

General Membership Meeting Minutes: 15 September, 2025 Minutes taken by Craig StClair, Adjutant

Meeting called to order at 1830 by Commander Tim Shaw

Attendance: 48. Meeting Closed at 1935.

Officers present:

Commander: Tim Shaw 1st Vice: Bob Shay

2nd Vice: Stephen Godfrey Adjutant: Craig StClair

Judge Advocate: Vic Parrish Chaplain: Rick LePage

Historian: Don Cheatham Sgt @ Arms: Shawn Hagen

SRVS Officer: Merle Black Finance Officer: Sue

Kilpatrick

Prayer, Pledge, and Preamble was given, it was determined that a Quorum was present.

New Members:

Nine new members were introduced at the meeting.

<u>Guest Speakers:</u> Andy Anderson and Terry Hughes spoke about the Be The One program, and showed their song/video.

August minutes were read, motion to accept by Gary Dagestine, 2^{nd} by Rick Lepage. Vote taken, minutes approved.



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Financial:

Financial reports read P & L showing a 08/25 balance of $\sim \$9,000.00$, and a YTD number of \$59,912.34. Motion to accept financial report made by Bob Shaw. 2^{nd} by Gary Dagestine. Vote taken, approved.

Commanders' Comments: Commander Tim Shaw discussed the following:

Did you know? - By the numbers.

New national Commander, Dan K Wiley

Be the One advocates - Andy Anderson - China Post 1 and Terry Hughes.

Legion Baseball's 100th Anniversary - House resolution.

Community fair - Demographics and final accounting.

Post 143 newsletter roll-out.

China Post 1 Watering Hole.

Lounge pergola is installed.

Volunteers need for the Thanksgiving meal on 11/22 from 1 - 4pm.

Kitchen menu changes coming up.

Miles Insurance Medicare info event 9/17, 9am, 1pm, 6pm.

Newby-Ginnings Ball and Gala, Bronze sponsorship donor.



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Commanders Comments (cont.):

Army Fellows and Student intern programs.

New shirts and hats have been ordered.

Post 143 youth focus - Boys & Girls State and Nation, Oratorical contest, Shooting sports, Scholarships, Scout Troops.

Guest Chef on Thursday nights.

Fall Harvest Festival

New Business:

Davy - SAL and Lions recycling program.

Gary - RED Fridays - support our troops deployed.

Miles Insurance - owned, run, and in support of Veterans.

Officers Reports:

Bob Shay - Membership is at 57.95% - (452 out of 780 needed). 43 new members this month.

Craig StClair - NSTR

Stephen Godfrey - New HVAC unit was installed for the lounge. New fryer to be installed as well. (\$1500.00)



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Officers Reports (cont):

Vic Parrish - Oratorical contest info, showed video of 2024 National winner, Aubrey Moore.

Rick Lepage - Russell Brown, 14-year member has been moved to Hospice care.

Shawn Hagen - NSTR

Sue Kilpatrick - see financial report.

Merle Black - Hospice Symposium on 9/25.

Don Cheatham - NSTR

Gun Raffle Winners!

1st Place - David Boswell (Chose the Henry)

2nd Place - Hans Herberg (Chose the 1911)

3rd Place - Todd Aguilar (Got the AR-15)

No winner for the monthly cash drawing. (sits at ~\$1500.00)

Veterans Creed, Closing Prayer, Hand Salute and Adjourn at 1935.

Tim Shaw, Commander

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