



# MINUTES

1/10/2024

7:00 pm

<b>Type of meeting:</b>		American Legion Post 105—GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING				
<b>Presiding Officer:</b>		George Smith, Commander				
<b>Note Taker</b>		John Robinson, Adjutant				
<b>ROLL CALL</b>	<b>OFFICER</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>A</b>	NOTES:
	COMMANDER	GEORGE SMITH	X			
	1 <sup>ST</sup>	AL ROSENMILLER	X			
	2 <sup>ND</sup>	LEO MCARDLE	X			
	3 <sup>RD</sup>	WILLIAM JACKSON, JR.	X			
	JUDGE ADVOCATE	TOM DAY	X			
	CHAPLAIN	COBBEY SOVA		X		
	ADJUTANT	JOHN ROBINSON	X			
	TREASURER	STAN MAUPIN		E		
	SGT at ARMS	TOM MULLINS	X			
	HISTORIAN	MICHAEL TOSCHAK	X			
	VSO	CHESTER PALESOO	X			
	JR. PAST COMMANDER					
<b>INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS</b>	GUEST NAME:					
	Dolores Peters					
	Pauline Robinson, ALA 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice					
	Peggy Toye, ALA District 26 President					
<b>GENERAL MEETING MINUTES of November 8, 2023 were electronically distributed</b>	MOTION TO ACCEPT BY:	Chester Palesoo	SECOND BY:	George Silva		
	DISCUSSION/ CORRECTION	Anyone who would like to read a copy of the minutes of the previous month, please see the adjutant before the meeting.				
	PASSED:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO			
<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	FROM	None				
	DISCUSSION/ ACTIONS					
<b>REPORTS</b>	REPORT BY:	George Smith, Commander				
	Pins, patches, etc.	For those members that didn't receive their membership years pins or patches see the Sgt.-at-Arms. There are RED Friday pins, gun locks from the SM County VSO office. CapTel gave us towels, jar openers, etc. See the Sgt.-at-Arms if you want any of these items.				
	Bingo starts	Bingo starts next week and will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.				
	Food for MPVA	Ten turkeys and seven hams were delivered to the Transitional Home at MPVA in December.				
	Gifts for MPVA	\$400 worth of Christmas gifts were delivered to the MPVA Long-term Care patients for their children and grandchildren. George gave special thanks to Tom Day, Chester Palesoo, and LaReine Smith (George's wife) for donating and shopping.				
PG&E	PG&E sent a notice that two brackets on a telephone pole had to be removed and that's been taken care of.					

	Commander's Coffee	Commander's Coffee is January 31 at 9 a.m. for pastries and coffee. At 10 a.m. guest speaker Russ Gavin from Vanguard will explain about their youth music program and how bingo supports it.
	DISCUSSION:	
	REPORT BY:	John Robinson, Adjutant The room is set up for bingo with the tables in today's configuration. No Post duty officers will be needed for the games.  There is a small roof leak by the office door.  The Post has a new bartender.
	DISCUSSION:	Bingo: the initial rental agreement calls for 50 people coming to the games. When more people start coming the rent will increase. Also, if up to two more game sessions are added, the Post will be paid for each session at the increased rate.
	REPORT BY: Dice roll	Al Rosenmiller, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Roll of dice for free year's membership went to Wayne R. who was not present to win.
	Membership	There are 166 paid members of Post 105.
	DISCUSSION:	
	REPORT BY:	Leo McArdle, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice There are seven paid rentals in 2024 and about ten possible rentals by people who are interested.  Patrick Lucy and Andrew Trapani took care of the bar inventory.  The Club Room is cleared out and ready for Vanguard to use for their equipment.
	DISCUSSION:	George Smith told of a non-profit group that will use the hall on Friday afternoons.
	REPORT BY:	William Jackson, Jr., 3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice William reported the fee for Boys and Girls State went up and is \$500. The Post owes \$50 registrations fee for each boy by Feb. 20. It hasn't been decided how many boys the Post will sponsor this year. Last year it was four boys.
	DISCUSSION:	
	REPORT BY:	George Smith, Finance Report There is about \$12,600 in the business fund after our bills were paid. We will be getting paid \$1200 every Friday by Vanguard starting next week.
	DISCUSSION:	
	REPORT BY:	Tom Day, Chaplain Report Gary Shweid broke his shoulder and is recovering at home.  Post Everlasting: Wendy and Andrew's daughter passed away. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.
	DISCUSSION:	
	REPORT BY:	Chester Palesoo, Service Officer Chester has a lot of resources he's learned about that can help veterans in many instances. He will pass on information for publication on the Post website.

		<p>Be aware of food recalls and other things regarding your health. Look in the mirror to see the best person to take care of your health.</p> <p>Mail and email still pose a threat for stealing your information. Be very careful in deciding if you want to answer or respond to any incoming mails.</p>
	DISCUSSION:	
	REPORT BY:	Michael Toschak, Webmaster and PR The next newsletter is coming out in March.
	DISCUSSION:	It was suggested that Frank Martinez and Gary Higgins be interviewed for the Member Spotlight article in the newsletter.
	REPORT BY:	<p>Peggy Toye, ALA District President Unit 105 is in good standing.</p> <p>March 17<sup>th</sup> is the Department President Bay Area visit in Santa Clara. Jan. 19-21 is Dept. Executive Committee meeting at which there will be a “baby shower” and all gifts will go to military families and their babies.</p>
	DISCUSSION:	
	REPORT BY:	<p>Pauline Robinson, ALA 1<sup>st</sup> Vice (Acting President) Carol Rael (ALA President) is recovering, although it is slow-going for her. The ALA approved the proposal by George Smith as to how we interact and share with the Post 105 Family.</p> <p>We will be participating and working at the Super Bowl Party.</p> <p>A young man has entered the National Essay contest with a paper entitled “What Freedom Means to Me”. Unit 105 is sponsoring him.</p>
	DISCUSSION:	
	REPORT BY:	<p>Patrick Lucy, ALS Commander The SONS held their first meeting today. They are looking for new members to join. Last year the SONS donated 547 volunteer hours to the Post.</p>
	REPORT BY:	<p>Andrew Trapani, ALR Director The past year the ALR donated 1,925 volunteer hours and gave \$2,656 to various charities.</p> <p>May 11 is a car show that will benefit the Post. Last year we made about \$4,000 and this year we hope to make more. We want your assistance and participation for this event.</p> <p>Super Bowl party is for all. Bring your family and friends.</p> <p>There will be a Legacy Run quilt raffle and tickets are available from Andrew. Proceeds benefit Veterans and Children’s Foundation.</p>
<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>	RED tee shirts	\$30 for a long-sleeve tee. The Post and Auxiliary benefit from sales.
	40 & 8	After the title is clear the train will go to Half Moon Bay
	6X	See Patrick Lucy or Andrew Trapani if you would like to work on it!

		Presidential Primary	March 2-5 the Post will be a voting place for the California Presidential Primary election. If you would like to work here March 2-5, or November 2-5 for the Presidential Election, see Tom Day.
	<b>OTHER ISSUES FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER</b>	Committee	If you would like to join a committee to explore additional sources of revenue for the Post, see Commander Smith.
		Drawing	\$63 to Joe Kirby
		VVA Car Show	Vietnam War Remembrance Day March 30 at the Post. See Gary Higgins for more information.
	<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>		