



**American Legion McCulloch-Wagner Post 109
15921 S. Houghton Road
Corona AZ 85641**

13 Aug, 2024

General Membership Meeting was called to order at Post 109 at 7:02pm.

Roll Call of Officers:

Roosevelt McKnight Commander	Present	Jon Upchurch Executive Member	Present
Brad Adams 1 st Vice	Excused	Tom Kopecky Executive Member	Present
Jessica Ziegler 2 nd Vice	Present	Hugo Fontes Executive Member	Present
Joyce Lee Adjutant/Secretary	Present	Sean Stephenson Historian	Present
Rick Morgan Finance	Present	Andre Koster Past Commander	Excused
Steve Brooks Sgt. @ Arms	Present	Mike Shaughnessy Chaplain	Excused
Jeff McIntyre Judge Advocate	Excused		

Jon moved to accept the minutes as posted on line, 2nd by Matt. motion passed.

Guest: David Edwards from Watchfire. David brought out a marquee sign to demonstrate their quality and present a proposal. During presentation meeting was adjourned for 5 minutes so that everyone would have an opportunity to look at the sign. See attachments

Committee Reports:

Auxiliary: Jess; National Convention is next week. Myself and Lena will be attending as delegates. Next meeting is Monday Sep, 9 at 17pm. Fish fry is 21 Sep. 5-7pm. Auxiliary will be halting the food for Queen of Hearts until the game reaches \$15,000.

Son's: Charlie T.; last Friday we sold 94 dinners plus fed 11 veterans from the V. A. 10 Nov meeting has been cancelled due to majority of members attending a function in Rocky Point. They will still do the Nov dinner as scheduled. Currently we have 287 members.

Riders: Rick Curry, last dinner we sold 59 meals. 12 Oct is the memorial run, with the No Sand Beach Band. There will also be; horse shoes, cornhole, and a mechanical bull. We have combined all runs in to one memorial run. Rick is donating and installing a new service panel for the east end of the lounge.

Boy Scouts: Jason; Court of honor is this Wednesday. Our scouts have earned 151 merit badges this past year. They have been asked to perform the Flag ceremony for the opening of the Home Depot 28 Aug at 4pm. Still doing diners and possibly breakfast when the details are worked out.

Girl Scouts: Dark for Summer.

Kitchen: Health Department paid us a visit this week; Over all the post received and excellence. That is due to everyone doing their part to maintain cleanliness. The new deep fryers will be installed this week. The remodel of the scary closet is complete. After the removal of the old deep fryer the floor was steam cleaned and the convection oven was cleaned by Michelle.

Club: Nothing to report.

Patio Posse: Chris P; The new high-top tables are in the process of being made. We will be selling name plates to put on the table top and sealed with epoxy. 30 Aug is the steak dinner; tickets are being sold for \$20. Each If you don't purchase your ticket in advance, you will not be able to get a steak. Chris also thanked Steve for installing the fan to vent the smoke out of the smoking area.

CZV: No report

Bingo: Dark until Sept.

Chaplain: Excused

VSO: Nothing to report.

Boys State: Nothing to report.

House Rules: There is an incident to discuss after the meeting.

Sgt@Arms: Steve thanked everyone who has assisted in making our post safe and beautiful.

Jr. Vice: The calendar is up to date. 17 Aug New Member social. The monthly birthday social is going well. She has 3 new bands she hopes to schedule. 24 Aug the River Band is scheduled. 4-5 Oct planning a fund raiser for building maintenance. She will be posting volunteer sheets.

Sick Call and relief: nothing to report

Closed

Membership: Rosy, 13 new members, 9 transfers. Rick C. moved to accept the new members, transfers, and report as given, 2nd by Hugo. Motion passed. See attachment for full report.

Historian: Nothing to report

Finance: Rick gave the finance report. Sean moved to accept the finance report as given, 2nd by Matt, motion passed.

Unfinished Business

Blue span: they have been out and installed a piece of equipment. The internet is not functioning as yet for there is another part that is required and it's on back order.

DRAM Insurance. All insurance policies have been renewed through Gateway. They specialize in veteran's organizations.

New Business

Paul moved to allow the commander to purchase a marquee sign according to proposal, 2nd by Hugo, During discussion Tom moved to postpone the motion until we have more information, 2nd by Steve, motion to postpone motion passed. Show of hand vote 14 yes 13 Na and 1 abstained.

Joy moved to donate \$2,000. To the Vail Food bank for the backpack program, 2nd by Hugo, motion passed.

Paul moved to refurbish the dining room, to include changing out light fixtures, removing fans, removing popcorn ceiling, and painting, 2nd by Sean, motion passed. During discussion it was pointed out that the a/c work needs to be completed prior to any ceiling work as the leak is in the duct work. The plan is to remove the A/c unit and install mini splits, remove and patch the registers and replace skylights as they are starting to seep.

Good of the Legion

5 Oct a pancake breakfast is being coordinated with Corona Fire Department.

28 Aug Grand opening for the Home Depot in Rita Rach at 4 pm. The entire post has been invited. Home Depot is hoping to donate \$5,000. We're working out details as we do not have our 501C as yet (it's in progress).

Sean asked if anyone was interested in starting a color guard for our post as there is a huge demand.

Jon 16 Aug is the Airbourne 84th birthday. We will be celebrating in the lounge starting at 2pm.

The women's restroom has been painted and it looks great!!! Thank you

Bruce: Be the one training on www.mylegion.org. teaches you how to respond to someone attempting or talking about suicide. It's worth the time to help save a life.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26pm

Respectfully signed,

Roosevelt McNight
Roosevelt McNight
Commander

Joyce Lee
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Adjutant

