

### VETERANS COUNCIL OF CHATHAM COUNTY INC.

## POST OFFICE BOX 16561

## SAVANNAH, GA 31416

Joe Higgins, Chairman

(THE VOICE OF 28 VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS)

- The meeting was called to order at 1900 hours by Chairman Joe Higgins at American Legion Post 184. The meeting was recorded live on Facebook.
- Lou Buckner- gave the opening invocation.
- The National Anthem was played, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The POW/MIA flag posted by Sr. Vice-Vejar
- Installation of Officers- by 2024/2025 VOY Ed Gizara
- 1st Guest: Thomas Burkart- attorney for Veteran's Assistance
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Roll Call: By Sr. Vice-Vejar

Treasurer Report: Start: \$8,898.69 End: \$7,412.01. Council Dues: \$35.00 Check or Cash

<u>Sickness & Distress</u>: Jim Allen passed away Dec 31st, Rich Noel's son is in the Hospital, WWII Gordon Fenwick passed away on Dec 22nd, Clark Namios fell and back in the hospital, Joe Markwalter, and Jimmy Ray. Please keep them all in your prayers.

## Committee Reports:

Sr Vice: ROTC awards this spring.

Jr Vice: Brady- will be starting to work on talking to school bands in May.

Jr Vice: Gardner- not to report yet.

**Parade Adj**-McGrath- if you would like to an ad in the St. Patrick's Program let him know. And about applications for the St. Patrick's Day parade.

# <u>Old Business:</u>

Recognized 2024-2025 Veteran of the Year: Ed Gizara

Email events you would like us to place on the Master Calendar.

<u>New Business</u>: Organizational dues are DUE by March after that points going forward will not count.

#### Announcements:

The car show was rescheduled: FEB 15th, 2025, will be at Rileyanne Manor-Pembroke, GA Live auction will be at noon. JR Vice Harry Garner is the point of contact for Donations.

AL 135:Masquerade Ball- March 1st; M14 Raffle \$20 Each/ or 6 tickets for \$100.My Veterans Place:Military Family Day Cookout April 12th, 12 pm-4 pm Tom Triplett Park.SAMS:Color guard for the Irish Fest on Feb 1st at Victory North.

The meal tonight was provided by the past Chairman- and cooked by Mary Hohnerlein. Feb Meal: 40 & 8

#### Hosts for Council Dinner Meals for 2025:

Jan- Past Chairman July- DAV Chapter 8	July- DAV Chapter 8
Feb- 40 & 8 Aug- DAV Chapter 97	Aug- DAV Chapter 97
Mar- VVA 671 Sept- US Paratroopers	Sept- US Paratroopers
Apr- Chatham Artillery	Oct-SAMOA
May- VFW 4392 Nov- Past Veteran of the Year	Nov- Past Veteran of the Year
Jun- AL 322 Dec- Veterans Council	Dec- Veterans Council

Chaplin-Billy Cope- gave the closing invocation Sr Vice Vejar- recovered POW/ MIA Flag Meeting Closed at 7:36 pm

Next Meeting Feb 3rd, 2025 Secretary Michelle Holton