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Officers Meeting via Conference Call

September 3, 2013

The August Officers meeting was held via a conference call on Tuesday September 3rd. Meeting was called to order at 4:03 pm. by John Thomas. Because of conflicts in the last part of August the officers meeting was held in September.

The conference call originated at 4:00 pm with John Thomas monitoring the call. John Thomas, Ron Robbins, Carrie Johnson, Bob Larson and Norville Pervier all participated in the call.

Minutes from the Officers Meeting on July 23 – minutes from the last officers meeting held on July 23, 2013 were approved as submitted by all officers.

Treasurer's Report – Ron Robbins reported that as of 8-30-13 the checking account balance was \$ 3,205.84. At 9-3-13 the balance was \$3,022.10. Contributions to date are \$4,990.93.

Mailings – John reported that there was a huge mailing of envelopes. 2220 envelopes were sent out by Lakes Printing. John has already seen some returns in the mail. We talked about duplicate mailings and how to delete them off the system. Not all the bills have been received for the mailings, postage, inserts, brochures and business cards but hopefully within the next couple weeks we will get an accurate cost of these expenses.

Fair Recap – John Thomas gave a report about the fairs we attended. He said everything went well and we handed out thousands of brochures at the fairs. He thanked everyone for their hard work. He stated that the MN State Fair was phenomenal. Busy day but well worth our time being there. He has emailed out several emails about the fair.

Camp Ripley Open House – The Camp Ripley Open House will be on **Sunday September 15, 2013** from 10:00am to 3:00 pm. We have been invited to have a booth for this event. Dave DeMartino has offered to be there and also Carrie Johnson will be there. Anyone who would like to be in the booth is invited to stop by. John Thomas will have the details. We will have a huge tent, with tables to display information and electricity. John Thomas will be setting up the display about 9:15 – 9:30 so any help would be appreciated.

Community Representatives – John still has many boxes of business cards for our representatives. Please contact John if you want a box and/or how to get together to get them. John also has T-shirts available for anyone working the booth at the Camp Ripley Open House. We are continuing to contact and get community representatives.

General Meeting Date Change – We discussed moving the general meeting night from the 2nd Tuesday evening of each month to the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month. The 3rd Tuesday night in September and December are already booked at the VFW in Little Falls. We decided to wait till the 1st of the year or at the Annual meeting to make any changes. We felt it would be confusing if we changed right now. We will be talking to the VFW to make sure the 3rd Tuesday evening is available in 2014 before we make any changes. **If anyone would like to have the meeting somewhere else PLEASE LET US KNOW.** We have had the meeting in Little Falls MN because it is a central location for those that have been at the meetings. Since we may be changing the night of the meeting now would be a good time to mention other locations as well.

Mickman Brothers Wreaths – Bob Larson and John Thomas will set up a meeting with Mickman Brothers about purchasing wreaths again this year. They will check on pricing, availability, promotions and quality of the wreaths.

Radio Interviews – John Thomas will contact various radio stations to set up interview times again this year.

Pay Pal – Ron Robbins will check on some issues we are having with our Pay Pal account.

Cemetery Update – John Thomas reported that all the construction is complete at the State Veterans Cemetery at Camp Ripley. They are in the process of placing black dirt and seeding.

Vietnam Vets Hog Roast – Bob Larson said the Vietnam Vets Hog Roast will be on October 10, 2013 at the Sauk Rapids VFW Post. He will post a flyer on our web site.

The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday night, 9-10-13 at the VFW in Little Falls MN at 6:30 pm. If anyone would like to have the meeting somewhere else please let us know.

The next Officers meeting will be on Tuesday September 24th via conference call.

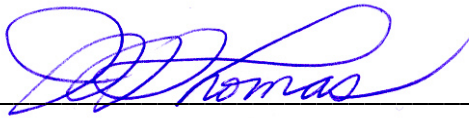
Meeting was adjourned at 4:48 pm.

Conference call was ended.

Minutes submitted by: Carrie Johnson

Secretary for WFTF.org

Minutes accepted by: _____



John Thomas, President - WFTF.org

Please call John Thomas at 218-829-6622 if you have any questions or concerns about the meeting or any other questions you may have regarding WreathsForTheFallen.org.