



Welcome to the American Legion Post TH-02

AMERICAN LEGION

BE THE ONE

***** 10 Minute Alert *****

Announcements - Before we get started

- a) 50/50 tickets are available from Gary Mellor
- b) Beverages are available in the refrigerator
- c) Please silence your phones and finish your conversations
- d) Food today ** supplicated by our 50/50 tickets and Sponsored by
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
before you eat today
- f) Please support our sponsors whenever possible.
 - Casa Pascal
 - San Jose Burger & Bar
 - Blue Moose
 - Red Bar
 - Pizza Factory

27 Sept @ 12:00

Open Today's Meeting

Commander:

Welcome ** My name is Bill Ahlberg
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 stand if you are able and join me in the pledge of allegiance to our country's flag.
Hand salute
Two

Chaplain: Opening prayer please

Please be seated

The POW / MIA table is sacred to our veterans. It represents our government's commitment to ensure that every serviceman or woman returns home. We will now set the table in remembrance of all our prisoners of war and missing veterans.

Gary Mellor	Narrator
Chet Drowns	Assistant
Lt. Col Anderson	Placement

Thank you, now a moment of silence please.

Draping of our post charter is an act of tribute and respect to all Deceased Veterans of all US services.

Sergeant at Arms, please drape the post charter while we remember the passing of **US Marine Larry Ball** and **US Army** Veteran and post member **Glen Barton Ahlberg**

Sergeant at Arms:

In remembrance of our veterans, of September 11 and of POW / MIA national recognition day. Please pass these stickers out to the audience.

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

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| • Finance Officer & Adjutant | Mike Chitwood |
| • 1st Vice Commander & Events coordinator | Gary Mellor |
| • 2nd Vice Commander & Service Officer | Richard Garcia |
| • Pattaya Community Service Liaison | Mike Brewer |

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
First timers and guests please stand
Lt Col Aaron Thomas **US Air Force**
Jap Vander Meuled **Royal Dutch-British and French Legion**

Nathan Kent Foundation:

- Assisted **Larry Ball** family at no cost.
- **Larry** was a US Marine



Member Passings:

- Glen Barton Ahlberg US Army Vietnam Veteran

Local veterans:

- Larry Ball US Marine Vietnam Veteran

Honor Guard activity:

- Larry Ball Once a Marine always a Marine

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

- **Friend of the post-** Nicola mother-in-law from Samjivet Hospital passed away and the service is tomorrow

The Commanders TH-02 Spotlight award for today: In recognition of national POW / MIA day and for the daily activities they perform as leaders to that organization

- Col Aaron Thomas
- Chet Drowns

Information from Officers:

Adjutant/Finance Officer:

Membership: 132 Renewed 13 To be renewed 3 Not renewing

New Members

- John Wilson- US Army- Was in PI Post
- Michael Otey- US Army - Surin
- Joe Merrifield- US Navy

NFCU	\$11,068
Bangkok Bank	฿376,021

Bangkok Liaison Officer
Korean Liaison Officer
Historian

Community Affairs-US Embassy

Chet Drowns
Guy Herron
Guy Herron
Mike Brewer

Service Officer

Skip Storno

Assisted Post Members:

- Lloyd Tuchman VA/SBP/SS
- Roger Knorr spouse's SS

Assisted Widows of Veterans:

Mrs Polodan VA
Mrs Mayo VA
Mrs. Robarge SS
Mrs Williams SS
Mrs Dyer VA
Mrs Cooper SS
Mrs Thayer FERS/SS

Assisted Veterans:

Buddy Checks:

- Ron Flesher (VFW 9876)
- Jimmie Brooks (VFW 9876)

Elderly Care Checks:

- Birthday Party for Earl Burkes, attended by Gary Mellor, Roger Knorr & Skip Storno
- Wreath purchased and placed at Wat for friend of the post Nicolas Salter's Mother-in-law

Vouchers Breakfast & Set Dinner Tickets have been provided by our Sponsor: Casa Pascal totaling: 10,610 baht

2nd Vice Commander:

October Calendar:

- National Disability Employment Month
- National Cyber security Awareness Month

11 Oct	VFW 12146 meeting
13 Oct	Columbus Day
13 Oct	Navy Birthday
14 Oct	VFW 9876 meeting
23 Oct.	Chulalongkorn Day Rama 5 Thailand National Holiday Banks and Immigration closed
25 Oct	American Legion TH02 meeting
26 Oct	Day of the Deployed It's a day of Thank You for all Military Serving outside of the United States
27 Oct.	US Navy Day Celebrating dedication and bravery of the US Navy's past, present and future personnel

November Calendar:

Nov 08	VFW 12146 monthly meeting
Nov 11	VFW 9876 monthly meeting
Nov 11	Veterans Day
Nov 11	Remembrance Day in Kanchanaburi
Nov 27	Thanksgiving Day
Nov 22	American Legion Post TH-01 monthly meeting

Birthdays this month

**Daniel L Rust-59	** Christina Thomas- 48	**Carl Perrino-75
** Michael L Chitwood –69	**Thomas De Shazor-56	**Roger D Moen-85
**Douglas F White-79	**David Dunne-42	**Ron Walton-64

1st Vice Commander:

Future Events

- Veteran's Day November 11
- Thanksgiving Dinner at Tigglebitties
- Children's Christmas Party in Jomtien

Commander:

- Last meeting I missed a very important announcement. Congratulations
- The other officers and myself very much appreciate the fact that each one of you have chosen to spend your time with us here today and participate in our post meeting. We welcome and encourage participation from the veteran communities of all nations. At our monthly meetings we are far less regimented than many other organizations. The officers are all volunteers and have been elected for a 2 year term to run the post as best they can. We all encourage member involvement. If you have ideas, please express them to any officer.
- Many of our guests and visitors enjoy the lounge during this time. Especially the Thai's who have a limited understanding of the English language and don't get much from our meeting. Therefore, we offer them time for comradery in the post lounge during our meeting.
- The lounge can be reserved on non-meeting days by contacting any post officer or volunteer.
- Our post is manned by volunteers during the week M-F from 11:00 until 14:00 for member and guest visitation or other activities. Volunteers sometimes have other personal business so occasionally the post may be closed on those days.
- Awning construction was accomplished with anonymous donations and the help of Mrs. Roger Knorr's contacts in the community.
- POW / MIA Day at the US Embassy in Bangkok was enjoyed by many in our veteran community. Not only the American Legion post TH-01 and post TH-02 but also VFW 9876 and Chiang Mai post 12074
- I am seeking individuals to assist our post adjutant and historian. I'm also looking for someone to fill the Judge Advocate position. If you're interested, see any post officer.
- Assistant Adjutant Adjutant assists all officers and post members
- Historian Records the events and activities of the post
- Jag Officer Interprets the laws and by-laws that may influence on our post

Open Forum: This forum is your opportunity to share or receive information on just about anything. Please, **NO** politics or religion comments. **No** motions until the business session.

- Post store: Shirts, hats, pins, post coins, hat protecters, etc.
Please see our post finance officer
Mike Chitwood after the meeting
- Col Anderson: POW / MIA overview
- Chet Drowns: POW / MIA Active sites in Cambodia, Lampong and Sattahip
- Nicola: Some information from Samjivet Hospital
- Chet Drowns: Teach me a new Thai word or phrase
- Adolphus Grisby Motorcycle Club

Old Business:

Adjutant, Any other old business? Mike Chitwood

Entertain a motion • _____

Second By • _____

Discussion • _____

Any Opposed

Motion Passes Yes No

New Business:

Chair has none

Adjutant, Is there any new business?

Is there any new business from the floor?

Space

Entertain a motion • _____

Second By • _____

Discussion • _____

Any Opposed

Motion Passes Yes No

Before we close:

Next Meeting is the 4th Saturday of the month or October 25th

50/50 tickets will still available.

Drawing will be in about 10 minutes after the meeting.

Closing Ceremony: Please stand if you are able

Chaplain:

Uncover

Prayer

Closing Prayer

Cover

Sergeant at Arms:

Please Remove the charter drape and 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. The 50 / 50 raffle will follow. Please join us for lunch and be careful on the way home.

This meeting is adjourned.