

Post Executive Committee Meeting
24 June 2025 - Shadows
Minutes (Final 29 June 2025)

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Attendance – Commander, 1st Vice, 2d Vice, Adjutant, Finance Officer, plus Chuck A., Joe S. and Dean K. – Quorum (6) met. ALA President present. SAL Adjutant present.

X-Mas in July (Shadows 13 July 1-4 p.m.)

1. Food – Dean & Joe are working the menu
2. Santa is ‘a go’
3. Volunteers for 50/50, 10-liners, membership and mingling (Nancy & Jeff +?)
4. Door prizes (Garden Flags, Timber Rattler tix, NEW Zoo Tix, Carwash & Restaurant gift cards)
5. Ten liners prizes & 50/50 raffles (need double sided raffle tix)
6. Membership table setup - Nancy
7. POW/MIA table setup - Kevin

Tractor Day Report:

1. Factory Brat Fry – 18 June – Braun’s, Nigrelli’s, Vollrath’s, & Worthington’s – positive feedback
2. TUFT presentation – 20 June - \$70,982. Nancy will deliver ‘hard checks’ Wednesday, 25 June.
3. Tractor show/UTV raffle/Brat Fry/Vendors – 21 June – all positive
4. Financial report – Incoming estimate = \$12563, Expenses estimate = \$1690, Estimated profit (\$10,873)
5. PU all lawn signs & signs in front of St Nazianz gas station – Chuck will pickup sign at the gas station – Chris will ensure that the remainder are picked up
6. Things to do better – because our presales are our biggest profit, recommend bigger sales/additional sales – additional presale advertisements. Reduce amount of potato salad.

Department Convention GB (Friday 18 & Saturday 19 July):

1. Delegates – Kevin, Chris, Chuck. Alternate - Bernie
2. District Caucus – 7:30 a.m. 18 & 19 July Grand C Ballroom at the KI – Resolution discussion.
3. Ballot Clerk Meeting – Bernie– 4 p.m. – 18 July – Ballroom A4
4. Award presentations – accepting
 - a. Post Excellence Award - Kevin
 - b. Highest Ever - Bernie
 - c. Americanism Award – 18 July – 11 a.m. - Chris
 - d. Public Relations (Social Media) – 18 July – 10:30 a.m. - Nancy
5. Other awards – Valders Journal (Public Relations – Press – 18 July 10:30 a.m.) & Katie Thibeault (Educator of the Year)

Membership

1. 2026 Membership drive starts July 1st
2. Fees – waive \$3 Post portion through 1 October – goal is to reach 100% by 15 Oct.
3. Buddy Checks – Jeff will break down rosters x 6 ways (Jeff, Kevin, Gary, Nancy, Heather & Rebecca) – conduct Buddy Check monthly – change rosters quarterly

Cleveland Dairyland Festival Parade (3 August 1130 a.m. start time):

1. Nine people minimum – four-person front (rifle, US flag, POW/MIA, rifle), three-person 2d line (TAL, SAL, ALA)
2. OGHF and Missions of Honor Alumni in vehicles/walking
3. Membership ‘tent’ setup in park

County Fair (20-24 Aug): Discussion tabled until July PEC

1. Post 477 coverage – Friday the 22d (Noon-9) and Sunday the 24th (joint effort Noon-6)

Meat’s Fest (6 September): Discussion tabled until July PEC

1. Parade – begins at 5 p.m.
2. Other involvement for Day?

October Monthly Meeting (Family Night) (23 October) – Gary

1. Potato Bar w toppings
2. Backroom of Shadows – request to Dean (Nancy)
3. Time TBD
4. Invite Legion Family and their families
5. Send out Save the Date – FB & email to members (Nancy)
6. Gary & Kevin will create a flyer for distribution in the early August timeframe (mailed to those without email), shared via Facebook, email and newsletter – RSVP by 10 October
7. “Fall Fun” activities for the kids (Gary)
8. Door prizes

Public Relations: Nancy

1. Website
 - a. Met with website designer 24 June 2025
 - b. “Sandbox” version currently running, goal to go ‘live’ by 7 July
 - c. \$500 paid to Lange Solutions (Nancy reimbursed)
 - d. Leader photos missing from Heather, Steve & Tim
2. Newsletter – first full week in July – input by 5 July

Miscellaneous:

1. Kiel Picnic – Veteran Salute – Sunday 10 August – appr 4 p.m. volunteers (Gary & Nancy & ?)
2. Legion Rider interest – place in newsletter – Jeff will take lead – send email, put in newsletter
3. Memorial Day – recognize Bus Company & Driver – Certificate of Appreciation + \$75 Meat’s gift certificate – Motion by Chuck – 2d Chris - Carried
4. Tractor Day – Johnston’s Bakery – Certificate of Appreciation + pay Peter’s 2026 membership + gift card not to exceed \$75 (Chuck & Kevin will decide on location). Motion by Nancy - 2d Gary - Carried
5. Auxiliary President, Donna, introduced herself & gave update of 2025-2026 ALA 477 Officers (Vice – Luann, Secretary – Bobbi, Treasurer – Tanya, Historian – Sandy)

Next PEC: Monday 14 July 5:30 Shadows