

American Legion Riders of Indiana State Chapter Meeting October 6, 2012

Mark **called the meeting to order** at 11:03pm, with the Sgt. at Arms, Ron Temple securing the room. Steve Rainbolt, State Chaplain said a **prayer**, we recited the **Pledge of Allegiance** and the **Riders Response**. Kirk did **Roll Call of officers** present. All the 2012 State Officers were present. There were **47 of 109 chapters present**.

Guests:

National SAL Commander, Chris Huntzinger spoke to the ALR Members. He said "The ALR is the best program the Legion has. He is thankful for the things we do to promote the Legion, Attend funerals & home coming for the troops. Bless you all." Doc Price, National; Committee executive member was recognized.

Secretary's Report: With Chapter elections happening soon, each chapter needs to get the data forms filled out and sent in, as the Winter Newsletter for the January meeting needs to go to the 2013 Directors. Please fill out the form completely to keep your information complete and current. There are many chapters who have never submitted a data sheet. There were three newsletters returned for bad info this last time. The date of your last Chapter Data sheet can be found on the sign-in sheet, if you do not know when it was last done.

Minutes from the July 14, 2012 meeting were passed out to each Director. **A motion to waive reading the minutes and approve as written**, was made by Mike Fathman 492, seconded by Bill Melcher 97, passed by vote.

Treasury Report:

Dina give the Treasury Report. TJ Small 97 made a motion to accept the Treasury Report, 2nd by Doug Chandler 502, passed by vote.

Membership: 520, 2013 Legion Memberships have been paid.

Assistant Director: Kirk Crawford - No Report.

Chaplain: Steve reminded members to give him the names of passed members before the meeting so they may be recognized. It was good that we did not have any today.

Run Coordinator: Doug Day stated there was a total of \$710,000 donations to the Legacy Fund. Many activities to enjoy. 2013 will be to Houston Texas, leaving on August 17, 2013.

Historian: Deb said she did not get very many pictures from events this past year. Rick said Facebook posts takes away from our historical book.

Communications: No Report.

State Chairman: TJ presented the **Consolidated Reports** and explained what they are about and why they are important. Deadline for the **Rider of the Year Award** for 2013 is April 1st.

Committees:

Bylaws - This will be the third reading for the election process changes. A motion was made by Tony Griffin 97, to leave the bylaws as is till we find all the changes and make them all at once, Doug Heiser 97 seconded. Discussion, Voted down by membership. Mark stated that the changes we are voting on today, if approved will need to go to Committee and if approved there on to the executive committee to be approved. Kirk made a motion to vote, Bob Ressler 500 2nd, passed by vote. The amendments were read and a vote taken, passed by the membership.

Adopt a Bridge for the Legacy Ride, 4th District covered the bridges in their District. There were 525 riders. Walt Witman 495 asked about the funds. They are posted on line..

State Rally - Bob Schnell announced the 2013 State Rally will be hosted by District 10, Chapters 70, 119, 152, 216, 65, 102, 150, 353, 182 and will be held at Fortsville. Jim Cole will be the contact. They will conduct their first meeting on Saturday October 13, 2012.

New Business:

Motions for donations this year are:

Mike Miller American Legion Scholarship Fund - \$1000.00; motion made and seconded, passed by vote.

Dick Jewel Indiana Veterans's Home Guest House renovation - \$1000.00, motion by TJ Small 97, seconded by Bob 79, passed by vote.

Blue Star \$500.00, motion made by John Ruble 331, seconded Tom Bratcher 492, passed by vote.

Mary T Klinker VA Hospital in Lafayette - \$500.00, motion made by Tom Bratcher 492, seconded by Mike Fathman, passed by vote.

Honor Flight - \$1,500.00, Motion made by Bob Schnell 500, seconded by Jan Rakow, 500, passed by vote.

Legacy Ride Plaques were handed out to - 261, 423, 113, 44, 252, and 10th District.

TJ 97 asked that the exact wording, as originally written, for the **Riders Response** be used on the 2014 Membership cards as the 2013 cards have already been printed.

Mark stated that the **bylaws are very clear** as to what they mean **for the supporter members. DO NOT TWIST THEM!**

Election of officers was conducted and the 2013 officers are listed below:

| <u>Position</u> | <u>Candidate/Chapter #</u> |
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| Director: | Kirk Crawford 257 |

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| Assistant Director: | Jeff Bickel 423 |
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| Secretary: | Kimy Dietz 157 |
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| Finance/ Membership: | Dina Long 500 |
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| Sgt at Arms: | Ron Temple 147 |
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| Chaplain: | Steve Rainbolt 331 |
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| Ride Cord: | Marty Skaggs 296 |
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| Historian: | Deb Miler 97 |
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| Communication: | Rick Haberman 329 |
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Motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by many, passed by vote.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,
Kimy Dietz
2012 Indiana ALR State Secretary
October 25, 2012