

AFA Chapter 398, Executive Council Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2020

Attendees:

Mark Chapman	Eddie Arroyo
Jim Connors	Fred Gross
Thom Guthrie	Dann Mattiza
Max Friedauer	Susan Ault-Davis

Teacher of the Year

- Council decided to wait until October to decide on a ToY/Chapter awards banquet
 - o Possibly have 2 next year
 - o Contact Okaloosa County School Superintendent, Marcus Chambers
- POC is Rick Soria

Unsung Heroes

- Possibly February – HFLD has strict social distancing rules in place
- Former organizer, MSgt Durst is retiring
- POC is Max Friedauer

AFA National

- The AFA National Convention will be virtual September 12-13
- Virtual Happy Hour will be September 12th, at 1700 (CST). It will be a fundraiser and will have commemorative items available.
 - o Chapter has agreed to contribute \$50 towards this event
 - o Chapter volunteers needed to demonstrate cocktail preparation and share some good war stories
 - o Please contact an AFA Chapter 398 member for ZOOM information
- Eddie Arroyo And Bud Sauvageau will be speaking during Convention on Community Partnership

AFA Conference

- This virtual conference will be the week of September 14th
- Registration is required. However, it will be available for viewing a few weeks post-conference

Homeless Veterans Stand-Down Crestview

- November 6th, 0730, Crestview
- Veteran's Stand Down provides one-day services for homeless veterans
- Organizers are asking for bicycle donations. Chapter will provide 4 – 6 bicycles
- POC is Don Cleveland

Newsletter

- Will be published end of September
- Articles are due by end of next week
- POC is Dann Mattiza

Wreaths Across America

- Beal Memorial Cemetery, December 19th
- Asking for contributions to buy wreaths to be placed on all veteran's gravesites. Chapter 398 will provide for 50 – 100. Final decision will be based on need after others have been provided the chance to contribute. Wreaths are \$15 a piece

Next Meeting

- Next meeting will be October 14th, at 1130. Location will be disclosed later.