- It is time to send in your dues for 2005. We need to send the new roster to National by the end of February. Please take the time now to write a check for \$30 to Rolling
 Thunder® Illinois Chapter1 and send it to our P.O. Box 1042, Warrenville, Il 60555. If you do not plan to renew, please
- remember I need your patches. Thank you.

March 3, 2005

Minutes of the Rolling Thunder $\mbox{\ensuremath{\mathbb{R}}}$, Inc. - Illinois Chapter 1 general membership meeting.

President Evanovich called the meeting to order at 1950 hours. A quorum was present and an official meeting was declared.

The Pledge of Allegiance was made.

New members and guests introduced themselves.

Minutes of the February meeting were accepted.

Note: David "Skider" Kozinsky's father passed away this month. Dave was able to take emergency leave and be with his father during his last days. Dave has since returned to Mosul, Iraq. Our hearts and prayers are with Dave, Penny and their family during this difficult time.

President - Curly had mentioned that the chapter would purchase new POW/MIA flags for DuPage and Kane county businesses. If you know of a business that could use our help in procuring a new flag, let us know at the next chapter meeting. The chapter is trying to get together as many phone cards as possible to send to Iraq. They will be in the next care package to Skider. Bring your cards and other care package items to the April meeting. Hines hospital is continuing to improve their care facility. They are collecting money by selling bricks that will be used in the remodel. The chapter has voted to purchase one of the bricks that will simply carry our chapter name.

Wildfire Hareley is carring insurance on our raffle bike. Tickets have been selling quite well. We do need all tickets back so that we can be sure exactly how many are left. If you have partial books of tickets, bring them in at



the April meeting. The chapter voted to buy a POW/MIA derby cover for the bike.

Vice-President - Larry was not able to attend the meeting.

Treasurer - Kriss - \$ in the bank. We have paid Wildfire Harley \$ to date.

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Secretary - Time is running out for reenlistment. A check will be sent to National after the April meeting. We are ten members short from a %100 re-up. Bring your money at the April meeting.

Calendar	
04/06/05	Chapter Meeting - Warrenville VFW - 1930hrs
04/16/05	Walneck's Swap Meet - Grayslake
04/16/05	Table Ceremony at Cantigny VFW - Joliet
05/04/05	Chapter Meeting - Warrenville VFW - 1930hrs
05/15/05	Walneck's Swap Meet - St. Charles
05/21/05	Blessing of Bikes and Bikers - See Jim Warner
630.222.4448	3
05/22/05	Run for Shelter 2005 - see below
05/24/05 - 0	5/30/05 Rolling Thunder Ride to Washington D.C.
06/01/05	Chapter Meeting - Warrenville VFW - 1930hrs
06/26/05	Walneck's Swap Meet - Grayslake
07/06/05	Chapter Meeting - Warrenville VFW - 1930hrs
08/03/05	Chapter Meeting - Warrenville VFW - 1930hrs
08/07/05	Walneck's Swap Meet - Grayslake
09/07/05	Chapter Meeting - Warrenville VFW - 1930hrs
10/02/05	Big Thunder Run IV
10/05/05	Chapter Meeting - Warrenville VFW - 1930hrs
11/02/05	Chapter Meeting - Warrenville VFW - 1930hrs

Committees

C.O.B. Jim "Snickers" Slenk is changing jobs and is not sure what shift he will be on. He may need help with the raffle and other functions. (Snickers later reported that the shift he is on will permit him to continue with his RT functions.) that was close

Howard "Weebles" Bushnell let us know that "RUN FOR SHELTER 2005" is coming up on May 22, 2005. This run is sponsored by Wildfire Harley and the money goes in support of Family Shelter Service in DuPage County. For info contact Denise Nolan 630.665.2820 or email lohwildfire@hotmail.com. We will have a booth at Palace Billiards, 160 Roosevelt Rd, Villa Park. Contact Weebles to work the booth that day. (fanfold@hotmail.com / 630 469-0631)

Doug "Skippy" Maher is looking at corporate sponsorship for this years BTR. He is also looking for someone to head up the advertising committee for the run. This is your opportunity to jump in and collect some real money for the chapter.

Jen Huizenga and her team sold 323 raffle tickets at the bike show. Thanks for all the hard work to Jen, Gary and all those that volunteered. Chris Hellman has taken the lead with ticket sales at Wildfire Harley. Chris and her team has sold 154 tickets at the Wildfire booth on two separate dates.. With every ones help we will have these tickets sold very soon.

Laurie Zimmerman is putting together another care package for Iraq. Remember to bring you items and Phone Cards to the April meeting.

Don Pugh has arranged for all the patches for BTRIV. A motion was made and carried to accept the design and allocate the money for this year's patches.

April 16th we will hold a Remembrance Table Ceremony at the Joliet VFW. We were invited to do this right after the New Lenox dedication from last year. This is the VFW's 85th anniversary. They have also invited us to dinner. Our program is scheduled to start at 1745 with dinner at 1800. Chapter representation is key at events like this. Please mark your calendars and listen for trip details at the April meeting. We will arrange to leave from the Warrenville VFW. If you will be on your own see the following web page for directions.

http://www.vfw367.org/location.html

Meeting adjourned at 2051.

If you know of anyone that needs the minutes of our meeting mailed to them via snail-mail, please let me know. I do not want that list to get to long (cost and all) but I do want everyone to read about what they are missing when they miss a meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Jim (Snipe) Murray, Secretary Murman03@aol.com