

AMERICAN LEGION HARDIN POST 113
1251 Ring Road
Elizabethtown, Kentucky 42701
Minutes Executive Committee Meeting, Jan 23, 2018

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Commander John Saunders opened meeting at 6:00 pm with appropriate ceremonies. Previous minutes for the Executive Meeting were approved.

Members absent; All members were present or represented

Post Manager, Stephen Stewart: KY Head Start is scheduled for 30 Jan.

- A copy of the legion calendar was provided to all.

1st Vice Joe Garrett: The membership goal is 1,307 for 2018. Currently, there are 1,143 members for 2018 achieving 87.4% of goal.

- Thanks to Tom Folsom who originated the recent open house at the Legion. Tom , Jerilynn Kabel, and John Crow, hosted several open houses at the Ft Knox PX. It resulted in over 20 memberships. Future initiatives will be considered; Poppy Day, etc.
- Adjutant Harris stated he had additional membership submissions that will bring the membership to 1197.

Finance Officer, Brian Knoch: Provided a balance sheet and a profit and loss report.

- Any donation suggestions are welcome. Please inform any of the Executive Committee members but do not make any promises.
- The automatic payment for the mortgage on the legion building is now being transferred to savings.

Property Book, Tom Folsom: Use of the volunteer Cards for the 40/8 have been suspended. They are required to produce documentation to show the cards have been paid for.

- Motion made and passed: Future cards for the post should have an expiration date of one year after issuance. All old cards will continue to be honored.

Nomination Committee, Al Maruszewski: Nomination positions that are open for a candidate; Commander / 1st Vice / Historian / Property Book / Adjutant / Finance / Chaplain

Publicity Officer, Beverly Watkins: Articles are due at noon on 26 January, Friday, for the February 2018 Bugler.

Sons of the American Representative: A chili cook off is scheduled for Super Bowl Sunday.

ALA Representative, Jerilynn Kabel: A Valentine Dance is scheduled for 17 February. The band is, "Gypsy Stone Kings". The cost will be \$15.00 with a chicken dinner.

- March 10th breakfast will include a children's breakfast with an Easter/St Patrick's theme.
- A "Poppy Day" is planned for May 25th. Volunteers are welcome to help with donations in passing them out.

Old Business, Commander John Saunders:

- A "Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans" dinner is scheduled for March 29th. Volunteers are requested. ALA has been asked to support the event with desserts. Invitations have gone out to the governor and local mayors.
 - Donations for the event have been received; Comcast donated \$500.00 / \$100.00 from the legion gaming partner / \$100.00 from an individual.
- The game, Pictionary, was held at the legion this past Monday night and was a lot of fun.

- **SUSPENSE: Volunteer Appreciation Night is scheduled for May 5th, Saturday. Legion Families are asked to determine who they will recognize and provide an invitation list to the Commander.**
- Commander Saunders will be meeting to help in the planning of the Elizabethtown Bikes, Blues and BarBQue. The Auxiliary has been asked if they want a booth. A full breakfast will be served at the legion for the event.
- A Neil Diamond impersonator will be performing at the Legion on April 21st. The SAL will offer a dinner.
- The legion storage rooms will be cleaned and the stuff on the stage will be removed and tossed out. Families are reminded again to please go thru their stuff and arrange it properly.
- Texas Hold'em Tournaments are being planned. The Commander plans to be on site. Volunteers will be needed. Current dates are March 2d and 30th.
- Volunteer Appreciation night was scheduled for May 5th, however, there is a conflicting schedule. Commander will determine a different date.
- The Department Conference is scheduled for the upcoming weekend and the itinerary is posted on the website.
- The shed is a disaster and requires clean up/inventory.
- There will be one E-Board meeting the 4th Tuesday of the month starting at 6:00pm.
- A Veterans and Spouses Benefits Seminar is scheduled for March 6th.
- The lounge Juke Box has ceased to function and will be removed. A Touch Tunes vendor will be consulted. Music will continue in the interim.
- A 2018 Friends of Scouting will have an annual dinner on March 6th at the Grace Hartland Church. Doors open at 6pm and a buffet dinner at 7pm. The evening concludes at 9pm.

New Business:

- A committee had been organized to consider changing the name of the building to George Larson. A motion was made and passed to donate \$1000.00 toward the cost of renaming the building. A resolution will be forwarded to change the building name (not the post name).
- Memorial Day activities will be hosted by Brian Knoch, Finance Officer. He will take an inventory to assure there are enough flags.

Good of the Legion:

- Next General Membership meeting is scheduled February 1st.
- The next Exec Committee meeting is scheduled for February 27, 2017.

Meeting was adjourned with appropriate ceremonies.

ATTEST: Beverly Watkins, Publicity Officer

John Saunders, Commander