



Black Hills Chapter American Legion Riders

American Legion Post 164

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Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at 6:00 pm

Spearfish Ambulance Service, Spearfish

Monthly Meeting Minutes - Approved

Chapter Officers & Chairmen: Present were Brian Hambek, Director; Jim Dittes, Asst. Director/Membership Chairman; Micheline Nelson, Secretary; Fred Nelson, Road Captain/Web Master; Jim Childers, Treasurer; David Riedlinger, Sergeant-at-Arms; Royce Lyons, Escort Chairman; Mike Kain, Honors Chairman; Excused were Dick Rutherford, Chaplain; and Jane Rutherford, Newsletter Editor.

Guest: Ron Hoard and Fire & Iron MC 118

Director Brian Hambek called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

After the salute to the Colors, Pledge of Allegiance, invocation and a moment of silence for the POW/MIA and fallen heroes, the Riders read the Riders Creed. Brian Hambek introduced the guests. Brian Hambek made a presentation to Dan Hoard for his brother Jason Hoard Children Trust Fund, Fire & Iron MC 118 officers made a presentation to Lori and Bart Willuweit on behalf of Elisa Willuweit from their poker run fundraiser for breast cancer awareness. Brian Hambek presented a certificate of appreciation to Fire & Iron MC 118 officers in recognition of their participation at the Jason Hoard breakfast fundraiser and ride.

David Riedlinger moved to approve the minutes as printed; Royce Lyons seconded – carried. Bob Borbely moved to approve the treasurer's report; Buck DeWeese seconded – carried.

Road Captain Fred Nelson reported on the recognition certificate given at the District 2 meeting in Hermosa by the Chapter 71 of Hot Springs. Escorts: Royce Lyons informed the members that the riders did two escorts on September 11 and October 7 Brian Hambek reported we had 12 escorts so far this year for a total of 400 hours of service. Honors Coordinator Mike Kain reported on the National POW/MIA Remembrance Day program at Creekside Elementary. There were 9 riders for the flag line and the ceremony was done for over 500 children from 3rd grade through 5th grade.

Membership chairman, Jim Dittes reported that we have 49 paid members. New membership will start in January. After a short discussion, only new member in December will be granted the 2015 membership. All others need to renew in January. The membership fee is unchanged at \$20 for the year.

After the sick calls, we moved to unfinished business. Duane Riedlinger donated a US Army Service flag. Micheline Nelson showed the Belle Fourche Round-Up Parade Grand Marshall Award to the Black Hills Chapter. Mike Kain requested volunteers for the Veterans Day Program in Deadwood on Saturday the 8th for the POW/MIA Ceremony; November 11 at the Middle School and The Spearfish VFW evening Veterans Day dinner. Bob Borbely asked for some riders to attend the program at 3:00 pm at the Dorsett Home.

After reading the correspondence from George Millan's family and donation of \$40 to the chapter, Micheline Nelson and Brian Hambek asked for volunteers for the NHTC Community Chili feed. Riders, auxiliary and Legion Post 164 will set and man the booth. Fred Nelson announced the Group Ride Safety training on October 18 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Brian Hambek will have a First Aid/CPR training on November 22 from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Buck DeWeese suggested that we set-up a background for pictures when awards are presented. There was no decision on the discussion regarding life membership for the chapter. Bob Borbely shared the story of the veteran who made many art pieces with P38 brass who was robbed and lost everything. Carol Edwards invited the membership to help with the State Home in Hot Springs to set up the Christmas gift shop from Saturday, November 15 through the 19th.

The Chapter Christmas party with white elephant gift exchange is scheduled for Sunday, December 14 at 5:00 pm at the Loud American Roadhouse to be confirmed by Helen Riedlinger.

There were no additional comments for the good of The American Legion Riders.

The meeting was called to adjourn at 7:15 followed by a closing prayer, and salute to the Colors.

Minutes submitted by Secretary Micheline Nelson