

**VVA Chapter 731 General
Membership Meeting For
Dec. 1st 2011**

Meeting Called to Order By: Chris Wagner

Pledge of Allegiance Lead By: *Ken Decker*

Prayer by Chaplain: Ran Jansen

Moment of Silence for POW's, MIA's, and Fallen Comrades.

Introduction of Guests and New Members:

Approval of Minutes : approved

Treasurers Report by: *Mike Laughrin :Approved as reported.*

Secretary's Report and Communications by: *Pete Schramm:*

Vice President's Report by: Terry Johnson: This year's Christmas party will be at Silver Valley Supper Club, Jan.7th 2012. Cocktails at 5 and dinner at 6.

President's Report by: *Ken Decker: We have received a lot of positive feedback from the Manitowoc Holiday Parade. Thanks to all who participated. During this Holiday season, don't forget the Veterans in the area nursing homes. A schedule of the visitation times will be posted on the website.*

CVSO Report: *Jane Babcock*

State Council Notes: Mike Demske:

Committee:

Color Guard: Tom Hoffman : Events since last meeting: Nov.5th, Veterans Day dance table setting. Nov.11th, Firing at the County Memorial for Veterans Day. Nov. 12th, Manitowoc United Veterans banquet. Nov. 17th, at Jefferson elementary school. Nov. 23rd, was the Manitowoc Christmas parade. At this time there are no up-coming events scheduled.

Newsletter: Donna Franz:

Education: Tom Hoffman:

Scholarship: Dick Luchsinger:

Membership: Total-195 Veterans -162 AVVA-33

Chaplain:

Web Site Coordinator: *Karen Seipel: (www.vetsofamerica.org) Information for this year's scholarships is now on the website.*

Quartermaster: *Roy Tegan:*

High Ground: *Jim Wilsman:*

Fundraising: Gordy Strauss:

Finance and Audit: Mike Laughrin:

Veterans Affairs: Tim Thiers:

Sick and Welfare: Gene Nelson is at Aurora Hospital in Two Rivers, room #304. Keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

AVVA Liaison: *Karen Seipel :*

Dance Committee: Roy Tegen: *Checks are still coming in from this year's dance. We are still looking for some of the winners from the silent auction.*

Old and Unfinished Business: A new winter home for our truck has been found thanks to Greg Martell. Thanks again, Greg for all your work with the truck and trailer.

Remember we will be ringing bells on Sat. Dec. 17th for the Salvation Army at Festival Foods in Mtwc. and Pick N Save in TR.

New Business: Roy suggested that Mary Bertchy, who helped a lot with the dance, should be nominated for AVVA member of the year. A motion was made and seconded to pay for one year's membership dues for Bob Knox.

Motion Made and Seconded to Adjourn

50/50 Raffle Winner: Terry Johnson

Next General Membership Meeting: At the American Legion, 811A Jay St. Manitowoc Wisconsin at 6:30pm, on Jan 5th, 2012.