

**Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Indiana
Detachment Executive Committee
Post Convention
Crawfordsville, IN
June 24, 2007**

Commander Alexander opened the meeting in due form with a right hand salute to the colors of our nation at 10:45 AM. Acting Chaplain Ron Sexton said an opening prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Northern Vice Commander Bob Zimmer. The Preamble was led by Southern Vice Commander Dave Hanson.

Commander Alexander called for a roll call of officers. Acting Adjutant Damon Bradtmueller made a roll call of officers, which showed the following.

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| Commander: | Duane Alexander |
| Northern Vice Commander: | Ron Sexton |
| Northern Vice Commander: | Bob Zimmer |
| Southern Vice Commander: | Philip Purdy |
| Southern Vice Commander: | Dave Hanson |
| Finance Officer: | Steve Tansel |
| Sgt.-at-Arms: | Bill Robeson |
| NEC: | David Siggers |
| Alt. NEC: | Roland Baker |

District Commanders

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| 1st: | Dwayne Allis |
| 2nd: | Dan Conkling |
| 3rd: | Dave Benefiel |
| 4th: | Greg Spalding |
| 5th: | Jim Small (UnEX) |
| 6th: | Charles Wilson |
| 7th: | John Ferrand |
| 8th: | Dave Stewart |
| 9th: | Brian Hauser |
| 10th: | Bill Robeson |
| 11th: | Raymond Giehll III |

District Advisors

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| 6th: | Rodney Strong |
| 7th: | George Freeman |
| 10th: | Gordon Rayburn |

Past Detachment Commanders:

**Cliff Stephens
Dave Stephens
James Arter, Sr.
Raymond Giehll, Jr.
Terry Slagle
Rodney Strong
George Evans
Damon Bradtmueller
David Ridenour
Robert Rodeffer
David Siggers
Harrell Sorrels
Mark Tansel
Roland Baker
Mike Pipher
Mike Sheets**

Commander Alexander read his appointments for Detachment Officers for the year.

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| Adjutant: | Damon Bradtmueller |
| Asst. Adjutant: | Mark Tansel |
| Asst. Adjutant: | Harrell Sorrels |
| Asst. Adjutant: | James Arter |
| Asst. Adjutant: | Richard Pfeiffer |
| Chaplain: | Kevin Brislen |
| Historian: | Dewey Long |
| Asst. Sgt.-at-Arms: | Galen Close |
| Asst. Sgt.-at-Arms: | Mike Arend |
| Asst. Sgt.-at-Arms: | Logan Pipher |
| Asst. Sgt.-at-Arms: | Clarence Glass |
| Judge Advocate: | Terry Slagle |
| Membership: | Glenn Nagel |
| Public Relations: | Mike Pipher |

PDC Sheets made a motion to accept the appointments, seconded by PDC Slagle. Motion passed.

Commander Alexander then read his appointments for Commission Chairmen.

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| Americanism: | Gary Gregory |
| Children & Youth: | Barry Confer |
| Rehabilitation: | Jim Naylor |
| Internal Affairs: | Mike Sheets |

PDC Sheets made a motion to accept the Commission Chairman, seconded by PDC Arter. Motion passed.

Commander Alexander entertained a motion to create a new Religious Emphasis Committee with Kirk Rewerts as Chairman. PDC Sheets so moved, seconded by PDC Pipher. Motion passed.

Commander Alexander gave the Vice Commanders their Districts.

Vice Commander Sexton: Districts 4 & 5
Vice Commander Zimmer: Districts 1, 2 & 3
Vice Commander Purdy: Districts 6, 7 & 8
Vice Commander Hanson: Districts 9, 10 & 11

Commander Alexander appointed Northern Vice Commander Ron Sexton as Executive Vice.

PDC Sorrels made a motion to accept the Committee appointments as passed out, seconded by PDC Baker. Motion passed.

The following are the Commission and Committee Chairmen and members.

Americanism Commission:

Gary Gregory, Chairman
Dave Hanson
Mike Arend
William Trambaugh

Athletics:

Brad Dinius, Chairman
Cliff Stephens
Dewey Long
Charles Wilson

Boys State:

Jake Weber, Chairman
Mark Tansel
Chris Mustard

Children & Youth:

Barry Confer, Chairman
Dwayne Allis
Harrell Sorrels
John Ferrand

Americanism & Government:

Ron Sexton, Chairman
William Barnett
Jim Staggs
Clarence Glass

Children's Miracle Network:

Mike Arend, Chairman
Harrell Sorrels
Chris Mustard
Galen Close

Child Welfare Foundation:

Mike Sundy, Chairman

David Ridenour

Damon Bradtmueller

Community Involvement:

Dewey Long, Chairman

Jim Small

Dave Benefiel

Junior Shooting Sports:

Greg Spalding, Chairman

Jim Small

Cliff Stephens

Dave Stewart

Knightstown Home:

David Siggers, Chairman

Bill Robeson

Bob Zimmer

Mike Sheets

Oratorical:

David Hanson, Chairman

Frank Orsini

Barry Confer

Steve Tansel

Robert Rodeffer

Scholarship:

Bob Zimmer, Chairman

Kevin Brislen

Chris Carlton

Special Olympics:

Wesley Brock, Chairman

Logan Pipher

Mike Sorrels

Ron Sexton

Internal Affairs Commission:

Mike Sheets, Chairman

Mike Pipher, 3 Year

Roland Baker, 2 Year

Mark Tansel, 1 Year

Convention:

Mike Sheets, Chairman
Jeff Bunge , 2 Year
Randy Blake, 2 Year
J.P.Wythe, 1 Year
Rodney Strong, 1 Year

Information Technology:

Bill Pipher, Chairman
Mike Pipher

Legislative:

Kevin Brislen, Chairman
Brian Hauser
George Evans
Dan Conkling

Membership:

Glenn Nagel, Chairman
Ron Sexton
Bob Zimmer
Dave Hanson
Phil Purdy

Public Relations:

Mike Pipher, Chairman
Dwayne Allis
Brian Hauser
Frank Orsini

Information & Training:

Terry Slagle, Chairman
Mike Arend
Barry Confer
Mark Tansel
Damon Bradtmueller

Squadron Expansion:

Glenn Nagel, Chairman
Mike Sheets, Ex-Officio
Detachment Vice Commanders
District Commanders

Rehabilitation Commission:

Jim Naylor, Chairman
Dan Conkling, 3 Year
Kirk Rewerts, 2 Year
Raymond Giehll III, 1 YEAR

Homeless Veterans:

Maurice King, Chairman
Greg Spaulding
Wesley Brock
J. P. Wythe

Indiana Veteran's Home:

James Arter Sr., Chairman
Kirk Rewerts
Galen Close
Kevin Brislen

POW/MIA:

William Barnett, Chairman
Milton Richmer
John Ferrand
Mike Elwood

VAVS:

Jim Staggs, Chairman
Mike Sorrels
Phil Purdy
Chris Carlton

Distinguished Guest:

Roland Baker, Chairman
Mike Sheets
David Ridenour
Robert Rodeffer

Finance:

Steve Tansel, Chairman
Raymond Giehll Jr., 3 Year
Richard Pfeiffer, 2 Year
Milton Richmer, 1 Year

Resolutions:

Richard Pfeiffer, Chairman
Terry Slagle
Raymond Giehll Jr.

Campout:

David Siggers, Chairman
James Arter Sr.
Bill Robeson
Paul Wilkerson

Commander Alexander presented his Mission Statement, which is: To improve the leadership and advance the Detachment to a more professional level.

Detachment Officers

1. Each officer will be responsible for membership and recruitment of future leaders.
2. Each officer will be responsible for the improvement of our organization by presenting a professional attitude in all endeavors.
 - A. Professional dress when required
 - B. Knowledge of our organization
 - C. Leadership
 - D. Program involvement and promotion
 - E. Active roles within the home Post and Community
3. A more unified Detachment
 - A. Recommended North/South caucus twice a year: 30 days after Detachment Convention and 30 days before Close of Books
4. Personal investment
 - A. Time
 - B. Finance
 - C. Experience

Commander Alexander stated that the dress code for all officers is business dress for all meetings, i.e. coat and tie, and blue Detachment shirt with black or gray slacks for casual events.

Commander Alexander read his goals for the Detachment.

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| Membership: | 2 cards over Close of Books for each Squadron |
| Child Welfare Foundation: | \$50,000 |
| Children's Miracle Network: | \$15,000 |
| Indiana Veteran's Home: | \$10,000 |
| Knightstown Home: | \$10,000 |
| Homeless Veterans: | \$1,000 |
| Special Olympics: | \$1,000 |
| Rehabilitation: | \$1,000 |
| Habitat for Humanity, Commander's Project: | <u>\$30,000</u> |
| Total: | \$118,000 |

PDC Sheets made a motion to accept Commander Alexander's report, seconded by PDC Giehll. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

Information & Training:

Chairman Terry Slagle stated that he has set up sessions in the 2nd and 4th Districts, and he needed to hear from two more Northern Districts that wish to host training seminars.

Campout:

Chairman Dave Siggers said that we needed to make up a format for the Campout at the Knightstown Home Campground. Commander Alexander asked that a training session for the kids be added to the schedule.

Public Relations:

Chairman Mike Pipher asked everyone to hit the contact button on our web site, www.in-sal.org. Let everyone know of your ideas and events.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

PDC Pipher stated that the American Legion has broken off ties with the Soldiers 4 Soldiers program.

PDC Rodeffer said that the 2nd District was replacing the roof on the pavilion at IVH. The deck needed to be pressure washed and resealed and new seats provided on the benches.

Good of the SAL:

A \$5 fine was presented for CWF.

Squadron 500 Donated \$1,000 to Knightstown Home.

With no further business to come before this meeting, Commander Alexander called on Chaplain Brislen for a closing prayer. With a right hand salute to the colors of our nation, the meeting was adjourned at 11:22 AM.