



Jim J. Gilleo American Legion Riders Chapter 283

Membership Meeting

December 6th, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 09:00 by Director Edward Johnson.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplin.

POW/MIA flag placed on chair by Sgt at Arms.

Pledge of Allegiance led by the Sgt at Arms.

Rider's creed was recited by all in attendance.

Roll called

Present:

Director- Edward Johnson, **Asst. Director-** Jim Nowak, **Chaplin-** Phillipe Dupont, **Sgt at Arms-** Vicki Skipper-Compton, **Road Captain-** Kyle Satterwhite, **Membership-** Karen Hunter-Nowak, **Webmaster-** Jim Nowak, **Historian-** Kaytlyn Satterwhite, **Kitchen Coordinator-** Brenda Johnson, **Finance Officer-** Ella Rae Jansen, **Quarter Master-** Ella Rae Jansen, **Event Coordinator-** Ella Rae Jansen, **Adjutant-** Ashley Lambert, **Safety Officer-** John Lambert, **Women Veterans-** Ashley Lambert

Not Present: -

(Quorum is met)

Committee Reports:

Adjutant: In lieu of reading the minutes, they are posted on our website. A motion was made by Kyle Satterwhite to accept minutes as posted. Motion was seconded by Vicki Skipper-Compton, without any discussion motion passed.

Finance Officer: The finance report was read. A motion was made by Vicki Skipper-Compton to accept the Finance Officers' report subject to audit. The motion was seconded by Kaytlyn Satterwhite, without any discussion motion passed.

Ast. Director: Last month's totals: 13,788 miles, 1,737 hours, and \$900 in donations. YTD: 110,88.8 miles, 13,190.65 hours, \$7,170 in donations. Please everyone report your miles and hours, all Legion business counts. Any fund raising, post business, rides, charity events/fund raising counts towards our miles and hours for the year.

Chaplin: No report.

Sgt at Arms: We have 27 members, and 4 guests present today, and \$31 dollars in the Rider Down Fund. Please save the pop tabs from the tops of your can for me, I donate them to the Ronald McDonald Charity House.

Guests: Stacy, Bobby, & Joe “Crime Scene”:

We are here from Post 129 to talk to you guys about our “Casino Night”. This year it will be on February 28th. It is our biggest fund-raising night of the year, we partner with Project Vet Relief, an organization that provides resources for the prevention of veteran suicide. They do this by providing resources, outreach, and raising awareness. They are a nonprofit organization so they need our support.

I will leave flyers for the event if you are interested in attending. You can purchase your tickets online or from us directly. We will have gambling tables, Crapps, and roulette set up. We will also have a private VIP room set up for a little extra cost, in the VIP room you do not have to leave your table to get a drink or food so that is the benefit of spending the extra money. This year will be a pirate theme. Regular tickets cost \$50 per person, and the VIP room tickets are \$75 per person. Food will be included in the cost of the ticket, we will also be raffling off baskets and prizes. Thank you for your time.

Road Captain: We have some riders heading down to St Augustine today after the meeting, anyone is welcome to join. Please log your miles and hours.

Safety Captain: Everyone keep up your good work into the new year. I would like to see no accidents.

Membership: We currently have 128 riders, we have 30 that still need to renew. We have no new members to vote in today.

Kitchen Coordinator:

On November 6th we served chicken tenders and fries: we brought in \$290. It cost \$104.92 for a total profit of \$185 with nine volunteers.

On November 21st we served Salisbury steaks, with mashed potatoes and gravy, and broccoli: we brought in \$606. It cost \$218.75 for a total profit of \$387.25 with seven volunteers.

On November 25th we served tacos: we brought in \$385. It cost \$173.73 for a total profit of \$211.27.

December's meals will be: 4th- chicken tenders with fries, 19th- Ed’s Seaside Subs with fries, 23rd - steak or chicken fajitas with yellow rice and beans.

Webmaster: Please send me any pictures you have so I can upload them on the website.

Historian: On November 3rd we stole Post 267s plaque. November 11th was Veterans Day, there was a parade. We had a farewell ride for one of our riders moving home to Wisconsin on the 15th. 250 stole our plaque that day. On the 17th we had an Honor Guard for Susan Stapleton. On the 23rd we retrieved our plaque. On the 30th we stole 54s plaque.

The Stapleton family presented us with a check in appreciation of our support as well.

Event Coordinator: We need to discuss what charities we want to support next year for our poker run. Whatever charity we decided on, it must be a 501c nonprofit organization. Please think about it.

Quartermaster: I have ordered some new riders hats if anyone is interested. I also have some ear warmers as well.

Lady Veterans: No report given.

Director:

Upcoming events:

Upcoming events to be mailed out to the membership, please also check the 5th District calendar.

Old business:

We received an appreciation letter from the Fleet reserve for our donation to their poker run back in September.

If you do not pay your dues for the new year whether you are a member of the Legion, Auxiliary, or Sons you cannot be a rider until they are paid. You cannot pay your Riders dues without having paid your family dues. You have until February to pay your family dues, but by January 31st you will be cut from the Riders roster if you are not paid up.

We have roughly 120 tickets left to sell for our firearm raffle, it's 10\$ a ticket. The drawing is on New Years Eve.

Our Christmas party will be here at the legion on December 20th at 6 PM. We have the meeting hall reserved. Please everyone bring a side, the Riders will provide the meat for the meal. We will also be having our white elephant, please bring a wrapped gift with a maximum of 25\$ value if you want to participate. A motion was made by Vicki Skipper-Compton that we allocate a maximum of 40\$ and then amend it to 60\$ to buy a ham for the Christmas party. Motion was seconded by Ashley Lambert and Kaytlyn Satterwhite.

New business:

We would like Kyle to set up a New Years Day ride so that we can all get together in the new year.

Remember when we are thinking about charities for next year that they must be a 501c nonprofit.

Chapter 9 has a run coming up in January, it's to raise funds for some of their members who have cancer and are undergoing treatment. They are asking for us to show up and show out, they are also asking for someone to volunteer to get in the dunk tank.

Please remember to leave a calling card or some information when we are taking plaques. The post in Clearwater was upset that we took their plaque and then didn't post it on Facebook. We did leave a card with our name and address, but their rider's director was upset that we didn't put it on Facebook.

19th street charity is looking for a donation this year for Toys for Tots. They work with the ex-marines and they give out toys and other goods to children who would go without. A motion was made by Kyle Satterwhite that we donate \$1500 to 19th street charity, motion was seconded by Ashley Lambert. Motion passed.

We are having a children's Christmas party here this Saturday the 13th and we need escorts for Santa. Meet at the Advanced Auto at 11:00. A motion was made by Kaytlyn Satterwhite to donate 500\$ to the children and youths Christmas party, motion was seconded by Vicki Skipper-Compton. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Kaytlyn Satterwhite to change Bike night to the first Saturday of the month instead of Friday night meal, motion was seconded by Glenda Balenger. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Kaytlyn Satterwhite to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Karen Hunter-Nowak. Motion passed.

Our next meeting will be **January 3rd, 2025 @ 9am.**

POW/MIA flag retrieved by temp Sgt at Arms.

Director adjourned the meeting at 09:52:00

For God and Country.

Respectfully submitted by:

Chapter 283 Adjutant

Ashley Lambert

