

American Legion Post 68, Leland Meeting Room, Blossoms Restaurant, Magnolia Greens American Legion Riders Meeting Minutes for Thursday, April 18, 2019 at 5 p.m.

COMPILED BY: Patty Kelley, Secretary APPROVED BY: Lane Adrian, Director Convened: 1700 Adjuourned: 1730

*Concurred ****Officers & Staff Absent:** Dominick Calderone, Membership; Jeffery Steward, Historian

Officers & Staff in Attendance: Lane Adrian, Director; Greg Miller, Assistant Director; Patty Kelley, Secretary; Kobe Kelley, Treasurer; Mike Conners; Herb Moore; Bob Page

REGULAR MONTLY MEETING

Call to Order: Director Adrian

New Business:

a. Patriot Guard and American Honor Guards Missions: Bob Page has added all of our email addresses to his email list for when he sends out missions. (Bob/CLOSED)

b. Travelling Vietnam Wall: The wall will arrive Wilmington and be staged at the Mayfaire Mall from July 25-29, 2019. We will need people to stand watch. We will escort it into Wilmington to the Mall. If you want to ride, please contact Bob Page (chinthe53@gmail.com). The escort will be from Bolton, NC, to the Mayfaire Mall. There will not be an escort out of Wilmington. (OPEN/Bob)

c. Veterans Experience Action Center (VEAC): This is a veteran's event to meet with VA raters who have the authority to approve/disapprove on the spot. It will be held from Apr 24-27. Bring your DD Form 214. (OPEN/Lane)

d. Sponsor a Marine for Thanksgiving Dinner: This is a program where you can have one or more Marine's from Camp Lejeune to your house for Thanksgiving Dinner. The marines are bussed to Brunswick Forest, you pick them up for dinner, and return them to the bus at a specific time. More info to come. (OPEN/Lane)

2. Old Business:

a. Pony Express Run: Post 68's participation was cancelled because of safety issues due to rain. (CLOSED/Lane)

b. Membership: We'd like to get the word out to other people about our American Legion Riders group. Some ideas are to write a letter to nearby posts letting them know we established a Riders group and we want to grow our membership. Dale Todd is also the Vice Commander of District 9 and in that capacity, he can spread the word. UPDATE: Lane will draft a letter to be sent to close posts (545 and 10) that don't have a rider's group. (Lane/OPEN)

3. Our meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at 1700 in the Blossoms Meeting Room in Magnolia Greens in Leland. Our next meeting is May 16, 2019.

Adjourned at 1730.