

Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of July 17, 2012

Twenty nine (29) members and two (2) guest in attendance:

Jerry Pate, Larry Allen, Jerry Jackson, Charles Kraft, Steinkamp, Ray Adkins, Wallis Glaco, Ray Crestwell, Bob Beeks, Jim Rieck, Jake Samborski, Judi Samborski, Vern Mattocks, Ron Pardeck, Gentry Thomason, Paul Ellison, Mike Edwards, Robert Emery, LeRoy Coe, Donald Happy, Melvin Johnston, Lance Staves, Ray Merrell, Calvin Nelson, Gene Welch, Lester Brown, Ray Nichols, Joel Doyscher, and Donna Warren.

Guest: Jessica Potter and John Potter.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski proceeded to opened the meeting at 18:59HRS

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

Post 95 Chaplain Paul Ellison gave the opening prayer.

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

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski introduced Jessica Potter the candidate to Missouri Cadet Patrol 2012 that Post 95 sponsored.

Jessica Potter thanked Post 95 for sponsoring her to Missouri Cadet Patrol. Jessica talked about her time at Missouri Cadet Patrol and said that she enjoyed the whole experience. Jessica potter said that she was one of the winners of an American Legion Scholarship to Warrensburg and that she had been asked back to next years Missouri Cadet Patrol as a councilor.

Ray Nichols asked how many cadets were at this years Missouri Cadet Patrol. Jessica Potter reported that there were thirty two (32) boys and seven (7) girls in attendance.

Jessica Potter again thanked Post 95 for sending her to Missouri Cadet Patrol.

John Potter – Jessica's father thanked Lance Staves for helping get him in contact with Post 95 and getting Jessica's application sent in. John Potter thanked Post 95 for sending Jessica to Missouri Cadet Patrol.

Guest and New Members:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked if there were any other guest or new members in attendance. Lance Staves said that this was his first meeting he had attended since he had joined the American Legion several years ago.

Minutes:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski stated that since the last Post gathering was a dinner there were no meeting minutes to read.

Finance Report:

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy gave the Finance Report for June and July 2012. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy talked about rolling over the two (2) CD's in Bank Liberty

CD 1 in the amount of \$4048.08 at an interest rate of .75% and will mature 29MAR13

CD 2 in the amount of \$3598.55 at an interest rate of 1% and will mature 01MAY13

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy talked about needing to order checks for the post since he was now down to twenty five (25) checks left. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy made a motion to



purchase checks for the Post 95 checking account. Ray Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Membership:

LeRoy Coe reported that renewals were starting to come in. Post 95 Adjutant reported the Post 95 membership for the 2012 membership year was at 295 for a 105% of goal for 2012.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about a request from the VFW for a joint memorial service for Richard Turner on July 29th at 14:00 HRS. Ray Nichols said that he volunteered LeRoy Coe and Paul Ellison to help fold the flag. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked for more volunteers for the rifle squad.

Honor Team: Post 95 honor Team Commander Mike Edwards thanked everyone for helping with the 4th July Parade.

Flag Etiquette: Flad Etiquette Chairman Mike Edwards said that in about three weeks he would be sending letters out to the schools.

Oratorical Contest: No Report

Boys State: No Report

BINGO at Cedars: Don Happy said that BINGO would be next Thursday July 26th and he was needing help since several of the people who normally help would be out of town that night. Sickness and Distress:

Ray Nichols talked about Charles "Bud" Kraft being in the hospital and asked Bud Kraft what the problem was. Charles "Bud" Kraft said that he had gone into have hernia operation then got a blood clot and was still recovering from that.

Ray Nichols passed around a "Get Well" card for Ted Nelson who had another surgery on his foot performed.

Larry Allen reported on the Thompsons and that he had taken some more donations out to them. Larry Allen reported that the VA was trying to lower Mr. Thompsons disability rating. Old Business:

Jerry Head presented the post a bill in the amount of one hundred twenty eight dollars and seventy three cents (\$128.73) for items used in the 4th July Parade. Jerry Head made a motion to reimburse Jerry Head one hundred twenty eight dollars and seventy three cents (\$128.73) for items purchased for the 4th July Parade. Ray Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed. Correspondence:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski read a thank you letter from Taylor Sawyer Jurneo. The letter thanked the Post for sponsoring here to this years Missouri Girls State.

New Business:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about attending the Missouri Department Convention. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that she had fun and voted the five (5) votes the post had.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski presented Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery with a Department of Missouri recruiting plaque.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about receiving a letter from Past Department of Missouri Commander Kenneth Goth congratulating here on achieving one hundred percent (100%) post membership.



Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that she also received a letter and certificate from American Legion National Commander Fang A Wong achieving one hundred percent (100%) post membership.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that she had also received a Certificate of Meritorious Service for Post 95.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about a special meeting of the Clay County Veterans Memorial Building Association to be held on August 14th at 19:00 HRS. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski said that the meeting was about funding upgrades to the restrooms for ADA compliance. Jerry Pate talked about an upcoming event at Wal-Mart for wounded Veterans and that Wal-Mart would like the American Legion to set a table up at the event. Jerry Pate said that the event would be July 25th from 10:00 to 17:00 HRS.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that she joined the Past post Commanders Club for twenty five (\$25) and she said that all past post commanders could join.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that Art Wilson was the new Department Commander and Kenney Goth was now Alternate NEC.

LeRoy Coe talked about going out to Benton House and talking with the Honor Flight people. LeRoy Coe reported that Honor Flight was having problems getting donations. Ray Nichols made a motion to donate three hundred dollars (\$300) to the Honor Flight Program. Ray Adkins seconded the motion passed.

Bud Kraft talked about his Honor Flight trip and how wonderful it was.

Paul Ellison talked about needing to purchase more plastic cases for the spent casings and coin the Honor Team presents at funerals. Paul Ellison reported that one hundred cases was ninety five (\$95) not including shipping handling and taxes. Paul Ellison made a motion to purchase one hundred (100) plastic cases. Jerry Head seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Paul Ellison reported that July 27th will be a half staff day in honor of Korean War Veterans Day. Don Happy talked about a request the Post had received from Hallmark Cards for a Color Guard to post and retrieve the colors at their annual employee concert on June 27th. Don Happy said it was well received.

Lance Staves talked about retiring flags collected at the Fire Stations. Lance Staves said that he conducts dignified flag retirements at his place. Lance Staves was looking for help obtaining an old mail box to fix up and set out side Liberty fire station one and would appreciate any help in obtaining a mail box.

Post 95 Chaplain Paul Ellison gave the closing prayer.

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

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski closed the meeting in due form at 20:00 HRS

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Robert C. Emery – Adjutant

Approved _

Judi Samborski - Commander