

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: June 6, 2023

Members in attendance: 16

Meeting Agenda: Meeting called to order at 7:02 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 Blake 2nd Morris Short Motion passed. Discussion: none

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

Bills: Rhonda Hundley \$372.33 Wish List purchases

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 May-

Flag lines/Escorts Post work Post entity meetings Fundraisers VA Flags Post Flag repair PRCA Haysville parking assist Post lawn care Post dinner Meeting City of Derby Meeting Chamber of Commerce Meeting Derby Fire Chief Hillcrest Program VE Day ceremony Hillcrest Cemetary Flags/Crosses Haysville Purple Heart Proclamation/Celebration Transport Veeran to Spine Clinic Taps Across America

Historian Alvin Hook: excused – He let Brian S. know that he had water damage in his basement and lost some ALR history files.

Chaplain John McCullough: Please keep our troops and our country in your thoughts and prayers. Please keep these members and friends in your prayers: Alvin Hook – foot surgery

Steve Hines – vertigo/AFIB had fallen but is home and doing better

Barbara Bulger is home

John McCullough will be having back surgery next month

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. Orders will be online through Shamrock.

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

NEW BUSINESS

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

Toby Trott – Wellington June 27th baseball game with War Dogs Veterans team. Tickets available for any veterans who would like to attend. We would like ride in. Leave 408 at 5:00 PM in place at 5:45 PM. 6:00 PM be there as close to the field. We would like to see as many bikes as possible there. See email.

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,

The Potato Barmade \$515 was a great success

6/10 Smoke on the Plains Friday 3pm load supplies and set up to be ready to serve by 6pm-10pm. Sat 11-3 & 6-10

6/17 Golf Tournament

6/28 Chief Lee Retirement party 11:30-1pm

7/4 after the parade – grilled or not grilled ham and cheese sandwiches

7/6 Burger Burn before Legion meeting

7/8 Operation Holiday Poker Run
7/29 Haysville Pool Party
8/8 Taco Bar
Peaches in September
9/16 Atwoods hot dogs
10/7 Cash Savers hot dogs
10/14 Auction
11/4 Operation Holiday Pancake feed
12/2 SAL Christmas for Kids
12/16 Post Christmas

Michael Saindon – Thursday is our 1st Post inspection with the final on Monday We will have a soft bar opening June17th.

Brian Simpson - July 4th Haysville parade, in line 7:30 AM sharp, head down Grand. At the end we will leave and head to Panther stadium for the 10:00 AM Derby parade.

June 10th Sophia Estrich sendoff. RC Ryan Mitchell meet 5:00 PM at the Post. KSU 5:30 to Augusta.

June 14th flags at the VA 6:30AM

June 16th Post 4 member Howard Hildebrand 2:00 PM Winfield cemetery flag line June 20th ALF all welcome 7:00 PM we will discuss all entity and post information

Operation Holiday toy run - need volunteers at Post. Please make sure to stop and say hi to the vendors at the stops and check out their stores.

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

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

SAL – Sunday 1pm. Rada online - knives and kitchen items fundraiser continues

Other Business/Comments/Thoughts:

NEXT MEETING IS JULY 11 due to the Holiday

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 <u>tdtddl@aol.com</u> 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 July 11, 2023, at 7:00 PM

Motion to adjourn by Toby Trott 2nd ALL

Flag salute

Closing prayer Chaplain John McCullough

Meeting adjourned 7:32PM

