

THE AMERICAN LEGION – June 2019 Meeting SSgt Robert C. Melberg Virginia Beach Post 110 P.O. Box 62384 Virginia Beach, VA 23466

<u>Call to Order:</u> The June 2019 meeting of American Legion Post 110 was called to order by Commander Fred Kinkin.

Introduction of Guests, Prospective and New Members:

New members: None

Guests: CDR Wayne Mead, Post 113 Commander and incoming District 2 Commander; and Cliff Dietz, new District 2 Americanism VCDR; Ann Sokolowski, widow of Steve Sokolowski

<u>Post Everlasting:</u> Steve Sokolowski, 36 year member, former Post and District Commander, passed away April 30, 2019. Steve was a founding member of Post 110 and was also inducted into the American Legion's "40-8" Honor Society. Chaplain George Schmidt presented Steve's widow, Ann, with a Post Everlasting certificate. Steve will be missed.

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. Thirteen members were present.

Committee Reports:

- Service Officer: Eric Bell. Eric completed his on line Service Officer training course and is doing on the job training with Eric Isakson, Post 327 Service Officer. VA has a new computer system; members should verify they are registered with the VA.
- Adjutant Rick Jones: So far we have had 328 renewals vs our 2019 goal of 347 members (94%). Also just submitted four renewals, four transfers and one new member.
- Finance Officer Jon Asher: Financial status was: \$18,630 in building fund savings account; \$1,491 in Post Checking account. The Post now has on line access to checking account details. Jon will research combining both accounts into one bank and try to earn a better interest rate on the savings.
- Chaplain George Schmidt: Discussed the Virginia Tattoo, including their honoring of Miriam Triscritti.
- Sgt. At Arms Jeff Kocab: Will coordinate the Norfolk Tides membership drive on Aug 7th.
- Web Master Craig Huber: Absent. Website is up to date.
- 1st Vice Commander/Historian Bert Wendell: Submitted photos of the Landstown and First Colonial NJROTC Awards Ceremony and the Memorial Day ceremony.
- 2nd Vice Commander Miriam Triscritti: NTR

- ALA Commander Tonya Jones: NTR
- Commander Fred Kinkin: Volunteer activity May ytd: 2,245 hours and 15,039 miles. Members were reminded to report their volunteer hours monthly. Summarized the VA's new MISSION Act.

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

Guest Speaker/Special Recognition:

Wendell Parker introduced Boys State candidates William Moran and Charles Turner and their parents. The boys will return in August to debrief the Post.

Major Topics Discussed

- 1. New 2nd District Commander, Wayne Mead, swore in the new Post officers for 2019-2020 membership year.
- 2. Commencing in July, our monthly meeting will start at 7PM not 7:30PM
- 3. New Post Officers are:

Commander – Fred Kinkin

1st Vice Commander/Historian - Bert Wendell

2nd Vice Commander - Miriam Triscritti

Adjutant – Rick Jones

Finance – Jon Asher

Chaplain – George Schmidt

Sgt at Arms – Jeff Kocab

Web Master – Craig Huber

Service Officer – Eric Bell

Long Range Goals:

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

Recently Completed Events:

May 8 - NJROTC Awards ceremony at Landstown HS

May 16 - NJROTC Awards ceremony at First Colonial HS

May 27 – Virginia Beach Memorial Day ceremony – Noon, 19th Street Convention Center Memorial

June 2 – 2nd District Convention at 1pm, Post 327, Norfolk-

June 5 – Executive Board Meeting - 6pm Warrior Taproom

June 6 – D-Day 75th memorial celebration at OLPH at 1030

Upcoming Events

July 10 – American Legion Post 110 meeting at VFW 392 (Exec Board will meet 30 minutes prior)

July 10-13 Virginia Department Convention in Richmond

Aug 2-4 Legion College in Richmond

Aug 7 - Tidewater Tides game membership drive at 7pm

Aug 14 – American Legion Post 110 meeting at VFW 392

Sep 11 – American Legion Post 110 meeting at VFW 392

Sep 20-22 - Airshow, NAS Oceana

Oct 25-27 – Virginia Department Fall Conference in Williamsburg

Good of the Legion: None

50/50 Raffle: Cliff Dietz won the Crooked Raffle

<u>Next Monthly Meeting:</u> Wednesday, July 10 at VFW 392 Post located at 2408 Bowland Parkway, Virginia Beach. **START TIME 7PM.**

The meeting was adjourned at 2050.

Submitted by: Frederic M. Kinkin Post Commander American Legion Post 110