



Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2013

Members: Jim Reich, Don Happy, Jesus Torres, Charles Kraft, Jerry Pate, LeRoy Coe, Melvin Johnson, Ted Nelson, John Gibbs, Bob Beeks, Vern Mattocks, Wally Glasco, Carl Mathiasch, Larry Allen, Jake Samborski, Judi Samborski, Ira Hunter, Ray Crestwell, Mike Edwards, Chad Pratt, Gene Gentry, Buster Roper, Gene Welch, and Robert Emery.

Guest: Gene Gentrup councilman for Ward 4, Jeff Moore councilman for Ward 2, 3rd District Commander John F. Kopp, 3rd District Vice-Commander Ed Schmidt

Missouri Girls State Citizens Rachel Untch and Noelle Prideaux

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski proceeded to open the meeting at 19:00 HRS

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski led Post in salute to colors.

Charles Kraft gave the opening prayer.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski gave the POW/MIA Remembrance ceremony.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski led the post in the pledge of allegiance and reading of the preamble.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked for the reading of the minutes from the August Meeting. Jerry Pate made a motion to forgo the reading of the minutes and proceed with Post business. Charles Kraft seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Guest and New Members:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked LeRoy Coe to introduce his guest.

LeRoy Coe introduced Liberty City Council members Gene Gentrup councilman for Ward 4, Jeff Moore councilman for Ward 2

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski introduced Missouri Girls State Citizens Rachel Untch and Noelle Prideaux.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski presented each a Good Citizenship certificate and asked them to talk about their time at Missouri Girls State.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski read the names of the other Missouri Girls, Missouri Boys State, and Missouri Cadet Patrol attendees.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about the certificate the Post Funeral Honors Team had received from the Missouri Military Funeral Honors Program for the fifty one (51) funerals the team had preformed Military Funeral Honors at over the last year.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski introduced 3rd District Commander John F. Kopp and asked him to address the meeting.

3rd District Commander John F. Kopp talked about his time as a Post 95 member and all the programs Post 95 (Military Funeral Honors, Flag Etiquette, BINGO...) do and do a really excellent job at.

3rd District Commander John F. Kopp talked about being part of the Department of Missouri Americanism Committee and its job to judge the Post Consolidated Reports. 3rd

District Commander John F. Kopp talked about all the things Post 95 does and that there is no reason the Post shouldn't be receiving an Americanism Award.



3rd District Commander John F. Kopp talked about membership and urged the Post to achieve one hundred percent (100%) membership this year. 3rd District Commander John F. Kopp reminded everyone to just ask is a person was a veteran and ask them to join the American Legion if they were a veteran. 3rd District Commander John F. Kopp talked about working the Post 1000 list to find members in the area and get them to transfer to the Post.

3rd District Commander John F. Kopp talked about all of the things the American Legion had been first in and the great things it has achieved for veterans and their families.

3rd District Commander John F. Kopp talked about the American Legion one hundredth anniversary which is coming up in six (6) years.

3rd District Commander John F. Kopp talked about working to get a Post history put together and sent into Department of Missouri.

3rd District Commander John F. Kopp thanked Post 95 for letting him attend tonight's meeting and for all of its good work.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski introduced 3rd District Vice-Commander Ed Schmidt.

3rd District Vice-Commander Ed Schmidt talked about the Oratorical Contest and the successes of Missouri students have had in the contest over the years. 3rd District Vice-Commander Ed Schmidt reported that this year's 3rd District Oratorical Contest would be held January 5th in Cameron, MO.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked Mike Edwards to introduce a new member. Mike Edwards introduced Chad Pratt to the Post.

Chad Pratt talked about himself and his service.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked for committee reports.

Finance Report:

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy gave the Finance Report for August.

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported the following:

Beginning Balance \$4233.28, Deposits \$1655.74, Withdrawals \$1110.91, and ending balance of \$4778.11.

Membership: Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported that the current paid up Post 95 membership was one hundred eighty nine (189).

Honor Team:

Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards reported the Honor Team had a funeral tomorrow. Don Happy reported that he had nine (9) people so far for tomorrow's funeral.

Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards talked about a request for a color guard for a NAVY reunion at the Holiday Inn on the Plaza on October fifteenth (15) at 11:00 HRS. Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards said that the Team would leave Liberty at 10:00 HRS.

Flag Etiquette: Post 95 Flag Etiquette Chairman Mike Edwards reported on the Flag Etiquette class and how well it had been. Post 95 Flag Etiquette Chairman Mike Edwards talked about how he would like to see more people help out.



Post 95 Flag Etiquette Chairman Mike Edwards talked about the upcoming Flag Etiquette classes and will be scheduling more soon as request from the schools come in.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about how good the classes were.

Oratorical Contest: No Report

Girls State: No Report

Boys State: No Report

BINGO at Cedars:

Don Happy said that BINGO would be next Thursday September 26th at 18:30 HRS and all were welcome to help out.

Sickness and Distress:

Larry Allen reported on Ray Thompson and how they were doing better and wanted to make a donation to help another veteran in need.

Old Business:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about the recent Post 95 Open House and how successful it had been. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that the left over buns had been donated to Our Lady of Mercy Country Home and the chips had been donated to a church youth group.

Jerry Pated talked about the dance troupe that had performed at the Post Open House and said that they would like to perform at the Post Christmas Dinner.

Correspondence: NONE

New Business:

Chili Supper: Larry Allen reported that he had talked to the school about using their kitchen and the school had said that they would need the Post to provide an excessive amount of liability insurance and pay for a school employee to be present. Larry Allen talked about needing to find a way to cook and clean.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about a range she and Jake had looked at LOWES and it was priced at four hundred sixty (\$460) dollars.

Don Happy talked about Our Lady of Mercy Country Home not wanting to have a garbage disposal installed due to safety and other concerns.

John F. Kopp suggested the Post talk with Debbie about the matter.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked for a show of hands to see who was interested in holding the Chili Supper. All were interested in holding the Chili Supper if all details of cooking and cleanup could be resolved.

After some discussion a tentative date of November 9th was set for the Chili Supper.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski said that she would see if the hall was available on that date.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about still needing a stove and getting electricity run for it. John F. Kopp said that the Post would need to talk with Debbie or Gerald about getting things wired. After much discussion on the matter a committee was set up to purchase a stove. Don Happy, Larry Allen, Judi Samborski, and Jake Samborski will be the committee.



Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked Larry Allen to go ahead and start getting volunteers.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski led Post in salute to colors.

Charles Kraft gave the closing prayer.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski closed the meeting in due form at 19:59 HRS

Submitted _____ Approved _____
Robert C. Emery – Adjutant Judi Samborski - Commander