



VIRGINIA BEACH POST 110
Virginia Beach, VA
Monthly Meeting Minutes - June 12, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by the presiding Commander, Bert Wendell.

A roll call of officers was conducted and a quorum noted for conducting Post business.

Post welcomed its quest speakers on current U.S. Army programs behind its recruiting slogan “Army Strong”. Speakers were Sergeant First Class Marcos Vazquez, Center Commander and Sergeant First Class Nathan A. Lolley, US Army Recruiter from the U. S. Army Recruiting Center at 829 Lynnhaven Pkwy, Suite 109, Virginia Beach, VA. Both spoke on basic and advance training, job occupations, enlistment periods, basic pay, current GI Bills, tuition assistance and the reserve program. More information on U.S. Army recruiting and programs can be obtained by calling 1-800-USA-ARMY, website at <http://goarmy.com> or connect on Facebook, Twitter, You Tube and more at <http://goarmy.com/connect>.

Reading of minutes from the previous month was suspended due to time constraints.

Sick Call, Relief, and Employment: Past Post Commander Wally Timmons continues to battle various health problems.

The Commander went over the 2013 Planning Calendar, highlighting the following events:

- June 14: Flag Ceremony, 10:00 am, at OLPH Senior Care Center, VA Beach, VA
- June 16-22: 71st Session of Virginia Boys State at Radford University in Roanoke, VA.
- July 4: Independence Day. “Fly Your US Flag”.
- July 10: Installation of American Legion Post 110’s 2013-2014 officers at monthly meeting.
- July 11-14: American Legion, Virginia Department Convention will be held at the Hilton Wahington Dulles Airport Hotel, 13869 Park Center, Herndon, VA 20171. Reservations must be made through the Registration Committee at 1-703- 753-2167.
- July 29-August 3: Virginia State American Legion Baseball Tournament in Williamsburg, VA.
- August 9-10: American Legion Leadership College to be held in Richmond, VA.
- August 23-29: American Legion National Convention at Hilton Americas Hotel in Houston, TX.
- September 11: Patriot Day Ceremony, 10:00 am, at OLPH Senior Care Center, VA Beach, VA. First Responders from VA Beach Police, Fire, EMS Departments will be present.
- November 5: Election Day. “Get Out And Vote”.
- November 11: Veterans Day Parade in VA Beach, VA at 9:00 am.
- November 12: Veterans Day Ceremony, 10:00 am, at OLPH Senior Care Center, VA Beach, VA.
- December 11: American Legion Post 110 Christmas Party will be held at Gus and Georges Restaurant, 4312 VA Beach Blvd, VA Beach, VA from 7-9:00 pm. Drawings for door prizes will take place.

Committee Reports: The following committee reports were given:

- **Membership** - As of June 5, 2013 Post 110's 2013 membership is at 365 which is 91.94% of its goal of 397 members. Post Adjutant now has 2014 membership cards for those renewing their membership.
- **Finance** - Finance Officer was not present. Report will be given at July 10, 2013 meeting.
- **Awards** - Commander reported that Chaplain George Schmidt was selected as American Legion Post 110's "2012-2013 Legionnaire of the Year". Membership concurred with his selection. Schmidt's name was submitted to Virginia Department in Richmond, VA for awarding of appropriate pin.
- **Webmaster** - Commander reported that Craig Huber volunteered to service as Post 110's Webmaster and will update the website as appropriate.
- **Elections** - Commander announced the list of American Legion Post 110's elected officers for 2013-2014:
 - Commander - Bert Wendell, Jr.
 - 1st Vice Commander - Dan Ryan
 - 2nd Vice Commander - Wally Timmons
 - Adjutant - Steve Pelon
 - Service Officer - Doug Uhlmann
 - Finance Officer - Steve Sokolowski
 - Chaplain - George Schmidt
 - Historian - Brain Abbott
 - Sergeant-at-Arms - Terry Howard

Old Business and Completed Events:

- May 15 - Post 110 Commander, Vice Commander and Chaplain presented two American Legion Gold Medals to NJROTC Cadets at Landstown High School. The Gold Medals were given to Cadet Ensign Ronald Balomero for Military Excellence and Cadet MCPO Robert Lindsey for Scholastic Excellence.
- May 27 - Memorial Day Observed: An American Legion Wreath was laid by Post 110 Legionnaires at the Tidewater Veterans Memorial, 1000 19th Street, VA Beach, VA. Laying the wreath were Commander Bert Wendell, Jr., Vice-Commander Dan Ryan, Chaplain George Schmidt, Craig Huber and Robert Melberg.
- June 9 - Second District Convention was held at Attucks Post 5, 903 Wilson Road, Norfolk, VA at 1:00 pm. Post 110's report for February to May 2013 was filed with 2nd District Adjutant Al Steward. VA Department Commander Ike Kelly was present and gave a short talk on increasing 2014 membership statewide. Mike Bukowski was elected as 2nd District Commander for 2013-2014.
- Post Adjutant Doug Uhlmann has filed the 2012-2013 Post 110's Consolidated Report with the Virginia Department. He has also filed Form 990-N (Tax-Exempt Organizations not Required To File Form 990 or 990-EZ) Form with the IRS for 2012.
- Post Service Officer Doug Uhlmann has been contacted recently by 4 veterans for Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA) of which only 1 did not qualify for assistance. Paperwork was submitted to VA Department to get these 3 veterans funding to help them during their hardships.

New Business:

- A motion was made and seconded that Post 110 reimburse Service Officer Doug Uhlmann for his registration and hotel cost while attending the 2013 American Legion Leadership College being held August 9-10, 2013 in Richmond, VA. Membership voted its approval based on availability of funds in the treasury. Finance Officer, who was absent from the meeting, was contacted later and he said that funds will be available in the near future.
- Vice-Commander Dan Ryan and Mark McMillan are working to coordinate with the American Red Cross Blood Bank dates where American Legion Post 110 members can volunteer to work.
- Wendell Parker gave an update on those selected to attend Virginia Boys State. Post 110 is sponsoring

Daniel Vickers from Cape Henry Collegiate School, and Jackson Sheen and Jacob Nerab from Bishop Sullivan Catholic High School. 34 delegates to Boys State are going from the 2nd District. Information on Virginia Boys State of the American Legion is available at <http://www.vaboysstate.org/about/about.shtml> .

- Commander stated that 2nd District Commander Mike Bukowski and Adjutant Al Steward will be asked to install newly elected 2013-2014 officers for Post 110 at next monthly meeting on July 10, 2013.
- Vice-Commander Dan Ryan reported that guest speakers for July 10th meeting will be those students /delegates sponsored by Post 110 to attend Virginia Boys State on June 16-22, 2013. They will speak on their personal experiences while at Boys State.

Correspondence Received by American Legion Post 110:

- April 16, 2013 - A "Thank You Letter" from Vets house, Inc. Executive Director Willard C. Smith for Post 110's donation on \$100.00 dollars. More information on Vets house can be obtained at <http://www.vetshouseinc.org> .
- May 28, 2013 - A "Thank You Letter" from Boy Scouts of America, Tidewater Council President Mark Schreiber, MD, for Post 110's donation of \$500.00 to the 2013 Friends of Scouting Campaign.

Good of the Legion:

Post Historian LT Brain Abbott, USN, will be returning soon from deployment on the USS Dwight D. Eisenhower, CVN-69, and will be actively engaged in updating American Legion Post 110's Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/vapost110?ref=hl>.

Next Meeting: 7:30 pm, Wednesday, July 10, 2013 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Senior Care Center, 4560 Princess Anne Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23462.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

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