



THE AMERICAN LEGION – March 2016 Meeting
Virginia Beach Post 110
P.O. Box 62384
Virginia Beach, VA 23466

Call to Order: The March 9, 2016 meeting of American Legion Post 110 was called to order by presiding Commander Dan Ryan.

Introduction of Guests, Prospective and New Members:

Guest: Scott Saunders, ACT for America

New Members: William Helfer (new) and Nick Cerullo (transfer)

Post Everlasting: Edward Bano – 5 year member, Vietnam Veteran, died in August, 2015.

Sick Call, Relief, and Employment: Nothing to report.

Officer's Roll Call: A roll call of Post 110's Officers was conducted, and having a quorum, business was discussed and voted on. 22 members were present.

Committee Reports:

Service Officer Doug Uhlmann: unable to attend but had nothing to report.

Adjutant Fred Kinkin: 287 members have renewed their membership for 2016 vs goal of 328. Currently at 87.5% of target for 2016. Reminder to all members to submit your volunteer hours monthly. YTD February volunteer activity has been 1018 hours and 7,341 miles travelled! Met with Captain Tim Richardt, First Colonial High School NJROTC Instructor to discuss synergies between NJROTC and Post 110.

Finance Officer Steve Sokolowski: Post account has \$3,561. Building fund now stands at total of \$12,856 (consisting of three CD's and one savings account).

Chaplain George Schmidt: Assisted fellow Legion member Jeff Kocab during his illness. Provided assistance to veteran's widow.

Historian, Sgt at Arms, Steve Wild: unable to attend; NTR.

Web Master Craig Huber: Requested updated events listing each month so it can be published on the website. Vice Commander Dave Smith to provide.

Vice Commander Dave Smith: NTR.

Reading of Minutes: The February 2016 meeting minutes were read. They are posted on the vapost110.org website.

Guest Speaker/Special Recognition: Captain Scott Saunders, ACT for America, gave an interesting 45 minute over of radical Islam and the threat to America.

Major Topics Discussed:

1. Post Home. Phone calls made to Post 110 members asking for donations yielded no new contributions. Two members did renew as a result of the effort. Membership agreed to continue fundraising efforts and to continue to search for other properties. Steve Wild is waiting to hear back from the NEX about setting up a table for contributions at the Oceana Navy Exchange.

2. Thus far seven members have signed up for new Auxiliary unit – we need ten to stand up the unit. Annual dues are \$20. Tanya Jones has volunteered to lead the new unit while it is being formed.

3. Wendell Parker, Boys State Chairman discussed the process for Boys State nomination selections. The post will support two attendees for this year's Boys State program held June 19-26.

Correspondence Received: None.

Long Range Goals:

1. Increase support for the NJROTC program in Va Beach.
2. Obtain permanent Post Home.

Short Range Goals:

1. Continue fundraising for new Post Home.
2. Start Women's Auxiliary Post

Recently Completed Events:

September 11- Patriots Day at OLPH

September 19-20- NAS Oceana Airshow

October 19- VA National Guard deployment send off at Birdneck Elementary

October 23-25 VA Department fall conference in Williamsburg

November 11 – Veteran's Day parade in Virginia Beach

November 12 – Veteran's Day Ceremony at OLPH

December 7 – Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

February 9 – Four Chaplains Service

Actions Agreed:

1. Send list of upcoming events to Webmaster monthly. (Smith)
2. Check with NAS Oceania for feasibility of setting up contribution table at NEX (Wild)
3. Continue efforts to establish Women's Auxiliary post. (Ryan)

Upcoming Events:

March 11-13 – American Legion Department of VA spring meeting in Virginia Beach

March 24, 2016 – Boys Scouts of America Leadership Breakfast at Va Bch Convention Center at 0730

April 13, 2016 – Post 110 April meeting

April TBD – Landstown H.S. JROTC Awards

May 30, 2016– Memorial Day parade

June 19 – 26 – Boys State@ Radford University

Good of the Legion: District 2 needs Honor Guard volunteers for funeral duty.

50/50 Raffle: Tanya Jones won the crooked raffle for the second straight month! She donated her winnings to the new post home.

Next Monthly Meeting: 7:30pm, Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Conference Room, 4560 Princess Anne Rd, Va Beach, VA 23462

Guest Speaker: None

The meeting was adjourned at 2115.

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