



American Legion Riders 1340  
General Membership Meeting

**December 12, 2023**

**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 all 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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## *American Legion Riders 1340 Meeting Minutes*

Minutes for American Legion Riders 1340 meeting on December 12, 2023

Meeting held at American Legion Post 12, 6101 NW 50<sup>th</sup> Street; OKC, OK

- Meeting opened at 7:00
- Salute to Colors
- Prayer – Mike Marxen
- POW/MIA Chair Ceremony
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Recitation of Preamble
- 11 members & 1 guests present.
- November minutes reviewed and approved.
- Finance Report reviewed and approved: Current bank balance **\$2055.33**

**ALR1340 Bank Balance as of: December 12, 2023**

		Expenditures	Deposits	Balance
<b>Nov 14, 2023</b>	<b>\$2,751.67</b>	D - Donations	\$695.31	\$0.00
Deposits	\$135.00	All Fundraisers	\$0.00	\$0.00
Expenditures	\$831.34	O - Operating Exp	\$40.03	\$0.00
<b>Dec 12, 2023</b>	<b>\$2,055.33</b>	R -Regular Dues	\$96.00	\$135.00
		S - Son's Dues	\$0.00	\$0.00
		<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$831.34</b>	<b>\$135.00</b>
				<b>-\$696.34</b>

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	YTD	Expenditures	Deposits	Balance
BOY Balance	<b>\$1,700.89</b>	D - Donations	\$1,145.31	\$20.00
Deposits	\$18,905.45	All Fundraisers	\$14,584.62	\$16,378.45
Expenditures	\$18,551.01	O - Operating Exp	\$1,899.05	\$1,177.00
Current Balance	<b>\$2,055.33</b>	R -Regular Dues	\$800.00	\$1,235.00
		S - Son's Dues	\$45.00	\$95.00
		<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$18,473.98</b>	<b>\$18,905.45</b>
				<b>\$431.47</b>

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	Fundraisers	Balance
C - Challenge Coins	\$3,147.20	\$6,452.00
F - Fundraiser	\$0.00	\$0.00
G - Gun Raffle	\$200.00	\$370.00
L - Legacy Run	\$12,658.62	\$8,406.45
X - Legacy Run Reg	\$0.00	\$1,150.00
	<b>\$16,005.82</b>	<b>\$16,378.45</b>
		<b>\$372.63</b>

- Reports:

**Membership**

➤ TAL Goals

- Sep 23: **50%**   Oct 23: **55%**   Nov 23: **65%**   Dec 23: **75%**

- Goal: **43**

- Current: **44 (102.3%)**

➤ SAL

- Goal: **7**

Current: **8 (114.3%)**

## Legion Coin Sales

	AL Antiqued	AL Polished	ALR Polished	Total
# Purchased:	200	100	200	500
# Remaining:	<b>4</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>187</b>
# Sold:	196	39	78	313
Sales Totals:	<b>\$3,920</b>	<b>\$780</b>	<b>\$1,560</b>	<b>\$6,260</b>
Value Remaining:	<b>\$80</b>	<b>\$1,220</b>	<b>\$2,440</b>	<b>\$3,740</b>

➤ Old Business

- Mid-Winter Conference, Jan 25-27. If you plan to attend, please [email](#) or text (405-249-5927) our adjutant to register.

[Additional info here](#)

➤ New Business

- Spaghetti Dinner – Dec 15<sup>th</sup>. Additional help is always welcome or just bring your family and friends out for good meal at about half what you would pay elsewhere.
- Planning has begun for the 2024 OK Legacy Run. If you would like help please contact Mike Marxen or Rex Warlick for more information.
- The Chili Cook Off has been set for Feb 24<sup>th</sup>, noon to 5pm, \$5 a bowl. If you have a chili recipe you would like to enter, please contact Mike Harris. Next Spaghetti Dinner will be 6 to 8pm on December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Summer Convention, July 10-14.
- Our annual donation of items to the Norman Veterans Home occurred on Dec 9<sup>th</sup>. Four riders, accompanied by State Commander Brett Martin, delivered the much-appreciated items.

- Our current gun raffle ([see here](#)) tickets must be turned in before the drawing at the Mid-Winter conference. If you have sold or would like to purchase or sale tickets for the conference contact [Rex](#).
- Post 12 has been working on the acquisition of a new larger freezer for the kitchen and large cooler to replace the two old refrigerators in the bar area. Brett has been able to locate a new freezer for under \$1000 and a proposal was made for Post 1340 to assist in the cost. Splitting the cost of the freezer was presented at the meeting and approved by a vote of the members present with the caveat that our share not exceed \$500. It was also generally agreed that we were in a position to possibly help with the cooler, however, that issue was tabled until we know more about the possible cost and reevaluate our funding position.
- For the past 2 years we have made a donation to a local church to help a needy family over the holidays. The initial donation was made with the understanding that the funds go to a veteran family if possible and that was accomplished. Last year a veteran family couldn't be located and the funds were donated to a single parent family. This year the decision was made to try to locate a veteran family through another church if possible. As of this date I have not been able to do that. Partially because of the limited time frame and partially because of the busy schedule we all have this time of year.
- Sick Call
  - Please keep Dan Tomas and Tim & Penny Rice in your prayers as they work toward recovery.
- *Next meeting: Jan 9<sup>th</sup>.*
- Benediction – Mike Marxen
- Colors retired.
- POW/MIA chair retired.

YES / NO - Mike Harris  
 YES / NO - Rex Warlick  
~~YES / NO - Rob Barby~~  
~~YES / NO - Andrew Berrigan~~

YES / NO – Bryan Robinson  
 YES / NO - Mike Marxen  
 YES / NO - Rick Vasquez