



THE AMERICAN LEGION

Hardin Post 113

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General Meeting

Commander Robbie Robinson: Called for the start of April 4th, 2024, General meeting at 1900hrs with the appropriate opening ceremonies.

Chaplin Steven Sheets: Offered opening Prayer.

- **Commander Robbie Robinson** Welcomed Area B Commander Joe Garrett. Called up our guest speaker.
- **Guest speaker from Toys for Tots. Evan Perez** Fort Knox Marine Corps Reserve would like to present this plaque in appreciation for your support to the 2023 toys for Tots. Mr. Perez presented an award to the American Legion Riders; Larry Johnson received the award.
- **Commander Robbie Robinson** Now we'll have the Adjutant Drew read the last month's minutes.
- **A motion was to accept the minutes. Motion was seconded. All said yay, 0 nay. Motion passed.**
- **Finance Officer Julia Sheets** Presented donation checks to the following: **Feeding America** for \$500.00, **Warm Blessing** for \$500.00, **Project Learn** for \$1,200, **Silver Leaf** for \$500.00, **Boy Scouts of America** for \$1,000, **Kentucky Chorus** \$300.00, **Hardin County Special Olympics** for \$1,200, **Active Day** of Elizabethtown, for \$500, **Central Harding JROTC** for \$250.
- **Donations** for those who were not present; **HCEC** for \$300. **FOP 40** for \$500, **POW/MIA** \$500, **All four JROTC** for \$250. Each total \$1000, **Lincoln Heritage** \$1000, Radcliff Vets Center \$1,000, **Wreaths Across America** \$1,000.
- **Commander Robbie Robinson** Called Area B Commander Joe Garrett to come to the podium. During the Vietnam Dinner Joe Garrett actually gave us a speech of his. Events, that took place when he was in Vietnam. So, I went out and I got this Vietnam \$2.00 bill to give to him.
- **Joe Garrett** Thank you I appreciate it.
- **Commander Robbie Robinson** Dues Have been raised for 2025 membership. Early bird Special is \$38.00, from July 1st, 2024, to August 31st, 2024. Normal membership fee will then be \$48.00. The National Commander will be visiting Hardin Post 113 on the 21st of May at 1300hrs. I request

all E-Board members of the Legion to be in attendance for this I would like all Board members from SAL, Riders, and Auxiliary to attend as well.

- **Manager Tanya Garcia** Parking Lot update: they filled the cracks in the parking lot. Once the temperature is above 40 degrees for a week or more, they will come in a pave the whole thing. On the Legion Birthday we had the band the Honkey Talk Wranglers helped bring in \$2,700.00. They are a really good band if you haven't heard them, yet they will be here again on the 9th of November. The Dance floor been redone I could use some help resetting the floor, Bingo. G2 is giving us a new POS system. You will be able to link the POS in the Lounge to the POS in the Hall and the POS in the kitchen so your table can be accessed from all three POS. The new cleaning crew started Wednesday, they're amazing, we're really happy with them. We had the locks changed on the building so if you had a key and if you need a key come see me. If you're not on the approved list, you need to see the Commander.
- **Chaplin Stephen Sheets** We still have a few people in the post that are under the weather. If anyone know of anybody that needs prayers come see me.
- **First Vice Jeanine Morrison** As of today, our paid up to date membership is at 1,286 which is very good compared to previous years.
- **Second Vice Larry Johnson** We are looking at things that might need to be replaced. This building is over 20 years old and things are slowly needing to be replaced. Other than that we had a very successful dinner for the Vietnam Vets.
- **Adjutant Drew Chitty** Next month we are planning our First Annual Eagle Scout of the Year Award. The American Legion does this every year, but they do it nationally. The Americanism Committee thought it would be great if we kept it local. So we are having some eagle scouts from Hardin County Compete for this award. We will be reading their SA's on the 16th of April and make our decision then. At the May 2nd meeting we will present the individual a plaque and their troop with a check for \$500.00.
- **Finance Officer Julia Sheets** Our income for the Month of March was \$108,448.23, our expense was \$91,027.00, Our net income was 17,410.90. Gave a detail of a proposed Donation budget for the year 2024. Which included 2nd, 3rd, and 4th quarter.
- **Joe Garrett** We are trying to make everyone aware of where our money is going before we write the checks. The way we were doing it approving it at the E-Board then writing the check and presenting the check at the general meeting, what we are trying to do is let you know before a check has been written. So that the General Body can vote on where we want our funds to go.
- **John Saunders** I would like to see us started thinking about the troops on Fort Knox. Doing NCO of the Year, Solider of the Year or quarter, award them with things like a \$100.00 AFES gift Card or offer them One Free Year Membership to the American Legion. Just think we order do more for the soldiers.
- **Motion was made to accept this proposed budget. Motion was seconded. After a discussion the members made a motion to table the budget until more information is received on it. Motion was seconded. 41 members voted in favor two members said nay. Motion on the Budget for Donations was Tabled.**

- **Service Officer Tom Dube** The Department of Kentucky American Legion is having the their first Service Officer Academy coming this July 19th to the 21st. if your interested in becoming a service officer come see me. At this time, I'll entertain any questions you might have concerning the Pact Act or anything else.
- **Publicity Officer Gary Brewer** As of now ALL WWII Vets are eligible for VA Health Care. You can sign up with Tom Dube the VSO here or at the VA. The only other thing I have is this month we will be celebrating The Military Child. April 27th, 2024, Linda Cook will be the POC and we'll be having a carnival set up for the Military Children here at the Legion I really don't have much more information about it and Linda is on Vacation as soon as she gets back we will put out more information.
- **Manager Tanya Garcia** it's from 1100 to 1400hrs there will be free hotdogs, hamburgers, cotton candy, games, prizes and pictures. It will be right out in the parking lot.
- **Publicity Officer Gary Brewer.** Poly will be having her next blood drive on the 1st of May 2024 from 1000hrs to 1600hrs. Also you wanted to let everyone know I will be running for 1st Vice so if anyone is interested in becoming the Publicity Officer and you have any questions about what I do and what I don't do please come see me. I'll go over any of that with you.
- **Sargent at Arms Mike Kabel** We have a listed post in the lounge for the upcoming election. If anyone is interested in any officer position, please signed up. Theres a calendar out there with a pig on it if anyone wants to sign up for the money night Pourch Party. The rest of the month is open. This gives all organizations to make some extra money for their family.
- **Auxiliary President Jerilynn Kabel** not present
- **SAL President Brandon Kurry** not present
- **ALR Director (ALT) Larry Johnson** we have several events coming up. We are going to have another War On Terror Dinner coming up the first Saturday of September. We are selling raffles for a gun to help with the cost of the dinner. If anyone is interested and wants to buy some come and see me. We want to show them the same appreciation as the Vietnam Veterans with a free dinner for them and a guest. The first Saturday in November we're looking at having a speakeasy complete with 1920's music. Would like everyone come out and enjoy it.
- **Commander Robbie Robinson** Next General meeting is May 2nd, 2024. Next E-Board meeting is April 23rd, 2024.

Commander Closed the meeting at 1944hrs with the salute to the Flag and Chaplin closed with a Prayer.

Attest: Drew Chitty Post Adjutant

Clarence "Robbie" Robinson Post Commander