



US Army War College



Mick Guttau spoke at the Treynor Optimist Club on Saturday, August 2. He said that each branch of the service has its own war college. He was invited as one of 130 civilians invited to attend the US Army War College. There were 350 student attendees who are Colonels and Lt. Colonels. Many of

them will become Generals or their staff. 72 of the students were foreign officers. It was held at Carlisle Barracks in Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

As part of the War College, they were taken to a Civil War cemetery. They also had an 8 hour lecture on the Civil War. Mick said he learned that a lot of the people on both sides of the war were friends who had to fight each other.

The focus of the War College was on officers relating to people in the civilian world. They had 2-3 speakers per day, including the President of the American Civil Liberties Union and a news anchor.

After each speaker they would break into groups of about 20 for discussion. There were four civilians in Mick's group, including a Lutheran pastor from Las Vegas and a talk show host from Georgia. They also had Colonels from Chechnya, Nigeria, and Paris. The Colonel from Nigeria had a very colorful uniform. Mick's escort worked on bank security and he was from Council Bluffs.

To be invited to participate, a person must not have had any relationship with the military for 25 years. Mick was invited by the DoD liaison to Iowa.

Meeting Minutes

Bill Vorthmann opened the meeting on August 2. Bill Vorthmann, Mick Guttau, and Keith Denton provided jokes. Bill led the Pledge of Allegiance and Ken Graham gave the opening prayer.

Calendar

Birthdays

None

Anniversaries

None

Speakers

August 20 – tour of Robotic milking dairy

There were no birthdays or anniversaries to celebrate. Richard and Bill Vorthmann contributed to the Youth Fund to celebrate a grandchild that had the Grand Champion lamb at the fair. Gary Funkhouser contributed because his son Kirk survived Ragbrai. Mick Guttau contributed because the addition to the bank is progressing. Gary Guttau told about his fear of heights. Also Dee has been home since Saturday. John Klein said his wife had kidney stones.

Bob Abbott bought some cucumbers from the auction.

Katie Zimmerman and Breanna Hanson picked up their scholarship checks. Breanna will attend Central College, starting August 23. She will major in Education. There will be 400 in her class. Katie will attend Oral Roberts, starting August 10. She will major in Government and History, with an emphasis in Pre-Law. She also joined the Government club. Both girls plan to participate in intramurals.



Richard Vorthmann, Kirk Vorthmann, and Dale Willenborg helped with selling tickets at the baseball games this week.

Keith Denton won the 50/50 drawing. Dale Willenborg won the attendance drawing. There were 14 members and 4 guests at the meeting. Bill said that there was a good attendance at the Zone meeting this past week.

Bob Abbott, Gary Guttau, Bill Vorthmann, and Richard Vorthmann helped with bingo at Westfair. Bill Vorthmann, Dale Willenborg, Kirk Vorthmann, and Ken Graham helped with the Westfair gates.

Prayers

- Aug 9 – Chad Guttau
- Aug 16 – Judy Guttau
- Aug 23 – Dale Willenborg
- Aug 30 – Dee Guttau