



American Legion Riders Post 1340

General Membership Meeting

October 6, 2009

Preamble to the Constitution of The American Legion

*FOR GOD AND COUNTRY WE ASSOCIATE OURSELVES TOGETHER
FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:*

To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America.

To maintain law and order.

To foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism.

To preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in the Great Wars.

To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation.

To combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses.

To make right the master of might.

To promote peace and goodwill on earth.

To safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom, and democracy.

To consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

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Meeting Minutes

6 October 2009

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order the regular meeting of the ALR 1340 at approx 1900 at Charley's Last Stand.

II. Prayer

The Post meeting was opened with prayer

III. Pledge of Allegiance

The Post recited the Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Preamble

The Post recited The Preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion.

V. Meeting Declared Convened

Commander Big Jim Craig declared Post 1340 regularly convened.

VI. Roll Call

Members present were 3 SAL, 1 AUX, 9 Legion.

VII. Reading of minutes of previous meeting.

Previous general membership meeting and executive committee minutes will be posted on the web site. Membership voted to accept them.

VIII. Committee Reports

Finance report: The Post received the banners for the AUX, SAL, and Legion donation to the Child Welfare Foundation of \$100.

September Income = \$543.03, Expenses = \$1083.34, Ending balance = \$7,027.62

SAL Commander briefed that they have \$1,259.93 in their checking account.

Aux. Treasurer briefed that Legion Donation cans brought in \$59.07 for August and September. Michelle briefed that the Aux. plans to donate back packs to the October 18th VA Hosp benefit ride. The Auxiliary will hold a bake sale instead of the Dice Run they normally have. The bake sale will be held at Charley's during the Veteran's Day Free Hot Dog Feed. The Auxiliary's next meeting has not been scheduled yet.

Wick reported that two new members signed up on-line for the Legion.

The Kyle Scarberry run generated \$1,259.93, after expenses.

Youth Shooter Program. Big Jim and Mike Sloan will plan to shadow another post to see how the program works.

IX. **Unfinished Business**

The post still needs to come up with a big ticket item for the July 4th raffle. Mike Sloan will check on Las Vegas trips available through Tinker AFB. Big Jim suggested an Alaska trip. If the membership has any suggestions, please email Wick or Big Jim or suggest it at one of the next post meetings.

X. **New Business & Correspondence**

October 18th – benefit poker run for VA hospital residents. Entrance fee for the ride is \$20 worth of merchandise that is listed on the flyer. items needed (new condition preferred) are (White socks) (tee shirts size L, XL, 2X, 3X) (sneakers sizes 8,9,10,11,12,13) (jeans sizes 32, 34, 36,38) (sweats sizes med, large, xl, xxl, xxxl) (flip flops, backpacks or other cloth bags)

October 24th, The OKC VA Med Center is having a Welcome Home Celebration. More info at <http://www.okcwelcomehome.com/> and www.alr1340.org and [http://alr1340.org/flyers/Welcome Home Celebration 2009.pdf](http://alr1340.org/flyers/Welcome_Home_Celebration_2009.pdf)

Annual ALCH Christmas visit-the Post voted to give Wal-mart gift cards to the ALCH residents this year. Wick will check with the ALCH on when a good time for us to visit will be. Big Jim will contact Steve with the Foresters to find out if they want to contribute to the children's Christmas. Wick is also trying to get other posts to ride up to ALCH with us.

Wick will order wreaths for the Veteran's Day Ride to the State Capital on November 11th. 50/50 drawing – Rick Vasquez won \$26.50 in the 50/50 drawing. Due to our October 18th ride, our regularly scheduled meeting on October 17th (Saturday) has been moved to October 18th (Sunday).

October 17th-Territorial Riders are having a poker run. More info for the ride is at www.territorialriders.com and [http://territorialriders.com/page/1cxka/Upcoming Events/FLYERS.html](http://territorialriders.com/page/1cxka/Upcoming_Events/FLYERS.html)

Jimmy will check with Burger King in Ponca City to see if they can provide gift certificates in addition to our gift cards for our trip to the ALCH in December.

Thunder Bird Youth Academy in Pryor, OK asked if we would like to be mentors to their cadets. Wick will send out an email with more info.

Sick Call

Steve Blair briefed that his mother-in-law passed away. A moment of silence was held for her.

Closing

Closing prayer was performed the meeting was closed.

Minutes submitted by Adjutant Robert Wick Wicker to the Executive Committee via email. Executive Committee members have 2 business days to contest the meeting minutes or request changes, after which, the updated/changes minutes will be released to the general membership.

Minutes approved by: YES ~~NO~~ Commander Jim Craig
YES NO Vice-Commander Henry Bass
YES NO Ralph Branham
YES ~~NO~~ Rex Warlick
YES NO Steve Blair
YES NO Hugh Langston
YES NO John Rose
YES NO Charley Wills
YES NO Michael Sloan
YES ~~NO~~ Michael Marxen
YES ~~NO~~ Ron White