2 JULY 2026 American Legion Post 49 Membership Meeting Agenda

Order of Business
Upon completion of Opening Ceremony, Commander Dargis called the Membership Meeting to Order

Adjutant Roll Call:(Attendees in Bold)Cmdr. Bob Dargis, **1st Vice Cmdr. Jason Turner, 2nd Vice Cmdr Jim Addessi, Adjutant Dan Thompson, Finance Officer Sean Russell , Sgt. at Arms Sieg Freitag,** Chaplain Larry Girard, **SAL Commander Steve Hamilton**, Service Officer Jason Mayer, Historian Jim McCloughan, **Trustee Dan Gomez,** Trustee Willie Reinhardt, **Trustee Chuck Aubrey**, Trustee Rich Ely, **Trustee Amanda Jones, Trustee Mike Andruch, Judge Advocate John Barkley,** Dan Lundgren, Earl Lash, **Ordnance Officer Jim Neely**, Dan Zwar, **Stacey Barthalamew, Bruce Thatcher, Paul Middleton, John Gallagher**
"Is quorum (of at least 5 Legion members) present?" **YES**

Reading/approval of last meeting minutes - **4 June 2026**
Motion to Approve by Chuck Aubrey, seconded and Motion Approved

Awards/ Certificates:
Stacey Bartholomew - Ladies Veteran Citation/ Award

Committee Reports

1. Finance.
-Account status: $ 126,250.61 vs $134,998.31 May 2026 vs $180,701.80 June 2025
-Quickbooks: $ 21,611.29 vs $ -12,850.47 April 2026 vs $6,412.28 May 2025
-Finance Report **motion for approva**l. **Motion by John Barkley, seconded and Motion approved**
-SAL funds available: $25,300, including $10,400 CD
- Aux funds available: $ 27,916, CD $6,800

2. Adjutant
-Membership report as of : 30 June 2026: 61 New, 48 PUFL, 559 Renewals, for 668/655 = 101.98 %, Goal for May 13, 2026 is 100%, -Circulate new member applications - 1 New Application for membership approval, Note to members if renewal sent in the past two weeks, I'm holding for 2027 Cards to issue.
Motion to approve new members and Adjutant's report- **Motion to approve, John Barkley, seconded and motion approved**

3. Service Officers report:
Steve Hamilton reports two Vets in arrears on power bills. Electricity is cut off for both Veterans., **Motion to approve $700 total in gas cards for Veterans support in these two cases, by Chuck Aubrey, seconded and motion approved.**
Jason Mayer noted a thank-you note from the Nester family, raffle ticket sales in progress, and purchased new POW Flags.

4. Club Facilities and Operations Committee
-Club Operations Committee recommendations:
Report by Heather Hahn as to status on cooler repairs Likely July 6-July 9, main bar closure but will work with Tiki bar open, Bartenders needed/scheduled for July 3, Barback to support bartenders with cooking, other club issues.
-Dinner for 7/31 will be pizza night by AL, July 3 pizza cancelled and replaced with SAL Cookout, Breakfast 8/30 needs to be filled.
-Light up the Lake, July 3 , (see below)
- Rifle Raffle ticket sales proceeding, Drawing held SEPT 5 at 6 PM

AL Events
-Light up the Lake, July 3: Committee Report from Dan Thompson:
1-Parking $20, Legionnaires free- Paul Middleton lead on parking- Start at 10 AM

2-Open to public at noon- suggested donation $5
3-No reserved seating, unless occupied, unoccupied blankets and chairs will be collected
4- No liquids in or out, cups empty at pail at door
5-All Bags subject to search
6-Kitchen available for sales until SAL starts serving at 5 PM
7-Extra Bartenders at Main Bar and Tiki Bar
8-Porta Potties being ordered
9-Volunteers in bright shirts, with staff on back
10Volunteers needed, 2 shifts 2-6 PM , and 6-10 PM, 2 at door, 1 lower level east, 1 gate Tiki Hut, 2-police back, pick up trash, 2 clean up after fireworks, 2 help at kitchen (noon to 5pm)
Total per shift not counting parking,/ kitchen and clean up after total per shift 6,

- Rifle Raffle, need to sell tickets, Drawing held SEPT 5 at 6 PM

5. AL Events

- 3 July, light up the Lake, SAL to BBQ
- Parking discussion with Paul Middleton.Paul's questions discussed at Exec meeting:
  - ●Did we approve South Haven only VFW members to park free? Y**es, only South Haven VFW members.**
  - ●All American Legion, SAL, & Auxiliary members no matter what post they belong to park free?**Yes**
  - ●Is our Honor Guard bus being moved to another location to provide more parking? **Yes, parking at Sean Russell's business property**
  - ●SAL cooking staff has asked to park in that area by Army Tank and be reserved till they start at 5:00PM? **Yes, area to be taped off from building to north fence to prevent use by general public**
  - ●Need Access to storage shed for pylons & yellow tape, no later than 10:00AM that day Note: We have had many cases where we have more than 1 car per American Legion family, we will try to enforce 1 car per legion family. Also people will park a vehicle earlier with their chairs and coolers and then come back in another car to park also. Some things are hard to police. Acknowledged, hard to enforce
- -7July-Honor Guard Support for Navy Veteran Robert Dalecki 1130 7 July 2026 at Monk Cemetery, Bangor. The bus will leave at 1045.
- 18 July honor Guard 2 ceremonies, 1 for Johnson, bus leaves at 1015, funeral for Fenske bus leaves at 1315, at McDowell Cemetery
- July 20, Color Guard needed at Harbor Shores Resort, 0930, 5 people needed
- -26July-AL Breakfast
- -31July-AL Pizza Night
- Aug 7, AL pizza night
- Aug 15, Salute to vets, Honor Guard
- Aug 23, AL breakfast
- Sept 4th- Honor Guard or Marine Veteran James W Knapp 1100 4Sept2026 at Lakeview.The bus will leave the Post at 10: 30, Also AL pizza night at 4:30 pm.
- Sept 5 Gun Raffle drawing at 6 pm
- -11Sep-Patriot Day,
- -18Sep-Air Force Birthday,
- -27Sept-AL Breakfast
- OCT 9, Veterans Resource fair at post 49, Toni Kennedy and Steve Hamilton point of contact

6. **SAL Events:**

-Plans for cooking July 3 Light up the Lake start time 5PM
-BC Vet Hospital Trivia night Columbus Day October 12, 2026

7. Aux Events:

Fish Fry 26 June

Old Business

- White Adirondack chairs to be ordered and paid for, not yet available. Red and blue have been placed on the lower level, proving very popular with guests.
- Possible sale of some Micron stock? Discussion regarding "harvesting" some of the profit, Motion to Approve up to $10,000 (share value) to pay for cooler, was approved by the Exec Committee.
- Discussion regarding $1,000 contribution to Hillsdale riders, (from Vets and Childrens fund), expectation is that AL, SAL, Aux to give $333 each. Aux has indicated they will not participate.

Motion to approve $1000, split $500 from AL, and $500 from SAL for Hillsdale Riders Veteran and Children's fund (a 501 (c) 3) - Motion by John Barkley, seconded a approved

Micron Stock discussion, and to vest 10 shares. **Motion by Jason seconded to divest 10 shares at discretion of Finance Officer (in the next month?), Motion approved.**

New Business

Additional Business

Neighbor wants to cut down Black Walnut tree on property line- Further investigation needed, Tabled at this time.

Sick call: Dan Farmer and his wife have moved to Texas.

Communication & Donation Announcements (to/from AL).

Complaint by Legionnaire Lash concerning conduct of April Membership meeting by Designated Represented, investigated by three Legionnaire panel. No further action necessary,

Next meetings

-Membership Mtg 1900 6 AUG 2026, 7:00 pm
-Exec Comm/Club Operations Mtg **1630** 30 July 2026
-Monthly Commander and Adjutant Zoom meetings are being held on the first Tuesday of the month, at 1400 hrs

2026 Holidays and Observances

July: Jul 4 – Independence Day – 250th anniversary, Jul 27 – Korean War Veterans Armistice Day
August: Aug 4 – Coast Guard Birthday, Aug 7 – Purple Heart Day, Aug 14 - VJ Day, Aug 15 - Salute to Veterans, Aug 16 - National Senior Citizens Day,
September: Sept 7 - Labor Day, Sept 11 – Patriot Day – 25th anniversary, Sept 18 – Air Force Birthday, Sept 19 – POW/MIA Recognition Day, Sept. 27 – Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day
October: Oct 13 – Navy Birthday, Oct 26 – National Day of the Deployed, Oct 31 - Halloween
November: Nov 3 - Election Day, Nov 10 – Marine Corps Birthday, Nov 11 – Veterans Day, Nov 21- Larry Carlson Memorial Thanksgiving Dinner, Nov 26 - Thanksgiving Day
December: Dec 7 – Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Dec 13 – National Guard Birthday, Dec 20 – Space Force Birthday, Dec 20 – National Wreaths Across America Day, Dec 25 - Christmas Day, New Years Eve - Dec 31.

Any further action to come before this meeting ?

Closing ceremony

Upon completion of the closing ceremony, Commander Dargis adjourned the meeting at 7:41 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Daniel Thompson
Adjutant