



American Legion Riders Post 109

**December 14th, 2025, Sunday
General Membership Meeting**

Rick Curry, Presiding

Start time: 1:25pm

End time: 1:47pm

Roll Call of Officers

Director: Rick Curry (Present)

Road Captain: Ken Knapp (Present)

Finance Officer: **VACANT**

Past Director: Rick Curry (Present)

Historian: Julie Affolder (Present)

Assistant Director: Tabathia Knapp (Excused)

Sgt at Arms: Charlie Tyszkiewicz (Present)

Secretary: Lena Johnson (Present)

Chaplain: Michael Chapman (Excused)

Membership: Theresa Degard (Present)

Communications: Tabathia Knapp (Excused)

Members Present: 25

Guest(s): Charlie Tyszkiewicz

Nothing to report.

Approval of last minutes:

Bert "Uno" Hemperley motioned to approve the October minutes. Kenny Knapp seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried. (Side note: In November, we did not have a meeting, due to the Fall Conference.)

Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report: **VACANT**

Information to come.

Assistant Director Report: Tabathia Knapp

- Riders Christmas Craft Fair : December 20th, Saturday. 9am-1pm. If you have questions, please contact Tabathia Knapp 520-304-1996

Sgt at Arms Report: Charlie Tyszkiewicz

- Top Donation: Rick Curry \$40
- Top Mileage: Mike "Six" Selapack 2,800 miles
- Top Hours: Kenny Knapp 200 hours

Corporal Report: Skylar Miller

Nothing to report.

Road Captain's Report: Kenny Knapp

- Wreaths Across America: Went well.
- Bless Bikes: January 4th, 2026, Sunday.

Membership Report: Theresa Degard

We are at 36% of 100% for the 2026 goal.

- Pam Bilyeu
- Jean Brown

Kenny Knapp motioned to approve their membership. Barry Acker seconded the motion. Motion carried. Welcome to the Riders Chapter 109.

1st Lt. Report: Chas Bird

- Missing America – January 5th, 2026, Monday, Selling hats, coins, and patches on their website.

Communication Report: Tabathia Knapp

Nothing to report.

Chaplain's Report: Michael Chapman

Bert "Uno" Hemperley wanted to thank everyone who attended Mike Snyder's Life Celebration.

Unfinished Business

Nothing to report.

New Business

- Sheriff Bob motioned to donate \$500 to Lisa Snyder, Mike Snyder's wife. Waco seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried.

Good for the Riders

- Kirk Affolder and Sheriff Bob wanted to humbly thank everyone that attended Mike Snyder's Life Celebration.
- **Veterans Day Parade:** Thank you, everyone who attended the parade Post 109 was behind Post 36. Good turnout.

- **During the Fall Conference:** We were 1 of 5 other posts that were rewarded with an award for “Donated \$1,000 or more”.
- **Thanksgiving Community Meal:** Thank you, for everyone that helped with the Thanksgiving Community Meal.
- **Southern Arizona Book of Heroes:** Charlie “Wingnut” Tyszkiewicz, Sons Commander wanted to ask for everyone to donate children books. (grade ranging K-8) So the books can be for the First Responders to give to the children they come across.
- **Trophy Steal,** when we hosted it on December 8th, it went well. We served Chili Cheese Hot Dogs with chips. Post 141 won the trophy.
- **Wreaths Across America:** December 13th, Saturday some went to Eastlawn Mortuary & Cemetery, and some went to Veterans’ Memorial Cemetery in Marana. Both ceremonies went well.
- Chas Bird wanted to mention about the Riders raffles.
 1. **Cooler of Cheer:** Drawing is Dec 31st, Wednesday 9pm. Various alcohol. \$5 each ticket or 5/\$20.
 2. **Gun Raffle:** PSA PA-15 AR-15 5.56 16” M4 with 2 boxes of Ammo. Only 300 tickets will be sold. \$10 or 5/\$40. Drawing after all of the tickets are sold. (50% of proceeds to benefit Mike Synder’s Family.)
- **Riders Christmas Craft Fair:** December 20th, Saturday, 9am-1pm
- **Riders Dinner:** December 26th, Friday, 5pm-7pm. Need volunteers. Reach out to Kenny Knapp.
- **Quarterly Meeting:** January 10th, 2026, Saturday at Post 58 16837 E Parkview Ave., Fountain Hills, Az., 85268 Rick Curry and Kirk Affolder are going.
- **Bike Night:** January 23rd, Friday, 6pm
- **Riders Dinner:** January 23rd, Friday, 5pm-7pm
- **Memorial Run:** February 7th, Saturday
- **Kilt Run:** March 14th, Saturday. Accepting donations for raffles.
- **Legion Campout at Patagonia Lake:** October 16th-18th, 2026. If interested reach out to J.P., 2nd Vice Commander jviceal109@gmail.com

Raffles:

Who: Glen Welchko #221

Amount: \$99

For God and Country

Respectfully Submitted by:

Lena Johnson

Secretary