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February 11th, 2013

Call to Order: Commander Stewart called the meeting to order at 1900 hours. An opening prayer was offered by Adjutant Broadhurst.

Roll Call:

Commander Stewart	Present
First Vice Commander Sheckels	Present
Second Vice Commander Cook	Present
Adjutant Broadhurst	Present
Finance Officer Vaughan	Present
Sergeant At Arms Primeaux	Present
Historian Pinsky	Present

Chaplain Lancaster Excused Absence

Legion Rider Director RomanPresentAt Large Member RothPresentAt Large Member PartinPresentAuxiliaryAbsent

Commanders Comments:-

The Veterans Council is urging organizations to support a project to provide needed items for a new barracks building when troops return in March. District 8 Commander Glen Borg has pledged \$500.00 to purchase sheets and pillow cases for this project. To assist Commander Borg, a motion was made, seconded, discussed and approved to donate \$200.00 to this project.

Reports:

First Vice Commander/Venture Crew:

- The Crew is in the process of getting its Charter re-newed. Vice Commander John Cook volunteered to serve as the Institutional Head and Executive Officer representing Post 32 in its dealings with The Crew. The Crew now has 11 Venture Scouts and 9 adult leaders.
- -Training on Basic Muzzle-loading rifle safety continues. Members are preparing for qualification for the NRA patch.
- -The Eagle Scout project, a ceremonial fire pit, has been completed on the Post property. A dedication ceremony will be held in the spring, date TBD.
- -The Crew has cancelled plans for a ski trip in West Virginia in February 2013 due to their busy schedule.
- -The Crew has plans to clean up their "adopted" section of Highway 301 South in March 2013.
- -The Crew is scheduled to cook for the monthly meeting in August.
- -The Boy Scouts of America National Committee will release an official policy concerning Membership standards for Scouts and Adult Leaders in May of 2013. This policy issue involves whether the Boy Scouts will change its prohibition of having openly homosexual adult leaders.

Second Vice-Commander: Vice Commander Cook reported that he will be submitting the application for the Post to participate in the Hope Mills July 4th Parade.

Adjutant:

- The Adjutant briefed the minutes of the last Excom. Minutes were approved as briefed. Membership renewal for 2013 stands at 97%
- -The death of PUFL Legionnaire Nate Bowen was reported. The Post Charter will be draped in his memory at the next meeting.

<u>Finance</u>: A positive bank balance is on hand. See Bulletin Board for a complete copy of the monthly Finance Report.

-Historian: No Report

-Sergeant at Arms: No Report.

-Legion Riders:

- -The Director passed the hat for the Colon-Furr Nursing Scholarship Program.
- A Blessing of The Bikes Ceremony will be planned to be conducted at the 2013 Membership Appreciation Day, April 13th, 2013. Plans are being developed for suitable recognition of the birthdays of each of the Military Services.
- -The annual Legacy Run will be coming to North Carolina in 2014.
- -The Legion Birthday is March 15th. The plan to mark this event will be a cake cutting immediately following the Riders meeting. All Legionnaires will be invited.

Sons of the American Legion:

- -The Squadron members are working on accomplishing the requirements for the "5 Star" program. They are also looking at suitable membership awards for the Squadron.
- -All Squadron members are now "Supporter" members of the Legion Riders.

-Auxiliary: No report.

<u>-At Large Members</u>: Jake Roth and Leroy Partin confirmed that the dates needed for raffle ticket sales on Fort Bragg for 2013 have been approved. Those dates and locations are as follows:

March 15, 2013-North Post Shoppette

April 19, 2013- North Post Shoppette

May 17, 2013-South Post Exchange

June 7, 2013-South Post Exchange

July 19, 2013-South Post Exchange

August 16, 2013-South Post Exchange

August 30, 2013-South Post Exchange

Many thanks to Jake Roth and Leroy Partin for taking the lead on this important Project!

Old Business: None.

New Business:

-The Venture Scout Eagle Project fire pit will be dedicated at a meeting in May. Vice Commander Sheckels requested the Post consider having a plaque made to commemorate the dedication of this fire pit and recognize the efforts of the Eagle Scout responsible. A motion was made, seconded, discussed

and approved to donate up to \$300.00 to this additional part of the fire pit project. The plaque will be cast bronze and will name the Eagle Scout involved and the date of the dedication. Estimated cost could be about \$500.00 for an 8 inch by 8 inch plaque. There is about \$136.00 left over in the project account now and this money would be used in obtaining the plaque. Donations for the balance needed can be solicited from members at the next meeting.

- -The Post sign is deteriorating rapidly and needs to be replaced. Local businesses will be contacted to determine suitable options and costs. The Adjutant is the project officer.
- -The building roof needs to be replaced. There is evidence of water damage over the admin room. Commander Stewart has arranged for a local business to come out and give estimates. This contractor has done business with the VFW Post 670 where Commander Harvey had satisfactory work done, as well as at Commander Harvey's home. If obtained in time, the issue may be brought to the general membership for a vote on the money involved.
- -There is also a need to replace the kitchen countertop and cabinets by the sink. The Adjutant will seek estimates for this project.

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