

American Legion Post 4
August 13, 2008

1900 Opening Ceremonies Conducted by Commander Mike Schow.

Introduction of Guests/Prospective Members- None.

Commander Mike Schow gives report of State Convention in Lewiston, hosted by American Legion Post 13. Annie Bear from Salmon Area "C" Representative elected State Commander. No important resolutions were passed. Nation will be in Phoenix. Post 4 Riders will make a donation to the Legacy Foundation.

Next State Convention will be at Mount Home. The following one after that is suppose to be in Post Falls. Next Membership goal for 2009 is 605 members. If the Post reaches the goal by February 28th, we will get a \$400 contribution, for being the first Post to reach 100%. There are about 101 Posts in Idaho. New York State will be offering \$20.00 a year dues to all members who did not pay there 2007 or 2008 dues. We need to pick-up as many 07 & 08 non-payers as possible.

Al Leveand, Fishing Derby Chairman is ill and we need a new Chairman. Bill Goodwin will be the contact person.

There was a fishing hole clean-up at Batista Spring, about ten members went out and worked for about four to fives hours, stand up I want to give you a hand. Winn said that they are going to go back out.

The Baseball tournament went off well and we had an Honor Guard out there. Boise won the tournament. Bear Lake won it last year and went to Alaska the represent the Northwest region. The games are great and all you need to do to get to see them is to show you membership card. The Commissioner Lowe Baker move to Montana but we got a new Commissioner.

District Meeting is September 27th in Blackfoot at about 10:00 or 11:00, Joint Opening at 11:30 on Alice Street.

Veteran's Home report by John Amondie, population is 46 it can handle 66.

Riders report by Frank Smith, Ride to The Wall starts in San Francisco and goes to The Wall in DC. One follows Route 66 and a new route comes through Pocatello and Idaho Falls in 2010. We will host a dinner and expect 50-100 people the first year. Ken Tracy has raised Over \$1000 for the Legacy Foundation. We would like to award the Commander a cap for his support. A ride this Saturday we will meet here at 8:00 and we will be going to Immigration Canyon and Bear Lake.

Funeral Report by Bud Chesebro, 49 funerals this wear and none scheduled.

Membership Report by Winford Lomon lets not forget about the \$400, we have 201 members now and our goal is 605. We will loose a bunch of them if we don't get them back. We need people to knock on doors and talk to them. John Amondie, Bob Holden, and Phil Meeks were given awards for recruiting three members. We had someone who got over 100 new members. On behalf of the State of Idaho, I'd like to present you with this plaque. If you do it again, I'll get you a leather jacket.

Mike Schow, there are about 160,000 veterans in Idaho. There about 10,000 veterans in this county. Every member should have an application for membership in their pocket. Each one needs to get a new member. Find out if his father served, if so, they can be in the Sons of the American Legion. They get the same voting rights.

Bob Holden, Use the discounts as a selling tool. A couple of stays in a motel and the membership pays for it pays for itself.

Mike Schow, There are condos in Hawaii that you can use for free.

BCVMA Report, New kitchen and upgrades include a stove and a microwave. There is always painting to be done. More upgrades later.

Mike Schow, no Service Officer report, they are in Boise. VA and disability pension will no longer be separate, you will be getting both.

John Amondie, If your disability is higher than your retirement then do you get both?

Mike Schow, Yes you get both.

Unfinished Business, Fishing Derby moved to September 14, 2008, that's a Sunday, at FMC Park. Still need a Chairman.

Winford Lomon, It costs about \$600 to hold the Derby.

Mike Schow, We have weddings coming up and some other events, will let you know.

New Business, At FLZ we've got 2 openings.

Good of the Order, Winford Lomon, Cliff Waseca, is really sick, his 40th Wedding Anniversary is this Saturday, at 6:00 pm 888 Hawthorne road.

Martha Amondie wins the monthly drawing for a flag set.

1955 Closing Ceremonies conducted. Meeting Adjourns.

Contact the newsletter at: post4al@live.com

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