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OLD DOMINION CHAPTER #364

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✧ President's Message ✧

We had a good turnout for the last meeting and a very interesting talk by CAPT Paul Jacobs, USN, Retired. Paul was in on the final evacuation of Saigon, and shepherded 30,000 refugees and the Vietnam Navy to the Philippines near the end of the war. The Bureau of Medicine and Surgery made an outstanding DVD on this mission and we were among the first ever to see this DVD. Paul was supposed to give us a talk on the "Battle of Penoscot" , but at the last minute got a copy of the DVD given to him since it featured his ship, the USS KIRK. He will be traveling most of the summer and will return in the fall and he has agreed to give the talk on the "Battle of Penobscot".

We also elected two new members to Membership in Old Dominion Chapter, Brothers Floyd Burgher and Justin Strait. Welcome aboard! By the way, they both became LMIP.

This month, Harry Sanders, President of National Sojourners, will be visiting our Chapter. So lets have a great turnout for him.

For those interested in purchasing a National Sojourners Apron, please let the Secretary know.

Our editor, Janine Kovack ,is undergoing surgery in August and is expected to be out of the office for approximately two weeks. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Kent

✧ Commander's Message ✧

Brethren:

Labor Day has passed and for most of us the summer is officially over and the pools are closed. The pace of our lives and family activities has picked up and before we know it the hot weather will be gone and we will be complaining about the cold, rain, and snow.

The pace of our work to assist our Old Dominion 364 Chapter and the Light Horse Harry Lee Camp, Heroes of '76 is picking up. I encourage each of you to make a special effort to identify fellow Masons who are eligible or interested in membership as well as helping me identify prospective candidates to become Rekruids. Our Masonic order and the related camp offer a great deal to our military comrades. Let us all make an effort to give more of them an opportunity to be members.

Our next Bivouac will be at Camp Collingwood on Wed. Sept. 30. We do have a Rekruid on orders to attend, so we will need a good turnout to properly walk the new Hero through the cold of the night. Please plan to attend and let our Secretary Johnny Mayers know as to your attendance. Our faithful Adjutant Les Albers will be on Temporary Duty with his employer the Fairfax County Scholl System with Back to School Night.

Please remember that one of our primary purposes is to put on Americanism and Bridge of Light ceremonies for adult and youth groups. Remain alert for any possible opportunity to present a program to a group of which you are a member or know about.

Our dinner for the evening will be an Italian dinner with salad. If this is a problem for anyone, please let me know.

Please feel free to call me at 703-281-7489 or email me at ciddad@aol.com with any questions or suggestions.

Woody Bentley
Camp Commander

✧ Secretary Minutes ✧

August 18, 2010 Minutes

(Thank you to Brother Johnny Mayers for taking the August minutes)

Opening / Call to Order:

The August stated meeting of Old Dominion Chapter 364 National Sojourners was held in the Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge No. 2188 at 8421 Arlington Boulevard, Fairfax, VA 22031. We enjoyed an excellent dinner of roast beef and most of all the fellowship that surrounded our membership.

Attendance: 19 (7 women, 12 men).

The Chapter was called to order by President Bro. Kent Webber at 1940 hours. The Colors were posted in place. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brother Woody Bentley. Brother Scotty Cameron delivered the Toast to the Flag and Acting Chaplain Bro. Bill Turner offered the opening prayer. The Purposes of National Sojourners was delivered by Bro. Kent Webber.

Correspondence (Secretary Les Albers):

Mail received: None

Secretary: Minutes of the last meeting (July 2010) were approved by acclamation.

Treasurer: Checking account: \$3,768.26; Capitol One Money Market account \$9,019.90.

Membership:

New members: 2
(Brothers Justin Strait and Floyd Burgher)

Current active members: 194

Introductions and Welcome:

Members: Bro. Bill Turner; Bro. Kent Webber, National Trustee; Bro. Scotty Cameron, Emeritus, PP, PC; Bro. Woody Bentley, NASOCOCO; CLMA; Chapter trustee, PC, PP; Past Presidents: Bill MacBrayne; Ralph Smith.

Program: CAPT Paul Jacobs spoke about the 1975 evacuation of Saigon, focusing on the book "The Lucky Few: The Story of the USS Kirk".

Commander LHHL (for: Woody Bentley):

Next Heroes Bivouac at Camp Collingwood: 29 September 2010. Social time: 1830, Dinner at 1900. Program: Recruit David Buffaloe.

Committee Reports:

ROTC: No report.

Americanism and BOL: No report.

Programs: No report.

Wellness and sadness: Reports were made on Brother George Harrington; Cum Hoy Brown; and the passing of Les Albers brother.

Collingwood (John Mayers): \$200 was presented to the Collingwood Challenge.

Old business: None

New Business: Brother Harry Sanders will attend the September meeting.

President's remarks (Bro. Kent Webber):

Next meeting: Wednesday, 15 September.

Closing:

1. The gavel was passed to all.
2. Collection for Collinwood: \$20.
3. Chaplain Bro. Bill Turner gave the closing prayer, 2145.
4. The colors were retired in place.
5. Meeting closed at 2145 hours.

At your service, Les Albers

NEXT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

**The next Chapter Meeting is on
Wednesday, 20 October 2010, at the
Arlington-Fairfax BPO Elks Lodge
located at
8421 Arlington Blvd (US 50), Fairfax, VA 22031.**

Uniform of the Day: Casual

Social Hour at 1830 hrs. Dinner at 1900 Hours

Brother Harry Sanders will be attending our meeting.

**Please make reservations through Brother Joe Spruill at 703-615-6275
or joe.spruill@yahoo.com by the end of the day on Sunday, 17 October.**