

American Legion
University of Akron
Post 808
Post Minutes 9/18/2017

The 39th meeting of the American Legion University of Akron Post 808 was called to order by Commander Rusty King 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 Ashley Gorbulja.

The quorum call indicated 15 members present and seven guests (Mary Rossett, Andrew Boyazis, Jim Boyazis, Jean Boyazis and Steven and wife Boyazis). Total 22 present at meeting. The Commander declared a quorum was present for motion/voting for the post.

The minutes for the August meeting were sent out so they were reviewed and approved by the membership.

Guest speakers:

George Naswadi, Ashland Eagles Jr. Rifle Club Coach

Andrew Boyazis, Buckeye Boys State attendee

Michael Chastain, Ohio Means Jobs

Commanders Report – The post is still looking for a PAO And Chaplain, Anyone interested in serving in either one of these positions contact any post officer. The website is being developed by Jason Graven. Fellow post member Jim Perrine passed away several weeks ago. Several post members attended his calling hours.

1st Vice Commanders Report – Chris introduced George Naswadi, the Ashland Eagles Jr. Precision Rifle Team Coach who explained what the team was all about. Post 808 has been sponsoring the team for the last four years.

2nd Vice Commanders Report – The Military Ball is coming up October 14. Suits are now acceptable as we were not able to secure a reasonable price from any local tux dealers. October 7 is the deadline for ticket sales. Proceeds will be 80% to Wags4Warriors, 10% to SVA and 10% to Post 808. Daryll has started a phone drive for membership renewals. We are also starting an employer speaker program starting tonight. Daryll introduced Michael Chastain, who works for the State of Ohio finding jobs for veterans. The Ohio Means Jobs Office is on Tallmadge Avenue. Their services are free of cost. They are able to help veterans translate their experience into civilian employers needs. Military Veterans Appreciation football game is October 28 at 11:30. The tailgate will take place at around 9:00 in parking lot 9B across from Subway.

Andrew Boyazis, a student at Revere High School, was the Post 808 Boys State person. He is a third generation attendee. Both his father and grandfather attended Boys State. He shared his experiences and what he learned. He is looking to go the either West Point or Annapolis.

Adjutants Report – We received a deployment post card from Christian Turner, a past president of the Military Veterans Association. She is currently deployed to Iraq. Reservations have been made for the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad event on October 21. We have 50 tickets for post members and their immediate families. See Jackie Ashbaugh at jackie1@uakron.edu for tickets. Uniform hats and shirts for officers have been ordered but no lead time has been given.

Executive Board – No report.

Communications Officer – No report.

Committee Reports – No report

Service Officer – No report.

Old Business – No report

New Business – Jason asked whether the membership would want to support alumni business and entrepreneurial on our website. Motion was made and past. Range Day is coming up October 7.

Next meeting will be held **October 16, 2017** at the **Military Lounge at Infocision Stadium.**

Reminders name tags/ preambles/ name tag return

Chaplain's Prayer led by Ashley Gorbulja.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm.

MISC Information:

This meeting is available on WebEx:

<https://uakron.webex.com/uakron/ldr.php?RCID=cf42c1580ec108b6d0b3fe1ae3240b5b>

Membership Renewals can be made on the Post Website [Al808.org](http://al808.org)

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)