

**Sons Of The American Legion
Detachment of Illinois**

**Pre-Convention DEC Minutes
June 24, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

Detachment Commander Bill Geary called the meeting to order at 1806
The colors were in place; a hand salute was rendered.
Detachment Chaplain Jim Borgman gave the prayer.
Commander Geary led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Commander Geary did the POW/MIA Ceremony.
Detachment Sgt-At-Arms Jeff Haddick placed the POW/MIA
flag on the empty chair.
5th Division Commander Paul Hayse led the Preamble.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

Detachment Adjutant Van Horn called the roll. Present were Detachment
Commander Geary; Detachment Sr Vice Shipley; ANEC Hunter; Detachment
Adjutant Van Horn; Detachment Asst Adjutant Ray; Detachment Finance
Officer Tharp; Detachment Chaplain Borgman; Detachment Historian
Hunter; Service Officer Cavanaugh; Detachment Sgt-At-Arms Haddick;
Commanders Sgt-At-Arms Belovicz; Division Sgt-At-Arms Haddick (2nd);
Commander's Aide Koop; PUFL Admin Stillwell; First Division Sr & Jr Vice;
Second Division Commander & Jr Vice; Third Division Commander; Fourth
Division Commander; Fifth Division Commander and Sr Vice; 8th District
Hunter; 9th District Commander and Jr Vice; 10th District Commander & Sr
Vice; 11th District Jr Vice; 12th District Sr Vice; 16th District Commander; 18th
District Commander; 24th District Commander; PNC Stillwell; PDC's Stillwell,
Slevin Sr., Tharp, Christie, Ray, Hunter, Cavanaugh; Advisor's Flanagan;
SAL Secretary Hutson

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS DEC MEETING

9th District Commander Gort motioned to accept the Spring DEC minutes as
printed, with the second, passed.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Sgt-At-Arms introduced guests. Included is Candidate for National
Commander Jeff Frain from Arizona.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

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No Report.

FINANCE REPORT

Detachment Finance Officer Tharp gave the Finance Report. 8th District Commander Hunter motioned to accept the report as printed, with the second, passed.

STANDING COMMISSION & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Commission Chairman Koop reported that Commander Geary asked for \$585.74 for misc. expenses, of which \$300 is for the National Convention Chairman. The amount would come out of overage. The budget was discussed and reviewed. Motion by 5th Division Commander Hayse to accept the report, including the additional expenses submitted and approving the budget, with the second, passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Detachment Senior-Vice Shipley reviewed the following Charter Actions.

REMOVE FROM ACTION
Squadron 923, 2nd District
Squadron 623, 5th District
Squadron 52, 11th District
Squadron 417, 15th District
Squadron 1083, 20th District

Motion by First Division Sr Vice (ranking Division officer from Division) to accept removing the recommended Squadrons from Charter Action because they are in good standing, with the second, passed.

CANCEL
Squadron 452, 16th District

Motion by 8th District Commander Hunter to recommend canceling Squadron 452 to Department, with the second, passed.

Squadron 436, 21st District

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Motion by 24th District Commander Trout to recommend canceling Squadron 452 to Department, with the second, passed.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN'S REPORT

No report.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE SAL

None.

ADVISOR'S REMARKS

No comments.

Closing & Benediction

Chaplain Borgman gave the closing prayer.
Detachment Sgt-At-Arms Haddick removed the POW/MIA flag from the empty chair.
Commander Geary called for hand salute to the colors.
Meeting ended at 1853.

Minutes Completed by:
Jeffrey Van Horn
Detachment Adjutant

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CALL TO ORDER

Detachment Commander Geary called Session 1 of Detachment Convention to order at 13:00.

The Colors were in place, Commander called for hand salute.

Detachment Chaplain Borgman gave the prayer.

10th District SAL Commander Stander led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commander Geary conducted the POW/MIA ceremony.

Detachment Sgt-At-Arms Haddick placed the POW/MIA flag on the chair.

Detachment Senior Vice Commander Shipley led the Preamble.

READING OF THE CALL TO CONVENTION

Detachment Adjutant Van Horn read the Call To Convention.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

Adjutant Van Horn called the roll. The following were present: Commander Geary; Sr Vice Shipley; ANEC Hunter; Adjutant Van Horn; Asst Adjutant Ray; Finance Officer Tharp; Judge Advocate Stillwell; Parliamentarian Cisna; Chaplain Borgman; Historian Hunter; Service Officer Cavanaugh; Sgt-At-Arms Haddick; Commander's Sgt-At-Arms' Griffin & Belovicz; Sr Vice Commander's Sgt-At-Arms Schuppner; Division Sgt-At-Arms Schuppner (2nd) and Haddick (2nd); Commander's Aides Cisna & Koop; PUFL Stillwell; 2nd Division Commander Banialis; 3rd Division Commander Slevin, Sr.; 4th Division Commander Cavanaugh; 5th Division Commander Hayes; 4th District; 7th District; 8th District; 9th District; 10th District; 11th District; 12th District; 13th District; 15th District; 16th District; 18th District; 19th District; 21st District; 22nd District; 24th District; PNC's Stillwell, Reis & Cisna; PDC's Schultz, Stillwell, Slevin, Sr., Cisna, Ciaccio, Tharp, Christie, Ray, Hunter, Cavanaugh; Advisor's from 2nd & 5th Divisions; SAL Secretary Hutson

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RULES COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Stillwell reviewed the Rules of Convention. Stillwell motioned to adopt the Rules of the 52nd Annual Convention as the Rules for the 53rd Annual Convention, with the second, a discussion was made that the Rules need to be amended that Rule 4 to state 24 Districts instead of 25 Districts, Stillwell motions to amend this change, 8th District's Pillman seconds, amendment passes, and original motion passes as amended.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Hunter reviewed the Resolutions. Hunter motioned to place on file Resolutions 1 & 2, with the second, passed. Motion by Hunter to adopt Resolutions 3, 4, 5 & 6, with the second, passes.

GUESTS

The Sgt-At-Arms introduced the guests, including Leading Candidate for National Commander, Jeff Frain (AZ). List on file.

FINANCE REPORT

Detachment Finance Officer Tharp stated there was printed reports on the literature table. He asked if there were any questions which there were none. 19th District's Ray motioned to accept the report, with the second, passed.

DIVISION COMMANDER'S REPORT

2ND DIVISION – Commander stated they Chartered 2 new Squadrons and added 420 new members.

1ST DIVISION – Senior Vice Commander thanked everyone for the year.

4TH DIVISION – Commander discussed the year and importance of educating Squadrons and District Officers.

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5TH DIVISION – Commander discussed working on retention.

3RD DIVISION – Commander stated they finished #1 in membership, and as of Convention, 5% above second place Division.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Cisna gave the report.

The Official Delegate Strength of the 53rd Detachment Convention, based on the May 27, 2016 membership report, is as follows:

1st District: Membership Delegates – 0; At-Large Delegates – 0; Total Delegates – 0
2nd District: Membership Delegates – 5; At-Large Delegates – 1; Total Delegates – 6
3rd District: Membership Delegates – 4; At-Large Delegates – 1; Total Delegates – 5
4th District: Membership Delegates – 15; At-Large Delegates – 2; Total Delegates – 17
5th District: Membership Delegates – 6; At-Large Delegates – 2; Total Delegates – 8
7th District: Membership Delegates – 13; At-Large Delegates – 1; Total Delegates – 14
8th District: Membership Delegates – 48; At-Large Delegates – 5; Total Delegates – 53
9th District: Membership Delegates – 15; At-Large Delegates – 4; Total Delegates – 19
10th District: Membership Delegates – 24; At-Large Delegates – 7; Total Delegates – 31
11th District: Membership Delegates – 43; At-Large Delegates – 3; Total Delegates – 46
12th District: Membership Delegates – 41; At-Large Delegates – 2; Total Delegates – 43
13th District: Membership Delegates – 10; At-Large Delegates – 1; Total Delegates – 11
14th District: Membership Delegates – 7; At-Large Delegates – 1; Total Delegates – 8
15th District: Membership Delegates – 7; At-Large Delegates – 0; Total Delegates – 7
16th District: Membership Delegates – 30; At-Large Delegates – 4; Total Delegates – 34
17th District: Membership Delegates – 33; At-Large Delegates – 3; Total Delegates – 36
18th District: Membership Delegates – 36; At-Large Delegates – 4; Total Delegates – 40
19th District: Membership Delegates – 64; At-Large Delegates – 13; Total Delegates – 77
20th District: Membership Delegates – 18; At-Large Delegates – 4; Total Delegates – 22
21st District: Membership Delegates – 11; At-Large Delegates – 1; Total Delegates – 12
22nd District: Membership Delegates – 28; At-Large Delegates – 5; Total Delegates – 33
23rd District: Membership Delegates – 57; At-Large Delegates – 1; Total Delegates – 58
24th District: Membership Delegates – 37; At-Large Delegates – 2; Total Delegates – 39
25th District: Membership Delegates – 41; At-Large Delegates – 3; Total Delegates – 44
DETACHMENT TOTAL:
Membership Delegates – 594; At-Large Delegates – 70; Total Delegates – 664

DONATIONS

Commander announced donations will be accepted at end of reports

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AMERICANISM COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Borgman stated no resolutions were considered. The national SAL website has great deal of info on Americanism in their area under Committee/Commissions. Des Plaines Squadron 36 were on national SAL Facebook page for placing 4,000 flags on graves at All Saints Cemetery. Reminder to document your work and send to National. Reviewed Jr Shooting, Essay Contest, Oratorical, 81st session of Illinois Boys State and 30th year at Eastern Illinois. 469 citizens and 90 staff volunteers. Still need more boys to attend. Reminder to complete your Consolidated Squadron Report. Motion by Borgman to accept the report, with the second, passed.

CHILDREN & YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Ray stated CWF donations were discussed with National having the Detachment as donating \$8670.72 by the May 31st reporting cut-off date. Next year's goal will be \$9,537.00 which is 10% more. A motion was made to take \$542 out of the balance of \$842.86 in CMN account and split between the 3 CMN hospitals in Illinois, with the second, the motion carried. The yearly visit to St John's in Springfield was also discussed and all are urged to support CMN and Josh Dogs. Discussion on different C&Y activities Squadrons could participate in, holiday parties being the main event. Chairman Ray then suspended his report until Scholarships in Session 2.

NATIONAL SECURITY COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Phelps was excused. 13th District's Jerry Griffin gave a brief review of the Chairman's report, discussing terrorism, illegal immigration, and the upcoming elections and importance to get out and vote. Motion by Griffin to accept the report, with the second, passed.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Griffin stated there really wasn't anything new to discuss since our Spring DEC.

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Stillwell stated the Committee discussed changing how a couple of Articles in the Detachment Constitution should be changed. They are as follows:

Special Resolution #1 -- Article VI, Section 1. a. to be changed to:

The Detachment Convention shall elect the Detachment Commander, the Detachment Senior Vice-Commander, and in the odd numbered years, a National Executive Committeeman and an Alternate National Executive Committeeman on nominations from the floor. Five (5) Detachment Vice-Commanders shall be chosen as follows; each of the Divisions shall elect Commanders as provided by their respective By-Laws, and each of said Division Commanders shall by virtue of his election as Division Commander be a Vice-Commander of the Detachment of Illinois for the Division which he is elected Commander. The Detachment Commander, Senior Vice-Commander, National Executive Committeeman and Alternate National Executive Committeeman shall reside in and be members of a Squadron in the Detachment of Illinois.

Motion by Stillwell to accept Special Resolution #1 to change Article VI, Section 1.a., with the second, the motion passed.

Special Resolution #2 -- Article VI, Second 2. h. should be changed to:

Section 2. h.-1. No person shall be eligible for re-election to the office of Detachment Commander or Detachment Senior Vice-Commander.

Section 2. h.-2. The National Executive Committeeman or Alternate National Executive Committeeman can succeed himself in the same office.

Motion by Stillwell to accept Special Resolution #2 to change Article VI, Section 2. h., with the second, there was a lengthy discussion mostly focusing on the fact that Divisions need to do a better job of grooming people to Detachment elected offices and possibly eliminating the rotation process, the motion passed.

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VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Vice Chairman of the VA&R Commission Matt Christie reviewed the VAVS representatives and deputies (reps and depts). Our Detachment supports two Fisher Houses, one at Hines VAMC in Chicago and the other at Jefferson Barracks VAMC in St Louis. The three main charities for National VA&R are Soldiers Wish, Operation Comfort Warrior (OCW), and the Endowment Fund, which is one of SAL National Commander Kevin Collier's projects (25-cents per member). Everyone is encouraged to participate in Stand Down's to help homeless vets and their families. Dreams for Veterans serves our terminally ill veterans and their families through fulfillment of a final dream, much like Make-A-Wish Foundation. Christie stated the Gifts To The Yanks raffle will be held during Session 2. Christie motioned to accept the VA&R Committee report, minus the Gifts To The Yanks portion, with the second, passed.

MEMBERSHIP & SQUADRON ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Paul Hayse reported on membership numbers as of the Convention cut-off date for awards, and current numbers. He stated the conversation was retention and working on retaining members, especially through 5-year cards and PUFL's. Hayes presented SAL Secretary Cheryl Hutson with a Certificate of Appreciate plaque on behalf of the 5th Division. Motion by Hayes to accept the report, with the second, passed.

DONATIONS

Squadron 1198 -- \$100/CWF, \$50/Legacy
Squadron 979 -- \$1,000/Legacy
Squadron 690 -- \$100/Endowment, \$100/VA&R, \$100/NEF, \$100/Legacy
\$50/CMN
Squadron 55 -- \$155/NEF, \$155/CWF
Squadron 911 -- \$100/Josh, \$200/NEF, \$100/CMN, \$300/Endowment,
\$100/Special Oly., \$111/Legacy
Squadron 974 -- \$250/Special Oly., \$250/CWF, \$250/NEF, \$250/Legacy
Squadron 703 -- \$150/CWF
Cap Fine -- \$5/CWF
ALR 615 -- \$125/Special Oly.
Squadron 615 -- \$125/Special Oly., \$615/OCW, \$615/NEF, \$615/CWF

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REPORT FROM THE NEC

ANEC Hunter reported briefly on National Commander Collier's goals for the 2015-16 membership year. Motion by Hunter to accept his report, with the second, motion passed.

Commander Geary asked Sgt-At-Arms to escort Leading Candidate for National Commander, Jeff Frain (AZ), to the podium along with Past National Commander's Stillwell, Reis & Cisna. PNC Cisna then introduced Mr. Frain. Leading Candidate Frain thanked the Detachment for the hospitality and discussed, if elected, his goals and plans for the upcoming year.

Motion by Cisna for the Detachment of Illinois to support Jeff Frain as National Commander for the 2016-2017 Membership Year, with the second, passed.

SESSION 1 WRAP-UP

Commander made announcements regarding bowling, Detachment Memorial Service, Wauconda Fest and National Convention Delegates. He also stated Session 2 will start at 10 AM Sunday morning.

The colors remained in place, the Commander called for a hand salute.

Session 1 ended at 1528 hours.

Minutes completed by:

Jeffrey Van Horn
Detachment Adjutant

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CALL TO ORDER

Detachment Commander Geary called Session 2 to order at 10:17 AM. Colors were in place; hand salute was rendered.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

Detachment Adjutant Van Horn called the roll. Present were: Commander Geary; Sr Vice Shipley; ANEC Hunter; Adjutant Van Horn; Asst Adjutant Ray; Finance Officer Tharp; Judge Advocate Stillwell; Parliamentarian Cisna; Chaplain Borgman; Historian Hunter; Service Officer Cavanaugh; Sgt-At-Arms Haddick; Commander's Sgt-At-Arms Griffin & Belovicz; Sr Vice Commander's Sgt-At-Arms Schuppner; Division Sgt-At-Arms Schuppner (2nd), Haddick (2nd); Commander's Aides Cisna & Koop; Webmaster Sense; PUFL Stillwell; 1st Division Commander; 2nd Division Commander; 3rd Division Commander; 4th Division Commander; 5th Division Commander; 4th District; 5th District; 7th District; 8th District; 9th District; 10th District; 11th District; 12th District; 13th District; 15th District; 16th District; 18th District; 19th District; 20th District; 21st District; 22nd District; 24th District; PNC's Stillwell & Cisna; PDC's Schultz, Stillwell, Potempa, Cisna, Ciaccio, Tharp, Christie, Williamson, Sawicki, Ray, Hunter, Cavanaugh; Advisor's 2nd & 5th Division; Department Commander Gardner; Department Sr Vice Commander Stanton

PNC's Stillwell & Cisna asked Commander Geary to approach podium, with PDC Ray, for moment of personal privilege. The PNC's announced that Past Detachment Commander Harl Ray is in line to become National Commander. They stated there hasn't been a date released yet, but wanted the Detachment to be aware of the honor.

Commander Geary dismissed Ray and asked that Stillwell & Cisna remain up front.

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WELCOMING REMARKS – GUEST SPEAKERS

Commander instructed Sgt-At-Arms Haddick to escort National Chaplain and Leading Candidate for National Vice Commander Central Region Michael Lawler (WI) to the podium for introduction. PNC's Stillwell and Cisna introduced Lawler, who spoke about his history with the SAL and vision for the following year. Sgt-At-Arms escorted all off stage.

PDC Potempa motioned to endorse both gentlemen, with the second, the motion passed.

The following guests also spoke:

Department Commander Gardner
Department Sr Vice Commander Stanton
Department President Cisna
2nd Division Legion Commander Fisher
2nd Division Legion Sr Vice Commander Davis
2nd Division SAL Commander Banalis

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

History Book award awarded to Lockport Squadron 18.

Detachment Member of the Year award to:
Bill Patterson, 1st Division, 8th District

1st Division Member of the Year award given to:
Scott Wagner, 8th District

5th Division Member of the Year award given to:
Jeff Trout, 24th District

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Scholarships received were 14 and 12 were awarded at \$500 each. Nicholas Piento of Squadron 134 and Michael Smith of Squadron 50 were rejected for not supplying all the required materials listed in the application. Awarded were: Tanner Sampson #294, Joseph Sawicki #330, Ben Umland #55, Trevor Sampson #294, Paul Burton #290, Brandon Seyller #979, Joseph Livingson #32, Jacob Williams #136, Jared Brockmeyer #480, Joseph Ohlendorf #685, Reid Holtmann #325 and Blake Thompson #974.

Children & Youth Chairman Ray motioned to accept the Children & Youth report (which includes splitting \$582 between the 3 CMN hospitals in Illinois), with the second, passed.

Detachment Chaplain Borgman stated the following received Chaplain's Cross: Tom Cameron (8th District, #991), Jim Schelberger (10th District, #703), Phil Banialis (11th District, #18), Richard Longfellow (13th District, #12), Dan Horton (18th District, #755), David Selby (19th District, #68), and Jack Mitchell (24th District, #306).

Commander turn podium over to Detachment Sr Vice Shipley

MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

Clyde Stillwell

1st	Rossville	733	266.7%
2nd	McKinlock	264	260.0%
3rd	Buckley	432	225.0%

Roy Mitchell

1st	Evanston	42	140.0%
2nd	DuQuion	647	100.0%
3rd	Evergreen Park	854	147.3%

Anthony Badamo

1st	Rossville	733	266.7%
2nd	Mckinlock	264	260.0%
3rd	Buckley	432	225.0%

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PFC James T. Cummings Jr.

1st Evanston	42	140.2%
2nd Springfield	32	118.2%
2nd Edgewood	1168	118.2%

#1 PIN'S

1st Division, the 7th District wins
2nd Division, the 13th
3rd Division, 20th District – not certified
4th Division, 18th District
5th Division, 23rd District
For Division's – 3rd Division

DETACHMENT COMMANDER'S REPORT

Sr Vice asked Commander to give his report. Commander Geary spoke of his year and thanked everyone for all the hard work they put into the organization. Felt that communication was the key and hoped that it continued. Motion by 3rd Division Commander Slevin, Sr. to accept the report, with the second, passed.

Sr Vice turned podium over to Commander

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Final Credentials Report by Tommie Cisna. He stated there was no change from Session 1's report. Motion by Cisna to accept the report, with the second, passed.

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Commander appointed following as election judges:

Chairman: PDC Ciaccio

Judge: 9th District Commander Gort

Judge: 10th District Commander Stander

Commander turned podium over to Adjutant Van Horn.

Adjutant called the roll for election for Detachment Senior Vice Commander, 2016-2017. 2nd District absent; 3rd District absent; 4th District yielded to the 24th District, which Jeff Trout nominated Paul Hayes; 5th District yielded to the 19th District, which Harl Ray seconded the nomination of Paul Hayes; 7th District seconded; 8th District seconded; 9th District seconded; 10th District seconded; 11th District seconded; 12th District seconded; 13th District seconded; 14 District absent; 15th District seconded; 16th District seconded; 17th District absent; 18th District absent; 20th District absent; 21st District seconded; 22nd District seconded; 23rd District absent, 25th District absent; 4th District seconded; 5th District seconded.

19th District member, John Strum, motioned that since there was only one candidate, that Adjutant cast one unanimous vote for the candidate and close the election for Detachment Senior Vice Commander, with the second, motion passed.

Adjutant Van Horn announced and congratulated Paul Hayes as the Detachment Senior Vice Commander 2016-2017.

Adjutant called the roll for election for Detachment Commander, 2016-2017. 2nd District absent; 3rd District absent; 4th District yielded to the 19th District, which Bruno Williamson nominated Phil Shipley; 5th District yielded to the 8th District, which Mike Sawicki seconded the nomination of Phil Shipley; 7th District seconded; 9th District seconded; 10th District seconded; 11th District seconded; 12th District seconded; 13th District seconded; 14 District absent; 15th District seconded; 16th District seconded; 17th District absent; 18th District absent; 20th District absent; 21st District seconded; 22nd District seconded; 23rd District absent, 24th District seconded; 25th District absent; 4th District seconded; 5th District seconded.

5th District member, Bob Potempa, motioned that since there was only one candidate, that Adjutant cast one unanimous vote for the candidate and

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close the election for Detachment Commander, with the second, motion passed.

Adjutant Van Horn announced and congratulated Phil Shipley as the Detachment Commander 2016-2017. Shipley was escorted up to podium for a few words.

NATIONAL CONVENTION DELEGATES

Jr Stillwell reported on the recommendations for National Convention Delegates. They are:

Bill Geary, Delegation Chairman; Jeff Van Horn, Delegation Secretary; Father Gary Gummersheimer; Jimmy Hunter; Paul Hayes; Harl Ray; Mike Sawicki; Phil Stander; Garrett Slevin, Sr.; Ed Cavanaugh; Matt Christie; George Koop; Bruno Williamson; Dock Sanders; John P. Strum; Paul Garrett; John D. Strum. PNC's JR Stillwell, Greg Reis & Tommie Cisna are Delegates-At-Large. Motion by Stillwell to accept the report and delegates, with the second, passed.

Commander called for break to prepare for Installation at 12:35 PM.

Return from break at 12:55 PM.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Commander turned podium over to Installing Officer to conduct the Installation of Officers. Installing Officer performed the Capping and Uncapping of the newly elected Commander and current Commander, respectfully. Gifts were presented to the incoming Commander and outgoing Commander.

Installing Officer turned podium over to Commander.

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FOR THE GOOD OF THE SAL

Gifts To The Yanks Raffle was conducted by Promoter Matt Christie:

Winner: Auxiliary Unit 325, Germantown for \$1,190
2nd: Richard Hoffman, Lewistown for \$790
3rd: Steve Berkley, Sidney for \$395
4th: Gardner Legion Post for \$395
5th: SAL 1198 for \$395

GTTY Legion Committee Member Jeff Cox presented the Detachment with a plaque of appreciation for all the work we do. Motion by Christie to accept the final Gifts To The Yanks Report, with the second, passed.

Sgt-At-Arms Haddick performed the 50-50 Drawing. \$318 total with \$159 going to the winner, which a name wasn't given but they had matching ticket.

Commander asked for any further donations. 1st Division donated \$200/CMN, \$200/VA&R, and \$200/CWF. Roger Klass (friend of Squadron 690) donated \$200/NEF. Squadron 690 member Dave Hermann donated \$100/NEF.

SAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chairman Bill Flanagan commented that he was appointed to the Committee in 2011. In 5 years, he has seen the Detachment come from turmoil into a productive, well run organization. He thanked all of us for our work.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adjutant made announcements regarding Post-Convention DEC and National Delegates meeting.

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BENEDICTION & CLOSING

The Commander asked if any further business, there was none.

The Chaplain gave the closing prayer.

The Sgt-At-Arms retrieved the POW/MIA flag.

The Commander called for a hand salute.

Session 2 of the Detachment Convention ended at 13:43.

Minutes completed by:

Jeffrey Van Horn
Detachment Adjutant

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Detachment Commander Phil Shipley called the meeting to order at 1359.
The colors were in place; a hand salute was rendered.
National Chaplain Michael Lawler led the prayer.
Detachment Finance Officer Tharp led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Detachment Sr Vice Commander Hayse led the Preamble.

Detachment Adjutant called the roll of Officers. The following were present: Detachment Commander Shipley; Sr Vice Hayes; Adjutant Van Horn; Finance Officer Tharp; PUFL Admin Stillwell; First Division Commander, Sr & Jr Vice; Second Division Sr & Jr Vice; Third Division Commander; Fifth Division Commander; 4th District Commander; 7th District Commander; 9th District Commander, Sr & Jr Vice; 10th District Commander, Sr & Jr Vice; 11th District Commander; 12th District Commander & Sr Vice; 13th District Commander; 19th District Commander; 24th District Commander; PNC Stillwell & Cisna; PDC's Geary, Slevin Sr., Tharp, Christie, Williamson, Sawicki, Ray.

COMMANDER'S OFFICER APPOINTMENTS:

Judge Advocate	JR Stillwell
Asst Adjutant	Harl "Butch" Ray
Chaplain	Jeff Trout
Parliamentarian	Tommie Cisna
Historian	Paul Garrett
Service Officer	Bruno Williamson
Sergeant-at-Arms	Jeff Haddick

COMMANDER'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

First Division	Mike Sawicki – Vice Chairman
Second Division	Bill Geary
Third Division	Garrett Slevin Sr.
Fourth Division	Harl Ray – Chairman
Fifth Division	Father Gary

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COMMANDER'S ASSISTANT SERGEANT-AT-ARMS:

Jim Schuppner
Lee Shipley

COMMANDER'S AIDES:

James Bacon
Denver Phelps

SENIOR VICE-COMMANDER'S ASSISTANT SERGEANT-AT-ARMS:

William Passmore

SENIOR VICE-COMMANDER'S AIDE:

Jeff Trout

WEBMASTER:

Sergio Sense Jr.

Motion by 9th District Commander Gort to accept the appointments, with the second, passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Finance Commission Chairman Koop stated Detachment Commander Shipley requested \$1,062 for Detachment shirts. The amount would come out of Overage. Motion by First Division Commander Senese to accept, with the second, passed.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION:

National Chaplain Lawler made a few comments.

ADVISOR'S REMARKS:

None.

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The Commander called for a moment of silence.

The Chaplain offered the Benediction.

The Colors being in place a salute was rendered.

The Commander adjourned the meeting, at 1413.

Minutes Completed by:

Jeffrey Van Horn
Detachment Adjutant