

Minutes of the Monthly meeting of Leonard Moore Post #71 Thursday, August 8, 2019.

Commander Troy Alcorn called the meeting to order at 1900. Our Nations Colors were posted by Sergeants -at-Arms Al Cotham and Larry Tice. Terry Stanberry gave the opening prayer. Commander Alcorn led the Post in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Preamble to the American Legion Constitution.

Recognition of guests: Robyn from Paddling for Pennies, a group of fire fighters that are raising money for injured or fallen military and first responders. More information is available at Paddlingforpennies.com. Greg Morgan reported that he gave money on the Post's behalf making us a white helmet sponsor this year.

The Commander recognized new and returning members: Kenneth Wyatt, USN; Fred Waechter, USN; Paul Cuck, USAF. Commander recognized members with Birthdays: Jay Dinner, Wayne Graham, Joseph Hester, James Hill, David Keck, Daniel Layton, Glenn Lee, Robert Long, Charles Morgan, William O'Neil, Bradley Palmer, Kenneth Parker, Frederick Paul, Salvatore Pilo, Larry Tice, Francis Tichauer, Curtis Whitehurst, Don Williams, Ellwood McCorkle and Guy Reed. Happy birthday for the Coast Guard.

Adjourned for dinner at 1915 and reconvened at 1947.

Correction to the minutes of last month were solicited. None being heard, a motion to approve the Minutes from the last meeting was made by Bob Gretsinger, seconded by Al Cotham & approved by the membership.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE: Report through July 8 through 1 August. Insurance and scholarship were our biggest bills. A motion to approve was made by Percy Liles, 2nd by Ray Payne and approved by the membership.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS. Ken is trying to set up a date to clean floor. We will rent a buffer and clean it ourselves on 31 August. Young bodies are needed to handle the buffer. He and Gene K will replace the lights in the back room this week. He is looking for ways to get the bandstand re-carpeted.

POST SERVICE OFFICER: NTR

MEMBERSHIP: Paul Papineau reported that we are at 34%. He asked that members renew as soon as possible so we can meet the goals set for us by the Department.

LEGION RIDERS: Bob Gretsinger reported that the Legion Riders participated in a benefit ride for Military Missions in Action.

POST HISTORIAN: NTR

HONOR GUARD. Jim Quinn reported that we have 150 rounds and that all guns have been cleaned.

SPECIAL EVENTS. Greg reported that he is looking for volunteers. He would like to do a Blood drive, Ruck March, and, maybe, a Mud Run

BASEBALL: Ray Payne reported that we have a new contact for the county that is working with us to select fields and times for next year.

Sick Call, Relief and Distress: Steve Schmause was rushed to emergency major bladder UTI. Sal will have cervical spine surgery and the 28th. Gene Tew is doing better. Mac's wife is out and about after her motorcycle accident. Don Delaporte is battling cancer. He is at home. Bull's sister passed away.

Unfinished Business: Jim Braxton reported that parade float preparations are proceeding well and passed the hat for donations. Over \$300 was collected. He reported that the Ladies Auxiliary is helping. Quite a bit, in fact. Paul noted that we will need walkers to hand out candy canes, flags and applications. Jerry Hill reported that the spaghetti dinner was a success and that another will be held on the 23rd of August. He thanked all the helpers.

New Business: Jerry Hill reported that there will be another spaghetti dinner on 23 August. Paul reported that advertisements are running on JOCOreport.com and on the local radio station. He also reported that we are participating in a School Supplies Drive. Donations can be brought to the basement on Wednesdays before the 16th or to the hall on Saturday morning, the 17th.

Correspondence: NTR

Good of the Legion. Sal reported that he attended, with over 1000 participants, a ceremony for Purple Heart recipients hosted by Texas Roadhouse. One of the attendees was a Brig Gen who had been a POW for 2413 days.

Commander recognized the cook committee: Chairman Troy Alcorn; Emory Howard; Rob Rosgen; Irvin Pittman; Greg Morgan

Closing prayer by Terry Stanberry

The colors were retired by Bob Gretsinger & Al Cotham. Commander Alcorn closed the meeting at 2035 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Papineau, Adjutant.

39 Members attended tonight's meeting.

Craig Richters won the pot of gold, but he was not present. The Pot of Gold climbs to \$120.00 for next months' drawing.