



**Ukrainian American Veterans**  
**Post 32, Chicago**  
**Gen. John Basil Turchin**  
5000 N. Cumberland Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60056  
March 8, 2017

## **Monthly Regular Meeting**

Commander George Horbenko called the meeting to order at 8:20 PM.  
Minutes from the previous meeting accepted by the membership.

### **Finance Officer's Report**

- The finance report was read and accepted by the membership with a copy available for review.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Wheelchair Committee**

- John Steciw provided an update on the status of the wheelchair project. Wheelchairs and accessories were boxed, loaded onto a truck and taken to Meest Shipping. All items were shipped on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 except for the (4) motorized chairs. An accounting will be provided on Friday. John reported that we have raised over \$2,800 to date for the shipping costs. Ongoing fund raising will continue until this project is completed. Discussion continued as members Fred Kolodziej and Bohdan Dudycz came across separate sources for the purchase of folding stretchers at deep discounted costs. It was decided to hold off on gathering equipment for a new shipment until the current project is completed.

#### **Leather Jacket Committee**

- Walter Dudycz presented four styles of leather jackets for consideration. Jackets were modeled and membership voted on their favorite styles. Two styles were approved as the official UAV jackets which will also have the UAV emblem embroidered on the chest. Purchases will be paid through the UAV with members reimbursing the post. Members may visit VCG Uniform at 5050 W. Irving Park Road to be fitted.

## **Commander's Report**

### **Old Business**

- John Steciw reported that the presentation of American flags at St. Nicholas School was completed and was very well received and greatly appreciated.
- George Horbenko reported that the color guard duties at the St. Nicholas 80<sup>th</sup> Celebration was very well attended and appreciated by all who attended.
- George Horbenko reviewed the letter sent by National Welfare Fund Chair Roman Stefaniuk to all members announcing the start of the 2017 Welfare Fund Drive. Further discussion continued concerning whether the post should provide a donation on top of individual contributions. Mike Hrycyk motioned that the post make a contribution of \$200 to the fund. John Steciw seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

### **New Business**

- On March 12, 2017 at 1:30 PM at the Ukrainian Cultural Center, a presentation will be made by Congressman Quigley and Senator Durbin on their recent visit with Ukrainian President Poroshenko. The presentation will be moderated by Ravi Baichwal of ABC News. The UAV has been asked to post colors.
- Members agreed to march in the Chicago Memorial Day Parade. Peter Bencak and Mike Chyterbok will be the committee responsible for submitting applications and securing vehicles for the parade route.

Having no further business, the meeting was officially adjourned at 9:35 pm by George Horbenko.

**The next meeting will be held on Wednesday April 12, 2017 after the Legion meeting.**

Respectfully submitted,  
*Walter P. Nalywajko, Adjutant*