

# THE AMERICAN LEGION – January 2018 Meeting SSgt Robert C. Melberg Virginia Beach Post 110 P.O. Box 62384 Virginia Beach, VA 23466

<u>Call to Order:</u> The January, 2018 meeting of American Legion Post 110 was called to order by Commander David Smith.

### **Introduction of Guests, Prospective and New Members:**

New members: Pam Suino and Eric Bell

Guest speaker: None

**Post Everlasting:** Amsbry Brooks passed away last June 29, 2017

Sick Call, Relief, and Employment: None

<u>Officer's Roll Call:</u> A roll call of Post 110's Officers was conducted, and having a quorum, business was discussed and voted on. Fifteen members were present.

#### **Committee Reports:**

Service Officer Homer Stinson: Absent; nothing to report.

Adjutant Fred Kinkin: 290 renewals for the 2018 membership year have already been received. Goal for this year is 373 members so we are at 78% of goal. Reminder that we will have a renewal calling party on Saturday, January 13 at my house to contact all members who have not yet renewed. Reminder to all members to submit your volunteer hours monthly. Volunteer activity through Dec 2017 ytd was 760 hours and 4,252 miles travelled.

Finance Officer Steve Sokolowski: Financial status: \$17,702 in Building Fund and \$4,607 in Post Checking account.

Chaplain George Schmidt: Will coordinate presentation of Post Everlasting Certificate with the family of Amsbry Brooks

Sgt. At Arms Jeff Kocab: Harbor Park tables available at Tides games if interested.

Web Master Craig Huber: Absent. Website is up to date.

Vice Commander Rick Jones: Working on a guest speaker for March.

Commander David Smith: Cautioned members to be aware of phone scams targeting veterans.

**Reading of Minutes:** The October meeting minutes are posted on the vapost110.org website.

## **Guest Speaker/Special Recognition:** None

### **Major Topics Discussed:**

- 1. Doug Uhlmann raised the subject of potentially recognizing local police officers of the year with American Legion awards. Issue will be taken up at the next Executive Board meeting.
- 2. Adjutant Fred Kinkin reminded all members that we will be contacting all members who have not renewed their 2018 membership at a phone bank effort hosted at his house on Saturday night, Jan 13th. Lasagna dinner will be served.
- 3. The Vets and Cadets interviews are scheduled to take place on Wednesday, February  $14^{\rm th}$  at our next meeting.

#### **Long Range Goals:**

- 1. Obtain permanent Post Home.
- 2. Increase active membership participation.

# **Recently Completed Events:**

Sept 16-17 – Airshow at Oceana Naval Air Station

Sept 19 – POW/MIA recognition ceremony at NAS Oceana

Oct 20-22 – Department of Virginia Fall Conference in Va. Beach

Nov 10 – Veterans Day ceremony at OLPH

Nov 11 - Veterans Day parade at VA Beach oceanfront

Dec 13 - Post 110 Christmas Party was held at Gus and George's

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Jan 13 – District Oratorical Contest at VA Wesleyan University at 9am

Jan 13 – Membership phone bank drive

Jan 17 - Day on the Hill at Department HQ in Richmond

Feb 7 – Post 110 meeting at OLPH at 7:30pm

Mar 9-11 – Spring Conference at Va. Beach Resort and Conference Center

Mar 14 – American Legion Post 110 monthly meeting

Apr 11 - American Legion Post 110 monthly meeting

May 9 – American Legion Post 110 monthly meeting

July 13-15 – 2018 State American Legion Convention Hilton Dulles Airport

Oct 26-28 – Fall Conference at Double Tree Hotel, Williamsburg

**Good of the Legion:** None

**50/50 Raffle:** Rick Jones won the raffle and donated \$23 to the building fund.

Next Monthly Meeting: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 at OLPH at 7:30pm

The meeting was adjourned at 2100.

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