M. R. SARGE WAREHIME Chapter #33 – Odenton

Meeting Minutes – April 9, 2024 2024 – 2025 Installation of Officers

Opening Ceremony – The meeting was called to order at 1900 hrs. by Cdr Ben Green. Opening Ceremony conducted.

The meeting opened with prayer by Chaplain M. Ross and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag rendered.

<u>Cdr B. Green</u>: If there is no objection, we will dispense with all business, except the installation of officers. Hearing none, it is so ordered.

Roll Call of Elected Officers:

Commander – Robert Henry - Present Sr. Vice Commander – Ben Green - Present Jr. Vice Commander – Eliot Wilson – Present (late arrival) Treasurer – Catrina Redfield – Present (late arrival) Chaplain – Mitchell Ross – Present Sergeant of Arms – Lottie Miller - Present Officer of the Day – George Franklin - Present

Attendance - Membership Total: 19

Installing Officer – Commander, Department of Maryland – Mattie Whitfield Commander conducted installation ceremonies and introduced newly installed officers.

<u>Cdr R. Henry</u> – Expressed his appreciation to Department Commander. Thanked the Chapter for their election and stated be ready – because he likes having fun. Cdr Henry also thanked outgoing Cdr B. Green for his service to the Chapter.

<u>Sr. Vice B. Green</u>: Thanked the Chapter for their support when he called. I was my pleasure to serve the Chapter.

<u>Department Commander, M. Whitefield</u> – Congratulations to all the newly elected Officers. Camp Corral started per National. All donations go to Golden Corral Corporate Officer, then doubled by National. Chapter can donate and National will double it. Volunteers are needed. Please sign up on the calendar when you can. 2 members present at all times. Also explained the GC set up and Camp Corral mission. Must wear DAV attire/shirt.

<u>Note:</u> Once arrived, Installing Officer conducted a second Installation ceremony for Jr. Vice Cdr, Eliot Wilson and Treasure, Catrina Redfield.

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Upcoming Events/Announcements

80th Department Convention – May 12 – 17th, OC. MD. Dept Cdr M. Whitfield shared an overview of the scheduled events and agenda breakdown. CSO/DSO training on Mon, May 13th, 9am to 3pm. conducted by Baltimore Regional Office. CMS, claims process and training updates for veterans New membership cost is \$325. Reimbursement is \$70 back to veteran. Chapter 1, Claims Clinic, Baltimore MD on April 20. May 15, FMN luncheon, \$35 donation. Aug 2 – 6, National Convention, Phoenix, AZ. Reimbursement requires Commander approval / vote.

<u>Cdr R. Henry</u> – Read the DAV Mission Statement. Let's stay motivated. Every meeting will start on time. I believe in Camaraderie. We can do this!

Memorial Ceremony. Conducted by Cdr R. Henry

Closing Prayer – Led by Chap M. Ross

Closing Ceremonies - Cdr. R. Henry

Meeting adjourned: <u>Cdr. R. Henry</u> at 8:20pm. Refreshments provided. There will not be a Chapter meeting in May due to the Department Convention. <u>Next Meeting will be June 12th Severn Library</u>. (Odenton Library event room reserved for inhouse training)