



American Legion (AL) Riders
Post 1340

General Meeting Minutes
December 6, 2005

Commander Ken Larcher opened the meeting at 7:05 pm at Charley's.

Introduction of Guests / New Members:

None.

Sick call:

Julie Larcher's back/neck surgery was a success and she is up and around.

Adjutant:

Alan noted the minutes from the 18 Oct meeting were released via e-mail to all and posted to our website. Also, because he wasn't at the 4 Oct, 1 Nov, or 15 Nov meetings, no minutes were recorded. Motioned by Barry R, second by Mel C, to accept the 18 Oct minutes as posted and that there will be no official minutes from the 4 Oct, 1 Nov, and 15 Nov meetings. **Motion Carried (MC)**

Sons:

- a) Dennis R, mentioned one new member has applied: Kevin Keepers.
- b) The Sons will help the Auxiliary box up gifts for the Norman Veteran's Center.

Auxiliary Report:

- a) No update on our sponsored child, Donta.
- b) No finance news to report.

Post Finance Officers Report:

Mel C. read the financial report: post balance is \$1,554.74 (includes Auxiliary balance). Motioned by Barry R, second by Walt C, to accept the financial report as read. **(MC)**

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No updates.

Completed Events:

None

Ongoing Projects / Events:

Air Conditioning System for Children's Home Gymnasium

- Nothing reported.

New Opportunities / Events:

a) **Veteran Center in Norman Christmas Party & concert – 11 Dec**

- Edgar Cruz will perform a mini concert for the vets and us to enjoy.
- Riders and families interested will meet at the Love's Gas Station on the corner of SE 89th and I-35 for a **1:00 departure**.
- Over \$200 was raised at the 2 Dec event. Ken's truck will be loaded with the gifts.

b) **Children's Home Christmas Party – Saturday, 17 Dec**

- We will meet at Charley's for an **11:00 departure**. This way, carpooling will be possible.
- The dinner meal will be prepared and hosted by the Huff Minor Post 14 in Ponca City
- Our post will provide all the needed food items for 100 people and deliver them by 13 Dec
- The Angel Tree is set up at Charley's Last Stand again this year to cash donations for the approximately 63 kids at the home.
 - i. A child's name will be hanging on the tree (like a box ornament) and the donor take it, write the child's name on a card by the donation box, then put the card and cash in the box. The plan is to get each child a \$20 gift certificate to Wal-Mart.
- Our own Billy May will be Santa.

New Business:

- The Veteran's memorial by the State capital needs work. The State American Legion would be expected to supply the needed material to paint/refurbish it.
- Charlie W, stated that the American Legion should take the initiative of cleaning up other Legion War Memorials in the metro area too.
- Motioned by Charlie W, second by Steve B, that our post look for more information to get these memorials refurbished. **MC**
- Dennis R, would also suggested repainting the anchor by the Skirvin Hotel (13th and Broadway) as a Son's project.

Post Rides:

- None.
- Post Christmas party (members and guests) will be on Saturday, 10 Dec at the "Rib Crib" on I-240 and Western. Come and join us at 3:00 pm.!

The **50/50 drawing** – Netted \$21.50 for the Post's Children's Home fund and the winner of the other half was Dennis R.

Next Executive Committee Meeting – 20 Dec

Next General Membership Meeting – 20 Dec

The 20 Dec meeting will be to discuss our goals/plans for 2006—post rides, cooking events, funeral support, Children’s Home, Vets Center, runs, fundraising events, and more. Please come out and give us some ideas and more.

Adjournment at 7:45 p.m.

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