewing and parking.
 Enjoy YOUR parade!

MARK	TIME	DESTINATION	MARK	TIME	DESTINATION
1	6:30	START Top of Lido Isle	27	7:40	Bella Caribbean Night Club
2	6:54	Lido Isle Yacht Club	28	7:43	Balboa Island Bridge
3	6:58	Lido Isle Beach Club	29	7:46	Lido Island Beach
4	6:42	Lido Isle Bridge	30	7:46	Lido Island Point
5	6:42	Tip of Lido Peninsula/Blue Channel	31	7:51	Balboa Island South Bayfront/Grand Canal
6	6:49	Marina Park	32	7:56	Balboa Island Ferry Landing
7	6:52	Lighthouse Cafe	33	8:02	Carlson Island
8	6:56	American Legion Yacht Club	34	8:05	Balboa Island North Bayfront
9	7:00	15th Street Beach	35	8:10	Balboa Island Bridge
10	7:04	15th Street Beach	36	8:15	Newport Beach Yacht Club
11	7:07	Newport Harbor Yacht Club	37	8:17	Harbor Island
12	7:09	Bay Island Bridge	38	8:24	Orange Coast Health/PCN Bridge
13	7:10	Bay Island Channel	39	8:27	Bay Shores Community Beach
14	7:54	Newport Landing Restaurant	40	8:34	Balboa Bay Resort
15	7:14	Balboa Reef Park	41	8:36	Orange Coast College (Cove Beach)
16	7:14	Newport Landing OpenMarket	42	8:37	Newport Bay Beach Sea State
17	7:15	Balboa Peninsula Ferry Landing	43	8:38	Mama's Restaurant
18	7:15	Discovery Club's DownQuest	44	8:40	CoastAngry
19	7:15	HarborView Restaurant (Balboa Peninsula)	45	8:41	Italy Palace Restaurant
20	7:16	Celina's Passenger Service	46	8:42	Girl's of the Beach
21	7:16	Danny's Locker	47	8:43	Louie's By the Bay Restaurant
22	7:20	Penninsula Point Beach	48	8:45	The Winery Restaurant & Wine Bar
23	7:32	Pink's Cove	49	8:54	Lido Marina Village
24	7:34	Cherry Reef	50	8:55	Lido Park/Lido Bridge
25	7:36	Coast Guard (Harbor Master Deck)	51	8:56	Via Lido North Green Beach
26	7:37	Balboa Yacht Club	52	8:59	FINISH Top of Lido Isle

OUTSIDE - ON THE PATIO
 Call (949) 386-0489

The Sons Of American Legion
 Squadron 291

Newport Beach THE 111th Christmas Boat Parade

Cordially Invites You
 Dec 18th - 22nd

Christmas Fiesta
Mariachi Nightly
Santa Claus
 * Face Painting
 Caricature Drawings
 Community Seating

Advance Purchase Only
\$30 Donation Adults
\$15 Children 2-10
 * No tickets at The Door

Dinner included with Donation
 Mexican Themed Dinner, Soup of the day,
 * Water, coffee, tea, & cocoa

For Reservations
 949-386-0489
 American Legion
 Post 291
 215 15th St
 Newport Beach
 92663

Gates Open @ 4:00
Parade @ 6:45

INSIDE SEATING
 RSVP 949 673-5070 EXT. 100

POST 291
 American Legion
 Newport Harbor

Enjoy the 111th Boat Parade at Post 291

Buffet Dining in Main Hall 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 Soup & Salad Bar, Prime Rib, Chicken and Shrimp Scampi, Sides, Rolls, Assorted Cookies, Cakes and Pastries
 \$35/per person
 Gratuity, Tax & Liquor Not Included

Live Music Entertainment Every Night
 Wednesday 18th, Mike McKenna
 Thursday 19th, Paul Eshelman
 Friday 20th, Tammy Madsen Band
 Saturday 21st, Nomads
 Sunday 22nd, Tracy Longstreth

Christmas Boat Parade viewing at 6:45 pm.
 PATIO CLOSED FOR SAL'S PRIVATE TICKETED EVENT

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED
 Taking Reservations Now, Call (949) 673-5070 Ext. 100
 Grass Parking is available only on Friday and Saturday night and it is only for Post members - not the public.

New Year's Eve at the Post



Upcoming Events			
• National Cmdr Dinner:	Orange Post 132	1800 Fri	13 Dec
• Wreaths Across America:	Pacific View	0900 Sat	14 Dec
• Boat Parade		Wed 18 Dec — Sun 22 Dec	
• Christmas Day at the Post		1100 Wed	25 Dec
• New Year's Eve at the Post		1800 Tue	31 Dec
• Next E-Board meeting:		1800 Thu	2 Jan
• Next GMM		1900 Wed	8 Jan

1st Vice Commander Bob Brennen – Membership – Attended District 29 meeting this last Saturday.

Adjutant Mike Berdine– Nothing to report.

2nd Vice Commander Anthony Morales – is in-charge of fund raising and entertainment for the Post. There will be music all nights of the Christmas Boat Parade. Will be posting the bands for January.

3rd Vice Commander Jim Updike – Spoke about Boys State, Girls State and Oratorical programs and asked for volunteers.

Jr. Past Commander Doug Nye – No report.

Finance Officer Bob Wine – is in-charge of Post Financial Operations.

Combined Business & Membership Income			
	Current Year @ Nov 30th	Prior Year @ Nov 30th	Change
Business Income (Loss)	(\$96,991)	(\$158,878)	\$61,887
Membership Income (Loss)	(163,880)	(148,637)	(\$15,243)
Total Before Facility Fees	(260,871)	(307,515)	\$46,644
Facility Fees	349,220	325,650	\$23,570
Net Income (Loss)	\$88,349	\$18,135	\$70,214
Total Cash in Banks	\$ 1,291,923.00	\$1,178,738.00	\$93,784

Finance Officer Wine spoke about the above Combined Business and Membership Income chart noting improvements.

Historian Rich Frauentzimmer – Nothing to report.

Sergeant at Arms Bob Grundmeyer – Nothing to report.

Chaplin Ken Wilson – Spoke about the fiber of The American Legion and the variety of religions practiced by Military and American Legion members.

Service Officer Chase Wickersham – is in-charge of the Veteran's Assistance Programs. Service Officer Wickersham gave an overview of the Post's veteran support activities. He also detailed specific requests and Post contributions as well as the need for help with the new marketing committee.

Members at Large – Nothing to report

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business.

New Members

New members were introduced by Adjutant Mike Berdine. The new members were asked to stand when their names were called. Next, the new members were invited to the front of the Hall and the Commander reviewed meeting and cover rules.

M/S/C A motion was made and approved by the membership to accept the new applicants into Post 291. The Commander welcomed the new members into Post 291.

New Business

No new business.

Good of the Legion

No comments.

Chaplin Ken Wilson said the closing prayer.

The Honor Guard retired the MIA/POW Flag.

The Honor Guard retired the Flag of our Country.

The Meeting was adjourned at approximately 2005 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Berdine
Adjutant
Newport Harbor Post 291 of the American Legion
