

American Legion Riders of Indiana State Chapter Meeting July 16, 2011

Mark **called the meeting to order** at 11:30am with the Sgt at Arms, stand in, Pat Phillips securing the room. "Bo" Mckie, State Chaplain give a **prayer of thanks and guidance**, we recited the **Pledge of Allegiance** and the **Riders Response**. Mark called for the **Roll Call of officers** present. There were **40 of 101 chapters present**.

Note: at the end of the meeting there 45 Chapters signed in on the Sign in Roster.

A short video made by the **local TV News** was played from the Indiana State Rally. Leland Baxter is very pleased with the ALR. He will speak to us later. He told the news how he got to know the riders better over the weekend.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from the April 2, 2011 meeting were passed out to each Director. **A motion to waive reading the minutes** was made by Frank "Cowboy" McFarland, 331, seconded by Doug Heiser, passed by vote.

"Kimy" Dietz, State Secretary, pointed out a **mistake in past minutes** where the "Riders Response" author is documented wrong. She would like to fix that. Keith "Dawg" Jones made a motion for the "Riders Response" author be documented as David "Bo" Mckie, seconded by Dave Noble and passed by vote. She also stated the old **Data Sheets** printed out as 18 pages and the new sheets brought it down to just 3 pages to organize into a notebook.

The **"Motions listing"** notebook is up to date and Kimy will have it at meetings and a copy will be kept at the State Headquarters.

Treasury Report:

Dina Long, State Treasurer read the **Financial Report**. Dina asked that membership reports be done on an excel spreadsheet, as hand written notes are so hard to read. Jim Hamilton asked why we were being charged a service fee at the bank since we are a not-for-profit. Dina said she was working to get that taken off. Mike Fathman made a motion to accept, seconded by Marty Skaggs and passed by vote.

Chaplain:

David "Bo" Mckie read a list of our **passed members** since the last meeting, Pendelton members Bob and Jana Warren in an MC accident and Stan Robertson from Middletown from illness.

Historian:

Deb Miler, State Historian asked for **pictures** from the State Rally.

Committees:

Bylaws - The **changes to the Constitution and Bylaws** were read by Dale Taylor. **Each section read was voted on and were all passed by vote of the membership present at this meeting.**

A copy of the approved documents will be given to the Committee Chair who will present it to the Legion Committee to be approved.

National Romp will be July 21-24th. There are currently 14 States preregistered.

Adopt a Bridge Project - Dan Price Chairman reminded everyone that August 21 we would be standing on bridges and overpasses when the Legacy Ride rolls through. Pugman states the ride will be 1250 miles this year.

Reports:

State Rally- Bob reported that no one has turned in an application for 2012 yet.

The 2011 State Rally Report was given by Brandy Jackson - 189 Waivers were signed. The \$4000.00 in profit was donated to Crebrial Pulsey.

There were 85 ALR Riders in the **Miracle Ride**, the largest group of riders. Mongo has a banner from the day.

There were 68 Riders at the **Closing of the Books**.

Mark asked that we all thank Ceder Lake for donating the **Projector Screen and stand** for our power point equipment.

Awards and Thank yous:

The Indiana Rider of the Year Award goes to Steve Rainbolt from Avon. Steve has transferred to the new Plainfield Chapter. Congratulations Steve!

The Veteran's Home issued the State ALR and Post 500 with **Plaques of Appreciation** for our donation to the Volunteer Banquet.

Marty and Teresa were **married** last Saturday. Congratulations!

Leland Baxter visited during a break in the nominations process and thanked the American Legion Riders for all they do for the Veterans, the children of the soldiers and the Legion family.

Nominations of 2012 State Officers were held:

Director:

Dave Noble, 44
Mark Gosney, 492

Nominated by

Tom "TJ" Small, 97
Mike Fathman, 11

Assistant Director:

Kirk Crawford, 257 Not present to accept
Dale "Pugman" Taylor, 331 Declined
Pat Phillips, 500 Declined

Jim Hamilton, 257
Rick Haberman, 329
Bob Schnell, 500

Secretary:

Kimy Dietz, 157

"TJ", 97

Finance/Membership:

Gayle Garr, 47 Not present to accept
Dina Long, 500

Jim Hamiton, 257
Rick Haberman, 329

Sgt At Arms:

Jeff Bickel, 423 Not present to accept
Ron Temple, 147
Patt Phillips, 500
John Kennedy, 117

Larry Bower, 423
Keith "Dawg" Jones
Dan Price, 113
Nora Day, 328

Chaplain:

Rick Kumfer, 86
"Bo" Mckie, 97 Declined
Chris Hurlock, 117
Steve Rainbolt 337
Rev. Norris Keirn, 104

Bo Mckie, 97
Dan Price, 113
Nora Day, 328
Doug Day, 328
Jim Hamilton, 257

Ride Cooridinator:

Doug Day, 328
Gerald "Banjo" Smitley", 47

Rick Haberman, 329
Ernest "Blue" Garr, 47

Historian:

Deb Miler, 97

Blue, 47

Communication:

Rick Haberman, 329

Frank "Cowboy" McFarley, 331

Nominations were closed until the Ocbober Meeting, when they will open again before time to vote, during said meeting.

The State Director has been approached to use **written secret ballots** to vote from now on. There seems to be alot of flack after the elections when the candidates know who voted for or against them. Mark will have the number of each District Chair on a piece of paper, draw three from that and those Drawn District Chairs will count the ballots and announce the new 2012 officers. The ballots will be completed and printed out during the business meeting in October, before the vote.

Chapters: 330 New Haven, 104 Terre Huate, 469 Frankton, 329 Plainfield were presented with their Charter and Riders Response Poster. We welcome them to the Indiana American Legion Riders Program.

Chapters who need **Riders Response Posters** come up after the meeting.

"TJ " stated that there is a table in the vendor area today with brochures for a project to build homes for the **"Wounded Veterans"** coming home. We should all pick up a brochure to check out.

Marty Skaggs makes a **motion to adjourn** the meeting, seconded by "Cowboy" , passed by vote.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,
Kimy Dietz
2011 Indiana ALR State Secretary
July 31, 2011