



Sons of The American Legion  
Detachment of Colorado  
Meeting Agenda  
Colorado State Convention  
Pre - Convention Detachment Executive Committee  
June 25, 2021

Posting of Colors

Opening Prayer – Chaplain Harry Ciruli

POW/MIA Ceremony - Commander Nick Arceo

Resolution 288, adopted at the 67<sup>th</sup> National Convention of The American Legion and resolution NC 2094 adopted at the 23<sup>rd</sup> National Convention of the Sons of The American Legion, calls for designating a POW/MIA Empty Chair at all official meetings of the Sons of The American Legion, as a physical symbol of the thousands of American POW/MIA's still unaccounted for from all wars and conflicts involving the United States of America. This is a reminder for all of us to spare no effort to secure the release of any American prisoners from captivity, the repatriation of the remains of those who died bravely in defense of liberty, and a full accounting of those missing. Let us rededicate ourselves to this vital endeavor. The SGT-at-Arms will place the POW/MIA banner on the empty chair.

Blue Star Banner Ceremony - Commander Nick Arceo

Resolution NC 2-03, adopted at the 32<sup>nd</sup> National Convention, Sons of The American Legion calls for the display of a Blue Star Banner at all meetings of the Sons of The American Legion as a physical symbol of our support for all the military personnel serving this great country. Let us never forget that every day these individuals are protecting our liberty. Accordingly the Blue Star Service Banner is in place.

Pledge, led by \_\_\_\_\_

"I Pledge Allegiance to The Flag of The United States of America And to The Republic For Which it Stands, One Nation Under God, Indivisible, With Liberty And Justice For All."

Recitation of Preamble, led by \_\_\_\_\_

Proud Possessors of a Priceless Heritage, We Male Descendants of Veterans of all wars, Associate Ourselves Together as "Sons of The American Legion" for the Following Purposes: To Uphold and Defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to Maintain Law and Order; to Foster and Perpetuate a True Spirit of Americanism; to Preserve the Memories of Our

Former Members and the Association of Our Members and Our Forefathers in all wars; to Inculcate a Sense of Individual Obligation to the Community, State, and Nation; to Combat the Autocracy of Both the Classes and the Masses; to Make Right the Master of Might; to Promote Peace and Good Will on Earth; to Safeguard and Transmit to Posterity the Principles of Justice, Freedom and Democracy; to Consecrate and Sanctify Our Friendship by Our Devotion to Mutual Helpfulness; to Adopt in Letter and Spirit All of the Great Principles for Which The American Legion Stands; and to Assist in Carrying on for God and Country."

Meeting called to order on June 25, 2021 at: \_\_\_\_\_ PM

**Roll Call of Officers:**

NEC/Adjutant	Scott Garrett (23)
ALT NEC	Ken Yanke (111)
Commander	Nick Arceo (103)
Sr. Vice Commander	Robert Jones (28)
Jr. Vice Commander	Walter Weld (1)
Jr. Vice Commander	Steve Kidd (1985)
Jr. Vice Commander	Jim Gaddis (211)
Finance	Jim Gelwicks (54)
Asst Finance	Rick Baldessari (21)
Chaplain	Harry Ciruli (103)
Historian	vacant
Sergeant-at-Arms	Teddy Kuntz (1985)
Sergeant-at-Arms Emeritus	Ken Wederski (23)
Judge Advocate	Richard Humphrey (23)
Detachment Advisor	Richard Humphrey (23)
Voting PDC	Mike Moss (21)
Voting PDC	Mike Kirschner (2)

**Roll Call - Past Detachment Commanders Present:**

Lionel Sandoval	John Herath	Gary Ray	Ben D. Owens III
Ernie Clark	Michael Moss	Ken Yanke	Rick Baldessari
Steve Kidd	Jim Gelwicks	Mark Kilstrom	Shawn McCrary
Pete Sierminski	Scott Garrett	Mike Kirschner	J.R. Kent
Jim Gaddis	Ron Noakes		

**Roll Call – Squadrons:**

1	2	4	5	10	13	15	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	26	28	32	38	39
54	55	58	62	65	66	70	73	75	77
81	87	89	94	97	100	101	102	103	111
113	115	119	151	160	161	170	178	180	193
200	204	206	207	209	211	11-11	1976	1985	1992
2000	2001	2008							

**Distinguished Guests:** Past National Vice Commanders Jim Gelwicks, Rick Baldessari (PN Chaplain), Pete Sierminski (PN ASAA), Ken Yanke, Past National SGT-at-Arms Mike Kirschner, , Past National Historian Mark Kilstrom, Past Dept. Commanders Richard Humphrey, Doug Wooddell

**Reading of Minutes:** Adjutant Scott Garrett

**Correspondence:**

**Special Presentations:**

**Vice Commanders Reports:**

Submit in writing for inclusion in minutes

**Senior Vice Bobby Jones:**

**Junior Vice Walter Weld:**

**Junior Vice Steve Kidd:**

**Junior Vice Jim Gaddis:**

**Committee Reports**

Submit in writing for inclusion in minutes

**Membership Bobby Jones:**

**Permanent Membership Jim Gelwicks:**

**Finance Jim Gelwicks**

**Americanism Ron Noakes:**

**Junior Shooting**

**Boys State**

**Oratorical**

**Baseball**

**Children & Youth Pete Sierminski:**

**Public Relations:** vacant

**Legislative:** vacant

**VA & R:** vacant

**NEC Scott Garrett:**

**Advisor Richard Humphrey:**

**Unfinished Business:**

**New Business:**

- 1) DEC to vote to forward Resolution 2020-1 to Convention Resolutions Committee
- 2) DEC to vote to forward Resolution 2020-2 to Convention Resolutions Committee
- 3) DEC to vote to forward Resolution 2021-1 to Convention Resolutions Committee
- 4) Include J & J Ross, J & J Gates award form in future squadron packet mailings??

**Good of the Sons:**

- 1) Squadron Data Report is for 2021-22!

Next meeting will be Saturday, June 26, 9:00 AM, Hotel Elegante, 2886 S. Circle Dr, Colorado Springs, CO.

**Closing Prayer:** Chaplain Harry Ciruli

**Closing:** Commander Nick Arceo

"Till We Meet Again Let Us Remember That Our Obligation to Our Country Can Only Be Fulfilled by the Faithful Performance of All Duties of Citizenship. Let Service to the City, State, and Nation Be Ever a Main Objective of the Sons of the American Legion. Let Us Ever Be Watchful of the Honor of Our Country, the American Legion, Our Organization and Ourselves, That Nothing Shall Swerve Us from the Path of Justice, Freedom, Loyalty and Democracy."

**Adjournment** – Commander Nick Arceo

**Salute:** "I Now Declare this Meeting of the Executive Committee, Detachment of Colorado, Sons of The American Legion, Adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at \_\_\_\_\_ PM.