

## Indiana State Chapter Meeting April 11, 2015

Mark brought the Meeting to order at 3:00pm. The Sgt at Arms, Danny Price secured the room. The Pledge of Allegiance and Riders Response were recited. Steve Rainbolt give a prayer of thanks, safety and guidance.

**Roll Call:** Mark Gosney, Ric Kumfer, Dina Long, Kim Dietz, Marty Skaggs, Deb Bickel and Steve Rainbolt, Linda Cook.  
**Sign in** of the Chapters – 33 present.

**Guests** in Attendance are listed on the Guest Sign-in Sheet.

National Commander Candidate, Dale Barnett stated he has visited 39 State ALR Chapter meetings and this is the largest attended meeting he has seen. Our visibility across the nation shows good for the Legion. The funds raised on the Legacy Ride is incredible! Thank you!

National Chair of the Legion's Child Welfare Committee, Jerry Jordon spoke about how after Knightstown closed the committee struggled to re-organize and find new focus. The funds available through the committee are limited and there needs to be more raised. He asked that the ALR Chapters hold fund raisers to donated money to the CWC.

Connie Barker from Thunder Roads Magazine talked about the Thunder Run program. She passed out information about it at a table in the back of the meeting room. The magazine is available in biker friendly businesses.

**Minutes:** TJ Small, 97 made a motion to accept as written, seconded by Kirk Crawford, 257, passed by vote.

**Treasury Report:** Totals and overview of details read by Dina Long, with a detailed written copy available for review. A motion to accept the written copy was made by George Wilson, 495, seconded by Marty Skaggs, 252, passed by vote.

**Membership:** 118 Chapters listed in Dina's membership documents. Paid memberships for 2015 is down from the past.

### **State Officers Reports:**

**Chaplain's Report:** Steve named off the list of members who have passed since our last meeting and we had a moment of silence for them.

**Run Coordinator:** Marty reminder of the Close of books ride and listed the Coordinators for each area.

**Communications:** Doug resigned as officer in a letter to Mark as he has other commitments. Linda Cook from Post 331, Brownsburg has accepted the position.

**By Laws:** None of the committee present. There will be wording added to the by-laws about chapter membership NOT needing to be at the same post as Legion, Auxiliary, SAL membership. It will be written up and read at a future meeting.

**State Chairman:** Dave Noble spoke for Jim Hamilton -The ROY Awards applications were presented at the Chairman's Committee meeting today. Two designs for the State Headquarters display were submitted. The Riders choose the one with a statue holding a flag to stand at the end of the side walk. There is much red tape to get past for anything we propose. It will have to be approved by the State Headquarters and a Community Building Committee.

**Indiana State Rally:** Bob Schnell not present. We have NO applications for the 2016 Rally. Please apply now if you are interested!

**IVH committee meeting representative:** Connie Schaffer reported there is a wish list for the home produced quarterly. The home has a capacity of 442 residents and there are only 230 there at present. They are \$750.00 short on being able to replace the pond filter. See Mike Buttom's if you would like to donate to that project.

**Old Business:** July Nominations of officers for 2016.

Tramps Wife passed and the Indiana ALR give \$100.00 to the USO in her name as a memorial.

The Motion for Charity Donations by the State ALR was amended to say "A Not-For-Profit Organization designated by Federal regulations." Motion by Rich Baum, 79, seconded by Steve Corman, 495, passed by vote.

### **Good of the Riders:**

TJ Small does not like the meeting time change. Connie Schaffer asked about how we can attend other Legion Meetings if it is moved back to 1pm? A vote was taken and most of the riders want the 1pm time slot back. Mark will see if the Department Headquarters will allow us to have the 1pm time back.

Ric Kumfer talked about the Child Education & Welfare Committee and how they help distressed families. A good project to help.

**Chapter Charters** were presented to Milltown, 332.

**A motion to adjourn** the meeting was made by Scott Weldon, 492, seconded, passed by vote.