



## **Jim J. Gilleo American Legion Riders Chapter 283**

### **Membership Meeting**

**January 3rd, 2026**

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-** Phillippe Dupont, **Sgt at Arms-** Vicki Skipper-Compton, **Membership-** Karen Hunter-Nowak, **Webmaster-** Jim Nowak, **Historian-** Kaytlyn Satterwhite, **Kitchen Coordinator-** Brenda Johnson

**Not Present:** **Adjutant-** Ashley Lambert (excused), **Safety Officer-** John Lambert (excused), **Women Veterans-** Ashley Lambert (excused), **Road Captain-** Kyle Satterwhite (excused), **Finance Officer-** Ella Rae Jansen (excused), **Quarter Master-** Ella Rae Jansen (excused), **Event Coordinator-** Ella Rae Jansen (excused)

(Quorum is met)

### **Committee Reports:**

**Adjutant:** No report.

**Finance Officer:** (Given by Director- Edward Johnson) The finance report was read. A motion was made by Vicki Skipper-Compton to accept the Finance Officers' report subject to audit. The motion passed without any discussion.

**Asst. Director:** Last month's totals: 12,554 miles, 1,310 hours and \$2,000 in donation. YTD: 122,906.8 miles, 14,500 hours, \$9,170 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.

It is time for the Rider of the Year nominations. We have QR codes posted around the canteen, scan the code with your phone and cast your vote. Please include why you are nominating your person: why they stood out to you this year and the good things they have done for the Riders and why you think they deserve the Rider of the Year.

**Chaplin:** No report.

**Sgt at Arms:** We have 31 members, and 3 guests present today, and \$52 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 McDonalds Charity House.

**Road Captain:** No report.

**Safety Captain:** No report.

**Membership:** We currently have 104 riders, we have 29 members that still need to renew. We have no new members to vote in today.

**Kitchen Coordinator:**

On December 4th we served chicken tenders and fries: we brought in \$273 in donations and \$32 in tips. It cost \$113.88 for a total profit of \$159.12 with ten volunteers.

On December 19th we served Eds seaside subs and fries: we brought in \$372 and \$26 in tips. It cost \$161.02 for a total profit of \$210.98 with nine volunteers.

On December 23rd we served fajitas: we brought in \$390 and \$32 in tips with nine volunteers.

January's meals will be: 1st- Ham with rice, beans, and collard greens, 16th- chicken tenders with fries, 27th - 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 the 5th the Department Commander was escorted from 233. On the 6th after the meeting some of us went out to breakfast. On the 13th we escorted Santa to the post. On the 20th we had our Christmas party. On the 21st we had a ride to St Augustine. We helped serve Christmas dinner. On the 26th we had some people attend the 100th birthday of a marine Keystone. We had a ride into Georgia for some seafood that weekend as well. On the 28th we got our plaque back.

**Event Coordinator:** (Given by Director- Edward Johnson) We will start planning our Poker Run after Summit this year.

**Quartermaster:** (Given by Director- Edward Johnson) We had the lights installed in the cabinet out front, most of the items have prices on them. I am the only one with a key at the moment, I'm trying to find somewhere that can make a copy of the key.

**Lady Veterans:** No report.

**Director:**

**Upcoming events:**

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

**Old business:**

Our gun raffle was held on New Year's Day. We ended up bringing in \$2,290 from the raffle with the cost of the firearm, that comes out to a proceeds of \$1,840. We would like to hold another raffle, we need someone to volunteer to run a new raffle.

An idea was given that we raffle something other than a firearm, for example gift cards to outdoors stores, gift cards to a couples massage, etc.

All proceeds from the raffles are going toward the Summit account. If you are interested in attending Summit, you do need to register online, its \$50 to register. You have up until Feb 19th, that is the first day of Summit.

**New business:**

I have asked the Commander about holding a Luau pig roast sometime around the end of March and beginning of April. If we host it here at the Legion, the Commander does have to get a permit for us to be able to drink alcohol outside. We are talking about digging a hole out in the yard to cook the pig in. If we have it here it will be open to the entire post, if we have it elsewhere it will be more of a private event. A motion was made by Kaytlyn Satterwhite to hold the Luau at the post. Motion was seconded by Vicki Skipper-Compton, motion passed without discussion.

Our bike night will be held on the first Saturday of the month after our meetings starting at 6pm. We will be having a hot dog bar so that everyone gets to enjoy the night and no one gets stuck cooking and serving. We need around \$100 to cover the cost of food. A motion was made by Vicki Skipper-Compton to give \$100-120 for food costs. Motion was seconded by Kaytlyn Satterwhite, motion passed without discussion.

February 20th is the Chili Cook Off from 6pm-730pm. TW will be running the event. First place prize is \$100, second place is \$75, and third place is \$50. Its all you can eat chili for \$7. This will count as our Friday night dinner for the month of February, it does fall on the week of Summit. If we cannot get the date moved, we will need volunteers to help out as most of the officers will be at Summit on that day.

February 28th is post 129s Casino Night. We did sponsor three tables for the event, but I am not sure if they are holding tickets for us. If you are interested in going, tickets are \$50. VIP tickets cost a little more. Ticket costs include dinner.

Summit is from February 19th to the 22nd in Daytona. Bike week is from February 27th to March 8th. Boots on the Ground is on May 9th. Convention is June 11th through the 14th in Orlando. Fall conference is November 20th through 22nd.

A motion was made by Vicki Skipper-Compton to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Kaytlyn Satterwhite. Motion passed.

Our next meeting will be **February 7th, 2026 @ 9am.**

POW/MIA flag retrieved by temp Sgt at Arms.

Director adjourned the meeting at 09:37:00

For God and Country.

Respectfully submitted by:

Chapter 283 Adjutant

**Ashley Lambert**

