



**THE AMERICAN LEGION – October 2020 Meeting**  
**SSgt Robert C. Melberg Virginia Beach Post 110**  
**P.O. Box 62384**  
**Virginia Beach, VA 23466**

**Call to Order:** The October 2020 meeting of American Legion Post 110 was called to order by Commander, Rick Jones.

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

New members: Mike Day, Stanley Gray

Guests: Mike Day, Retired SCPO Navy Seal and author of “Perfectly Wounded”

**Post Everlasting:** Pasquale DeMartino, retired Marine

**Sick Call, Relief, and Employment:** None

**Officer’s Roll Call:** A roll call of Post 110’s Officers was conducted, and having a quorum, business was discussed. 15 members were present.

**Committee Reports:**

- Service Officer: Eric Bell. Absent; working nights
- Adjutant Fred Kinkin: Current paid membership is 231 vs goal of 328 (70%). YTD volunteer hours were 374 and 1172 miles driven. All were reminded to continue to report their volunteer hours to the Adjutant.
- Finance Officer Jon Asher: Financial status was: \$18,687 in building fund savings account; \$5,258 in Post Checking account. The post has completed consolidating both accounts into NFCU.
- Chaplain George Schmidt: Attended the memorial service for Pasquale DeMartino. The Chaplain has a brand new Legion cap size 7 available for \$40.
- Sgt. At Arms Jeff Kocab: NTR
- Historian Bert Wendell: NTR
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander: Vacant
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander: Vacant

- Auxiliary Tonya Jones: Will hold another Linens for Vets campaign in the next few months.
- Commander Rick Jones: The Oceana Air Show and Veterans Day Parade have been cancelled due to COVID. Will determine if we will hold Holiday Party NLT our November meeting. Commander's Membership Challenge: Will award top two membership enrollers gas cards of \$20/\$10 respectively. Adjutant's Challenge: enroll more new members than Fred Kinkin and he will take you to dinner. Next summer Department Conference will be held in July, 2021 in Herndon, VA.

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

**Guest Speaker/Special Recognition:**

Commander Jones presented an American Legion coin to guest speaker Mike Day after his compelling story of being wounded 27 times in a battle in Iraq.

**Major Topics Discussed**

1. The following are membership incentives for the post for 2021:
  - a. A new member incentive of \$20 dues reduction the first year
  - b. Adjutant's Challenge: Enroll more new members than Fred Kinkin by June 30, 2021 and Fred will take you to the dinner of your choice.
  - c. Commanders Challenge: Top two new membership recruiters by Dec 31, 2020 get a Gas Card for \$20 and \$10
  - d. Early bird drawing prize: For all members who renew their membership NLT October 31, one name will be drawn at random at the November meeting and the winner will receive a VISA gift card for \$50.
2. The Post will recognize members celebrating 25 years of service at the November meeting.
3. The Adjutant announced the post garnered twelve transfers from Post 141 over the past month. Thanks to Rick Jones, Mark McMillan and Bob Russell for calling Post 141 members and convincing them to transfer.

**Long Range Goals:**

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

**Recently Completed Events:**

Feb 28 – Mar 1: Virginia Department Conference

May 6 – NJROTC medals were presented to Landstown HS and First Colonial HS

Sep 27 – 2<sup>nd</sup> District Fall Conference

**Upcoming Events:**

Nov 10 – Executive Board meeting at 6pm at Gus and George's Restaurant

Nov 25 – Post 110 Monthly meeting

TBD - Holiday Dinner

Jan 27 – Post 110 Monthly meeting

Feb 24 – Post 110 Monthly meeting

**Good of the Legion:** None

**Building Fund 50/50 Raffle:** Won by Bill Maslanka who donated the winnings to the Auxiliary.

**Next Monthly Meeting:** Wednesday, November 25th at VFW 392 Post located at 2408 Bowland Parkway, Virginia Beach. **START TIME 7PM.** Guest speaker TBD.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Submitted by:

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Post Adjutant

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