

We have two new officers which I appointed to fulfill our Post's conducted business. They are Bill Johnson Jr., as 1st Vice Commander, and Jerry Gay, as the Chaplin. We need five officers to conduct and pass motions brought on to the floor, and they said they will fill in at least till next year. On behalf of our post, we thank them for helping out. Remember, this is "our post", and not "my post". The commander's duty is to delegate, and over see, and not to do the other officer's work. He does not even have a vote as to what is going to pass or not to pass. When a post is short of officers, then the commander has the duty to approve things. You can read this on the web site of the American Legion under the "Officers Guide Book". This is going to help out tremendously because I never wanted to be the only voice at the post. It was thrust upon me because of lack of participation. Again, this is "our post", not "my post! Join in with us! I would like to tell you about a rule we pasted a year ago, and that is to only allow members or friends and family of the members, to rent out the room at the post. You have to be present to rent out the place, and you can never rent out the bar. Our beverage license doesn't allow that. Call the post for more details. 4566768 National will be sending out the second notices on you dues if you haven't paid yet. I know they say 25 dollars due, because after we voted on the 30 dollar dues, it was sent in to National after they printed the notices. Also, there was a big misunderstanding as to when the Legion year starts. It has always been July to July. I found out that members were informed in the past of it being Jan. to Jan. Now I know why some members called the post in Jan. thru July asking for their cards. Hope this clears thing up. Most of you know the history of the legion, though, and didn't call. We are caught up now, and things got corrected. We are back in business! Stay informed by logging on to the web site. [www.oklegionpost135.com](http://www.oklegionpost135.com) Come meet the new State Commander on his tour on Thursday, Oct. 4th, at 9am -9.30 am at the post. We will have coffee and donuts. Ask him anything you like. He is a real, " go getter" who I think will do great for the State. Also, the District Convention will be at Muskogee Post 15, on Sat., Oct 27, 9am- 1 pm. We will be printing the Newsletter every other month starting this month, to save money. Send in your membership dues now, so we can budget now, our future here, at Post 135

This has been a time full of many events taking place at our Post 135. Our Wednesday Night Potluck dinners have been successful. We have had great meals but also have had wonderful donations to the Veteran's Fund so we can provide help to our Hospitalized Veterans as well as those in Nursing Homes.

We have spent many hours in preparation for the up and coming Free Halloween Carnival for Kids. We have had many donations towards this event. It will be a learning experience since this is Our first year. We are hoping for many local kids, ages 14 years and under. The Kid's Carnival is on October 31, hours 6:00pm – 8:00pm. Come out, leave a donation of candy, toys or even a monetary donation would help. Thank you to everyone involved.

Our Turkey shoots have been very successful and the food following a couple of the Turkey shoots has been great.

Carl has installed three flagpoles at the front of our building. We are now flying the US flag, POWMIA flag and the Oklahoma Centennial flag. Thanks Carl and others.

Please welcome, Skiy Rajnowski as our Post Adjutant. Command Wes asked me to see if Skiy would fill in until elections in May 2008. He has accepted the position and has already done a great job for us. Since I live in Tulsa, it is not practical for me to do memberships. Wes has been handling most of this with some assistance from Skiy and a bunch from his wife. Wes tells us that we are at about 80% at this time and growing in our paid up membership.

We have had two meetings since the last note from me. Our officer positions are now full and we can have a quorum at meetings. We forward to your participation at our monthly meetings.

We were to have a visit from the Department of Oklahoma Commander; the Commander could not make it. The First Vice Commander visited us instead. We had a number of officers and members attend. We were disappointed that the Commander could not make it.

Best regards,

Bill Jr.

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Everything is coming together very nicely for the Halloween Free Kids Carnival. We will be having 8 booths of games and also a food court. Each child will get to play at each booth and also enjoy two free food items. Everyone is urged to bring in the kids and grandkids. It is from 6-8pm. Don't forget that we have a Turkey Shoot every Saturday at 9:00 sharp! Come out and enjoy yourselves and do some winning.

We have decided to combine our Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinner this year. The Holiday Festival will be held on December 8th at 5:00. We would like everyone to bring a dish. We will have a sheet hanging up at the Legion to sign up on or if you would rather call with the dish that you will be bringing that would be fine also. The phone number is (918)456-6768. The meat is already taken care of. If you would let us know if you are attending we will have a better idea of how much meat we need. Thanks

We will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and also Christmas Day so everyone can be with and enjoy their families.

There will be a New Years Eve Party on Dec. 31 st from 7pm to 1 am. Please bring snacks to eat. Come out and enjoy the old and celebrate the New.

The capsule pot is up over \$400.00. If you are a paid up member and come to the legion and sign in for \$1.00 you could be the winner. Each day at 7:00 we draw out a capsule with a name in it. If that person was in that day to sign in they get the money less the legions percentage. Come on in a sign up.

That's it for now. Thanks Carl A.

Important notice to all Members An amendment to the Post By-Laws was introduced at the September regular meeting. In accordance with Article VII it was voted on at the October meeting of the Executive Board and approved. In November the following amendment will be read and the final vote for or against this amendment will be taken. All members are encouraged to attend our , November 8th, regular meeting to vote on this amendment. No other notices will be given. AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 14 TO WIT: CHANGE FIRST SENTENCE TO READ : ANY ACTION BY THE COMMITTEE NOT INVOLVING ROUTINE OPERATION OF THE POST OR COSTING LESS THAN \$500 MAY BE APPROVED BY THE POST MEMBERSHIP. AMMENDENT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 15 TO WIT: CHANGE SENTENCE TO READ: THE COMMITTEE MAY HIRE SUCH EMPLOYEES AS DEEMED NECESSARY, REQUIRING ADEQUATE CONTRACTS OR BONDS FROM EACH EMPLOYEE, AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE ROUTINE EXPENDITURES UP TO \$500 WITHOUT POST APPROVAL; (NO CHANGE IN REMAINDER OF SENTENCE). Skit' Rajnowski Adjutant