



## American Legion Riders Meeting

### American Legion Post 37

April 9, 2019

### Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Leader:** Dave Street

**Reading of Minutes-** March 26, 2019 minutes approved

**Riders Creed-** there are now copies to read from available at the meetings.

**Treasurers Report-** Report was not available as Treasurer was absent.

**House Committee Report** – Rob Jones shared improvements, plans and visions for Post 37. Finance investigation and food & beverage task leaders have been assigned. Q&A with discussion among the members was well received.

**Membership dues/Forms-** Members filled out our official membership forms. Five new members joined for a total of 22 paid lifetime and 4 pending.

**Attire-patches and coin order** Back patches were received. Discussion regarding letter placement, a grammatical error and patch sizing for small members. POW/MIA, Flag and coins haven't arrived yet.

Motion made by Rob Jones, Kelli Wells 2<sup>nd</sup>

Accept the back patches with grammatical error of missing comma between St. Peter and Minnesota. Future orders of back patches will have this same format.

Motion carried.

**Sewing Machine** – Joenilla has offered to purchase a leather friendly sewing machine and is willing to sew patches onto vests for ALR members.

**Membership cards-** Secretary shared a membership spreadsheet for members to verify their personal information was accurate. Cards will be available at the next meeting.

**Riders Creed-banner-**looking for a new provider as the one Dave referenced has gone out of business.

**Fundraising-** Treat sale- for Wednesday Bingo 4/17 & 5/1. Angie volunteered to bake for 5/1. Kelli and Nancy will bake for both. Rob will donate money to help bakers.

Kick plates- Joenilla has found a donor willing to purchase 200 kickplates for the group. Discussion of fundraising, membership tokens, and use at group events. More information will be provided at the next meeting.

**First Group Ride** *Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>* to Henderson Roll In- Meeting at the Legion 4:30pm, Chaplains prayer at 4:45pm, Kickstands up at 5pm. Route pending and parking TBD at arrival.

**Bingo Volunteers**-Joenilla April 17. Need volunteers for May and June  
**Volunteers**-needed Fish Fry, Steak Fry, Omelet breakfast

**Legion and Community** – Kelli Wells contacted Dave’s River Valley HD. They had heard of St Peter opening an ALR chapter and are looking forward to working with us. Dave Street will reach out to management at Star Cycle.

**Habitat for Humanity**- Dave and Kelli met with management of the Restore Thrift Store in Mankato to discuss community involvement and volunteer opportunities. There are many Habitat home builds in this area, including St Peter. Discussed the possibility of an all ALR volunteer team joining with them in a “build for a day event”.

**Volunteer/Ride Partners**- Angie Glassel suggested asking other Veterans organizations to co-host possible events. South Central Beyond the Yellow Ribbon and MAC-V were the two discussed. Angie will follow up with more information. It was suggested that we contact Veteran owned business also.

**Chaplain**-VP Rob Jones appointed Dale Molitor as ALR Chaplain. Dale accepted. membership approved.

**Road Captain** Nomination made by Kelli Wells, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joenilla for Jamie Lorentz to serve as ALR Road Captain, Jamie accepted, Membership approved.

**Fundraiser events**- discussion of ALR sponsored food event in June and/or September. Further discussion needed.

**MN Legacy Run Scholarship**- Dave Street, Chris Thomas and Tom Christensen attended the MN Dept of ALR Legacy Run planning meeting in Montgomery. Dave passed around a Legacy Run coin that is available for purchase. Dave reported that Post 37 is one being considered as a stopping point during the run. Post 37 is also being considered as a meeting place for a future department meeting.

**Meeting Schedule**- April 23, May 7, May 21