



Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of October 15, 2013

With thirty (30) members and one (1) guest in attendance

Ted Nelson, Ray Crestwell, Lester Brown, Larry Allen, Charles Kraft, Ray Nichols, Ira Hunter, Jerry Head, Jim Reich, Mike Edwards, Donald Happy, Vern Mattocks, Jake Samborski, Judi Samborski, Paul Ellison, Gentry Thomason, John Gibbs, LeRoy Coe, Gene Welch, Jack Restivo, Sam Leonard, Ron Pardeck, Tom Troutman, Ray Merrill, Melvin Johnston, Robert Beatty, Buster Roper, William Steinkamp, and Robert Emery.

Guest: Mrs. Roper

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski proceeded to open the meeting at 18:58 HRS

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 asked Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery to read the minutes from the September Meeting. LeRoy Coe made a motion to forgo the reading of the minutes and proceed with Post business. Sam Leonard seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Guest and New Members:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked if there were any guest or new members present. None were found to be present.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked for committee reports.

Finance Report:

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

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported the following:

Beginning Balance \$4778.11, Deposits \$239.00, Withdrawals \$627.94, and ending balance of \$4389.17. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported that the small amount of deposits was due to the payment from the Missouri National Guard being deposited on October fourth and would not show up in the banking statement until next months bank statement. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported that he had just sent in a funeral verification form to the National Guard for seven (7) more funerals.

New Members:

Post 95 Vice Commander LeRoy Coe reported no new members.

Membership:

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported that the current paid up Post 95 membership was currently one hundred ninety three (193).

Post 95 Vice Commander LeRoy Coe asked those who had taken Post 95 unpaid members list to please get them turned back into him.

Larry Allen asked if anyone had checked on veterans living at Our Lady of Mercy Country Home. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski said that she will see about getting a list of veterans living at Our Lady of Mercy Country Home.



Honor Team:

Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards reported the Honor Team had provided a color guard for a NAVY reunion at the Holiday Inn on the Plaza this afternoon.

Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards asked if LeRoy Coe had any details for events for Veterans Day. Post 95 Vice Commander LeRoy Coe reported that he had not been able to contact the VFW. Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards asked if he should get a team together for Veterans Day.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about Veterans Appreciation Day at Liberty North High School starting with flag raising at 07:00 HRS. Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported that he had received a request from Liberty North High School for a mailing list of Post 95 members so the school could send out invitations to the members of Post 95. Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards would need Color Guard. Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards talked about needing rifle team, color guard, and bugler at Fairview Cemetery on Veterans Day at 11:00 HRS.

Post 95 Vice Commander LeRoy Coe talked about the memorial had been reset at the cemetery and was working on getting the bricks reset as well so they would be ready for Veterans Day.

Ray Nichols asked Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski to recap the Veterans Appreciation Day events for those who could not hear them. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported Flag raising and breakfast at Liberty North High School at 07:00 HRS and Veterans Day ceremony at Fairview Cemetery at 11:00 HRS.

Flag Etiquette:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about request from Alexander Doniphan Elementary School for a group of veterans to talk and answer questions on November 8th from 09:00 to 10:00 HRS. Mike Edwards asked all the WWII Veterans that could to please attend and talk with the students.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski introduced Rev. Roper –a new Post 95 member - and asked him to talk about himself and his service. Rev. Roper talked a little about himself.

Post 95 Flag Etiquette Chairman Mike Edwards reported the following Flag Etiquette classes.

November 5th 09:45 Warren Hills

November 25th No time set yet Lillian Schumacher Elementary

October 26th Flag Disposal: Mike Edwards house with backyard cook out starting at 16:00 HRS.

November 5th Veterans Appreciation event at Wicklunds CARSTAR: Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards reported that he would need a rifle team and color guard for presentation of the colors at 17:00 HRS and that they usually met at 16:30 HRS to get ready.

John Gibbs asked Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski to talk about the Veterans Appreciation event at Wicklunds CARSTAR. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski said that there would be food and entertainment.



Oratorical Contest:

Post 95 Oratorical Contest Chairman Ron Pardeck said that all of the High schools should have received their Oratorical Contest packages. Post 95 Oratorical Contest Chairman Ron Pardeck reported that he had set the date for the County Oratorical Contest for December 9th at 19:00 HRS at Liberty North High School

Girls State: No Report

Boys State: No Report

BINGO at Cedars:

Don Happy said that BINGO would be next Thursday at 18:30 HRS and all were welcome to help out. Don Happy reported that BINGO days for November and December would be moved to the third Thursday of the month because of the holidays.

Sickness and Distress:

William Steinkamp reported that he was going to have knee surgery.

LeRoy Coe talked about his wife still having lots of pain after her surgery.

Larry Allen reported on Ray Thompson health not doing well and was having breathing problems. Larry Allen said that the Thompson's thanked the Post for all that it has done to help.

Old Business:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked if there was any Old Business.

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy talked about the magnetic signs Jerry Head had made up for the Liberty Parade at a cost of one hundred fifty eight (\$158.00) dollars, and the hot dog buns he purchase for the Post Open House at thirty two (\$32.00) dollars, the storage bins he purchased at forty nine (\$49.90) dollars, repair of trailer marker lights, paying for newsletter extra folding at nine (\$9.00) dollars for a combined total of two hundred fifty nine (\$259.00). Larry Allen made a motion to reimburse Jerry Head two hundred fifty nine (\$259.00) dollars. Ray Creswell seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Larry Allen made a motion to give Don Happy and Mike Edwards each one hundred (\$100.00) for driving the Post Honor Team to events. Ray Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Ray Nichols made a motion to donate one hundred (\$100.00) dollars to the dance troupe that performed at the Post 95 Open house. Larry Allen seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Correspondence: NONE

Post 95 Flag Etiquette Chairman Mike Edwards talked about letters he received from students at Hawthorne Elementary school about the Flag Etiquette class.

New Business:

Post Holiday Dinner: Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about holding the Dinner at the December meeting night starting at 18:30 HRS and that the Post would provide the meat, rolls, and drinks. Don Happy talked about getting turkey and brisket from HY-VEE. Larry Allen asked if dinner was for members and family. Everyone answered yes.



Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked Larry Allen to see if Norma would decorate the tables for the dinner.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski said that setup would probably be at 18:00 HRS but details would be worked out at the next Post 95 meeting.

Don Happy talked about getting an order for Emblem Sales together to send in before the current catalog expires. Don Happy asked anyone wanting anything to please contact him soon so he could place the order.

LeRoy Coe asked how long it took to receive items that have been ordered. Don Happy replied it depends on if the item is in stock or not. Don Happy said that in stock items were shipped right away and other items may take several weeks.

Ray Nichols reported that Bud Kraft had donated a pair of gloves and a belt to the Post Honor Team.

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

Post 95 Chaplain Paul Ellison gave the closing prayer.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski closed the meeting in due form at 19:42 HRS

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