

# **American Legion Riders, Chapter 408 Minutes**

## **American Legion Family Post 408**

120 E. Washington

**Derby KS 67037** 

https://americanlegionfamilypost408.org/

On 12/7/2007 the Charter for Post 408 was established with 50 members. As of April 2024, there are 8 of the original 50 still with us.

**Date:** May 7, 2024

Members in attendance: 10

**Meeting Agenda:** Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Director Brian Simpson.

Salute Flag lead by Director Brian Simpson

**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 Brian Simpson

**New Members/Applications:** 

**Guests:** 

### **Co-Director open position:**

Secretary Brenda Paul: Motion Dickie Helzer 2<sup>nd</sup> Morris Short Motion passed

**Treasurer Rhonda Hundley:** Read report. Motion Dickie Helzer 2<sup>nd</sup> John McCullough Motion passed.

Bills: none

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

The following activities were reported for the month of April

Flag lines/Escorts Post work Post entity meetings Fundraisers VA Flags
Post food events Texas Holdem Bunco 5th District

**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: Connie gowan and Barb King both ad hip replacements. Please remember these along with any others you are aware of in need of prayers.

Veterans Affairs/PAO: open position

Coins- available for \$10 each

**T-Shirts:** we have a few T-shirts left and a lot of yellow welcome home T-shirts to give to welcome home recipients. 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. Request was made for a black zip up hoodie with white lettering on the sleeves.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

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

We have a few positions open, please contact Brian Simpson for details if interested in volunteering.

For our 2-3-4 Wheels Dinner Run, we went to Fabiolas in Wellington. We a;; had a great evening and plan on returning. Other ideas are Boudreux Burger Barn in Peck and looking at July a run to Stillwater to Eskimo Joes.

Fundraisers- see website and emails

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Make sure to check the calendar on the website for any changes. Throughout the rest of the month, watch for emails.

ALA has posted a challenge to all entities to donate \$1000 each for the replacement of the air conditioner in the bar. Cost to replace is \$5000. Motion by Rhonda Hundley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Morris Short. Motion passed.

5/19 Hillcrest Cemetery, meet at 5:00 PM to put up flags and crosses.

52/7 Memorial Day, meet at the Post 11AM, ride to Hillcrest ceremony.

7/4 July 4th parade

Poker Run

7/20 Ride in at Derby Historic Museum. Need RC.

Meal/Fun Rides – Toby Trott said that Fabiolas thanked us for coming and enjoyed serving our group. They also wanted to thank the new "waitress" for helping! They look forward to our next visit!

Next Fundraiser: Ours will be in mid-June. What do you think we should do? Bring your ideas or let Brian know.

Auction – Please start getting donations! Gift cards, men, women, children and pet themed baskets. New and gently used items, certificates from massage

therapist, tattoo artists, hair/barbershops, flower shops, pet stores, auto repair/oil changes/detailing.

We are needing a co-Director and Joe Morris has volunteered to finish out the year. Motion Terry Gowen 2<sup>nd</sup> Morris Short. Motion passed.

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

**ALA** – We are still selling cups and come enjoy Bunco the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of every month, \$20 sign in and starts at 5:30p. The bar will be open.

**SAL** – 5/12 Breakfast, Mother's eat free. 5-17/18 Trowbridge Fly In. We still are having our meat raffle. Rada knife online orders see the website.

**BOG** - We are currently 6 months ahead on our mortgage payments. The Canteen will be closed Sundays and Mondays for the summer. We will look at reopening those days in August. Please welcome our new bartenders! Thank you everyone for your support!

**Fundraising** - Rhonda Hundley – Thank you to all that help with the fundraising activities! Peaches will be coming again. We are still collecting old tennis shoes.

Smoke on the Plains will be June 7-8. We will be selling hotdogs, smoked mac n cheese, chips, pickles and frozen watermelon. All are welcome to attend and would appreciate any volunteers to help.

6/29 Haysville Pool night- selling hotdogs

## **Other Business/Comments:**

Morris Short – how many Riders do we have? 42

Michael Saindon – Operation holiday Poker Run- all are welcome to participate and can drive your vehicle.

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

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IMPORTANT- As of 1/1/24 you must have your membership card and ID with you. By law we must have these as we are a private club. You can bring a guest, but if you leave then they must leave. You can also take a picture of your card with your phone, just make sure it's the current year.

**Dues** – 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. 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 <a href="mailto:tdtddl@aol.com">tdtddl@aol.com</a> 316-518-7334

Please send Hours, Mileage and Expenses to:

Director Brian Simpson at <a href="mailto:simpsy408@gmail.com">simpsy408@gmail.com</a> 316-304-4046

Co-Director Joe Morris at KBOWSG@aol.com 316-749-7157

Our next meeting is Tuesday June 4, 2024, at 7:00 PM

Motion to adjourn: Toby Trott 2<sup>nd</sup> by all motion passed

Flag salute

Closing prayer Chaplain John McCullough

Meeting adjourned 7:38PM

