

American Legion Riders Post 1340

General Membership Meeting May 17, 2005

A presentation from the Oklahoma Blood Institute was made in support of the blood drive on Saturday.

Sick call:

The sick call included Dennis McElroy (Mac) who is still recovering from back surgery.

Introduction of Guests / New members:

New member, Ken Ortner, was introduced to the membership.

Adjutant:

As the Adjutant was not present the previous meeting minutes were not read. It was proposed by Barry Robinette and seconded by Julie Larcher the accepting of the minutes of the last two meetings be postponed until the next meeting.

Sons of the Legion:

Squadron Commander (Dennis) of the Sons stated the current finance report was now just over \$300.00.

Auxiliary:

- Dina stated that Donta was doing well, and the cleats which Bob Horn had bought for him have been sent.
- New member Judy Miller was introduced.
- Dina Lattig stated the Auxiliary finances were good.
- The Auxiliary Poker Run was a profound success netting \$845. Thanks to everyone who supported this effort

Post Finance Officers Report:

The Post financial report was read, it was proposed by Barry Robinette and seconded by Jim Smith they be entered into the record as read.

Quartermaster:

New patches and berets have been ordered. T-shirts are now in stock.

Election Nominations:

The floor was opened for nominations and these are the nominations for the following positions:

Commander – Ken Larcher

Vice Commander – Barry Robinette

Sergeant-At-Arms – Jim Smith

Executive Committee Members (Six): (9 nominations)

Charlie Wills

Mel Crane

Julie Larcher

Jim Craig

Rick Short

Keith Crutcher

Steve Blair

Jerry Bowen

Ken Philips

Ongoing Projects:

a. Post 111, Blue Star Salute - May 21st

- The kitchen trailer will need to be delivered to Edmond on Friday May 20th in support of The Blue Star Mothers. The event is to be held in Stevenson Park (101 W. 5th Street, Edmond). Volunteer crews will be needed for food service from 9am-5pm on the 21st.
- The trailer will be moved from Shawnee into place at El Reno on Friday.
- It was proposed by Barry Robinette and seconded by Steve Blair that we meet at Charley's at 9am to ride to El Reno as a group.

b. Memorial Day Ride to the State Capitol - May 30th:

- Members to depart from Charley's at 9:00 to proceed to the Skyline. Post 1340 have again been requested as outriders for this event.
- The Auxiliary will have poppies ready Memorial Day to pass out and collect donations at the Skyline.
- Dina Lattig and Julie Larcher will set up at Charley's for the Post Hotdog Giveaway so the dogs will be ready to serve as soon as the service at the Capitol is completed.
- The post will set up a table at Charley's to promote pre-registration for July 4th Poker Run.

c. Bikes to Bricktown at the Park – June 11 and 12 (Wiley Post Park)

- Trailer to be set up at the same location as last year.

d. Moving Dignity Wall - 15,16,17 July

- The wall will be leaving from The Cherokee Trading Post sometime in the evening (6 or 7pm?) on the 12th. The intent is that as many riders as possible escort the Wall into OKC. The Post will participate as a group in the escorting.

e. American Legion Department Convention – July 15, 16 & 17

 This will be held at the Saddleback Inn. AL1340 have a hospitality suite on the ground floor.

- f. Mid Summer Thunder July 28th, 29, 30 and 31st Lake Eufaula, OK
 - The Post will participate in this event. We have been provided with a free vendor space, four free registrations and a free R.V. space as well. We can sell the Hamburgers but the big request is to sell breakfast burritos.

Commander's Special Recognition, "Eagle Effort Award":

Awards for exemplary service were given to Julie Campbell and Dina Lattig.

New Business:

- a. Fun ride to Medicine Park, OK on June 4th departing from Charley's at 10:00am.
 - All members are encouraged to ride, just for a get together no cooking involved!!
- b. Charley Wills has provided a table at the swap meet at the fairground on June 5th.
 - The Post can handout flyers and encourage pre-registration for the July 4th run. The swap meet will run from 9:00am to 5:00pm. Volunteers were:

Terri and Barry Robinette Ken and Julie Larcher Judy Miller

c. **Post Elections** will be held on June 7th – Members only are able to attend

The **50/50** was won by Rick Short. \$29.50 was raised for the Post.

Next Meetings Schedule:

General Membership Meeting: June 7th, 2005

Meeting closed at 8:30pm. Meeting minutes were taken by Julie Larcher.

Kenneth G. Larcher Commander AL1340 Alan Welch Adjutant AL1340