

POST 149 MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 10, 2023

Called to Order: Vice-Commander Kevin Regan at 1900 hours. Members Present: 17.

Minutes: September meeting minutes distributed to all with email, and distributed at meeting to others. Changes: None; Motion to accept: Ray Schmitt; Second: Larry Ter Maat opposed none. Motion approved by all.

Financials: Spreadsheet for September financials were previously distributed via email prior to tonight's meeting and routed to other members at meeting. Changes, Piggly Wiggly; Motion to accept by Jim Willfahrt and second by Frank Sterzen, opposed none. Motion approved by all.

New Members or Guests: Ben Dozier, James Rice, Angela Reed Regan; Possible new members.

Presentation: Dick Wachter – 70 year membership @ Rocky Knoll in Plymouth on November 10th at 1400 hours all are welcome to attend.

Membership: Chairman Dan Riviers: Currently 82 active members of which 6 are paid up for life, 57 members have renewed for 2024. Quarterly newsletter will ask that the other 25 renew. Six members have not paid 2023 and with 2024 dues currently in process will be dropped unless they get their accounts paid up. Dan composed letter for those who have not paid and enclosed it with quarterly newsletter in October. Members are encouraged to use the on-line system [Renew \(mylegion.org\)](https://mylegion.org) for their 2024 renewals.

Home Bound: The following members would appreciate buddy check phone calls keeping them up-to-date on what is happening with the post. Dick Wachter (920-449-1975); Dick Kosup (920-467-0309); Someone needs to call Jerry Herriges (920-467-4856) to see how he is doing. Status of Carl Zettel (920-458-7225) undergoing physical therapy.

Scholarship: Nothing to report

House: Water usage is back to normal and gutters to be cleaned after fall. Web site has up-to-date files and calendar (for events and hall rental). Check the on-line calendar prior to attempting to schedule.

[Post 149 News Archives - Sheboygan Falls American Legion Post 149 \(wipost149.org\)](https://wipost149.org)

Camp American Legion: Close-up of Cabin 15 will be done October 9-11th. Jim Sabel, Ken Willhite, Charlie Dunn and Randall Reineking will be going to camp to work on this.

Honor Guard: Has had 20 funerals where they participated in honors so far in 2023. One more to do on October 12th and turned down one for October 23rd. Carl Zore and Ken Bruckner looking into ordering name tags for Honor Guard.

Service Officer: If the VA is your primary care organization make sure that in a local hospital or clinic emergency (e.g. after hours or weekends) **you must notify the VA within 72 hours (844-724-7842)** so that all costs will be covered.

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Unfinished Business:

1. **Officers/Team Assignments:** List of officers/team assignments distributed to all members. **Check assignment list for your name and if you don't know what to do, ask.**
2. **Park Flag Pole:** Dan Riviers (on Park Board): Dan will get final cost from contractor, could possibly be done this year.
3. **Sponsoring Legion Riders** June 28-30, 2024 – State was notified that we would participate and will let us know what day/time we will have to open the post.

Consolidated Post Report: Please track all your efforts in support of the American Legion such as: Buddy checks, Honor Guard, special ceremonies (e.g. silent march at fair, Veterans day, etc.), visiting/driving veterans; Camp American Legion; Donations to veteran programs (e.g. post, county, state, memorials, etc.) and anything else for the good of the Legion.

New Business:

1. **Veterans Day assignments** – Phil Riebling has taken the lead and there are still items left to complete.
2. **Honor Flight** Charlie Dunn and Ken Willhite were on the flight with their sons this past weekend.
3. **2nd District Fall Conference** – Notice sent to all members for Oct 28th Meeting in West Bend. Post will pay for attendees.
4. **2nd District Annual “Be the One” award dinner** – Notice sent to all members for Nov 4th dinner in Plymouth post will pay for attendees.
5. **2nd District “Brainstorming Meeting”** – Notice sent to all members for Nov 18th meeting.
6. **Badger Boys State** – Motion made to sponsor 2 young men for this at a total cost of \$800 made by Larry Ter Maat seconded by Ken Bruckner and approved by all.
7. **Email Responses:** What should be done about the 6 vets who do not respond to email? Personal notes included in Quarterly Newsletter with 8 responses so far.
8. **Buddy Check Week:** This is buddy check week please call a buddy and see how they are doing, especially our members listed under “Home Bound” above.
9. **Handicap Parking Required:** Frank will put out cones to block off a couple parking spots for the Vet's Dinner.

Correspondence/Communication: Congressional Bill HR30 – Vet benefit improvement – Call Bob Roska (920-918-9413) for more information.

Anything Else for the good of the American Legion:

Adjourned: Motion by Ray Schmitt second by Frank Sterzen to close meeting at 2000 hours approved by acclamation.

Bob Roska substituting for Chuck Stelzner (dadstelzner@gmail.com); Home: 920-565-0182; Cell: 312-953-6673 Post Adjutant/Service Officer.

Next Meetings: November 14th, December 12th, 2023, January 11, 2024