

# Gamewardens of Vietnam – Mid-Atlantic Chapter

## MINUTES FOR THE 2/9/08 MEETING:

The Gamewardens of Vietnam, MIDLANT Chapter held their Quarterly meeting on February 9, 2008.

The meeting was held at the Virginia Beach VFW Hall.

The meeting was started with the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance were 18 members and guests.

Under first order of business, Past President, Larry Weatherall, introduced new President, Jerry Gandy and turned the remainder of the meeting over to Jerry.

Jerry's first act was to present Larry with a plaque and to thank him for his service for the past two years.

New Business: Norm Giroux CMDCM, COMRIVGRU One was introduced and proceeded to give a power point



*Larry - holding plaque in group meeting*

presentation of the alignment, armament and capabilities of RIVGRU One. Norm was followed by Tanya Deldriore, Command Senior Chief of Maritime Expeditionary Security Squadron four. Tanya briefed us on their new alignment and advised that the Squadron was preparing for it's first deployment to the Middle East.

Following these interesting presentations the Chapter got down to the business of Chapter work.

1. Jerry announced the Chapter's new slate of officers.

Vice President: Gary Marker

Secretary: Clarence, (Coop) Cooper

Treasurer: Gary Marker continuing in the position (pending a volunteer to replace him)

Supply Officer: Pat Doyle

Board of Directors: Remained the same with the exception that BOS'N Kirkey was replaced by Larry Weatherall.

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2. Coop, who is the National reunion Coordinator gave an update and asked for assistance in preparation for the Annual Reunion here in July 2008. A sheet was passed around for those who are willing to assist to volunteer. The schedule of events and more detailed information will be forthcoming in a news letter and is posted on the National Web Page.
3. The need to establish a Sun Shine, or Petty Cash fund was brought to the floor. Following some discussion, it was motioned, seconded and passed that a fund, drawn from our Treasury would be available for “good of the order” use. Vaughn Shuler volunteered to handle the task of ordering flowers and such.
4. Jerry gave a “raving” Review of the Chapter’s visit to Blackwater USA and of Admiral Jordan’s retirement. RADM Bullard is the person who retired vice RADM Jordan.
5. Boat. Larry W., Coop and Jerry made a visit to our boat at Little Creek this past Thursday. The boat needs a good “scrub down” prior to the Reunion.
6. Gary Marker will discuss with the XO, Maritime Expeditionary Security Squadron Four, how we may be of help preparing for and during Tanya’s retirement celebration.
7. May 26, 2008, Memorial Day was discussed and the need for a taller stand for our wreath was mentioned.
8. A discussion next ensued as to whether we wanted to continue meeting at the Virginia Beach VFW, or meet elsewhere. It was decided, that, though it is not a definite thing, we would continue to meet at the VFW, Unless someone found a “Spot” and we met there on a one time basis.
9. A new Chapter Banner (See Photo next page) was prepared and presented to the Chapter and displayed during the meeting (Thanks to our illustrious Supply Officer, Pat Doyle and the PABST Brewing Company).
10. The order of new Chapter Vests were available for pickup by those who had placed orders.
11. Our next meeting is the third Saturday of May which will be the 17th, vice the 24th.
12. One of our members had suggested that the numbers on our Boat located at Little Creek Amphibious Base display the number of BM1 William’s Boat on one side and the boat number of SN Ollett, RivDiv 532 on the other as both were Medal of Honor winners. Following discussion surrounding the efforts that Larry Weatherall and Dave Wilkerson had made making our boat as presentable for show as it is and presently displaying their boat numbers, a “motion” was not seconded or carried as made my Bill Ferguson to change the numbers and the motion failed.

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GWVN Mid-Atlantic Chapter Banner



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