



American Legion Riders Post 1340

General Membership Meeting

November 8, 2011

Preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion

*FOR GOD AND COUNTRY WE ASSOCIATE OURSELVES TOGETHER
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 one hundred percent Americanism.

To preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in the Great 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 goodwill on earth.

To safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom, and democracy.

To consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

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Meeting Minutes

Minutes for American Legion Post 1340 meeting on 11-8-11
Meeting held at VFW Post 9265, 4605 S. Penn

- Commander opened meeting at 7:00 pm.
- Prayer – Steven Kling
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Preamble to the Constitution Recital
- POW MIA Chair – Mike Marxen
- Present: 11 members, 1 Son, 2 Auxiliary
- Post Financial Report:

Monthly Report

Prior Balance	\$4731.07
Income	\$120.00
Expenses	\$227.66
Current Balance	\$4623.42

(Detailed breakout is available by request to the Financial Officer)

- Teresa Wicker briefly discussed the status of the Auxiliary. There are currently not enough auxiliary members to host an auxiliary based on the Legion requirements. Teresa will attempt to contact Michelle Rose and recover the Auxiliary checkbook and records and a decision will be made at that time regarding the appropriate action regarding the funds.
- Rick Vasquez reported a current balance in the Son's account of just over \$900. A check for \$35 was presented to the post to cover the cost of a Son's wreath for placement at the Veteran's Day ceremony.
- Sick call: Tom Eudey is back and doing very well. He will still have to take it easier than his norm for a couple of months but we should see him in the saddle again soon. David "Cowboy" Sears is getting good post-surgery reports on the eradication of the cancer but is also having some recovery issues that have not been resolved. Walt "Wildman" Counterman's daughter-in-law has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. Carol Craig continues to battle the infection related to her COPD and has not as yet been placed back on the transplant list. Please all of these members and their families in your thoughts and prayers.
- A date has been set for the Annual Children's Home Ride & Christmas Party. We will be going up to join Post 14, along with others, on Dec 17th. Post 14 will be serving lunch and we will be providing gift cards to all the children. Members present voted to present \$50 gift cards once again to each of the 44 children and

will purchase additional Christmas items for our sponsored child. A Santa for the event has not been firmed up so if you or someone you know is available please contact Wick.

- The following upcoming runs and rides were discussed:
 - Nov 11th – [Veteran’s Day Ride to the Oklahoma City Memorial](#)
 - Nov 12th – [Blanchard Veterans Day Parade](#)
 - Nov 19th – VFW Flag Retirement Ceremony – Chandler, OK
 - Jan 1st – A decision on the Annual Polar Bear Run will be made at the December meeting.
- Fundraising suggestions were again sought and discussed. A vote was passed to once again do a cash raffle for our July 4th event. The total purse will once again be \$2000, however, the prize will be divided as \$1000 – 1st prize, \$750 – 2nd prize, and \$250 3rd prize. We will be setting up a sales table at various events again. Please consider helping with the sales of raffle tickets if at all possible. Tickets will once again be \$2 each or 6 for \$10.
- Five post members rode to Ponca City on Nov 5th to participate in their annual Veterans Day Parade. We joined the Post 14 Riders along with others for a very nice showing in the parade. Post 14 provided coffee and donuts prior to the parade and hosted a nice lunch following. Everyone enjoyed the ride and we strongly recommend a trip up if you haven’t been. Post 14 is one of the nicest posts in the state.
- POW MIA Chair Retired – Mike Marxen
- Flag Salute
- Adjournment – 8:00pm

YES NO Cmdr Robbie Wicker
YES NO Jim Craig
YES NO Hugh Langston
YES NO Charley Wills

YES NO Vice-Commander Mike Marxen
YES NO Rex Warlick
YES NO John Rose
YES NO Tom Eudey