

**AMERICAN LEGION POST 88
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
CHRISTMAS DINNER
OUTBACK STEAKHOUSE
19 December 2022**

Approximately 45 members & guests attended and signed in for dinner.
Due to the Christmas dinner, we conducted a modified meeting.

Call to Order: 1858 hours

Recognition of New Members/Visitors:

Post Deaths:

Sick Call:

Service Officer's Report: Presented by Carl Ellison. \$2.7 million in Veterans benefits were awarded this year.

1. Motion to Approve/Seconded Don Schulenberg / Tyrone Richard II
2. Approved by voice vote.

Finance Reports for last month. Joe Gil, Finance Officer (attached)

1. Discussions, and approval.
2. Motion to Approve/Seconded: Eric Grubbs / Tyrone Richard II
3. Approved by voice vote.

Commander's Discussion:

1. Membership renewals as of this date are 286 out of 506. We need only to renew 422 members to reach 100%. We have 59 still unrenewed from 2021, and 161 from 2022. The Post has had 41 transfers this calendar year, and 10 deceased, and 7 new members. The Post is to be at 80% before 19 January 2023 and we are at 67.77%.
2. We have the new 2022/2023 Weapons Fundraiser tickets ready for pickup. The guns will be drawn at the Mid-Winter Convention January 2023.
3. We finally received the check for the ARPA funds now we can start the remodel process. Tory, the reconstruction manager, is going to have the final bid hopefully this week or next. Once I have that I must balance the cost against the original to see if we need refunding and the amount.
4. Boys State is coming on fast, Oratorical Contest is in less than 20 days. Talk to Grandsons and Granddaughters, nieces and nephews, let's get some people ready.
5. We are starting to order equipment and furniture this and next week.
6. The Toy Drive for the Toys for Tots was a big success. We had a lot of toys given. Thank you to all who gave.

7. Sons of the American Legion, we need help! We need members and to have unpaid members to pay up. We also need dual members (Adults).

For the better of the Order

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Next meeting will be Monday, 16 January 2023 at 1900 hours.

1. NEW WEBPAGE: <https://legionpost88ok.org/>