

John A. Sutter Chapter #1841

Monthly Board Meeting Minutes, Meeting Date: 15 Jun 6020 (2015)

Meeting Called to Order: Meeting was called to order at 18:38, Brother Bob Popeye Farrell presiding.

Pledge to the Flag: Brother Bob "Popeye" Farrell led the meeting in the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call of Board Members: Roll was taken, those present and absent were so noted as follows:

P = Present, A = Absent, X = Excused absence
P___ NGH Bob "Popeye" Farrell
P___ Vice NGH Dean "Mr Clean" Hupp
P___ GNR Paul "Sparks" Laue
P___ GDR Gary "Col Klink" Klinke
X___ Hangman Kevin "Stinky" Jenkins
P___ Damn Fool Doorkeeper Matt "Beerman" Jorge
P___ Board Member at Large Keith "Hardshell" Kinne
P___ Board Member at Large George "Georgetown George" Martin
___ Board Member at Large ---- Vacant ----
P___ Clampatriarch Dean "Mr Clean" Hupp
P___ Graybeard Gary "Everready" Karl
P___ Graybeard Mike "Gunshot" Young
P___ Graybeard Bob "Ironhorse" Stevenson
P___ Graybeard Russell "Christ" Holder

NGH Report: NGH Bob "Popeye" Farrell reported on the following:

- Mr Clean, Ironhorse, Hardshell, and myself attended the Sam Brannan 1004 Candlelight Doins on June 3rd. Good low key doins about 60 or so red shirts in attendance, good food, and I got my boots polished by a PBC
- Attended the James Marshall general meeting on June 9th, good meeting with about 13 brothers present. Matt "Ben Franklin" Havens talked a little bit about the World Gold Panning Championship Sept 11-18th 2016 in Placerville. I have checked out the web site to see if we can enter a team, or if it is all single competitors. I can find no distinctive information on the web site. I will continue to check into the competition, it might be fun to have a few "Clamper teams" in the mix. Matt checked into it a little and did not find anything where we could get involved. He was looking at it to have Clampers roaming the crowd giving Historical insights to those that might be interested.
- I will not be at the General Meeting on the 18th of June, I have business taking me out of town on that date.

VNGH Report: VNGH Dean "Mr. Clean" Hupp reported on the following:

- No report was given

GNR Report: Brother Paul "Sparks" Laue read the minutes from previous meeting, with no corrections or changes the minutes were accepted as read.

GDR Report: Brother Gary "Col Klink" Klinke " reported the chapter is solvent.

- \$15,779.92 current balance – No change from previous month
- Bob Farrell asked for a finished and complete report to be submitted later
- Need to pay an insurance bill for \$432 and renew the domain name for \$12

Hangman Report: Brother Kevin “Stinky: Jenkins reported on:

- No Report

Plaque Committee report:

- Per Bob Farrell: I have talked with Gary Reason the commander of the West Sacramento VFW Post 8762 and the Post is still up for us to Plaque the building as we have discussed in the past. We will have to get our wording together for the plaque and choose what type of plaque we want (Brass, granite, marble, etc.)
- Dean cancelled the appointment with the West Sac Historical Society after an apparent lack of interest on their part.
- Gary Carl says it could be mounted on Brick and said he knew how to do it.
- Discussion about plaque styles and mountings was had
- Gary asked about the “Victory Trees” project – no new info was known

Cook Crew Report: No report

Website Report: Brother Russell “Christ” Holder reported that the website is being updated “bit by bit” and is being worked. Fixed a minor issue with the counter, and addressed the Facebook page issue (Must be a friend of “Stinky” to see it)

Future Doin’s and Committee Reports:

1. **“Widders Holiday Ball”** open to all redshirts and their invited guest (invited guest need not be Clampers) Dec 5th. 2015
2. **Location:** VFW Post 6158 Fair Oaks CA. off Hazel by Sunset in Fair Oaks The Hall will have tables, Chairs, Kitchen, Stage, and a full open bar. No outside food, drinks, or alcohol will be allowed. – Address is 8990 Kruitof - \$250 rental fee
3. **Food: Dean Mr Clean Hupp** has graciously been volunteered, by that no good lowly scoundrel **Bob Popeye Farrell NGH**, to fill the position of Chairman of the Food Committee for the Widders Holiday Ball. Dean will look into cost for catering the event and what will be served etc. Dean will appoint committee members as required. Dean suggested contacting Chapter 49’s cook crew. Laughs were had. Dean accepted his appointment
4. **Decorations:** We need a chairman for the Decorations committee. Ideas for Decorations? The theme is Holiday Widders ball, so we should have something relating to Christmas (sign, banner, etc) and of course it is a Widders Ball so what should we do to recognize the widders?
 - a. Bob “Popeye” Farrell was nominated by the Greybeards for this committee. Traditionally this is assisted by the Humbugs Widder. Marella and Kay will assist.
5. **Entertainment:** Chairman **Bob Popeye Farrell**. The Band Crystal Image will be playing 50’s, 60’s, 70’s dance music. This band has played Clamper functions including the ECV 58 Widders Ball. They are a four member band.
 - a. **Band costs:** \$450 with \$100 deposit already paid.
6. **Flyer and Publication:** Chairman **Bob Popeye Farrell**. Things we will need to address in the Flyer.

Cost of the event for couples and stag (Gary emphasized “Well behaved” Stag)
Flyer to include Location, Dinner Menu, Band info, Cost, Directions, and pre-pay form.
Do we want to have a site for Credit card pre-pay (ECV 1841Web Site, Eventbrite, etc.)
When to publish? As soon as flyers are done and approved?
Post on Facebook
Get info into the Flatlander
Get info into the ECV Gazette
Contact our neighboring Clamper communities

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Send Flyers to all Chapters and Outpost.

Anywhere else?

Mike Young recommended getting a “save the date” out on the website, Facebook, and the flatlander

7. Raffle Prizes: Need a Chairman

How many raffle prizes and should they all be geared to the Lady's, or just most of them.

8. Widders Gift: Need a Chairman

A certificate of appreciation full of all the accolades we can bestow upon them including a Big Thanks for letting us go Clamping for the rest of the year.

Maybe Flowers or a small potted plant, or a trinket of somekind?

- Paul volunteered his Widder Kay to assist him in this endeavour if she will accept.

9. Sign in at the event: Chairman GDR Gary “Col Klink” Klink

Have a complete list of all the prepays and be prepared to take day of arrivals at the door.

Do we need to have wrist bands or something for identification?

- The idea of a nice ribbon instead of a wrist band was entertained

Old / Unfinished Business:

- The Fall doins Date has fallen through again. The second week in October is the same weekend that Tuleburg 69 is having their doins. I would like to see us have a Candlelight One day Doins on the third Saturday in October if we can get it planned in time. This would be a good time to dedicate the VFW Hall 8762 Plaque. Or maybe we should see when we will have the plaque ready to go and then build a date around that? The one thing we want to do is to adequately publish any doins date that we have well in advance of the day of.
- the 501C status for the state – Linda Thorne was not responding. Talk was had about looking into the forms and preparing ourselves if not too complicated

New Business:

- We will be printing up new Sheepskins using M&M printing. I have no cost yet.
- Veterans Day Parade in Elk Grove Nov 11th 2015. We have been invited to participate in the Veterans day Parade in ELK Grove this year, by Sophia Sherman. Is there any interest? This is a good opportunity to show the community the good side of Clamping. We were in the parade two years ago in Gary Everready Karl's fire truck and we were very well received. Maybe we could make a float to ride in this year?
- I would like to see the Chapter involved with a charitable organization of some type so we can make donations in the name of John A Sutter 1841 ECV. To that end we need a Chairman. Anyone, anyone?
 - a. A “fee” of a can of food for each meeting was suggested and Bob “Popeye” Farrell approved. Matt Jorge volunteered to collect and store them.
- Should we cancel the general meeting in December. Traditionally this is when we have our free dinner, however this year we are having our Widders Holiday Ball earlier in the month and it is a week before Christmas. It was motioned by Georgetown to cancel the December general meeting. Gary Carl seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Members Sick or in Distress:

- None reported

Good of the Order:

- 20th of June 2015
 - LSD #3 candlelight in Foresthill
 - An event at the Dixon Fair grounds

Atta Boy's:

- Gary Klinke gave a homeless man money and feels great because of it.

With no further business before this board, the meeting adjourned at 20:30 PM

Misc:

Submitted by : Paul "Sparks" Laue NGR