POST 149 MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 14, 2025

Called to Order: Vice Commander Jim Sabel called at 1900 hours. Members Present: 16.

<u>Minutes</u>: Meeting minutes for December were previously distributed via email prior to tonight's meeting and routed to other members at meeting. Motion to accept by Jim Willfahrt seconded by Ken Wilhite and approved by all.

Financials: Spreadsheet for December financials were previously distributed via email prior to tonight's meeting and routed to other members at meeting. Motion to accept by Frank Sterzen and seconded by Larry Ter Maat, approved by all.

New Members or Guests: None.

<u>Membership</u>: Chairman Dan Riviers: Currently 80 active members of which 6 are paid up for life. Members can renew on-line at the cost of \$40. 8 Members have not paid their 2024-25 dues. Bob Roska will contact the 8. (<u>Renew your membership online | The American Legion</u>). If anyone has any questions or issues they can text or call Dan Riviers (920-912-2000).

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); Jerry Herriges (920-467-4856): Carl Zettel (920-627-5475); Cliff Otte (920-226-2860 in assisted living), Ken Mauer (920-467-4620 in nursing home). Ray Schmitt (920-467-6519 (Lynn) at Meadowview in Sheboygan (itching to get home). Chris Mastronardo hospitalized with heart problem.

Scholarship: Will start arriving prior to next meeting: Team to review: Jim Sabel Ron Goelz, Charlie Dunn, Ray Schmitt (?).

House/Apartment: Frank: New sign at parking area, replaced fire alarm batteries, will scrap electric chair.... **post will not accept any more electric wheelchairs**.

Web site has up-to-date files and calendar (for events and hall rental). Check the on-line calendar prior to attempting to schedule.

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<u>Camp American Legion</u>: Down payment of \$8,800 paid to Oneida Roofing. Our thanks go out to the anonymous donor who donated \$15,000 towards this cost. Cabin 15 opening scheduled for week of May 19th-21st with Jim Sabel (in charge), Jim Willfahrt, Charlie Dunn, Ken Wilhite and possibly Denice Doying replacing one of these. So far Ken and Kevin Regan, can accommodate 2 more as they will attend 100-year anniversary June 9-14, 2025. Will need stepladder and display board to set-up cabin pictures and history as well as new fire extinguisher.

Honor Guard: Have had 24 funerals so far in 2024. Will do honors at Falls HS on Saturday February 1st, also at Veterans Hockey game on February 6th.

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<u>Service Officer: (Ken Wilhite)</u> If you have any issues with the VA please call (920-207-4347) or email (<u>sellorojo@wi.rr.com</u>).

Unfinished Business:

1. Veterans Hockey Game: February 6, 2025 (Sheboygan Lakers Ice Center, 1202 S Wildwood Ave, 1830 flag ceremony/anthem): Post 149 sponsored Red Raiders team Uniforms in honor of Dave Specht. This is a veteran's honor game (free for veterans) with our post doing honors. All post members please plan to attend.

<u>Consolidated Post Report (Jim Sabel):</u> Jim Wilfahrt is tracking all funerals. Continue to track: Buddy checks, 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. National is also asking that we track all community volunteer hours such as: church, charities you support, other veteran organizations, etc. <u>Turn in logs to Jim Sabel by April 30th</u>.

New Business:

- <u>Chamber Main Street:</u> Renewal document \$65; Post flyer Material in welcome packet. \$40;(Dan Riviers will take care of this) motion to accept by Denice, second by Jim Willfahrt, approved by all.
- 2. <u>Brat Fry (April 27th)</u>: Assignments to be forwarded next month. All hands-on deck. Tickets to be distributed at next meeting with brat fry running from 1100-1700.Need to make sure all signs/tickets have corrected time.
- 3. <u>Uniforms/Coats:</u> Larry said we are missing a couple of shirts; Denice needs one for Honor Guard. Have asked Eric Eberhardy to turn his in. Chuck ordered a coat for himself that might replace old coats. Will bring to next meeting.

Correspondence/Communication:

Anything Else for the Good of the American Legion:

1. Motion made by Dan Riviers, seconded by Ken Wilhite to order 3 good flag covers at a cost not to exceed \$250, approved by all. Dan will order them.

Adjourned: Motion by Bob Roska, second Karl Zore to close meeting at 1940 hours approved by acclamation.

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Next Meetings: FEB 11TH, MAR 11TH, APRIL 8TH, 2025