

American Legion Riders, Chapter 408 Minutes

American Legion Family Post 408

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https://americanlegionfamilypost408.org/

On 12/7/2007 the Charter for Post 408 was established with 50 members. As of January 2022, there are 9 of the original 50 still with us.

Date: April 4, 2023

Members in attendance: 17

Meeting Agenda: Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM by Director Brian Simpson.

Salute Flag lead by Co-Director Terry Gowen

Moment of Silence: Recognize the POW/MIA Table - The moment of silence is for our POW/MIA's and our brothers, sisters and the ALR members who have passed on before us.

Opening Prayer: Chaplain John McCullough

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America lead by Co-

Director Terry Gowen

New Members/Applications:

Guests:

Secretary Brenda Paul: Motion made to forgo reading the minutes, as posted on the website, by Steve Tackett 2nd Steve Blake Motion passed. Discussion: none

Treasurer Rhonda Hundley: Motion made by Michael Saindon to accept the treasurer report as read. 2nd Morris Short Motion passed. Discussion: none

Bills: none

Sgt. Of Arms/Ride Captain Toby Trott /Co-Ride Captain James Bise: Thank you for sending your reports and your time honoring our Veterans and activities.

The following activities were reported for the month of March-

Flag lines Post work Post entity meetings Fundraisers VA Flags

Meeting with City of Derby Pancake Feed Meeting Tour of Post

Move Pancake Feed Supplies Meeting with Home Depot Meeting with Keno

Interview with KAKE American Legion Birthday Party Meeting on hood

Meeting with Chamber of Commerce Meeting Derby Police Dept

Helped make centerpieces for birthday party Masons breakfast prior to working at the Post (they let us park behind their building for the birthday party)

Historian Alvin Hook: excused

Chaplain John McCullough: Please keep our troops and our country in your thoughts and prayers. Please keep these members and friends in your prayers: John McCullough – getting shots

Lora Blake – pain from flight to see her father, he is doing better

Alvin Hook – heart cath.

John Byke – hospice has been called for Kim

Along with any others you are aware of in need of prayers.

Veterans Affairs Barbara King: excused

Hospitality Connie Fox-Gowen: excused

Patches Barbara King: excused We have patches and coins available.

Coins- available for \$10 each

T-Shirts Connie Bise: we have a few T-shirts and hoodies available in limited sizes. We can do our layout on any style of shirt, hoodie, etc. Please let us know what you are wanting – style, colors etc. Went over pricing and ordering options.

OLD BUSINESS

Bring your fund raiser ideas to the meeting or email our director, co-director or fund-raising committee with them.

Fundraisers- see website and emails

Michael Saindon – bar earmark. We have purchased most of the supplies and will be coming in under budget. Motion to send any remaining funds to the hood bill. 2nd Steve Tackett Motion passed

NEW BUSINESS

We have a position open for Flag truck. Please let Brian or Terry know if you are interested in filling in.

Brian Simpson – Auction is 10/14, everyone please start now to help gather nice donations for our biggest fundraiser of the year. This can be cash, checks, gift cards/certificates or merchandise.

July 8 Operation Holiday Poker Run. Please make sure to fill out the registration form and turn it in to Rhonda with your payment. Enter early so we can get the T-shirts ordered.

May 8 – Haysville City Council 7:00 PM for Purple Heart City proclamation

May 15 - 5:15 PM meet at the Haysville VFW for Purple Heart City Ceremony. Please wear Legion family wear. Haysville mayor is our Post member

May 21 - flags at Hillcrest at 5:00 PM

May 29 Memorial Day Ceremony - meet at the Post and flag up. We will have an Honour Guard. There is also VA Flags and Garrett Park ceremony

Cole and Janelle Hansen (Bronco's grandson) have requested a Flag Line at Andover Cemetery for Harland James Hittle. Meet at Post 12:25PM, ride to Jump Start at Andover Rd/21st, then flag up for short ride to cemetery. Service starts at 2PM.

Rhonda Hundley's neighbor Bill Barton passed away Saturday He was a US Army Vietnam Veteran. Service 4/22 at 11AM Smith Mortuary. Flag line 9:30 to 10AM

Michael Saindon –

June 28 – 11:30-1PM The Venue at Madison Park. Chief Lee would like the American Legion to join him at his retirement party.

July 4th Haysville Parade - we will lead, same as last year 7:55AM.

Thursday 5-6:45PM Breakfast for Supper. Draw Wings tickets at 6PM.

GREAT NEWS - April 6, 2024 – Post 408 has been chosen to host 5th District Convention

9:30AM tomorrow we will be delivering the items collected for the VA to Bldg 29.

Fundraising Rhonda Hundley - in addition to ongoing fundraisers,

next month will be a Mexican Dinner

6/10 BBQ on the Plains

6/17 Golf Tournament

7/8 Operation Holiday Poker Run

June Hotdogs at Haysville Cash Savers

Haysville Pool Party

Peaches in September

10/14 Auction

11/4 Operation Holiday Pancake feed

Terry Gowen – he has looked further into the Afton Gun Range, and the group rate is \$15 per person for all day. Working on dates to do this.

We are working on a Post Procedures Manual, meeting 4/19. Volunteers welcome, this will be a manual for all things Post related we need to follow. For example, Bar Manager- duties or Room Rental - rates/contracts etc. When completed it will go to the BOG/Commander for review/approval. Please let Terry know if you have suggestions or process ideas.

Post Commander Steve Tackett – All are welcome to attend any entity meetings. Check on the Post website for any updates, changes or cancelations.

We will work Saturday but not Sunday as it is Easter.

Please come help on the weekends, there are small easy things needing done up to larger projects. Everyone is welcome to help, even if not a Post member.

We will be discussing moving the roof earmark to the bar as we only have approx. 6K of the estimated 10K needed

ALA – Meeting is Monday. We are still selling cups.

SAL – Sunday 1pm. Rada online - knives and kitchen items fundraiser continues; we will be postponing the drive through breakfast until the kitchen is up and running.

Other Business/Comments/Thoughts:

Brian Simpson - 2-3-4 Wheel Tuesdays - Plans are to start this back up. Let us know good eating spots, hole in the wall, other Posts, restaurants etc. It does not have to be just on Tuesday evenings, it could even be a Saturday afternoon fun run.

Steve Tackett – after the meeting please come help move items to behind the bar. Thank you.

Michael Saindon – I need to meet with Terry, Rhonda and Steve T after the meeting, thank you.

Please make sure to send in your time and miles. We know there is more being done than turned in.

Upcoming Events – watch emails and the Legion website for updates/changes

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Post work - Saturdays and Sundays from 9AM to 3PM unless otherwise notified

Dues – They are DUE now! Please make sure to pay each entity first, prior to paying your ALR dues.

REMINDER: Please keep officers informed of any phone, mailing address, name or e-mail address changes.

Remember on your volunteer hours to add in your dollars spent (53 cents a mile). Count your time/mileage from the time you leave your home until you return. It is also tax deductible. You can turn them in for each entity as they all track this.

Volunteer information can be emailed daily, weekly or monthly. Monthly is preferred as it takes time to compile. You can also add them to the monthly sign in sheet.

Please send Ride Reports to: Road Captain Toby Trott at tdtddl@aol.com 316-518-7334

Please send Hours, Mileage and Expenses to:

Co-Director Terry Gowen at D.Gowen@cox.net 316-208-6215

Or

Director Brian Simpson at simpsy408@gmail.com 316-304-4046

Our next meeting is Tuesday May 2, 2023, at 7:00 PM

Motion to adjourn by Michael Saindon 2nd Steve Tackett

Flag salute

Closing prayer Chaplain John McCullough

Meeting adjourned 7:45PM

