

Commander, John Saunders; Opened meeting at 7:00 p.m. with appropriate ceremonies.

Chaplain, Randy Crank; Presented prayer to open the meeting.

Opening:

- Introduction was made for guests, distinguished visitors and new members were welcomed.
- On behalf of Harding Post 113, Commander Saunders and the Director, American Legion Riders Post 113 Hardin Unit, Anthony Dohnert, presented a series of monetary donations to the following organizations who had representatives present:
 - Warm Blessings, Silver Leaf, Spring Haven and Safe Harbor
- A plaque in recognition of support from the legion was received from the POW/MIA Flag Guard
- A donation of \$100.00 was received on behalf of Airborne Cook; if a car is purchased from him he donates to the legion.
- The legion received a Certificate of Distinguished Service from the National Americanism Committee.
- Received a letter of thanks from a student who received a \$1000.00 scholarship from the legion.
- Received a letter from the family of Jack Killion thanking the legion family for leading his service.
- DAV sent a letter thanking the legion for a \$1000.00 donation.
- Toys for Tots sent a letter thanking the legion for contributing to them.
- Motion passed to accept previous month's general membership and executive committee meeting minutes.

Committee Reports

Post Commander, John Saunders; Queen of Hearts is over 23K, at this time.

- Garyoke will be in the lounge this Friday, 4 Aug and is scheduled for 18 August, Saturday.
- The annual Golf Scramble and a band, "Bar Nuns" is scheduled for 5 August, Saturday.
- It's a busy day on August 12th; the legion breakfast and the ALR Poker Run is scheduled with a band that evening, "Rock Station".
- AUSA dinner is scheduled for 10 August.

Chaplain, Randy Crank; Jim Davidson remains in rehabilitation. Remember him in prayer those who are listed within the post newsletter, The Bugler.

1st Vice, Joe Garrett; The 2018 membership drive has started. On July 8th there was an "Open House". There were 157 applications submitted with 15 new members. The goal for the membership year is 1,307. This is 5% more than last year. At the end of July there were 464, 2018 members total for the legion. So far this year, there are 34 total new members to the legion.

Adjutant, Randy Harris; Adjutant asks that when completing the membership applications to be certain the information is readable. If anyone is not getting their Bugler by email, please contact Adjutant Harris; adjutantpost113@comcast.net

Finance Officer, Brian Knoch; Provided balance sheet and profit and loss statement.

- A review of the 2017/2018 budget was provided; a motion was made and passed to accept the budget.
- The legion savings account is at 54K as emergency funds that go toward building maintenance and taxes.
- Monetary contributions requests will be considered; please bring them forward to an Executive Committee member.
- The building loan is now at \$33,557.00 It is noted that March of this year it was at \$59,000!

Unfinished Business:

- It had been requested that a phrase be submitted for placement over the entrance to the lounge door. The phrase presented by Virginia Hobbs was selected, "Through these doors walk the guardians of American freedom".
- Door cards to access the members lounge are available for 2018 members at the general membership meetings.
- Volunteers are always welcome, in particular for Bingo nights. Please contact Mark Kennedy at 270 300-2111 or mwkennedy88@yahoo.com

New Business:

- A request was made to donate \$1000.00 two present to the organization that is building the Vietnam Wall in Elizabethtown. A motion was made and passed
- The dedication of the Vietnam Wall is scheduled for April 30th, 2018.

Good of the Legion:

- The next general membership meeting is scheduled for September 7, 2017.
- The next Executive Committee meeting are scheduled for 8 and 22 August 2017.

Meeting was adjourned with appropriate ceremonies.

ATTEST; Beverly R. Watkins, Publicity Officer

John Saunders, Commander