



**THE AMERICAN LEGION – November 2018 Meeting
SSgt Robert C. Melberg Virginia Beach Post 110
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Call to Order: The November, 2018 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: George Parker, Virginia Veteran's Services

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. Only seven members were present.

Committee Reports:

Service Officer: Vacant position

Adjutant Rick Jones: So far we have had 243 renewals vs our 2019 goal of 347 members. The post has met the August, Sept, October and November milestone targets for membership. We are at 70% of our membership target for 2019. SCC annual registration was completed.

Finance Officer Steve Sokolowski: Absent; financial status is similar to previous month which was: \$17,769 in Building Fund and \$2,466 in Post Checking account.

Chaplain George Schmidt: Absent.

Sgt. At Arms Jeff Kocab: Absent.

Web Master Craig Huber: Absent. Website is up to date.

Vice Commander/Historian Bert Wendell: Nothing to report.

Commander Fred Kinkin: Stressed the importance of finding new members. Volunteer activity October YTD: 752 hours and 4,804 miles. Thanked the members who participated in the Veteran's Day parade and the Veteran's Day commemoration at OLPH. The post is searching for a high school student to compete in the American Legion Oratorical Contest being held January 12th. Please contact the Commander if you know of any candidates.

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

Guest Speaker/Special Recognition:

George Parker of the Virginia Veteran's Services office in Virginia Beach provided an overview of services offered including: PTSD counseling, GI Bill Education, Entrepreneur training, employment assistance and grief counseling.

Major Topics Discussed

1. Starting in February, 2019 Post 110 will start holding its meetings at VFW 392 post on London Bridge Road.
2. The post still needs to fill the Service Officer position.
3. The Commander met with Lt Guzman, new Naval Science Instructor at First Colonial H.S. to discuss ways the NJROTC unit and Post 110 can work together in the future.
4. This year's Christmas Dinner for membership will be held at 6pm on Wednesday, December 12th at Gus and George's Spaghetti and Steak House located at 4312 Virginia Beach Blvd., Virginia Beach. Cost of the meal is the responsibility of individual members; the post will have drawings for gifts provided by the post. Please bring a guest and enjoy a night of hospitality with your fellow Legionnaires.

Long Range Goals:

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

Recently Completed Events:

11 Aug – Tidewater Tides game membership drive
11 Sep -- Patriots Day ceremony at OLPH

21 Sep -- POW/MIA ceremony at Oceana NAS POW/MIA park
22-23 Sep – Oceana NAS Airshow membership table
23 Sep – 2nd District Fall Conference
20 Oct – Virginia Beach Gun Show membership table
26-28 Oct – Department Fall Conference
9 Nov – Veteran’s Day ceremony at OLPH
12 Nov – Veteran’s Day Parade at Oceanfront

Upcoming Events:

December 12 – Christmas Dinner at 6pm at Gus and George’s Spaghetti/Steak House
January 9 – American Legion Post 110 Meeting at OLPH
January 12 – 2nd District Oratorical Contest at Virginia Wesleyan Univ.
February 3 -- Four Chaplain’s Ceremony
February 13 – American Legion Post 110 Meeting at VFW Post 392
February 17th – 2nd District Spring Conference
March 1-3 – Virginia Department Spring Conference, Renaissance Hotel, Portsmouth
March 13 – American Legion Post 110 Meeting at VFW Post 392

Good of the Legion: None

50/50 Raffle: Mary Kinkin won the Crooked Raffle and donated proceeds to the Auxiliary Unit.

Next Monthly Meeting: Wednesday, December 12 – Christmas Dinner
Wednesday, January 9th meeting at OLPH. January Guest Speaker will be Wayne Mead, Vice President of Membership for the 2nd District.

The meeting was adjourned at 2100

Submitted by:
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Post Commander
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