

**GREATER CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL  
NAVY LEAGUE OF THE UNITED STATES**

**Business Meeting  
28 March 2007  
Minutes**



**Attendees:**

James Brotherton	Bruce Byron	Lee Hagan	Tim Hunsberger
Ned Ash	Jeannie Coffey	Jack Mayo	George Haley
Glenn Looney	Jack Ritter	Thomas Uhl	Kathy Pillmore
Nita Wathen	Thelene Gilmore	Joe Cruz	

The 28 March 2007 business meeting of the Greater Central Texas Council of the Navy League of the United States (GCTC) convened at 12:04 PM at the Red Lobster South in Austin, Texas with President James Brotherton presiding. Fourteen council members and one guest (Thelene Gilmore) were in attendance.

**Opening Announcements:**

The president confirmed that Vice Admiral John Cotton, Chief of Naval Reserve, would be our Distinguished Speaker Friday April 20. Arrangements for his visit are under discussion with his Flag Aide. Details of the Council's April 20 dinner meeting will be discussed later in this business meeting. It was also announced that Rear Admiral Dan Davenport would be in Austin this weekend. He has the Assessment/Capability division in OpNav.

**Minutes of the previous meeting:**

Minutes of the 25 January 2007 business meeting were accepted on a motion from Bruce Byron seconded by Ned Ash. [Note: the Secretary was later informed that Nita Wathen's name was misspelled; this has been corrected on the copy of the minutes available for download from our website.

**Treasurers Report**

George Haley gave the Treasurers' report and walked us through a proposed 2007 Budget along with the current balance of the George T. Jones Scholarship Fund. There was brief discussion of our annual donation solicitation letter. Experience indicates it is more effective when mailed after members have paid their income tax (April 15). IRS expects our Council's thank-you letter acknowledging donations to match the dollar amount claimed by the donor. Make sure your letter matches your check stub. If there were a discrepancy, you would want to contact Treasurer George Haley to resolve the issue before you claim an IRS deduction. Tom Uhl pointed out that only \$372 of the \$1000 budgeted for 2006 Youth Awards was spent. Discussion of the various awards, including presentation dates as well as costs, resulted in moving \$500 from "Youth Support" to "Youth Awards" in the Proposed 2007 Budget. Bruce Byron's motion, seconded by Tim Hunsberger, to send the Proposed 2007 Budget forward to the Council's Board of Directors recommending approval, passed.

## **The Anchor newsletter**

In the absence of editor Dave Wells, Jim Brotherton reminded everyone that Dave needs our input right away so he can complete the next issue this weekend.

### **VP Reports:**

Operations – Lee Hagan:

Brenham High School will provide the Color Guard April 20. This would be a logical time to present the Brenham NJROTC award for this year. Lee will be setting up the annual award schedule. Volunteers included: Glenn Looney / Fredericksburg, George Haley / New Braunfels, Nita Wathen / Travis, Jim Brotherton / Stony Point, and Jim will also present the UT award.

Administration – Tim Hunsberger:

The computer with the master database is temporarily off line, but we expect it will soon provide us with a list that needs to be contacted for membership renewals.

Education/Speakers – Ned Ash:

Two lists were passed around the table, one detailing 2007 Programs, and the other 2008 Programs. Ned Ash briefed both lists and mentioned additional potential programs under consideration, including Tom Mixon's Navy Seal Conditioning program. Ned displayed several interesting Navy logo items that he is donating for our auction that is held during our series of Distinguished Speakers Programs

Legislative Affairs – Jeanie Coffee:

Senator Cornyn's staff cannot finalized his date at this time; it is dependent upon the congressional calendar, his Senate committee meetings, and his personal calendar; they assure us he will be speaking to us sometime soon, probably during recess.

Chaplin – Jim Lindley – Absent, no report this month

Judge Advocate – Michael Murray – Absent, no report this month

### **Directors Reports:**

Glenn Looney reported that the Lone Star Region meeting at Naval Station Ingleside is set for the first Saturday in May. It kicks off with a Friday evening social, then the business session runs from 9 am until about 5 pm Saturday, May 5. It is open to any interested member of the Navy League. Contact Glenn Looney to make your reservation.

Lee Hagan introduced his guest: Thelene Gilmore, Key Volunteer Coordinator  
1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 23<sup>rd</sup> Marines, 4<sup>th</sup> Marine Division  
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The meeting adjourned at 12:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Approved:

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Jack Mayo, Secretary

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James Brotherton, President

**Next council business meeting: Thursday May 17, 2007**