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**NEXT MEETING:**

**National Guard Armory Bemidji, MN  
Monday, March 21st at 7pm**

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**Sound Off**

**A free combat veterans support group in Bemidji**

Sound Off, a free combat veterans support group, is held from 5 to 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesday each month at the Sanford Bemidji Medical Center's Conference Room A, located immediately to the right through the hospital's main east entrance.

The group is open to men and women from all branches of service, regardless of conflict or disaster. It is facilitated by Billy Benso, United States Marine Corps (USMC) combat veteran, and Mike Sletta, behavioral health triage therapist at Sanford Bemidji.

The group provides members with a safe and confidential place to openly discuss personal issues and how their combat experience impacts their daily life.

"Post-traumatic stress disorder, or PTSD, is a condition many veterans struggle with after traumatic experiences such as combat or disaster," said Sletta. "What we want our vets to know is that it's real, you are not alone, and help is out there with groups like ours."

The support group can help veterans learn that:

- Combat did change them
- No matter what they do, they can't change what they've experienced
- Drugs, alcohol, isolation and denial don't work as coping behaviors
- With support of other combat vets, they can learn to live with PTSD

Any veteran interested in attending can simply show up at the scheduled meeting time or call (218) 333-5165 to learn more.

# NORTH CENTRAL MN CHAPTER #7 GENERAL MEETING CONVENED ON FEBRUARY 15, 2016 AT 1900 HRS

- Opening Prayer
- Pledge of Allegiance

## Roll Call of Officers to determine if quorum is present

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| Commander: Dave Sterr .....                       | Present |
| Senior Vice Commander: Mike Zimmerman .....       | Present |
| First Junior Vice Commander: Marten Schrage ..... | Present |
| Junior Vice: Jay Ruediger .....                   | Excused |
| Chaplain: Mike Gutz .....                         | Present |
| Service Officer: Robert Saddoris .....            | Present |
| Sergeant- at-Arms: Bruce Tiegen .....             | Present |
| Historian: David Myers .....                      | Present |
| Adjutant: Robert Saddoris .....                   | Present |
| Treasurer: Jeri Harvey .....                      | Present |
| Officer of the Day: Glen Aagard .....             | Excused |
| Judge Advocate: David Myers .....                 | Present |

## Introduction of guests or visitors: Lyle Stroup

### Prospective new members and transfers:

- One part paid member paid in full
- All part paid members left are on auto pay
- **Transfers:** None

### MEMBERS PRESENT: 14

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The minutes of January 18, 2016 presented

- Motion to approve as presented by Mr. Annonson, 2nd Mr. Kiser, Approved

**Financial Report:** January 18 2016 ---February 14 2016 presented.

- Financial Report and Bills against the Chapter for Fiscal Year Dated November 16th 2015---January 17 2016 an update on current Balances was also given.
- Motion to Approve by Mr. Myers, 2nd Mr. Tiegen, Approved

**Sickness or distress:** See hospital report.

**New Member Obligation:** None

### Communications:

- Six thank you letters sent to individuals that donated money to the Chapter.
- Received thank you from Fargo VA for food provided to CBOC and New Year meal
- Membership, we are 1st in State @ 105.37% MN 1st in division @ 100.80 %
- Training for leadership at St Cloud March 5th 2016 @ 1000 hours
- Veterans fair Middle River February 9th 1300 hours--2000 hours, two new Members
- Bylaws back many small changes need to be completed Saddoris will make said changes take to March Executive committee for approval then back to State Judge Advocate for final approval!
- Discussed article stating Wounded Warrior spending too much on Management not using funds for Veterans, there is no Wounded Warrior Chapter in MN. In contrast DAV spends 91.2% of funds raised from American public on Veterans.
- Trout Fishing Available at Red Lake, two Veterans have volunteered to take veterans fishing, Frank Chilson and Gary Lockner the cost \$50 for Red Lake guide service.
- Free Bear hunt to Disabled Veteran offered by Gary Strand call Saddoris for phone #
- Free land available for Disable Veteran, 4 lots on Gemmel Ave, safe area according to police, taxes now \$224, as no building on property
- Spring Convention May 5th - 7th at the Saint Cloud Holiday Inn, 75th S 37th Ave. We have four rooms reserved, 2 Auxiliary, 2 for Chapter. Saddoris asked to reserve one more room for Chapter, Chapter will pay for four member's rooms at Convention. Chapter will pay for every member's registration. Members present will elect delegates at March meeting. Treasurer will send in report of who is attending by the first of April.
- State asking for \$250 from Chapters to purchase Golf cart for DAV Golf Classic June 15th at Wilds Golf Club at Prior Lake.

### Committee Reports:

- **Membership Report:** 4 new members
- **Service Officer Report:** one veteran awaiting notice for comp exam.
- **Legislative Report:** Working on taking bus to St Paul for Veterans on the hill see old business for details.
- **Hospital Chaplain Report:**
  - 4 hospital visits.
  - One Funeral, John Mattison 53-year member
- **Entertainment:** Mr. Annonson working on plans for summer picnic
- **Fundraising committee:**
  - FGMN \$48 short of budgeted amount plans to make up amount at Gun Show
  - Saddoris and Mr. Annonson will cover the event.
  - Herberger's coupon sale going on now. We have exceeded the budget goal for the year on this event but still have three more dates set up for us to sell booklets.
- **Newsletter Committee:**
  - Mr. Annonson requested articles by Thursday.
  - Would like to increase the online access to reduce cost in mailing.
  - Has 57 newsletters being sent by email now.

### Old Business:

- Building we were looking at to purchase did not work out, see new business for new building.
- Annonson and Saddoris working with CVSO's and different Post throughout our region for interest in taking bus to Veterans on hill March 16th need to have names of riders to one of us by March 2nd 2016. Commander Remus is working on Walker and Park Rapids area, buses cost \$1,300 to \$1400 depending on size 47 or 55 passenger bus. Beltrami CVSO -\$200, Park Rapids - \$200, Bemidji Legion - \$200. Requested our Chapter donate \$200, motion made by Mr. Kiser, 2nd Mr. James, Approved, still need \$500 to pay for bus.
- Have problem in Warroad with garbage being placed in bin. Mr Zimmerman will get Commander and Saddoris names and #'s of newspapers in affected area, Commander will then work with Saddoris to draft up letter to place in newspapers. (Not Discussed)

### New Business:

- Need of 3 clothing bins for International Falls and Burdett. Motion purchase 3 more bins by Mr. Siats, 2nd Mr. McNamara, Approved.
- Nomination for new Officers held for second month. A second nomination for Junior
  - Vice Donald Strege was made by Mr. Tiegen. At which time Mr. Annonson with drew his nomination stating he would not run against anyone for an officer position.
  - All members were asked three times if there were any more nominations for the four Officers positions. Being none
- Platform for officers as follows was voted on and passed
  - Commander - David Sterr
  - Senior Vice - Mike Zimmerman
  - Junior Vice - Donald Strege
  - Treasurer - Jeri Harvey
  - Motion to approve nominations by Walter James, 2nd Mr. Tiegen, Approved
- Commander appointed the following.
  - Adjutant - Saddoris
  - Service Officer - Saddoris
  - Historian - David Myers
  - Judge Advocate - David Myers
  - Chaplain - Mike Gutz
  - Sergeant- at-Arms - Bruce Tiegen
  - Officer of the Day - Glenn Aagard (Commander will call to see if he will accept)
  - Executive Committee "At Large" members, Tom Annonson, Walter James and Bruce Tiegen

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# COMMANDERS CORNER

## Meeting Notes Continued

- New building at 5441 15th St NW clothing folks and Treasure looked at and felt it would meet the Chapter's needs. Cost \$138,000 40x60 building with two pole buildings (which trailers and or trucks could be stored under). Has its own well and septic which we were assured would be inspected before sale of building. Taxes \$1,578 per year at commercial rate (will be cheaper for us as we are nonprofit) This building is complete does not need any work inside or out, sites on 5 acres, metal exterior, has office space, heat propane forced air in floor, air conditioner central and rest rooms. Much discussion about affordability. Commander stated Neilson Foundation has given us a grant for \$15,000 plus we have \$20,000 to put down according to our Treasurer. 1st National Bank for loan, looking at loan of \$105,000 at 5.25% length of loan undetermined at this time. Guess cost at \$1,140 month for 10-year loan or \$850 for 15-year loan. Question came up if we could afford it Treasure assured members we could. Saddoris read Nation bylaws that clearly state that we cannot cut back on money given Veterans to purchase a building or State and National can step in to assure Veterans are not being shorted because of building. Commander asked for permission to give \$5,000 down and proceed with all the details and bring information back for vote of go or no go by members. A motion made by Mr. James for commander to proceed, 2nd Mr. Tiegen, Approved.
  - Saddoris trying to get 4 more drivers for Van to transport in to CBOC.
  - Commander had Veteran in need for Auto Repair cost \$810.96 Motion to pay for auto repair made by Mr. James 2nd Mr. Myers. Motion passed
  - Request from National Guard to provide members money for gas at drill motion to give 40 cards at \$25.00 each made by Mr. James 2nd by Mr. Kiser motion passed.
  - Saddoris asked membership for their support for him to run for next State Chair as Senior Vice Commander. Motion by Mr. James 2nd Mr. Annonson, Approved.
- Good of the Order:** None
- Motion to adjourn by Mr. James, 2nd Mr. Myers, Approved
- The meeting was adjourned at 2035 hours. The next meeting will be held on 21st March, 2016.

**BUILDING NEWS:** Our first attempt at purchasing a building and property was for a building on Bardwell Drive. It was the 40 by 72 foot building with land space enough to park 30 vehicles. Negotiations for the building and property on Bardwell Drive fell through. We could not come to an agreement on the price with the owner. The building committee quickly located another property that had just recently come up for sale. The amenities of this building and property were an even better fit for our needs. You gave your approval, we were able to agree on a price with the owner and we now have a permanent home for our organization.

**CHAPTER 7 DAV MEMBERS** are now the owners of a building on 5+ acres of land in the northwest area of Bemidji. The purchase price was \$138,000. We will take possession of the building on July 1st. As we had hoped, it is a multi-use building. The building will accommodate the used clothing organizing and shipping preparations, and the storage of the medical equipment, documents and records. We will be able to park our trucks and trailers under two five stall pole buildings which will help protect them from the outdoor elements. The office area of the building has possibilities for other uses that we will have time to consider later.

**WE HAVE BEEN HONORED:** The Neilson Foundation recognized our mission of philanthropy to our veterans by awarding us a grant of \$15,000 toward the purchase of a building for the chapter. The award was critical to our ability to purchase the building.

**THANK YOU** Executive Committee and DAV Members for seeing the need of a permanent home for our chapter and for your "go ahead" support for this undertaking.

**THANK YOU** Building Committee for working so hard to find the building and property. A job well done!!

Dave Sterr  
Commander

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## ADJUTANT CORNER

At our meeting on February 15th new officers were installed by Past Junior Vice Martin Schrage, there were only too changes, Junior Vice Donald Strege and Executive Committee member at large Walter James. Biggest discussion was purchasing a building for \$138,000 @ 5441 15th street NW Bemidji. Has its own well and septic tank, a 40-60 building heated and air conditioned, taxes are at this time \$1,578.00 approx 5 acres, has two pole barns for trailers, and office space. This writer has not seen building only clothing members and Treasure toured site! It was explained at the meeting National bylaws will not allow us to give less to Veterans in order to purchase a building, we were assured by Treasure and Commander that no funds would be cut from any of our Veteran Programs. The Commander was given a go ahead to put down \$5,000 in earnest money by members present. If you do not want your Chapter to go in dept for over \$100,000 you had best come to meetings and voice your feelings, otherwise it will happen and you will have no say.

The State Convention is in May 5-7th, at the St Cloud Holiday Inn. The Chapter will pay for up to four members to go, to include travel and motel rooms. Every member of the Chapter can go and the registration fee will be paid for you but, only 4 will have rooms paid for, however as the rooms have two beds, you could double up, thereby we could be paying for 8 members to have motel rooms. Again if you wish to go you must let us know so we can book and register accordingly.

It looks as though we will be getting a new Van this year and it will be bigger, thus we will hopefully always have room for everyone who rides. Two Chapters in the State have given \$10,000 each to get a new DAV van, it will cost us approx \$2,000 as we will have to pay for van to be wrapped and our name placed on it, we do have funds in our transportation budget.

We are leading State in new memberships at 105% plus MN is leading the Nation at over 100% plus. Would like to see each of you carry a membership application with you and sign up at least

one new member. If you need applications, call Tom Annonson or myself, you can find our numbers in this newsletter.

We still have the land to give too a Veteran, and need more drivers for DAV transportation Van. You will no longer be receiving a book showing your benefits instead you will receive a card with a email on it [www.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits\\_book.asp](http://www.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits_book.asp)

The Legislative issues we will discuss at Veterans on the Hill are Expand us of MN GI bill, MNSCU interstate tuition waived for 100% Service Connected Veterans, Military pension tax free, Permanent homestead market value exclusion for Widows or Widowers >70 service connected disabled Veterans and Free deer and small game and life time fishing licenses for 50% service connected disabled Veterans. We ask each of you to set up time to talk to your Legislator about each of our desires for them to sponsor or support a bill with the above included. As your State 1st Junior Vice, I went to Middle River for a vet fair on February 9th, we got two new members and discussed items with CVSO's who were there. Also did a 6th Chapter Visit at Crow Wing Chapter # 22 in Brainerd March 18th, have been invited by Crookston Chapter # 14 Commander for March 13th for a return visit to their Chapter. I will be trying to keep you updated on State duties as well as Chapter duties as we move along, something I have not been doing, but feel you should know what your Adjutant is up to. We have shipped state wide so much to Savers they are asking us to hold all loads for 2/21/16 -2/27/16. We are hoping to receive a fair sized check if we are again first in State. If you are asked about the news article that came out about how Wounded Warrior is wasting funds on what should go to Veterans but instead are going to the executives of Wounded Warrior project. I cannot find the article, but around 91% of the donations given to the Disabled American Veterans is getting redistributed directly to or through the various programs we support that benefit Veterans and their families as directed by our DAV Constitution and By-Laws.

### Veterans Day on the Hill

The Minnesota Commanders' Task Force, the United Veterans Legislative Council, and the Minnesota Association of County Veterans Service Officers will be holding this year's "Veterans Day on the Hill" at the Cedar Street Armory, **600 Cedar St, St Paul, on Wednesday, March 16, starting at 10 a.m.**

We are looking for any and all Veterans that would be interested in attending this event and need to know how many people would want to ride a charter bus down to it at no cost for the bus ride. **We need a minimum of 40 people to make the Cost of the bus worthwhile and would be able to accommodate up to a maximum of 55!** At this time, we don't know if a lunch will be provided at the meeting, so be prepared to purchase something if necessary. The tentative schedule is to depart from the Bemidji Walmart parking lot at 0400 Hrs. and have another pick up in Akeley at approximately 0445 Hrs. We are working with the various Veteran Organizations and CVSO's within our 12 County area looking for their support both financially and to help get the word out to everyone and we could use your help as well!

We need to have a large showing from this area so that our State Legislature will better listen to the needs for all of the veterans from up here. Please, seriously consider attending this event for the benefit of all of the 30,000 plus veterans in North Central Minnesota!

**If you want to go, please let us know by the 3rd of March!**

For more information, send us an email at [mndavchapter7@gmail.com](mailto:mndavchapter7@gmail.com) or call Robert Saddoris @ 218-209-1863 call or text Tom Annonson @ 218-251-3025.

# 2016 DAV NORTHWEST TRANSPORTATION DATES

| January   |    |    |    |    |    |    | February |    |    |    |    |    |    | March    |    |    |    |    |    |    | April    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Last month we were looking at the issues associated with God selecting a particular person for a particular purpose at particular time in order to accomplish a particular goal that often times has ramifications far into the future. This process is called election, considering this is an election year, we are looking at some of the issues associated with God electing a person and the dynamics of people interacting with this process. It seems when God selects a person for a particular purpose, men or women seem to either intentionally or unintentionally interact with this process in one of two ways; either positively or negatively. When the results are positive, God's purposes continue in a manner we call blessing. When the results are negative, God purposes will still continue into the future (Isaiah 55:11, Romans 8:28), but there will be some unpleasant repercussions we call curses.

God's whole purpose from Genesis to Revelation has been to create a people for Himself within the nation of Israel as well as other nations too (Genesis 1-2, The Book of Jonah, Ruth 1, Mathew 12:41, 1 Peter 2:9-10, Revelation 5:10). This process needs a Messiah (Genesis 3:15), because it is only a Messiah who can overcome the sin brought into the world by Adam. Notice there is no mention of Eve. Poor Eve, she always seems to get the blame for this (and still does, even in our culture today), but it is actually Adam, whom God held responsible for sin entering the world (Genesis 3:17; 22-24, Romans 5:12). Therefore, all through the Old Testament God is protecting the lineage of the Messiah, although it was a mystery back then because people looking forward did not know exactly what the Messiah was going to look like. The word Messiah means 'anointed one' and in the Old Testament an 'anointed one' was a man (King Cyrus) who did not even acknowledge God (Isaiah 45), a king (King David - 1 Samuel 16) or God Himself. Consequently, nobody really knew in the Old Testament what the Messiah was suppose to look like. We look back with the help of these events already taking place and know that Jesus is the Messiah (a King, man and God), but for the people of the Old Testament looking forward, it was still a mystery (Matthew 13:17, Acts 3:22).

What does all of this have to do with the election process? Plenty. Jesus is the chosen Messiah, God's Son, otherwise known as the Son of Man (Daniel 7), the King and High Priest of the Jews. Israel always had a way of wanting to go their own way (Judges 21:25), rejecting God and His advice. God always wanted to be recognized as Israel's King, yet we read, 'In those days there was no king' (Judges 21:25a), essentially Israel wanted to be like other nations and have a king as head of state for the security of their nation (1 Samuel 8:5-20), thereby rejecting God as their King and the protection He continually offered them through the Judges (Samuel, Deborah, Gideon); who were military commanders God raised up for their protection. God essentially gives Israel exactly what they want (1 Samuel 8:7), but warning them it will come at a cost in terms of oppression, because a king would initiate a military draft, raise taxes, confiscate their property and gain wealth at the expense of the people. This will result in Israel one day calling out to God, who in turn will not hear them because of their rejection (1 Samuel 8:18-19). Notice the dynamics here, and the manner in which this foretells the way Israel treats Jesus (John 19:5). As we can see, when it comes to elections, God purpose will be realized, yet at the same time He still allows the people to have their own way (-Yikes!!).

If you have a need, are in the hospital or would simply like to talk, we would be glad to listen, please call us at (218) 444-5015.

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