

Monday Sept 11, 2023 minutes

ATTENDEES:

Lesley Eliasen, Rhonda Hundley, Connie Bise, Rosezetta Sullivan, Anna Simpson, Brian Simpson, Laurie Hickle, Terry Gowen, Jessi Stanislaw, Barbara King, Kimberly Johnson, and Ashley Johnson

OPENING:

- Call to Order (3 raps) With colors already in place hand salute

\*The meeting will come to order.

Opening Prayer led by Anna Simpson , followed by a Moment of silence.

- Pledge of Allegiance

\* The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rosezetta Sullivan.

- Preamble of the Constitution of the American Auxiliary.

\*Led by Lesley Eliasen

- President Lesley Eliasen declared Derby-Haysville Unit 408 Department of Kansas monthly meeting convened at 7:01 pm.

Standing Items:

- Minutes:

\*The minutes of last month's meeting were emailed and reviewed, by Members. Corrections were made.

- A group vote to accept minutes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Please remember all meeting minutes will also be posted on the Legion's website.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report : a condensed report was read by Jessi Stanislaw and then passed through the room.

Jessi mentioned taxes for breakfasts. Moving forward the ALA will pay the SAL/BOG for the tax collected at all fundraising events ran by the two entities together. Therefore the funds will not be recorded on our tax ID#.

. Group vote to accept the Treasurer's Report. All in favor. Motion carried.

\*No corrections noted

\* No bills to be paid at this time.

\*The report will be filed for audit.

#### New Business:

1) Venmo for the ALA account. Anna Simpson made the motion to set one up, 2nd by Brian Simpson. Discussion and explanation amongst members. Lesley called for a vote. All say I. Passed.

2) Raffle: the next six weeks belong to Auxiliary to sell raffle tickets.

Ideas; a hammerless revolver, a cross wave vacuum or a cash drawing of \$100.

motion made by Brian Simpson to do cash drawing of \$250.00. Selling 100 tickets for \$10.00 each. Second by Terry Gowen. Discussion and vote, all say I. Motion passed.

3) ALA is responsible for the cleaning of the post for the next six weeks. A sign up sheet is available. Please look into it and see what chore you can take on. The post is open Tuesday through Saturday at 3:00. So any of these days and time after 3 would be available for you to help out. Contact Lesley if you need help signing up or knowing what needs to be done. (316)409-4494

4) The website now has a monthly calendar on it in addition to the daily events listed. Once that monthly calendar hits the website there will be no changes made to it. So if there is something on that calendar you would like further information on, scroll through the daily events for details.

5) PAY YOUR DUES!!! 2024 are now due! You can mail your money into the post @ 120 E Washington. Derby, KS 67037

6) Additional fundraising ideas:

a) BUNCO, Kimberley Johnson made a motion to host Bunco on the second Friday of every month. 2nd by Jessi Stanislaw. Trying to get it worked out to get sign ups in advance. If you sign up in advance you will receive 3 tickets to the blind raffle. If you sign up at the door you will only receive 1. All say I. Motion passed.

Motion made by Anna Simpson and 2nd by Brian Simpson for An earmark of \$100.00 was created to purchase the munchies served. Motion passed.

starting Oct 13, 2023 doors will open at 5:30 dice will roll at 6:00.

7) The sell of Worlds finest chocolate bars to raise money. Each box has 60bars in it to be sold @\$1 each. If a bar is sold at an event run by the fundraising committee (but hosted by ALA members) then 15% of profit will be paid to BOG instead of the normal 10%.

8) Yoder meat sticks. Discussion to wait on this idea until we see how chocolates go.

9). National commanders dinner!!!

Our post has been selected to host dinner for the National Commander! \

MONDAY 18 Sept , 2023. Social hour starts at 6:00 and a dinner by donation will be served at 7:00. ATTENDANCE IS BY RSVP! Please email Mike Saindon ASAP for a seat as they will be limited. mjsaindon@gmail.com

@) cleaning and set up for this event will be at 1:00 Sunday Sept 17th. PLEASE

COME HELP WITH THIS!

b) volunteers for the night of the event are needed as well. Contact Barb King to see if there is something you could help with. (316)516-0274

c) Lesley entertained a motion to distribute ALA cups to the visiting National officers. Anna Simpson made a motion to use 10 cups. Rhonda 2nd. Motion voted on. All say I, motion passed.

10) The city of Haysville has asked us to participate in the banners displayed on the main corridor of Haysville on their electrical poles. The cost is \$70.00 per entity. Motion made by Jessi 2nd by Brian. All say I. Motion passed.

11) volunteers are needed for the ALA/SAL breakfast held on Sunday Sept. 17,2023. Please contact Brian Simpson (316) 304-4046 or Lori Ebenhack (720)244-1636

Fundraisers:

1) The cup fundraiser is ongoing: colored or black and white.

- They can be purchased at the post meetings or on the website for \$25.00 each.

-We hope to sell them at any upcoming events.

2) SAL still has the kitchen wares fundraiser going.

3) ALR Coins are still available for \$10.00 each. They are also selling RED Friday bags for \$15.00 each. The regular bag is \$15.00 or you can purchase one with a zipper for \$20.00. They also have the "Support Our troops" signs for \$5.00 each.

4) Stripes can also be purchased for the Donor Flag and we still have the "Got sneakers" going.

Upcoming events:

- \_ Sept 16, 2023 Atwood's hot dog event
- \_ Sept 17, 2023 SAL/ALA Breakfast.
  - \_ Sept 17 @1:00 clean and set up for Commanders dinner
- \_ Sept 18, 2023. Please RSVP to Mike Saindon as there will be limited seating. mjsaindon@gmail.com
- September 19, 2023 American Legion Family Meeting at 7:00pm.
- Sept 21,2023 dinner @ 4:30-7:00 or until gone.
- September 25, 2023 Foundation Meeting at 7:00pm.
- September 26, 2023 BOG/PEC Meeting at 7:00pm.
- Oct 5, 2023 soup and sandwich for dinner. Please let Rhonda or Pat know if you can provide a soup or desert for this night.
- Oct 13 Bunco Shindig
- October 14, 2023 ALR Auction.
- October 28, 2023 POST GARAGE SALE!!! Start gathering your items that you would like to sell!! Please price them as you are digging them out, and let's plan on making some BIG CASH!!!
- November 4, 2023 Drive-thru Pancake Feed for Operation Holiday Derby.
- November 17, 2023 Decorate the post 5:00PM-?
- November 18, 2023 ???? Continue to decorate if needed.
- December 2, 2023 Christmas for Kids.
- December 16, 2023 Christmas Dinner.

Next meeting Oct 2,2023 7:00 PM

Group voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:18pm, all in favor, motion carried. (3raps)

Brian Simpson led us in prayer for peace.

Until we meet again, let us remember that our obligation to our country can only be fulfilled by the performance of all duties of citizenship. Let service to the community, state, and nation be ever a main objective of the American Legion Auxiliary and its members. Let us ever be watchful of our organization and ourselves, that nothing shall swerve us from that path of Justice, Freedom, and Democracy.

Colors already in place, Hand Salute.

President Lesley Eliassen declared the meeting of Derby- Haysville Unit 408, The American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Kansas, adjourned.

Lesley Eliassen