

American Legion Riders Fallen Heroes Chapter 372
General Membership Meeting Minutes 11 August 2019

Meeting called to order by Director Joe Maltese at 1000 hrs

Opening Ceremonies

Roll Called: Roster available upon request.

Quorum achieved

29 current members.

Correspondence

No correspondence

New Members

No new members.

Introduction of Guests

No guests.

Reading of the Minutes

The minutes were read by June Crawford.

Motion to accept by Paul Arambula, second by Chuck Benham.

Financial Reports

No current financial reports. The August report will be provided at the next meeting. (Jim Hansen absent)

Officer's Reports

Chaplain's Report – Chaplain had nothing to report

Quartermaster Report – Paul Arambula gave an update concerning T-shirts. They are ordered in bulk. (30-40). S-XL is \$16.95; 2X is \$18.95.

Asst. Director, Chuck Benham provided a report of hours, mileage and monies. Also brought up meeting layout according to state SOP. Facing membership should be Commander, Adjutant and Chaplain only. He also reminded membership to always salute flag and then director when reporting and do not cross hallowed ground

(between flags) when passing or receiving from the Director/Adjutant. Chuck mentioned posting of colors by turning Pole Cap Eagle to face the membership.

Committee Reports

There was a discussion to try to keep the date of our June Ride to the same weekend each year. (June 8-10th range).

We discussed whether an end of year ride should be held. MLK weekend might be a consideration as well.

Tim Bailey volunteered to be a part of the Event committee.

Old Business:

The banner shop needs a better photo to create our banner. Chuck will see if he can enhance the photo.

Legacy run next week. Our Chapter will be leaving the post for Post 347 in Lady Lake at 1300hrs. on Saturday 17Aug19

New Business

The Wolfpack tracking system was discussed. It may provide an easier tracking system. Paul Arambula will look into details.

Chuck suggested award of stars for various mileage benchmarks to incent riders to ride more and keep more accurate track of their mileage. Reed was concerned that the use of stars may be confused with Gold Star families. Other tokens were discussed. Membership will consider this and discuss further at future meetings.

Labor Day, 9/2/19 the Legion family will be doing another membership drive at the Ace Hardware on San Jose Blvd. The event will be running from 1100 hours to 1400 hours. It is requested that we please try to be there 1015 – 1030 hours for set-up.

Good of the Riders

Joe advised that 12 members from Post 372 attended the steak dinner at Post 137 and was pleased with our representation of the post.

As always, please participate in any upcoming events you can. Spreading the wealth helps to promote participation in our events from other posts.

Chuck told us of a last-minute funeral escort for Martin O'Neil, Lake City.

8/17/19- 8/22/19 – National Legacy Ride, Lady Lake, FL. To Indianapolis, IN.

9/21/19 – Post 283 – 11th Annual Ride for Veterans, Wreaths Across America, K-9 Lines

9/21/19 – (Busy) POW/MIA Recognition Day, The Pines, Jacksonville, FL, Post 283 Poker Run, Post 57 Poker Run, assist Sons with Italian Night.

11/30/19-12/3/19 Snowball Express, sponsored by the Patriot Guard.

Chuck Benham motioned to send a \$100.00 donation to the Patriot Guard. Tim Bailey second. Also require toys for children 5-11.

Check your Legion and District calendars for more!

Next meeting September 15, 2019.

[Closing Ceremonies](#)

Meeting adjourned 1110hrs

Respectfully submitted, Robin Maltese, Secretary,
minutes recorded by June Crawford.