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*The American Legion*  
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# MINUTES

## General Membership Meeting

October 9, 2024  
7:00 p.m.

<b>Type of meeting:</b>		American Legion Post 105—General Membership Meeting					
<b>Commander</b>		Stan Maupin, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice-Commander					
<b>Adjutant</b>		John Robinson					
<b>ROLL CALL</b>	<b>OFFICER</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>NOTES</b>  Correction: there isn't a quorum, so the passing of accepting the minutes is invalid.	
	COMMANDER	GEORGE SMITH		E			
	1 <sup>ST</sup>	STAN MAUPIN	X				
	2 <sup>ND</sup>	LEO MCARDLE	X				
	3 <sup>RD</sup>	WILLIAM JACKSON, JR	X				
	JUDGE ADVOCATE	TOM DAY		E			
	CHAPLAIN	TOM GIANNINI	X				
	ADJUTANT	JOHN ROBINSON	X				
	FINANCE OFFICER	TOM MULLINS	X				
	SGT-at-ARMS	JOE KIRBY		E			
	HISTORIAN	MICHAEL TOSCHAK	X				
	VSO	CHESTER PALESOO	X				
	JR. PAST COMMANDER						
	MEMBER@LRG	CHESTER PALESOO					
	MEMBER@LRG	JOHN ROBINSON					
	MEMBER@LRG	TOM DAY					
	MEMBER@LRG	MICHAEL TOSCHAK					
	MEMBER@LRG	WILLIAM JACKSON, JR.					
	MEMBER@LRG	STAN MAUPIN					
	<b>INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS</b>	<b>GUEST NAME:</b>					
None							
<b>E-BOARD MINUTES of September 11, 2024 were transmitted electronically</b>	<b>MOTION TO ACCEPT BY:</b>		William Jackson, Jr.		<b>SECOND BY:</b>	Tom Mullins	
	<b>DISCUSSION/ CORRECTION</b>		If anyone wants to read a hard copy of the minutes see the Adjutant before the meeting so you can read them before the meeting.				
	<b>PASSED:</b>	X	<b>YES</b>		<b>NO</b>		



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	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	FROM	None	
		DISCUSSION/ ACTIONS		
	<b>REPORTS</b>	REPORT BY:	Commander George Smith's report read by Stan Maupin  Chaplain Cobbey Sova has asked to be replaced. Tom Giannini has agreed to be Post 105 Chaplain.  Legacy Roofing was awarded a contract to maintain our roof until demolition starts. They completed replacing the rusted-out vents and sealing any area that needed it.  We are looking for incentives for volunteers to work at the Post. Andrew Trapani and Patrick Lucy are the ones to contact with your suggestions.	
		DISCUSSION:		
		REPORT BY:	John Robinson, Adjutant There are two openings for Saturday rentals until the end of the year.	
		DISCUSSION:		
		REPORT BY:	Stan Maupin, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice-Commander No new reports on membership. We'll have the roll of dice for a year's free membership at the end of the meeting.	
		DISCUSSION:		
		REPORT BY:	Leo McArdle, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice-Commander The Post looks a lot cleaner since Patrick Lucy and Andrew Trapani had the Post cleanup. He thanked them for organizing that.  There may be one more rental in December, but a deposit hasn't been made yet. We have four rentals already for next year.  Leo would like suggestions for meals at the membership meetings.	
		DISCUSSION:		
		REPORT BY:	William Jackson, Jr., 3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice-Commander William thanked Leo McArdle for the excellent dinner served tonight.	
		DISCUSSION:		



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		REPORT BY:	<p>Tom Mullins, Finance Officer Tom thanked Michael Toschak, Tom Day, and Joe Kirby for taking the time to do an in-depth review of the Post finances. Tom will be sending the report to California State within the next few days.</p> <p>We finished last year with about a \$24,000 net profit. Ending the year with a net profit hasn't happened for four or five years. Tom also thanked those who have reviewed the finances in the past. With this report linked with reports of the past few years we can see upward progress as well as where we can make improvement.</p>
		DISCUSSION:	
		REPORT BY:	<p>Stan Maupin, Building Report There isn't any new news regarding Republic Urban, the city and our building project. You will be informed as we receive news.</p> <p>San Mateo County Veterans Commission Friday Nov. 8 is the recognition luncheon. Bob Hoover of East Palo Alto is Veteran of the Year Anna Eshoo is Patriot of the Year Elks Lodge #1112, San Mateo is the Enterprise of the Year</p>
		DISCUSSION:	
		REPORT BY:	<p>Tom Giannini, Chaplain Please keep these individuals in your thoughts and prayers. ALA Past President Carol Rael is recovering at home. Cobbey Sova isn't doing well. Tom Day is recovering from Covid and is at home.</p>
		DISCUSSION:	<p>Cobbey has returned home.</p>
		REPORT BY:	<p>Michael Toschak, Webmaster, PR Chair He changed the banner on the top of the home page to be a direct link for buying tickets for the Veteran Commission Honor Luncheon.</p> <p>On the first of November, Michael will change the banner to be a link for renewing your Post membership.</p>
		DISCUSSION:	
		REPORT BY:	<p>Patrick Lucy, Sons Commander This past year members of the Sons donated 704 volunteer hours.</p> <p>Currently the Sons are raising funds for the Legacy Foundation Scholarship Fund. Andrew Trapani is raising funds for the foundation by growing out his hair until April and then getting it shaved (bald) at a meeting.</p>
		DISCUSSION:	<p>In the spirit of helping the fundraiser, Stan Maupin presented Andrew with some "scrunchies" to wear.</p>



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		REPORT BY:	Andrew Trapani, ALR Director The ALR served 8 missions, gave 131 hours, and logged 975 miles with 2029 group miles last month. They provided a final escort for Col. Dominique Neal from SFO to Skylawn. They went to Porterville, CA for the West Coast Rally. They participated in Post 105 cleanup day. They attended District 28 POW-MIA Ceremony, which Andrew said was a moving experience.  There is a “Project Board” in the kitchen which gives a list of upcoming projects for which volunteers are needed. Check it out.
		DISCUSSION:	
		REPORT BY:	Peggy Toye, ALA President Unit 105 is donating money to the Menlo Park VA Arts Studio for supplies. ALA District 26 donated \$700 for a Veteran’s Day meal for residents at MP-VA.
		REPORT BY:	Chester Palesoo, Service Officer VA.gov help for getting a DD214, or go to Building 334 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor to Nation’s Finest.
		DISCUSSION:	Leo McArdle said you can also get your records at NPRC (National Personnel Records Center)
<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>         <b>FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER</b>         <b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	Veteran’s Day	If you want to help out, come to Courthouse Square, at 7 a.m.	
	R.E.D. tees	Remember Everyone Deployed long sleeve shirts available for \$30. This is a 50-50 fundraiser between the Post and the ALA.	
	6x6	If you want to help restore the truck see Andrew or Patrick.	
	Nov. 2-5	If you want to work on Election Days, go to smacre.gov for info.	
	Policies & Procedures	George Silva said he has collected a lot of information but is still working on it. He welcomes any help from Post members.	
	Americanism	Wendy Weller needs volunteers.	
	Christmas Party	George Silva said there is interest in having a Christmas at the Post	
	No meeting in Dec.?	Members agreed to follow tradition and not have a meeting in Dec.	
	Free membership	Anna M. wasn’t present to win a year’s free membership	
	Elks Lodge	Tom Gianinni thanked the Post for their donation for boxes & bags for the Elks Lodge packing day.	
	Recycle	Tom Day will take the bottles & cans from the Post for recycling.	