

American Legion
University of Akron
Post 808
Post Minutes 4/17/2017

The 34th meeting of the American Legion University of Akron Post 808 was called to order by Commander Ashley Gorbulja at 6:32 PM.

The presentation of the colors and pledge of allegiance were led by the Commander. The Prayer and moment of silence honoring POW/MIA was led by Chaplin Jim Perrine.

The quorum call indicated 12 members present and three guests (Mike Livingston, Tanya Katabanovs and Brandon Fort), one WebEx attendee (Darryl Mauder). Total 16 present at meeting. The Commander declared a quorum was present for motion/voting for the post.

A motion to approve the minutes of the March meeting was made, and it was noted that the Chaplain's name needed to be corrected before approval. March minutes were then approved.

Guest speakers: Tanya Karabanovs, Director of USO of Northern Ohio and Project Summit Director: Mike Livingston

Tanya spoke first about the background and structure of the USO which is not a governmental agency. It was started by President Franklin D. Roosevelt at the beginning of WWII. She described the wide variety of services currently provided in Northern Ohio. They have five locations in Northern Ohio. She is looking to expand USO services in the Akron area. Mary Rossett invited her to set a table at the upcoming Jobs Expo on November 16, 2017. There were many questions at the end of her talk from several members.

Mike Livingston then spoke about the upcoming wounded Warrior Amputee Softball at Canal Park on July 15, 2017. He showed us the prototype shirts for the Post 808 team players and other details.

Commanders Report – Ashley discussed recent fund raisers for the post. One at Chipotle raised \$966.80 and one at Melt raised \$152.85. Post 808 dinner fund raiser is coming up on 4/20/2017. Also the new FOB Polsky lounge will be opening on April 20 also. Post member Rusty King is working on several fundraising events. Also the Military Ball scheduled for October 14, 2017 is moving forward. Ashley also announced that she will not be running for the Commander's position for the upcoming election.

1st Vice Commanders Report – Not present – no report.

2nd Vice Commanders Report – Chris spoke about the POW/MIA chair Eagle scout project. It is moving forward.

Adjutants Report – Jay spoke about the upcoming election and positions that are open. Also that we would be able to set up a table with a donation jar for Post 808 at the July 15 ball game.

Executive Board – Brad mentioned that we have two Boys state boys

Communications Officer – No report.

Committee Reports – No report

Service Officer – No report.

Old Business – No report

New Business – No report.

Next meeting will be held **May 15th** at the **Military Lounge at Infocision Stadium.**

Reminders name tags/ preambles/ name tag return

Chaplain's Prayer led by Chaplin Jim Perrine.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

MISC Information:

This meeting is available on WebEx:

<https://uakron.webex.com/uakron/ldr.php?RCID=0295d35ef9c65b38030f71dcd5673b73>

Student Veteran fundraiser ticket and Donation Link: <http://commerce.cashnet.com/orgmilvet>

- Our Facebook page is up and running. Post activities can be viewed going back to October, 2014.
- Google - American Legion Post 808 Akron.
- Also, our website is up and running. (www.al808.org)