



**The American Legion Post 143  
Executive Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, December 4, 2018**

Post Cmdr Joe Harrod opened the meeting at 4:30 PM. Those attending included Adjutant Steve Fuller, Finance Officer Chuck Feaselman, JV Charles Stuckey, JV Sam Pyle, Service Officer Don Levans, Service Committee Chair Bill Maddox, Judge Advocate Richard Guynn, Welcoming Committee Chair Ron Knowles, Chaplain Ronnie Martin, Historian Bob Hilliard, Auxiliary President Jeanette Henson, Auxiliary VP Wanda Maddox, Service Committee Member Allen Katen and Kathy Katen.

**BY THE COMMANDER**

**GUESTS:** No

**SICK CALL:** Debra Robinson

**TAPS:** *(Moment of Silent Prayer)*

**ROLL CALL:** It was determined enough members in good standing were present to declare a Quorum.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 4:33 PM.

**COMMANDER'S REPORT: Cmdr Harrod**

- **Centennial Coins**  
The Cmdr distributed the Centennial Coins, and announced that there are 3 remaining coins still available for \$20 each.
- Post 143 has made the contribution to the *Wreaths Across American* for this year and are "earmarked" for gravesites of veterans at the Marietta Cemetery.
- A reminder that the nominating committee for 2019-2020 officers will be established in January 2019. The committee would consist of 2 members at large that would be elected from the floor in addition to 3 past presidents. This is under review and further updates will follow in the future.
- The January 2019 Combined Membership Meeting will initiate setting up a committee for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the American Legion. This program will most likely be the largest event for Post 143 in the coming year, and will require assistance (volunteers) from the membership to make it a success. The nationwide recognition will be on May 25<sup>th</sup>, and will be celebrated locally at the CCVMP.
- The December 20<sup>th</sup> CMM will be furnished with a free Christmas Dinner from the KINDRED AT HOME facility in Villa Rica.
- During the social hour of the January CMM, the Executive Committee will hold an abbreviated meeting if deemed necessary.

**ADJUTANTS REPORT: (Steve Fuller)**

- Office Hours have been established at the post building.  
**First Tuesday monthly**, 4-5 PM (prior to the EC meeting)  
**Second Thursday monthly**, 6-7 PM (prior to the SAL meeting)  
**Third Thursday monthly**, 5-6 PM (prior to the general membership meeting)  
**Every Wednesday afternoon**, 4-5 PM

If you need assistance from the Adjutant call 770-301-3221

**Fifth District Meeting**

- Post 145 ALR will participate in the *Wreaths Across America* at Canton National Cemetery on December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018. They will Depart from Post 145 at 8:30 AM with an escort from the Georgia State Patrol.
- March 21-24, 2019 Department Spring Conference.
- April 27, 2019 *Fishing for Freedom*.
- Boys State May 21-June 01, 2019
- The American Legion is behind in membership, and could fall short of 1.8 million members. From National to local posts there is concern.
- Any members of Post 143 who have received one or more military rewards, please check with the Adjutant to verify if your medal(s) is on the list and your name will be sent on to Department. You will need a copy of your DD214.
- Transfer sheets from another Post must be signed by the member who is transferring or accompanied by a letter from the member.
- Post 143 turned in 11 memberships at District. Current membership is 84.3%.

## Correspondence

- Article IV Section 4 Department Constitution and By-Laws
- Forwarded Department Newsletter to membership
- Five Post newsletters returned to the Post for incorrect address. Corrections will be forwarded to Frank Joswick by the Adjutant.
- If anyone from Post 143 is interested in attending the Department Meeting in May, please make your plans known to the Adjutant.
- New **Flag and Emblem** catalog is at the Post.
- Membership letters from the Commander need to be sent in December. (Payment of dues and membership status explained.)

## **OFFICER AND COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS**

1. **SR. VICE/MEMBERSHIP:** by Dale Robinson **ABSENT**
2. **FINANCE OFFICER / FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR:** by Chuck Feaselman (**Copy of Budget attached**)
3. **JR. VICE / AMERICANISM CHAIR:** by Tim Bass **ABSENT**
4. **JR. VICE / CHILDREN & YOUTH CHAIR:** by Charles Stuckey  
**TOYS for TOTS** donations will be collected on December 7<sup>th</sup>. Walmart still has a collection box available.
5. **JUNIOR VICE/LEGISLATIVE & PROTOCOL:** by Sam Pyle **NO REPORT**
6. **PUBLIC RELATIONS:** by Bill Hearnburg **ABSENT**
7. **SERVICE OFFICER: by Don Levans**
  - Two (2) veterans requested assistance. One qualified and is now being helped. Chaplain Ronnie Martin is in contact with this veteran and will make sure he is continuing to move forward. The second individual did not qualify.
  - Service Officer Levans proposed appointing a committee to organize the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Post 143. It would take place on May 25<sup>th</sup> 2019 (Memorial Day Event) at CCVMP. Dale Barnett has agreed to be the guest speaker. Further details will be updated. "It's a big event!" was Don's description. (He has volunteered to be chairman.)
8. **SERVICE COMMITTEE CHAIR:** by Bill Maddox
  - Horace Getter has agreed to work with Bill Maddox on this committee.
9. **JUDGE ADVOCATE/AUDIT CHAIR:** by Richard Guynn
  - A suggestion was made that the Finance Committee Chair be separated from the Finance Officer. Bill Hearnburg and Ronnie Pate are assisting the Judge Advocate with this and/or any other suggestions made to the Chair.
10. **HONOR GUARD:** by Dale Robinson **ABSENT**
  - Cmdr Harrod has indicated that Post 143 should submit the required paperwork to the Dept. of Defense in order to obtain 30 caliber blank ammunition (surplus items) to resupply our Honor Guard.
11. **CYBER CMTE CHAIR:** by Randy Purser **ABSENT**
12. **WELCOMING CMTE CHAIR:** By Ron Knowles **NO REPORT**
13. **CHAPLIAN:** by Ronnie Martin **NO REPORT**
  - **PLEASE TAKE NOTE: Chaplain Martin's correct contact number is (770) 500-6567.**
14. **HISTORIAN:** by Bob Hilliard
  - Bob Hilliard is requesting any members or their families that have photographs of Charter Members of Post 143 to please submit them to him. Included with that request are any WWI veterans' photographs. Any significant items that would apply to the 100<sup>th</sup> American Legion Anniversary would be more than welcome.

**ANCILLARY REPORTS**

**15. SAL COMMANDER:** by Cmdr George Wheeless **ABSENT**

- The "Four Chaplain Sunday" is scheduled for Feb 10, 2019 and will be held in the AG Center Building.

**16. . AUXILIARY PRESIDENT REPORT:** by Jeanette Henson

- The Auxiliary has designated the Marietta Cemetery for their contribution of wreaths for **WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA**. The payment has been mailed.

**17. TRINKA DAVIS VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR REPORT:** by Jeanette Henson

- Dec 11, 2019 the veterans at Trinka Davis will be able to participate in **CHRISTMAS SHOP**.
- There is a change at the BINGO games held for the resident veterans at Trinka Davis. There will no longer be cash prizes.

**18. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- **TOYS for TOTS:** POST 143 will be collecting donations for the **Toys for Tots** drive until December 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Members need to remember to report or request any appropriate needs or services for themselves or other Legion post members to the Chaplain and/or the Service Committee members.
- 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Coins will be distributed at the December 20<sup>th</sup> Combined Membership Meeting.

**19. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A suggestion was voiced to contact John Bassett in regard to the assistance Post 143 has given to numerous veterans that have approached the post, and some that have contacted several posts for duplication of help.
- **IF NEEDED** the Executive Officers' Meeting will be held during the social hour at the January 17<sup>th</sup> Combined Membership Meeting.

**20. DATES TO REMEMBER:**

December 15 \_\_\_\_\_ **WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA:** CCVMP at 12:00 noon/ rain or shine!  
December 20 \_\_\_\_\_ Combined Membership Meeting  
January 17 \_\_\_\_\_ Executive Officers Meeting **IF NEEDED**  
January 17 \_\_\_\_\_ Establish 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee

**21. BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION:**

**WERE THERE ANY OTHER REPORTS MISSED? NO**

**WITH NO OTHER BUSINESS TO BRING BEFORE THE BODY**

*Salute to the Flag and a prayer by Ronnie Martin*

On this day Tuesday, December 4, 2018 the Executive Committee meeting of Carroll Post 143, Department of Georgia was adjourned at 5:30 PM (with 1 rap of the gavel by the Commander.)

**Date Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Commander Joe Harrod**

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**Recorder Kathy Katen**