



Jim J. Gilleo American Legion Riders Chapter 283

Membership Meeting

May 4, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 09:00 by Director John Lang.

Chaplin Yvette Moore offered prayer.

Pow/Mia flag placed on chair by Sgt at Arms Vicki Skipper-Compton

Plague of Allegiance lead by Sgt at Arms Vicki Skipper-Compton

Rider's creed was recited by all in attendance.

Roll called. Present: Director John Lang, Asst. Director Jim Nowak, 2nd Vice Edward Johnson, Chaplin Yvette Moore, Finance Officer Ella Rae Jansen, Adjutant Kam Sons, Road Captain Shawn Conley, Sgt at Arms Vicki Skipper-Compton, Asst Sgt at Arms Rick Knight, Quarter Master Ella Rae Jansen, Membership Karen Hunter-Nowak, Webmaster, Jim Nowak, Historian, Karen Hunter-Nowak, Event Coordinator, Kam Sons

(Quorum is meet)

Not Present: Asst. Chaplin Suzie Heitt, Safety Officer: Mark Lowey

Guests: Ashley Shirman, Alan Berhonich, Robert Selfent, Babette Altizer

Ashley spoke and requested the ALR's support for her San Mateo Little League All-star softball team. They are a non-profit organization, and to pay for the expenses for them to travel. Ashley was chosen to play in the Florida/Georgia All Stars for Florida to be played in Georgia. A motion was made to donate \$700.00, and it was amended to \$1000.00, it was properly seconded, without discussion, motion carried. A request was made for them to give the riders her schedule for games so we can support her games as she is a Junior Rider.

Committee Reports:

Adjutant In lieu of reading of the minutes, they are posted on website, a motion was made to accept minutes as posted. Motion was properly accepted and without any discussion motion passed. If there is anything you need to send to the adjutant, please send it to 283rideradjutant@gmail.com

Finance Officer read detailed report of account balances, Checking \$12486.03, Rider down fund \$3023.19, Money market \$4116.41, Charity Account \$1202.18, Poker Run Acct \$6478.24. \$27306.05 total funds

available. The motion was made to accept the finance report subject to audit, it was properly seconded and without any discussion the motion passed.

Asst. Director: April 3061.5 miles and 1105 hours. We had \$1000.00 in donations as well. 14177 Miles, year to date totals were as follows: 91965.9 miles, 15730.5 hours, and donations \$39150.00. Points games will be posted on the board. I have forms here for the poker run today if anyone is interested.

Chaplin: Get well card sent to Sean Sons for his accident, please keep him in your prayers.

Sgt at Arms: 42 members 4 guests (Ashley Shirman, Alan Berhonich, Robert Selfent, Babette Altizer). \$21 for Rider down fund. Looks great that we have this many members here and donations.

Road Captain: No ride for today

Safety Captain: No activity

2nd Vice: April 19, Alex cooked lumpia, and pan-cit. The expenses were \$250.00, donations were \$1041.00, with proceeds of \$791.00. We had 12 volunteers. April 23, Vickie cooked Taco Tuesday. The expenses were \$212.00, donations were \$475.00, with proceeds of \$263.00. We had 9 volunteers. We missed the deadline for calendar for meal because the new 2nd Vice was not notified so we are having cabbage and sausage, and garlic bread. We do need volunteers for that meal on May 17th. We will be doing her Taco Tuesday on May 28.

Webmaster: Posted a lot of pictures for items and we have a lot of documents posted as well.

Event Coordinator: In process of sending 450 sponsor letters, old sponsors, and new sponsors, out. The postcards for save the date cards are in, please grab some on your way out. We will be having a poker run meeting this month. If you have anything for the silent auction for the poker run, please let us know so we can start storing this stuff.

A presentation for how to save and use the tracking app on your phone for hours and miles. If anyone has it on their phone and they can share it.

Rick Knight spoke up and stated, we are leaving miles and hours on the table, please log them.

If there is anything you need to send for the poker run, please send it to 283rideradjutant@gmail.com

Quarter Master: no new activity.

Membership: 142 members and 3 new members to vote in and our 1st Junior rider to be voted in. They are as follows: Alan Berhonich, Babette Altizer, and Robert Slefent and Junior rider Ashley Shrimann. A motion was made to accept all new members, it was properly seconded, without discussion the motion passed.

Historian: Awaiting pictures from Unity Ride.

Director: We received a certificate of appreciation from St Jude's for our donation, a thank you letter for our donation to foundation makes is cares. Chapter 316 sent a Thank you card for the donation for their oyster roast. Thank note and certificate from 129 for the Casino night donation.

Miles and hours can be claimed through the app, Legion/SAL hours and miles can be claimed for one or either, not both. The miles and hours are a big part of the Chapter of the year. If you are doing a merry-go- round or

round robin, the road captain will put miles and hours online, but you are still responsible for your own miles and hours.

Saturday is Boots on the Ground, it is nice. We need a volunteer for someone to be here all day, Sean Sons, Donnie S. and Karen volunteered. A motion was made to donate \$1000.00 to Boots on the Ground, it was properly seconded, motion passed.

To clear up something: appointed positions are as follows: Chaplin, 2nd Vice, Webmaster, Historian, and Event Coordinator.

A motion was made to make a Co-Road Captain position, it was properly seconded. There was discussion that instead the Road Captain should be responsible for having people in place to help with responsibility in his absence. Motion was not passed.

Once again, the importance of the medical forms was stressed and the importance of having someone that does not ride as a passenger on your bike as a second emergency contact.

Convention is coming up in June, there are 4 rooms reserved, need to know who is going, please contact the new director, Jim Nowak. This is where new officers are elected for the American Legion Department. We need to know by the end of the month if you are going.

Composing himself John Lang gave everyone a heartfelt Thank You are allowing him to be the director.

Nominations for 2024-2025 are as follows:

Director: Jim Nowak- nomination accepted. - no other nominations

Asst Director: Ed Johnson- nomination accepted. - no other nominations

Adjutant: Kam Sons- nomination accepted- no other nominations

Finance officer: Ella Rae Jansen- nomination accepted.

Bill Curnutte- nomination was rescinded.

Road Captain: Brian Brewer- nomination accepted- nomination was rescinded.

John Lambert- nomination accepted.

Kyle Satterwhite- nomination accepted.

Danny Hill- nomination accepted- no other nominations.

Safety Officer: Sean Sons- nomination accepted- rescinded nomination.

Martin Lightner- nomination accepted. - no other nominations.

Sgt @ Arms: Vicki Skipper-Compton- nomination accepted.

Anthony Elrod- nomination declined. – no other nominations.

Asst Sgt @ Arms: Kyle Satterwhite- nomination accepted. – rescinded nomination.

Sean Sons- nomination accepted. – no other nominations.

Membership: Karen Hunter- Nowak- nomination accepted.

A vote was cast via ballot for Road Captain office, it was a tie between Danny Hill and Kyle Satterwhite. Director broke the tie.

Election results were as follows:

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Adjutant: Kam Sons

Finance officer: Ella Rae Jansen

Road Captain: Kyle Satterwhite

Safety Officer: Martin Lightner

Sgt @ Arms: Vicki Skipper-Compton

Asst Sgt @ Arms: Sean Sons

Membership: Karen Hunter- Nowak

Appointed positions:

Chaplin: Yvette Moore

2nd Vice: Lyn Wayman

Webmaster: Jim Nowak

Historian: Kathlyn Satterwhite

Event Coordinator: Kam Sons

TW stood and stated as a Past Director he helped create this Chapter and back then it was easy, and now it is a lot of responsibility for the Director and it's a big job and he wanted to offer congratulations to the new officers and a moment for the Past Directors present to offer words of advice to the new director. Wes McMillian, as a past director offer any help he could to new officers. Rodney Fullwood as a Past Director, stated the best advice he could give was advise given to him, "Let the riders decide which way we want to go, let them vote on it and let it go, and when you are in public conduct yourself well, and be a good citizen and represent our Chapter and Post well. TW also stated the "Pops" has been a good director.

Our next meeting will be June 1, 2024 @ 9am.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and properly seconded.

POW/MIA flag retrieved by Sgt at Arms Vicki Skipper-Compton

Closing prayer offered by Chaplin.

Director adjourned meeting at 10:21:57

For God and Country

Respectfully submitted by:

Chapter 283

Adjutant

Kam Sons

