

Notes from webmaster to serve as minutes for VVA Chapter 452 meeting 8 May 2024

The meeting was called to order and presided over by a 2<sup>nd</sup> vice president.  
Prayer was led by chaplain Joseph Ferrara.  
Members saluted the Flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance  
The attendance was good at the meeting.

The VVANJSC and VVANJSC Chapter 452  
Webpages are now listed on Hillsborough's Veteran resource webpage:  
<https://www.hillsborough-nj.org/resident/veterans>  
There was nothing to report from the VVANJSC

One member introduced another prospective member, also a Vietnam Veteran.  
They wanted an application for membership, but no hardcopy was to be had offhand.  
They were directed to the about VVA452 webpage where  
the application for membership can be found under "Becoming a member"  
<https://eehot.com/vva452.html#membership>

During the meeting, Quartermaster and Vexillologist,  
Lawrence Friend presented copies of and read about  
the pledge of allegiance as described by Sen. John McCain.  
This, as well as the Wikipedia entry on the pledge of allegiance with the history of changes  
has been added to the about VVA452 webpage under section:  
<https://eehot.com/vva452.html#vexillology>

At one point during the meeting, the Local events section  
of the about VVA452 webpage was read:  
<https://eehot.com/vva452.html#events>  
The proud to be American Day listed there was discussed by a member,  
and recently elected officer of VFW2290  
That Event is to be at 2290.

Another upcoming event was also discussed, with  
Two free admissions for our VVA Chapter at VetsHavenNorth:  
<https://www.nj.gov/military/veterans/services/vetshavennorth/>

A Memorial Day week event was mentioned at Holmdel NJ  
<https://holmdeltownship.com/Calendar.aspx?EID=1432>

Upcoming "Can shake" events were mentioned  
One at the ShopRite in Somerville for May 18.

Funding of Ruth's Horses for Forces was voted on unanimously,  
The treasurer said he'd send it as well as half the annual 2290 room Fee.

Motion to close meeting was made, seconded & approved.  
Fr. Joe led a closing prayer, & there was the closing salute to the flag. Some cookies were available.