

Louisville-Thruston Board of Governors Meeting

The Demolay Commandery Bldg., May 10, 2014

Members present: Pres. Doug Collins, 2nd V.P. Jim Jackson, 3rd V.P. Don Thom, Treas. Joe Shields & Sec./Hist. Jon Huffman.

Pres. Doug Collins called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. The Opening Prayer was given by Doug, Joe Shields led the Pledge of Allegiance and Doug led the Pledge to the SAR.

Donald Thom was sworn in by Pres. Doug Collins, thereby formally installing him as the chapter's 3rd V.P. Sec. Huffman read the minutes from the Feb. 22nd BOG held at Owl Creek Country Club. The minutes were accepted and approved.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

President: Doug presented details for the chapter's upcoming Flag Day Luncheon Meeting to be held June 14th at Hurstbourne Country Club. Fellow member Gen. Carl Black will be the speaker as well as one of the Korean veterans to be honored. The chapter's cost for the luncheon buffet will be \$17.95 a head plus taxes and gratuity which adds up to a total cost of \$21.54 per person. The question was raised concerning how much, if any, the cost of the meal should be subsidized, keeping in mind that we also have to cover the costs of potentially up to 18 veterans and guests. After some discussion, a motion was made that we charge members \$20.00 per person. The motion was seconded and carried. It was also suggested that starting in 2015 we should consider holding some of our meetings at other venues instead of restricting meetings to only country clubs. Additional discussion followed concerning various menu options, and the decision was made that the buffet would consist of Southwest Beef Tips w/rice and Chicken Picatta for the entrees, with sides of corn pudding and broccoli and fruit pie for dessert. This motion was seconded and carried.

A major part of the Flag Day program will include recognizing and honoring our Korean War veterans. The question was asked if we wanted to continue to award each veteran both a Medal and a Certificate, at a combined cost of \$31.00 each as we did for our WW II vets in 2012. It was unanimously agreed that we continue this tradition. We will also need to determine who will introduce the featured speaker and each of the veterans in attendance.

The Board agreed that Louisville Thruston Chapter should sponsor a third consecutive "Night at the Ballpark" at Slugger Field. Last year we sold between 50 – 60 tickets for the event, and it was great exposure for the chapter and for the color guard to present the Colors in front of 15,000 people. This year's event would have to be scheduled for sometime in August. For future consideration when the National Congress meets in Louisville in 2015, we may want to consider sponsoring a "Night at Churchill Downs."

Pres. Elect: Absent.

1st Vice-President: Absent

2nd Vice-President: No report.

3rd Vice-President: No Report.

Treasurer: The chapter's income for 2013-2014 was \$3,610.00, and we spent \$4,824.00 during the year putting us \$1,241.00 over budget. Most of that was due to subsidizing meals (particularly meals for

veterans) and also the \$900.00 cost for music at the Christmas Dinner & Dance. Next year's budget (2014-2015) will be slightly less at \$3,544.00.

Secretary: No Report

Historian: No Report

Chaplain: Absent

Chancellor: Absent

Registrar: Absent

Past President: Absent

Unfinished Business: Don asked about the status of our application to restore our federal tax exemption. Doug reported we're still on hold, waiting on the IRS to give us a decision. All final documentation was submitted to IRS on Jan. 13, 2013.

New Business: None to report.

Announcements: The next BOG is scheduled for Saturday, August 2nd. The Battle of Blue Licks Memorial will be on Saturday, August 16th with the KYSSAR State meeting in the morning and the Blue Licks Memorial in the afternoon. That event was recently dropped as a National SAR Event, and we're hoping to get it reinstated, so we're looking for a large member turnout.

There being no further business, and following the SAR Recessional, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 am.

Submitted by Jon E. Huffman, Secretary.