

POW/MIA Meeting

October 1, 2016

Dept. Headquarters at 1:00 p.m.

Present were Lisa Smith, 2nd Div., Sam Rice 3rd Div., Chella Yeakel 4th Div.
Absent were Derrick Stinson 1st Div. and Ruthie Welty 5th Div.

We had a discussion on how our booth at convention went. We distributed all of the t-shirts, ball caps, and coasters. All had POW/MIA logo on them. The Christmas bulbs that have MIAs from Illinois names, branch and hometown on them again went well. All of our committee members helped at convention. There was some discussion about looking for new items for next year. We have also gotten POW/MIA posters and leaflets from National League of Families for 2017 convention.

In keeping with our goal of keeping the POW/MIA issues in the public eye, several of our members have spoken at committee events, Memorial Day services, and civic organizations and Veterans Day at Illinois State Fair.

Our meeting was visited by Commander Cheri Stanton and Sr. Vice Bob Henderson. Commander Cheri stated that if each Division committee person cannot attend a District or Division meeting to make sure to forward their report to someone to be read at the meeting. They also thanked us for what we do and said if we needed anything to let them know.

The Tazewell County Legion Riders presented us a donation at our booth at convention. It was very much appreciated.

Gov. Rauner also visited our booth to visit and thank us for what we do. Ruthie presented him with a ball cap with the POW/MIA logo on it.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Smith