Welcome to the

American Legion TH-02

AMERICAN LEGION

BE THE ONE

****** 5 Minute Alert ******

Announcements - Before we get started

a) 50/50 tickets are available from

b) Beverages are available in the refrigerator

c) Please silence your phones.

d) Food today provided by our 50/50 tickets and donations from:

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Knorr

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mellor

Mr. and Mrs. Skip Storno

e) Remember, nothing is free! Your post operates on your donations, Enjoy beverages from the refrigerator and please give generously in the donation boxes provided.

f) Please support our sponsors whenever possible:

Casa Pascal San Jose Burger & Bar Blue Moose

Red Bar Pizza Factory

Open Today's Meeting

25 October @ 1200

Acting Commander:

Welcome ** My name is Gary Mellor and I'm the 1st Vice Commander of the American Legion Post TH-02

Please stand if you are able

Sergeant at Arms:
Please prepare the room
Place the flags and open the bible
Step back and announce Hand Salute and Two

Commander:
US citizens - Please join me in the pledge of allegiance to our country's flag
Hand salute Two
Chaplain: Opening prayer by Ron Walton

Please be seated.

The POW / MIA table is sacred to our veterans. It represents our government's commitment to ensure that every serviceman or women return home. A moment of silence please.
The draping of our post charter is an act of tribute and respect to all deceased veterans.
Sergeant at Arms, please drape the post charter while we remember the passing of members.

******At the Front Table******

- Finance Officer & Adjutant — Mike Chitwood
- Pattaya Community Service Liaison — JJ Smith
  - US Embassy Citizen Services volunteer
- 1st Vice Commander & Events coordinator — Gary Mellor
- 2nd Vice Commander & Service Officer — Richard Garcia
- Service Officer — Claude (Skip) Storno

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Adjutant - Roll call & minutes please

- All present or accounted for:
- Minutes of the last meeting have been approved by the officers and posted on our website.

******** Guests & Visitors ********

- Visitors at today's meeting please stand and introduce yourself
- We welcome all our Thai Visitors today

Member Passings:

- Glen Alhberg the older brother of Post Commander Bill Ahlberg was laid to rest.

Local veterans:

- Pattaya News posted that Keith Burr passed away 3/24/2024

Honor Guard:

- No Activity

Distress and Health:

- David Bell

Does anyone know of any local veterans or family members in distress

- _____

TH-02 Spotlight

- Post TH02 member Dustin Williams and his family moved to Florida on October 3rd

Reports
Membership: 142 on Roster
5 left to renew
1 Transferring
3 Unable to contact or not responding
1 Doubtful
New Members:

Dennis Harlan	US Army
John Patrick Clark	USAF
Trevor C Olson	USAF
Darby Mullis	US Army

Information from Officers

Adjutant/Finance Officer:

	Bank	Exc @ 32.5
NFCU	$13,622.61	(฿442,734)
Bangkok Bank	฿437,637.33	($13,465)

Donations to the Post

฿15,000	Chuen Bowman (Widow of Jerry Bowman)
฿25,000	Wilawan Kajadpan (Widow of Michael Dyer)
$1,956	Frank Guisto

Service Officer:

Assisted Post Members:

- No visits were made this month to the Nursing Homes.

- Subj: A member approached me on how he could get around; he was not aware of Bolt Taxi. A class will be offered on how to use a bolt taxi. Any Interest shown will determine date & time.

- A member also brought up the suggestion that someone may need assistance in a doctors visit. I will elaborate at the meeting.

Community Affairs-Pattaya
US Embassy

2nd Vice Commander:
Calendar:

American Legion TH02-22 Nov	VFW 9876 -11 Nov
VFW 12146 8 Nov	Veterans Day. 11 Nov
Marine Corps Birthday 10 Nov	Armistice /Remembrance Day 11 Nov

- Warrior Care Month
- National Veterans and Military Family Month ____
- National Veterans Small Business Week. 11-15 Nov___
- Thanksgiving Day 27 Nov

Birthdays

Dan Morgan-79	Marcellias W Fegle-64	Neil Tufford-75
Arrington Wilson-65	Shawn W Watson-56	Timothy D Pratt-65
Lejos Katona-69	Kristopher Valdez-52	Brian R Howe-83
Adolphus L Grisby-66	Jason Leslie Simmons-61	Ron Walton-65
James Ramsey-64	Donovan M Kundiger-76	

1st Vice Commander:

Assisted Post Members:

- We have 4 active cases in-work:
  Brice McCreary, Jerry Caporelli, Artie Nye and David Bell

Assisted Widows of Veterans:

- We have 8 active cases in-work:

Pui Cooper	Pim Mayo	Nittaya Polodan	Karnchana Robarge
Ju Thayer	Duang McCoy	Tip Delomba	Ausaraporn Tudpoo

Assisted Veterans:

- Byron Bales, USMC, a veteran in Hua Hin area passed away. Post provided a Burial Flag
- Scott King, USA, LTCOL (ret) inquired about post membership.

Buddy Checks

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Commander:

- Reminder: Our post is manned by volunteers during the week on M-F from 11:00 until 14:00 for members and guest visitation or other activities. Volunteers sometimes have other personal business so occasionally the post may be closed on those days.
- We are still seeking individuals to assist our post adjutant and historian. We're also looking for someone to fill the Judge Advocate position. If you're interested please see any post officer.

- Post store: Shirts, hats, pins, post coins, hat protecters, etc. are availablefor purchase after the meeting. Please see Mrs Storno or Mrs Mellor afterthe meeting.
- 50/50 tickets are still available and the drawing will be about 10 minutes after the meeting.
- Following the 50/50 draw there will be an auction of Casa Pascal vouchers. There are three 2 person breakfast vouchers valued at 770 baht each and one 2 person dinner voucher valued at 2,780 baht.

Nathan Kent Foundation

- Through the Nathan Kent Foundation the American Legion Post TH-02 will do everything we can to keep a veteran from entering a pauper's grave, but we need your help:

  - Be Prepared
  - Instructions Review and update
  - Next of Kin Inform them of your desires
  - Insurance policies Tell the beneficiary
  - Access to your home
  - Access to important information

Future Events

- Veteran's Day November 11
  - Nothing is schedule as this is the monthly meeting day for our VFW Post 9876 members and our VFW Post 12146 has an event scheduled for their members.
- Thanksgiving Dinner November 27 at Tigglebitties at 1500. We have reservations and still have a couple available seats. Please see me after the meeting if you desire to attend.
- Children's Christmas Party in Jomtien coordinated by Ron Walton.
- A representative of Janjeera US taxes and services will attend our November meeting. She is a valid US tax preparer with a valid PTIN and is an authorized IRS e-filer. She is IRS and CTEC certified. In addition, she can assist with applying for an ITIN for foreign born spouses.
- The Department of France Commander is planning a visit to Thailand starting 19 November to 04 December and will attend our November meeting.

Open Forum: For the good of the Legion

Old Business: None

New Business:

Authorize the purchase of new ball caps not to exceed ฿15,000
Entertain a motion-Mike C
Second By-Mike B
Discussion
Any Opposed
Motion Passed

Authorize funds for the children's Christmas event not to exceed ฿15,000
Entertain a motion-Gary M
Second By-Richard G
Discussion
Any Opposed
Motion Passed

Before we close:

- Next Meeting is November 22
- 50/50 tickets are still available and the drawing will be about 10 minutes after the meeting.
- Following the drawing there will be an auction of Casa Pascal vouchers. There are 3 two person breakfast vouchers valued at 770 baht each, and one 2 person dinner voucher valued at 2,780 baht.
- TH-02 takes pride in Veterans taking care of Veterans. Your officers work hard every day putting in many hours in support of our veterans. The other officers and I appreciate that you are taking the time to join us in the fellowship of this monthly meeting today.

Closing Ceremony Please stand if you are able

Sergeant at Arms
Please Remove the charter drape.

Chaplain
Uncover
Prayer Closing Prayer
Cover
Sergeant at Arms: Please prepare the room.
Room Attention
Hand Salute
Remove the flags and close the bible. Step back salute and announce
Order Arms

Thank you all for coming. Join us for lunch and be careful on the way home. This meeting is adjourned.

Welcome to the American Legion TH-02

25 October @ 1200

Call to Order

The Acting Commander (Gary Mellor) calls the meeting to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Opening Prayer by the Chaplain (Ron Walton)

Moment of silence for the POW/MIA table

Draping of the post charter in tribute to deceased veterans

Roll Call & Ascertaining a Quorum

The Adjutant performs the roll call

The agenda notes 142 on the roster

Reading and Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the last meeting are presented.

The Adjutant notes they have been approved by officers and posted online

The Chair asks for any corrections. If none, the minutes stand approved.

Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees

Finance Officer & Adjutant (Mike Chitwood):

Presents financial status and membership updates

1st Vice Commander (Gary Mellor):

Reports on active cases for assisted members and widows

2nd Vice Commander (Richard Garcia):

Provides calendar updates

Service Officer (Skip Storno):

Reports on assistance provided and potential classes on using Bolt Taxi

Reports of Special (Temporary) Committees

(No special committee reports are listed in the original agenda.)

Unfinished Business & General Orders

None are explicitly mentioned as pending in the provided text, other than general events planning.)

New Business

Motion to authorize the purchase of new ball caps (not to exceed ฿15,000):

Motion made by Mike C, seconded by Mike B
Debate/Discussion follows.
Vote taken. (Motion passed

Motion to authorize funds for the children's Christmas event (not to exceed ฿15,000):

Motion made by Gary M, seconded by Richard G
Debate/Discussion follows.
Vote taken. Motion passed

Discussion on post store inventory (shirts, hats, pins, etc. available for purchase)

Discussion on Nathan Kent Foundation (ensuring veterans avoid pauper's graves)

Announcements

General announcements (50/50 tickets, beverages, silence phones, food donations, sponsors)

Member passings (Glen Ahlberg, Keith Burr)

Distress and Health updates

TH-02 Spotlight (member Dustin Williams moved to Florida)

Upcoming Events (Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Dinner, Children's Christmas Party, US tax preparer visit, Department Commander visit

Birthdays

Reminder for volunteers

Adjournment

Closing Ceremony, including removing the charter drape and a closing prayer

Motion to adjourn the meeting

Meeting is officially adjourned by the Commander