

INDIANA
AMERICAN LEGION
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 5, 2008, 1 PM

JT Small called the meeting to order.

Pledge of allegiance

Prayer

Riders Response

Hugh Dagley introduced Becky, The Legion Membership representative. They introduced the American Legion Vanity License Plate Program.

Ray Behbein the National Commander, from Iowa, thanked the ALR for the proud display of our patches and how the Vietnam Veterans are now able to step forward and be proud. He encouraged the ALR to grow.

Minutes of the last meeting waived - hard copies handed out. A motion to accept was made seconded and passed by vote.

Treasurer's report was given by Mike Fathman. A thank you from the Veteran's Home for the \$500.00 donated for the Volunteer Recognition Banquet was read. Mike give his new address. A motion to accept the report was made, seconded and passed by vote of the Delegates.

Historian - Request for photos, copies if mailed - will not be returned. Flyers wanted. Please include Event Name, Date, identify people.

Web-site - Rick Haberman - Seeking pictures, event Flyers, Tribute Page-Branch of service, date of passing, etc.

Sgt. at Arms - Jim Hamilton - taught us the proper protocol for leaving and returning to a meeting in session. Quietly move to the end of the row, approach the flag, salute the flag, leave the room. Return by approaching the flag, salute and return to your seat.

The Chair for the National Award - ALROH - Pat Phillips asked if there were any other nominations as today is the deadline for submission to the National Chairman. So far there is only one entry.

State Rider of Honor Award - Chair - Mike Gunder has one response so far. The deadline will be Knightstown Picnic day.

State Rally 2009 Chair - Billy Taylor - Have one Application so far. The deadline has been changed to the July meeting to turn in apps and the decision made by the Fall conference.

State Rally 2008 Host Chapter 97 has a table set up for pre-registration and are selling Raffle Tickets today. Gate fee per person is \$15.00 to pre-register, \$20.00 at the Gate. Hotel Discounts posted on the web. Jump Start, a local band will be playing in the Camp ground, Friday night.

Challenge Coin - Dale Taylor - Presented the two most popular choices by the Web votes. The majority of the meeting attendees voted for #5. It was suggested each Chapter take orders up front, and collect the money, so we can have the deposit to order them. The exact cost is still not set because of the variables involved. There is also a leather pouch available to keep the coin in.

NEW BUSINESS

Charters and Riders Response posters were presented to Chapter 28, New Albany (not Present); Chapter 61, Shoals; Chapter 79, Zionsville; Chapter 152, Knightstown; Chapter 470, Fishers.

Run Coordinator - Bob Schnell - Close of books June 8th - Ride from Post 492 off 43. May Ride before the race, watch the Web-site for details. National Romp Ride - Exit 174 to join the ride. Dave Noble, from Newburg announced a Country-Western singer is raising money for the Legacy Scholarship Fund. He will be setting up a Post Party on the 16th of April and has tickets available today for the Concert in Evansville on April 19th.

Jack Platt announced a Black Top Party will be the night before the Legacy Ride departs Indiana.

If there is a member who does a Chapter Transfer and the Back Patch has the name of the "old" Chapter embroidered into the patch, the patch must be changed.

Rick will put an Indiana State Chapter Data form on the Web-site so that it will be sent to The State as well as National.

Indiana has 58 Chapters; 1285- Members last year, 1300 this year already. We tie with Kansas for the most Chapters.

BLUE STAR SALUTE -May 17, 2008 - Escorted Ride, Drag Racing, Concert, at Indy West HD.

Motion to adjourn made, seconded and passed by vote of delegates.