

AMERICAN LEGION TRI-LAKES POST 9-11 MINUTES September 2, 2014

Officers 8 Members 6

Cdr. Dan Beatty conducted opening ceremonies at 1830. Adjutant Karen Hartling called the roll of Officers as follows:

	Name	Present	Absent	Excused
Commander	Dan Beatty	x		
Sr. Vice Commander	Tom Weyer	x		
Jr. Vice Commander	Alicia Gatti			x
Finance Officer	Janet Ferran	x		
Judge Advocate	Randy Fritz			x
Sgt. At Arms	John Hartling	x		
Historian	Ray Kinder	x		
Chaplain	Jim Bergeron			x
Service Officer	Angela Potter			x
Adjutant	Karen Hartling	x		
Exec. Committee	Ron Pitt	x		
Exec. Committee	Bill Miller	x		

August minutes were approved: Tom Weyer 1st and Ed Kinney 2nd.

New members Jarret and Jessie Rush were introduced.

Visitors from Dist. 7 were introduced and made reports;

CDR Jay Bowen introduced Mike Hall, Jr. Vice; Eric Testorff, Historian who said he has a Facebook page up and running at Americanlegiondistrict7.org; Stan Hamamoto, Chaplain who stated Chaplains need the assistance of all members to track our ill members and their families; Dean Noechel, Sr. Vice who is getting a Riders program together and can combine groups and that 5 Riders are needed to start a program; And Larry Johnson, Adjutant, who stated as follows:

VA has mandated to have a Town Hall meeting before end of Sept at AL14 in Greely. Also, POW/MIA Recognition will be Sept 19. Also, two programs were announced for May 1, 2015 that for 1500 new members, recruiter and recruit's names will go into a drawing for \$1500. For 4000 new members, a Centennial .45 pistol with engraved AL Emblem will be awarded. Also, we have 100,000 Vets in Colorado Springs and the surrounding areas and he also needs help in August 2015 when we have the POW/MIA Run.

CDR Jay Bowen reported the Veterans Parade wants registration done early. Retiree appreciation Day is Sept. 13 from 9-2. Dist. Has 2 tables and wants help at the Air Force Academy. Will need the names early. Fall Conference will be Nov. 1 at Post 5 at 11 am. Mid year Conference will be late Jan at The Elegante in the Springs. June Convention next year will be at the Elegante given by Post 209. CDR Bowen is also coordinating Vets visits to schools to educate and needs Vets to connect with the schools. Sept. 26 is the Grand Opening of the VA Clinic on Powers at 1200. Also Sept. 13 is All Activities Day at the Nursing home in Pueblo at 10 am. CDR Bowen needs head count of attendees.

Reports:

- **Membership** - Adjutant Karen Hartling reported a total of 67 members with 9 PUFLs bringing the total to 76.
- **Finance** - Janet Ferran reported \$34,000 in account. Amy Waters is doing great. Also, checks were made out to ;
 - McCandless Nursing Home - \$500
 - Crawford House - \$500
 - VA Outreach - \$1000

Sick and Bereaved – Chaplain Stan Hamamoto did the ceremonies for Jim Bergeron.

- **Gaming** – Verne Kuykendall reported we got \$1000 for our “Must-Go” night. Still in need of volunteers. Gaming Meeting will be in 3 weeks.
- **Executive Committee** – Tom Weyer stated all Committees are to submit programs and Our Post Anniversary is April 5. Budgets for this year will pretty much match last years. The Clay Shoot was cancelled and our entry fee was given to Homes for our Troops (\$750).
- **Old Business**
- **September 11** – Ray Kinder announced it’s a go at 0630 on Sept. 11 at the Fire Station on 105.
- **Gold Star Families** – Bill Miller introduced Paul McShan from Dist. 38 in Fountain who spoke about the program TAPS (Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors). His web Site is TAPS.ORG.

New Business.

Cdr. Beatty announced discussion with Board of Trustees about the Depot Going up for sale and our lease ending in Feb 2016. Looking into new New locations.

Good of the Legion

Ken Bates’ wife Marsha is battling Cancer and needs our Prayers and Thoughts.

Ron Carlisle was married last Sunday.

Committee Chairs – 3 openings:

Ceremonies

Entertainment

Vets Assistance

Ray Kinder has flyer for Equestrian Center Warrior Wellness Program at The Air Force Academy.

Up Coming Events.

Sept 14 – first Sunday Bronco Game – Alicia will be serving Prime Rib.

Dinner about 4 pm. Next meals are Sept. 21 and Oct. 5.

50/50 John Hartling Collected \$52 – Ron Carlisle won \$26 and \$26 went to the Post.

Closing Ceremonies

Conducted by Cdr. Dan Beatty at 1945.