



The Veteran's Voice

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Members attending the January meeting included: Bob Matthews, Bill Dixon, Ron Wagoner, Lee Wilson, Bo Williams, RJ Del Vecchio, Bobby Thrower, Lee Booher, Dave Samuels, Joe Harsch, Jeff Kaner, Dennis Abels, Ron Harris, and Bud Gross.

Joe Harsch presented a fine meal that everyone enjoyed. The president started the meeting by leading us with the pledge of allegiance.

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Finance

Checking:	\$3501.64
Bridge Back:	\$577.21
Scholarship:	\$21,010.10

Our unit checking account was increased by a very successful Monte Carlo Night (>\$2,900 gross).

Monte Carlo Night

The Monte Carlo Night at the Elks Lodge was a major success, with many positive remarks and kudos from our guests. Ron Wagoner wrote a letter to the Elks Exalted Ruler expressing our gratitude for their generosity and support of our organization. Thanks to all participants will be published later when provided by the pit boss. Dave Samuels reported that Heather Hills' homeowners' association has again asked us to put on a casino night for them. We decided on a September 25 date for the event.

Education

Bob Matthews reported on the status of **BridgeBack** and the Lessons of Vietnam courses. Numerous financial supporters will make it possible for members of NCVVI to return to Vietnam to implement more charitable works such as playground equipment, bicycles, etc. Bob announced that he and others will attend workshops at UNC-CH, Washington, DC and New Jersey. There is a possibility of expanding the LOV courses to New Hanover county schools and to Boys Town in Nebraska

The 2010 scholarship program is on schedule and the topic for 2010 is: "It is generally believed that the armed forces of South Viet Nam (RVN) were never really effective in fighting the VC or the

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NVA. Is this a valid judgment? Discuss and defend your conclusion.” The essay topic and the application form with instructions can be found on our website, www.ncvvi.org. To date, four applications have been received, as reported by the Scholarship Administrator. The cut-off date is February 28, 2010. Because Sunday is the 28th, applications received with a post mark of March 1st will be accepted.

Upcoming Events

- 1) Saturday, March 6th - MIA/POW service at the Viet Nam memorial – Raleigh Capital grounds at 12.00 Noon.
- 2) March 16th - a night with the ‘Canes. Through the generosity of Hurricane player, 10 tickets to a skybox were made available to us. The tickets were distributed at the meeting.
- 3) March 29th - National Vietnam Veterans Recognition Day. N.C.V.V.I will conduct a special POW/MIA ceremony at the State Capitol grounds at Noon.
- 4.) April 24th - A day trip to the National WWII memorial in Bedford, VA is planned. If interested, let an officer know so the right number of vehicles can be arranged. We will probably leave our area about 8 AM.

Old Business

No old business was brought to the table at this meeting. The Monte Carlo Night will be a fund raiser for this year.

New Business

Ron Harris, Elections Chair, conducted the election of officers and directors for the coming year. The results:

President:	Ron Wagoner	Board of Directors:	Bill Dixon, past president
Vice President:	Joe Harsch		Dennis Abels
Treasurer:	Bud Gross		Lee Booher
Secretary:	Lee Wilson		Bobby Thrower
			Bo Williams

N.C.V.V.I. made a donation of \$100 to the Blue Star Mothers fund raiser.

Bill Dixon attended the Wake County Veterans Council last month and reported on their activities. Bill also mentioned the upcoming Cary “Lazy Dayz” event in August. It was decided that because of the expense and lack of a vendor, we would not participate.

Joe Harsch suggested that we invite Moses Gloria of the Vet Center to a meeting to fill us in on events and news relating to veterans. All agreed this was a good idea. Ron Wagoner will make the contact.

Information

- 1) Bo Williams will be our cook for the March 23rd meeting in Cary.

2) www.ncvvi.org The newsletters are posted on this site...



Dues Due List: (If your dues are paid up, please forgive this list.)

Acai, Steve	Dutcher, Dale	McNeely, Michael J.
Beane, Phil	Dyer, George D.	Melton, Norman
Beddingfield, Robert E.	Dyer, James E.	Palmer, Mark A.
Bimbo, Carl L.	Faulkner, Brady	Patrikios, Bob
Bozeman, Rob	Johnson, Steve	Peters, Ralph W.
Brooks, David	Kelly, Edward J.	Rawlings, John
Brown, Robert	Kenney, Whit	Samuels, David
Bywater, Mike	Kenny, Dean	Seagroves, Ted
Carter, Robert	Kesgen, Edward	Sodan, Robert J.
Cook, George G.	King, Donald	Toothaker, David
Cook, Michael J.	Kuhr, Bonnie	Walters, Ron
Davis, Kevin M.	Larson, Keith	West, Dale
Dawson, Robert L.	Loving, John C.	White, Robert
	McGinnis, Dwight R.	Whitmire, Warren T. (ret)

