

**AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS  
GOLD STAR POST #78  
November 12, 2019**

Meeting called to order by Director Rick Jernigan at 7:00 PM

Honors to the flag and Pledge of Allegiance by all.

Prayer was given by Lannie Smith.

Building was secured by Lannie Smith.

**No Guests**

**New Members:** None

**Minutes** - Motion to accept minutes was made by Don Purinton and seconded by Paul Gish then passed by all.

**Financial Report** read by Stephen Sember. Motion to accept as read by Don Purinton, seconded by Paul Gish and passed by all.

**New Correspondence** - A letter from the York VA Medical Center in Murfreesboro thanking us for our participation at the recent carnival.

**Entertainment** - None

**Sick call** - Tom Hewell was reported as doing OK.

**Road Captain** - Paul Gish said that the MTSU 38th Annual Salute to Veterans will be on November 16 with a memorial service and a pregame picnic at no cost to veterans followed by the kick off at MTSU vs Rice 1500 Greenland Drive, Murfreesboro, TN

**Fundraising** - Steve Sember suggested that everyone think of a fundraising idea and that they would be participating in and bring to our next meeting. Paul Gish mentioned that Post 173 in McMinnville is having a Marathon Race and Paul said he would check into the dynamics involved and report back to our next meeting.

**Old Business:**

Paul Gish is still looking for volunteers for the oratorical which is coming up. Contact Paul Gish if you can help.

**New Business:**

Don Purinton mentioned the Christmas Parade will be Saturday November 30. Decorating the float will be brought up at the AL meeting.

Don Purinton also brought up that Russell Barnett is having a Christmas Party on Monday, December 9 for the DAV and VFW at the dealership in Tullahoma and extended an invitation to attend. We were thinking about having our own Christmas Party on Saturday December 14 to include a \$10 dirty Santa present. This will be brought up at the AL meeting to decide which party everyone would like to attend.

Don Purinton talked about the food baskets which will be assembled on the morning of Saturday December 14 at the hall. A motion was made by Don Purinton to donate \$500 towards the baskets. Paul Gish seconded the motion and passed by all.

Don Purinton also brought up Wreaths across America. Carole Sember volunteered to get more details regarding the cost and details. P.S. Following the meeting a donation of \$150 was made to cover the cost of 10 wreaths.

Carole Sember made a motion to prepare a Thanksgiving meal on Tuesday, November 26 for the hospice floor at the York Medical Center. A \$200 cap was put on the expense. Paul Gish seconded the motion and passed by all.

Carole Sember also requested a donation of up to \$100 to the Girl Scouts troop in Manchester towards their holiday celebration. They will be riding on the Christmas float in the parade on November 30. Paul Gish seconded the motion and passed by all.

**Good for the Riders:** none

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, January, 14, 2020 at 6 PM.

**Birthday dinner:** will be discussed at the meeting in January. Due to the parade on November 30 and the holidays, we will celebrate the November, December and January birthdays at a place TBD at the end of January.

**Motion to Adjourn at 7:40 pm:** Motion by Don Purinton and second by Johnny Fielder.

**Honors to the flag by all.**

**Closing Prayer by Lannie Smith.**

Respectfully submitted by Carole Sember.