



**THE AMERICAN LEGION – March 2019 Meeting  
SSgt Robert C. Melberg Virginia Beach Post 110  
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**Call to Order:** The March, 2019 meeting of American Legion Post 110 was called to order by Commander Fred Kinkin.

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

New members: Jennifer Kiggins

Guests: 2<sup>nd</sup> District Commander John Schenk. Also, guest speaker was member Wendell Parker who reviewed the upcoming Boys' State program

**Post Everlasting:** None

**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 and voted on. Fifteen members were present.

**Committee Reports:**

Service Officer: Eric Bell. Absent. Eric completed his on line Service Officer training course and is doing on the job training with Eric Isakson, Post 327 Service Officer.

Adjutant Rick Jones: So far we have had 315 renewals vs our 2019 goal of 347 members (90%). Jon Asher is now PUFL.

Finance Officer Jon Asher: Financial status was: \$18,510 in building fund savings account; \$4,325 in Post Checking account. Both accounts have been updated with new custodian. Jon will research combining both accounts into one bank and try to earn a better interest rate on the savings.

Chaplain George Schmidt: George greatly assisted member Jeff Kocab during his recent illness.

Sgt. At Arms Jeff Kocab: Will provide new contact name for coordinating Tidewater Tides game for the post this summer.

Web Master Craig Huber: Website is up to date.

Vice Commander/Historian Bert Wendell: April guest speaker will be CDR Wales of NJROTC Landstown HS

ALA Commander Tonya Jones: ALA will meet the first Wednesday of each month at Quentin's Tea Emporium. Auxiliary will host another Linens for Vets drive in April. They are requesting new or lightly used twin and full sheets for the drive.

Commander Fred Kinkin: Stressed the importance of finding new members. Volunteer activity January ytd: 1,585 hours and 10,708 miles. Members were reminded to report their volunteer hours monthly. Buddy check week will be held the week of March 10<sup>th</sup>. Reviewed the resolution for John Schenk who is running for VCDR of the Eastern Region. Reminded all of the Basic Legion Training Course which can be taken on line. Thank you to Jennifer Kiggins, David Smith and Craig Huber for volunteering to contact members for Buddy Check week.

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

**Guest Speaker/Special Recognition:**

2<sup>nd</sup> District Commander John Schenk shared his views on a variety of subjects and provided feedback on the recent Virginia Department meeting held in Portsmouth. Boys' State Coordinator Wendell Parker reviewed this year's Boys' State program.

**Major Topics Discussed**

1. The Commander noted that Post 110 bylaws have not been updated since their inception in 1986. It was agreed that the Executive Board will commence a review and provide a recommended update of the bylaws to membership later this year.
2. The Commander provided feedback from the recent Virginia Department Spring Convention.
3. Required bonding of Post 110 officers has been completed.
4. The post's stock of mugs, patriotic pins and American Legion thank you coins has been replenished.
5. The Buddy Check program was discussed and volunteers were requested to make contact with membership.
6. The May monthly post meeting will be held on a THURSDAY, on May 9<sup>th</sup> due to unavailability of VFW 392 Hall on May 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Long Range Goals:**

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

**Recently Completed Events:**

January 5 – JAG Pilot program

February 3 – Four Chaplain's Ceremony

February 9 – Eastern Region Oratorical Contest at Post 368, Newport News

February 17<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> District Spring Conference

March 1-3 – Virginia Department Spring Conference, Renaissance Hotel, Portsmouth

**Upcoming Events**

April 3 – Post 110 Executive Board meeting at Commander Kinkin’s house

April 10 – American Legion Post 110 Meeting at VFW Post 392

May 8 – NJROTC Awards ceremony at Landstown, HS

May 9 – American Legion Post 110 meeting at VFW Post 392

TBD May – NJROTC Awards ceremony at First Colonial HS

May 27 – Virginia Beach Memorial Day ceremony

June 2 – 2<sup>nd</sup> District Convention at 1pm, Post 327, Norfolk

June 12 – American Legion Post 110 meeting at VFW Post 392

June 14 – Flag Day Ceremony at OLPH

July 10 – American Legion Post 110 meeting at VFW 392

**Good of the Legion:** None

**50/50 Raffle:** New member Jennifer Kiggins won the Crooked Raffle.

**Next Monthly Meeting:** Wednesday, April 10 at VFW 392 Post located at 2408 Bowland Parkway, Virginia Beach.

The meeting was adjourned at 2100.

**Submitted by:**

Frederic M. Kinkin

Post Commander

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