



MINUTES

10/11/2023

7:00 pm

Type of meeting:		American Legion Post 105—GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING				
Presiding Officer:		George Smith, Commander				
Note Taker		John Robinson, Adjutant				
ROLL CALL	OFFICER	NAME	P	E	A	NOTES:
	COMMANDER	GEORGE SMITH	X			
	1 ST	AL ROSENMILLER	X			
	2 ND	LEO MCARDLE	X			
	3 RD	WILLIAM JACKSON, JR.	X			
	JUDGE ADVOCATE	TOM DAY	X			
	CHAPLAIN	COBBEY SOVA	X			
	ADJUTANT	JOHN ROBINSON	X			
	TREASURER	STAN MAUPIN	X			
	SGT at ARMS	TOM MULLINS	X			
	HISTORIAN/PR	MICHAEL TOSCHAK	X			
	VSO	CHESTER PALESOO	X			
	JR. PAST COMMANDER					
	MEMBER@LRG	TOM DAY				
	MEMBER@LRG	MICHAEL TOSCHAK				
MEMBER@LRG	WILLIAM JACKSON, JR.					
MEMBER@LRG	STAN MAUPIN					
MEMBER@LRG	CHESTER PALESOO					
MEMBER@LRG	JOHN ROBINSON					
INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS	GUEST NAME:					
	Delegates from Boys & Girls State and their families					
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES of September 13, 2023 were distributed electronically & are on https://americanlegionpost105rwc.org/general-meeting-minutes	MOTION TO ACCEPT BY:	Chester Palesoo	SECOND BY:	George Silva		
	DISCUSSION/ CORRECTION	If anyone wants to see a hard copy of the minutes, please see the Adjutant before the meeting.				
	PASSED:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO			
CORRESPONDENCE	FROM	None				
	DISCUSSION/ ACTIONS					
REPORTS	REPORT BY:	William Jackson, Jr., 3 rd Vice Delegates from Boys & Girls State were at the meeting. They introduced themselves and said a few words about their experiences at Boys & Girls State. Valeria, Woodside Priory Noah, Sequoia High School Nolan, Woodside Priory Tate, Bellarmine				
	DISCUSSION:					

		<p>REPORT BY:</p>	<p>George Smith, Commander For those members that didn't receive their membership years patches/pins, RED Friday pins, or gun locks please see our Sgt-at-Arms.</p> <p>RED-Remember Everyone Deployed long-sleeve tee shirts are for sale for \$30. Please see Auxiliary President Carol Rael. This is a 50/50 effort between the Legionnaires and Auxiliary.</p> <p>Post 105 officers have new email addresses. We will be getting the addresses onto the website for your information.</p> <p>Bingo is coming back to the Post. The contract will give us \$1200.00 per session and there will be 2-4 sessions per week.</p> <p>Newsletter went out and we hope you liked it and please give us feedback.</p> <p>Forty & Eight The locomotive belonging to the Forty & Eight needs to be moved from Post 105 property. William Jackson, Jr. said we can give the locomotive away or sell it. The title is missing and there are fines to be paid. William will give the members updates on progress.</p> <p>Boy Scout Troop 10 Chester Palesso made a motion to give Troop 10 \$500 for their activities. The money comes from the Post's restricted funds. Michael Toschak seconded the motion. The motion passed.</p> <p>Anyone interested in helping restore the deuce and a half, please see Andrew Trapani.</p> <p>CapTel phones are free to veterans who are hard of hearing. There is a phone in the lobby you can see. If you want more information, we can give it to you.</p> <p>Commander's Coffee speaker isn't able to attend this month and will be rescheduled. George Smith is looking for another speaker for October's meeting.</p>
		DISCUSSION:	
		<p>REPORT BY:</p>	<p>Alan Rosenmiller, 1st Vice Commander Of the 164 members that we have, 117 have renewed their membership. Alan asked for volunteers to help him contact the remaining 47 members.</p> <p>Roll of dice for a free year's membership winner was not present to win.</p>
		DISCUSSION:	
		<p>REPORT BY:</p>	<p>John Robinson, Adjutant A representative from Home Depot Team came to the Post to see what the team could do in terms of repairs.</p> <p>Rentals: October and November are light, and December is full.</p>
		DISCUSSION:	
		<p>REPORT BY:</p>	<p>Leo McArdle, 2nd Vice Everything seems ok.</p>
		DISCUSSION:	

	<p>REPORT BY: Stan Maupin, Building Committee October 19 the plans go before the Architectural Advisory Committee of the city. When approved, the package goes before the city council.</p>
	<p>DISCUSSION: Commander Smith spoke about how the finances regarding the new building will be.</p>
	<p>REPORT BY: Cobbey Sova, Chaplain Tom Day’s mother passed away. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.</p> <p>Please keep Marion Collins in your prayers. She is the widow of David Collins.</p> <p>Allan Hirsch’s cousin died in Israel. Please keep Allan and his family in your prayers.</p>
	<p>DISCUSSION:</p>
	<p>REPORT BY: Chester Palesoo, Service Officer Military Lending Act offers loan protections for active-duty servicemembers (including those on active Guard or active Reserve duty) and covered dependents.</p> <p>Camp Lejeune Justice Act is part of the PACT Act with special conditions. There is no deadline for the PACT Act.</p>
	<p>DISCUSSION:</p>
	<p>REPORT BY: Michael Toschak, PR chair & Webmaster The first issue of the quarterly newsletter is published and Michael gave thanks to Peggy Toye its editor. They are working on the next issue which will be published January 1, 2024 and they need news from each organization of the Post Family.</p> <p>The San Mateo County Veterans Commission luncheon honoring exceptional veterans, and businesses and individuals who give notable support to veterans, will be held November 9. Peggy is this year’s Patriot of the Year. Congratulations and thanks to Peggy for all her work.</p>
	<p>DISCUSSION:</p>
	<p>REPORT BY: Carol Rael, ALA President Carol explained to the audience the many ways the ALA supports veterans and troops.</p> <p>Packing troop boxes and veteran bags with the Blue Star Moms on October 7, and on October 21 with the Elks Lodge.</p> <p>Assisting in preparation for meals served at Post 105 meetings.</p> <p>Participating at Post Family activities such as the SOS breakfast on October 14.</p> <p>Veterans Day November 11: the ALA has been in on the planning of the program, and will have an information table at the event.</p> <p>December festivities at Building 331, Menlo Park VA Hospital include wrapping gifts the veteran patients choose for their families, serving at a party for the veterans, and giving the veterans gifts they have requested for themselves.</p>
	<p>DISCUSSION:</p>
	<p>REPORT BY: Patrick Lucy, SAL Commander In the month of September, the Sons performed 11 missions, donated 50.25 volunteer hours, and rode 434 miles.</p>

		DISCUSSION	
		REPORT BY:	Andrew Trapani, ALR Director In the month of September, the ALR performed 13 missions, donated 214 volunteer hours, and rode 1,035 miles (3,059 group miles). Participated in the Veteran Garden dedication with Post 474 Built a retaining wall for a Vietnam veteran Participated in Welcome Home for Honor Flight 31 at SFO
		REPORT BY:	Peggy Toye, ALA District 26 President The District's biggest concern is losing units which in turn means losing schools that would send girls to Girls State, unless other units pick up those schools. Keeping units healthy and growing is important.
	OLD BUSINESS	Veterans Day	The program at Courthouse Square begins at 10:30 on Nov. 11. Volunteers are welcome to come at 8:00 or 9:00 to help out. Also, after the SOS breakfast on Oct. 14, volunteers will pass out flyers about the program to Redwood City businesses.
		Election	March 2-5, 2024 the Presidential Primary election will be here. If the Post building is not under construction by November, the Post will be a voting place November 2-5, 2024 for the Presidential election.
	NEW BUSINESS		
	OTHER ISSUES FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER	Menlo VA pool	The pool is open four days a week, 8 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. There is a teacher to lead exercises on Monday and Wednesday.
		Happy Birthday	Commander Smith recently had a birthday.
		Troop packing	October 21 at Elks Lodge
		50-50 Drawing	The winner donated his winnings to the Post.
	ADJOURNMENT		