11/11/2020

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

 MARTINSBURG WV CHAPTER 14

Zoom meeting was called to order @1835

 Meeting opened with a prayer

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Preamble was read

Moment of Silence was observed for POW’s

All officers were present, except for Chuck Longley who is on active duty with his Air Force Reserve unit, and Chaplain was absent.

Dept Director not at meeting

 There was no meeting in Oct, not enough members, so no minutes to read

Finance report was read by the Treasurer and approved. Treasurer has the hard copy if anyone wants a copy, she will provide it.

Membership 2 new members they were in AZ at time of meeting.

Post early bird dinner went well.

 Update on dues, if you have not paid your dues yet you need to get them paid.

If Riders are also members of Legion Post 14, Riders Chapter needs to verify that dues to Post have been paid, prior to paying dues to Riders.

Wreaths Across America was brought up, suggested we do an Unsung Hero’s Wreaths for Veterans not buried at Veteran’s Cemetery. We have a cluster of these veterans buried in the Martinsburg area. This would be a Post event not just Riders. There was some discussion on two ways to fund this. One is just pay for the wreaths, and there is another way to do it as a fundraiser. The total amount could be split between the 4 groups, Post, Aux, Sons and Riders

Motion was made and passed to buy 15 wreaths for Unsung Hero’s at 10.00 a wreath.

 Also due to COVID, plans for Wreaths Across America are in question as to if all will be cancelled, or just the ceremonies cancelled, but wreaths still placed?

There was some discussion about a family in need, not enough details had been provided at time of meeting to have a discussion.

There were questions about volunteering for community events/gathering for Thanksgiving. Due to COVID all those seem to have cancelled.

Community service/ Chuck Longley had mentioned the AF Base in Qatar they are in need of lights for bicycles. More details needed before making a decision on this. Will discuss at next meeting

The Legion Auxiliary is having a dinner on 11/21.

Discussion about getting a new PO box in Martinsburg as it makes more sense than keeping the one in Gerrardstown.

No further discussion.

Closing prayer

Meeting closed