



## **Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2007**

24 members and lots of guests in attendance:

John Kopp, Paul Ellison, Ted Nelson, Don Happy, Mack Williams, Charles Kraft, John Gibbs, Robert Emery, Ira hunter, Fred Cox, Larry Allen, Donna Warren, Foster Sires, Lester Brown, Gene Welch, Ray Nichols, Ed Backstrom, Calvin Nelson, Ray Merrill, Mike Edwards, Carl Mathiasch, Melvin Johnson, Gary Reno, and Alan Shannon.

Commander John Kopp opened the meeting in due form at 19:05HRS. Chaplin Donna Warren gave the opening prayer. Commander John Kopp led the Post in the Pledge of allegiance and reading of the Preamble to the Constitution of The American Legion.

Commander John Kopp welcomed guest and Boys/Girls State Citizens to the meeting. Commander John Kopp introduced new transfer member Gary Reno. Commander John Kopp talked about the first meeting of the Blue Star Mothers of Missouri Chapter #2 first meeting as well as the first meeting of the Post 95 Ladies Auxiliary.

Commander John Kopp talked about the Liberty Fall Festival on September 29<sup>th</sup> with the parade starting at 11:00 HRS and everyone should meet at the Post at 09:30 HRS. Commander John Kopp talked about the Post doing the Flag Disposal at 19:15HRS on the Square.

Commander John Kopp talked about Larry Haney's son being very ill and asked everyone to keep them in their thoughts and prayers.

Chili Supper: Commander John Kopp said that the only open Saturday was November 3<sup>rd</sup> and passed around a sign up sheet for help with the dinner. Commander John Kopp talked about going to the Clay County Health Department and taking the Food Handlers course and that it was free to veterans groups.

Commander John Kopp asked about raffle prizes for the Dinner. Ray Nichols made a motion to set a limit of \$300 dollars for buying raffle prizes. Ira Hunter seconded the motion and the motion passed. Ray Nichols made a motion to give Joan Gibbs \$25 to get children prizes. Ted Nelson seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Paul Ellison said that we needed to set a price for the meal tickets. Commander John Kopp talked about putting an ad in the newspaper with a discount coupon for the dinner to see if that would increase business. Don Happy asked how much an ad would cost. Commander John Kopp said that he thought it would cost about \$50. Ray Nichols said that we should table discussion until the next meeting.

Ray Nichols made a motion that the cost of the dinner ticket should be set at \$7.00. Foster Sires seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Commander John Kopp introduced the Boys and Girls State and talked about how impressed he was with the Liberty schools and its students.

Foster Sires introduced Dr. Phil Wright supernatant of Liberty Schools and that he was the first one to ever attend the Boys and Girls State report meeting.

Ira Hunter talked about the 40et8 and the upcoming ChickNic to be held on October 13<sup>th</sup> at Wallace State Park. Ira hunter said that the money collected would go towards nurses training scholarships.



Commander John Kopp talked about Post 95 receiving a second place award for membership at the last District meeting.

Commander John Kopp also talked about the picture of the honor team that had been put up on the wall.

Ray Nichols let every one know it was Lester Browns 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday and led everyone in singing happy birthday to Lester Brown.

Commander John Kopp turned the meeting over to Girls State Chairperson Donna Warren for the report portion of the meeting. Donna Warren thanked everyone for attending and thanked the parents of the students.

Stanton Ragland, Marcy, Tanner Bosch, Ryan Moulder, Tony Sekine, Victor DeMarco, Bridgette, Courtney, Camey, and Desulia.

The Boys and Girls State'rs talked about the experiences and answered questions from the audience.

Paul Ellison talked about Foster Sires being the Fall Festival Parade Grand Marshall.

Ted Nelson talked about a Post putting up a Blue Star Memorial and was in need of donations. Ira Hunter made a motion to donate \$100 to the Post with the Blue Star Memorial. Alan Shannon seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Commander John Kopp thanked everyone for attending the meeting and announced that there would be refreshment served right after the meeting.

Commander John Kopp closed the meeting in due form at 20:10HRS

Submitted \_\_\_\_\_  
Robert C. Emery – Adjutant

Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
John Kopp - Commander