

Minutes of the Third Quarterly Meeting

South Missouri Chapter of VHPA

13 August 2011

Columbia, Missouri

The third quarterly meeting of the South Missouri Chapter of VHPA was held on Saturday, 13 August, at the HyVee Club Room in Columbia, Missouri; John Sorensen, President, presiding. Following brief welcoming comments, the pledge of allegiance, and a moment of silence, first-time attendees were introduced and short bios given. Those included:

Steve Clark – guest of Ralph McClurg and potential Associate Member

Harold Clark – new member

Ken Carroll – new member

Tom Kerr

Harris Flanagin

Rick Sherman

The total attendance was 31.

In the way of announcements, John Sorensen announced that the fourth quarterly meeting will be held on 5 November, at The Keeter Center, on the campus of the College of the Ozarks, and would begin at 12:30pm. The 15th Annual Military Gala and Banquet will be held on 9 November, at the Chateau on the Lake, with cocktails and dancing beginning at 5:00pm and dinner at 6:00pm. He then outlined the Chapter's membership classifications: General Membership, Associate Membership, and Honorary membership, and explained that definitions could be found on the website, under the link to Constitution and By-Laws.

Ralph McClurg presented a brief (5 minute) video presentation which paid tribute to military aviation.

The meeting was then turned over to Russ Emory, Vice President/President-elect to preside over the election of officers to serve for the next two years. Running for Vice President was Bill Thompson, and for Treasurer was John Sorensen. No one sought the office of Secretary. Running unopposed, and according to Chapter By-Laws, the above were elected by acclamation, with the membership voting unanimously.

John Sorensen followed with some closing remarks, as President, in which he outlined the early days of the Chapter, and offered thanks to the membership and the Chapter Council for believing in our purpose

and goals, to those members who provided logistical support at each of our previous quarterly meetings, and to those who have donated books and welcomed home our World War II heroes from their Honor Flights to Washington, D. C. He offered special thanks to Russ Emory and Bill Thompson, without whose devotion, dedication, and hard work, the Chapter would not be where it is today.

Mr. Sorensen then presented Russ Emory with a President's shirt, embroidered with the Chapter logo, as a visible means of conveying a change in command.

Russ Emory, then, as President, expressed thanks to Mr. Sorensen for his efforts in starting the Chapter and serving two years as President. He then adjourned the meeting and lunch was served.