



American Legion Riders Post 1340

General Membership Meeting

December 13, 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.

American Legion Riders Post 1340 Meeting Minutes

Minutes for American Legion Post 1340 meeting on 12-13-11 Meeting held at VFW Post 9265, 4605 S. Penn

- o Commander opened meeting at 7:00 pm.
- Prayer Col Hugh Langston
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Preamble to the Constitution Recital
- o POW MIA Chair Mike Marxen
- o Present: 8 members, 1 Son, 3 Auxiliary
- Post Financial Report:

Monthly Report

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Prior Balance	\$4623.42
Income	\$162.00
Expenses	\$2274.40
Current Balance	\$2511.02

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

- Auxiliary Reported current funds balance and contributed \$200 toward the Vet Center donations in addition to providing \$500 toward our 2011 donation to the Legacy Fund. Also volunteered to provide funds to purchase snacks for the Children's Home Christmas party.
- Sons Current funds balance \$873
- Tom Eudey was in Tulsa today for a visit with his doctors. David Sears surgery for stage 2 cancer was successful and it has been determined at this point he will not need chemo. He does have some other issues being addressed and we are not sure if they are related to the surgery or a separate issue. More as it is available. No new news on Carol "Ironbutt Sue" Craig. Wick was in this week for bone test. No issues identified but they did manage to find actual bone. Please keep them all in your thoughts and prayers.
- Saturday, Dec 17th is the annual Christmas ride to the children's home. Gift cards have been purchased for each child and we will be taking desert type foods along with other treats for the kids and Santa's gifts for our sponsored child. If you are able to go but do not want to ride there will be a van available, courtesy of our Son's commander, at the park and ride lot at I-35 & NE 122nd at 8:30am or the Love's station at the Guthrie exit at 9am. We need to be in Ponca City by 10:30am. Wick will be out of pocket so our Vice "C" Mike Marxen will be the trail foreman!

- The annual trip for gifts to the Norman Vet Center was discussed and it was decided that we would wait until after Christmas to schedule the ride. It was voted to add \$200 for purchases in addition to the items and monetary donations already collected. The auxiliary members present also volunteered to add another \$200 to the donations. Ride will probably occur sometime in early January.
- Raffle tickets for the July fundraiser should be available in the next few days for members to begin sales. We ordered 3000 tickets to sale as we did last year, \$2 each or 6 for \$10 (see November minutes for more raffle details). We are planning to acquire table space at the bike show and swap meet in February. Other events will be targeted for sales. Please consider helping out and if you have events you think would be good for sales opportunities please let us know. There was also some discussion of doing some kind of quick raffles (50/50 or \$1 chances to win \$100, etc) at each scheduled event. We will plan to try some of these at events.
- January 1st Polar Bear Run is back on. Probably meet around noon. Details will be emailed out ahead of time. If you don't have email give one of the exec members a call for details ahead of time.
- VFW 9265 will be having a Christmas dinner on the 25th. Free food and all are invited member or not.
- O A brief discussion was held on our ride to the VFW flag retirement ceremony in Chandler on Nov 19th. The weather was great and the ceremony was excellent. Ian has sent out appreciation certificates to both the individual speakers that were there and the VFW post. The only issue for the event was the high winds that day. The actual flag burning portion of the ceremony had to be postponed for better weather conditions.
- The 2012 Legacy Run will begin on August 20th in Buffalo, New York. If you are considering riding and think you may want to include a junket into Canada while you are on the border, make sure you have a current passport or passport card. Additional information and registration info is available at: http://www.legion.org/riders/registration.
- o POW MIA Chair Retired Mike Marxen
- Prayer Col Hugh
- 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-Cmdr Mike Marxen
YES NO Rex Warlick
YES NO John Rose
YES NO Tom Eudey