



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: April 1, 2025

Members in attendance: 12

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

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

New Members/Applications: none

Guests: none

Secretary Brenda Paul: Motion Michael Saindon 2nd Robert Nacker Motion passed

Treasurer Rhonda Hundley: Read report. Motion Michael Saindon 2nd Barb King Motion passed.

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 March

Flag lines/Escorts Post work Post entity meetings Fundraisers VA Flags

Post food events Texas Hold-em Bunco

Historian: open position

Chaplain Dickie Helzer: excused Please keep our troops and our country in your thoughts and prayers. Please remember these along with any others you are aware of in need of prayers. Michael Saindon will be having throat surgery on Friday.

Veterans Affairs/PAO: open position

Coins- available for \$10 each

Patches: Department still has not returned our approved order form for back patches. As soon as it is received the order will be sent.

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.

Shamrock. Regarding the long-sleeved white t-shirt, we have only received 4 orders and need 24 to order.

OLD BUSINESS

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

Volunteer work - Anyone that does volunteer work, attends meetings, attends food functions, flag lines etc., please write down your time, mileage and what you did for the year-end report, which you can email weekly or monthly.

NEW BUSINESS

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

Brian Simpson – If you are a member of any AL, AUX or SAL and own a 250cc or greater motorcycle you are eligible to be a Rider. If you know of anyone that qualifies, please have them contact us.

4/24 ALR Taco night please come help and bring a dessert.

6/13-14 BBQ on the Plains and Golf Tournament same weekend

7/12 Operation Holiday toy run

Michael Saindon – made a motion that the ALR Finance officer obtain a debit card to be used for ordering patches, etc. 2nd Barb King motion passed

Rhonda Hundley – profit from our cash raffle was \$527.00

Upcoming fun/food ride suggestions are Fabiolas, Shindigs, Eskimo Joe's and a BBQ joint in Newkirk. Watch for emails!

Anna Simpson – Jax, the ALF police dog, needs assistance with securing his pen fencing. It need bolted down to the concrete. The Foundation has a fund to cover expenses but will need volunteers and the equipment. More information will be provided as soon as we have all details.

Memorial Day ride in to place flags and crosses will be 5/18 at 4pm. Watch emails for Memorial Day ceremony times and places.

ALA– Bunco and meeting

ALC – American Legion Cruisers – anyone with a vehicle that is 20 years or older is welcome to join. They must be an active member of another Post entity. Post 408 is the 1st and only chapter in Kansas currently.

The ALC is sponsoring Cruise In car shows the 3rd Thursday of the month. This is in conjunction with the City of Derby 3rd Thursday activities.

BOG – Barb King is gathering ideas for coverage and how to cover operations. Lori Olmes will be able to let bartenders in. We will need more BOG support for training for each job duty.

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

SAL – meeting. Elections this Sunday and will have a Mother's Day breakfast. Mothers eat free.

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

Other Business/Comments:

Upcoming Events – watch emails and the Legion website for updates/changes. Texas Hold-Em on Wednesdays, Legion meeting will be holding elections, Queen of Hearts on Saturdays. Remember to check the online calendar and emails.

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IMPORTANT- As of 1/1/25 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 tdtddl@aol.com 316-518-7334

Please send Hours, Mileage and Expenses to:

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

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

Our next meeting is Tuesday May 6, at 7:00 PM

Motion to adjourn: James Bise 2nd All motion passed

Closing Prayer Brian Simpson

Meeting adjourned 7:43 PM



