



Eugene C. Yount, Post 145  
Department of Arizona  
The American Legion  
General Membership Meeting



November 20, 2024, Minutes

**Location:** Arrowhead Valley Apartments  
20025 N 81st Ave  
Peoria, AZ 85382

**Post 145 website:** [www.eugeneyountpost145.org](http://www.eugeneyountpost145.org)

**Roll Call:**

Executive Committee Members Present: Roy Cirincione, Robert Colony, David Hawkins, Paul Johnson, Dan Madore, Judi Smith, and Marie Zavilla

Members Present: Kim Branch, Tom Caisse, David Caraghar, Patrick Caserta, Joe Dellamarggio, Jake Dirkse, Donald Hladik, Matthew Jensen, Bobbie Kimelton, Dennis Marion, Dan McSparran, Douglas Patterson, Robert Portillo, Tony Ryan, Gary Vaughan, and Don Watts

SAL Members: Bill Ritman

Opening ceremonies started at 6:05 PM.

Minutes for the October 16, 2024, meeting of the general membership meeting was approved as presented.

**Reports:** (All reports will be listed in the Slide Presentation located under Documents on the Post website.)

**Adjutant Report** was given by Don Hladik. Don Hladik moved that all the veterans listed in the November 2024 Adjutant Report be accepted as members of Post 145. Motion was adopted.

**Vice Commander Report** was given by Roy Cirincione.

**Second Vice Commander Report** was given by David Hawkins.

**Finance Officer Reports** were presented by Dan Madore. The total cash assets are \$24,389.45 and building fund has \$8,651.95.

**Service Officer Report** was given by Marie Zavilla.

Gary Vaughan moved that we suspend the normal order of business to make presentations. Motion was adopted.

Meeting suspended at 7:40 PM.

Gary Vaughan presented Patrick Caserta a check for \$500.00 for the Brandon Caserta Fund from District #11.

Gary Vaughan presented Don Watts a check for \$500.00 for VETSIX from District #11.

Paul Johnson presented Douglas Patterson a 25-year Continuous Membership Tack.

Paul Johnson presented Jake Dirkse several awards for his accomplishments in recruiting.

Meeting resumed at 7:45 PM.

**Reports Continued:**

**Chaplain Report** was given by Paul Johnson.

**Boys State Report** was given by Paul Johnson.

**Baseball Report** was given by Paul Johnson.

**JSSP Report:** None

**JROTC Report** was given by Joe Dellamarggio.

**Scouting Report** was given by Gary Vaughan.

**ALLECA Report** was given by Paul Johnson.

**SAL Report** was given by Bill Ritman.

**Oratorical Report** was given by Paul Johnson.

**Judge Advocate Report** was given by Judi Smith. Dan McSparran moved that we approve the Resolution to establish a 501(c)(3) for the **ECY Post 145 Foundation** with the intent that the Resolution will be modified to meet The American Legion format.

**Webmaster Report** was given by Kim Branch.

**Community Relations Report** was given by David Hawkins.

**VA & R Committee Report** was given by Robert Portillo.

**Planning Committee Report** was given by Roy Cirincione.

**Commander's Honor Circle Report** was given by Paul Johnson.

**Unfinished Business:**

1. Planning Committee on-going update.
2. Building resolution tabled until Q1 2025.

**New Business:**

1. Officer Hall of Peoria was selected as the Post 145 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year.
2. Selection of Firefighter of the Year is pending review.

**The Good of the Legion:**

Refer to Slide Presentation located under Documents on the Post website.

**Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:11 PM. Next meeting of the general membership to be held on December 18, 2024.

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