

## Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2014

With twenty one (21) members and three (3) guests in attendance Donald Happy, Jake Samborski, Judi Samborski, Paul Ellison, LeRoy Coe, Gentry Thomason, Jim Riech, Sam Leonard, Wally Glasco, Robert Beatty, Larry Allen, Vernon Mattock, Ray Crestwell, Mike Edwards, Ron Pardeck, Ted Nelson, Charles Kraft, Jerry Head, Ed Jones, Bob Beeks, and Robert Emery. Guest: John F. Kopp – 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander, Maria Walsh, Mark Martin 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. 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 last meeting. Jake Samborski made a motion to forgo the reading of the minutes and proceed with Post business. Robert Beatty seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Guest and New Members:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski introduced 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander John F. Kopp. Who talked about project to send care packages to local troops in Afghanistan and was looking for donations of items or monies. 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander John F. Kopp left a copy of list of items desired for the care packages.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski introduced Maria Walsh of Honor Flight Kansas City. Maria Walsh brought "Thank You" letters for every one to sign and be presented to participants of Honor Flight.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski introduced Mark Martin of Heart Land Honor Flight. Mark Martin was looking for WWII and Korean veterans to send on Honor Flight trips and accepting donations to help sponsor veterans on the trips.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski introduced Ed Jones. Ed Jones was looking for donations to help provide turkeys and hams to members of the 509 Security Group at Whiteman Air Force Base. Ed Jones said that he would like for Post 95 to donate one hundred (\$100) dollars. Ray Crestwell made a motion that Post 95 donates one hundred (\$100) dollars to Ed Jones for the purchase of turkeys and hams. Paul Ellison seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Finance Report:

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

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported the following totals:

Beginning Balance: \$ 1933.06

Deposits: \$ 836.00

Withdrawals: \$722.67

Ending Balance: \$ 2046.37



Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported that the eighteen month CD with Bank Liberty was due to mature on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy asked what the Post would like to co with the CD. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy said that he would like to keep the CD with Bank Liberty and let it roll over for another eighteen (18) months, since the Post has other business with that bank. Robert Beatty made a motion to keep the CD with Bank Liberty and let it roll over for another eighteen (18) months. Bob Beeks seconded the motion and the motion passed.

A copy of the finance report is included with these minutes.

New Members:

Post 95 Vice-Commander LeRoy Coe reported he knew of no new members Membership:

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported Post 95 was currently at two hundred twelve (212) members paid up and had applications for two (2) new members.

Honor Team:

Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards reported that he needed rifle team and bugler for Veterans Day Ceremony at Fairview Cemetery.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked Jerry Head to schedule Veterans Day Nursing Home visits.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about being contacted by the City of Liberty about performing the ceremony at Fairview Cemetery – Post 95 to provide rifle team and bugler and VFW Post 4043 providing flag. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that this caused some conflict with the VFW and that Post 95 Commander Judi

Samborski provided a plan for the two groups to alternate jobs every other year. Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski was waiting for a response to her proposal.

Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards reported that there would be a funeral tomorrow and that everyone should meet at 11:45 HRS and that the funeral would be at White Chapel Cemetery.

Flag Etiquette:

Post 95 Flag Etiquette Chairman Mike Edwards reported a Flag Etiquette class had been scheduled at Warren Hills Elementary School on November 6<sup>th</sup> at 13:30 and 14:30 HRS. Post 95 Flag Etiquette Chairman Mike Edwards reported another class was scheduled for Lillian Shoemaker Elementary School on November 24<sup>th</sup> starting at 13:30 and 14:30 HRS. Post 95 Flag Etiquette Chairman Mike Edwards thanked those who showed up the other day to help with a Flag Etiquette class.

Oratorical Contest:

Post 95 Oratorical Contest Chairman Ron Pardeck reported that the Clay County Contest was scheduled for December 8<sup>th</sup> at Liberty North High School.

Missouri Boys State/Missouri Girls State: No Report

Cadet Patrol: No Report

BINGO at Cedars:



Sickness and Distress:

Judi Samborski reported that Ray Nichols was sick.

John F. Kopp said that John-Paul Kopp has phenomena.

Old Business:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about the upcoming CARSTAR Military Appreciation Celebration to be held November fourth ate CARSTAR Liberty from 17:00 HRS to 21:00 HRS. LeRoy Coe said that he would handle the arrangements for this event.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about Veterans Breakfast at Discovery Middle School November 11<sup>th</sup> at 08:00 HRS.

Jake Samborski reported that all but one of the rifles were back in working condition and safe to use.

Jake Samborski talked about the procedure to return rifles and that he was in process of getting Gillman City's rifles returned to TACOM.

Chili Supper:

Larry Allen passed around a sign up sheet for the Chili Supper and asked anyone who could to please come out and help with the dinner.

Judi Samborski said the Ray Nichols had door prizes and two pies.

Larry Allen said that he had dinner and raffle tickets available for people to sell. Larry Allen asked that if people had any unsold raffle tickets to be sure and turn them in so they could be sold at the dinner.

Larry Allen said that they would start cooking at 09:30 HRS.

Correspondence:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that she had received a "Thank You" Letter from Mary Ann Ahrens family for funeral honors provided. Don Happy reported that there was also a twenty (\$20) donation from the family and that he had sent the family a "Thank You" card thanking them for their donation.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski read announcement for Veterans Pens Celebration at Liberty Memorial on November 1<sup>st</sup>.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski read a request for donation to Liberty Community Christmas Tree Fund. Mike Edwards made a motion to donate one hundred (\$100) dollars to the Liberty Community Christmas Tree Fund. Bob Beeks seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski read a request for donation from Liberty Fire Department for their Fire Pup Safety Program. Robert Beatty made a motion to donate sixty five (\$65) dollars for twenty (20) kids' level sponsorship. Ray Crestwell seconded the motion and the motion passed.



New Business:

3<sup>rd</sup> District Oratorical Chairman:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about needing to find a new District Chairman. 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander John F. Kopp talked about needing a new chairman and that Smithville Post had already agreed to hold the contest at their post.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski reported that Our Lady of Mercy Country Home had offered the Post a free mail box if the Post wanted.

Sam Leonard asked about the cost of the USPS Post Office Box. Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported that the P.O. BOX with the USPS cost ninety (\$90) dollars a year and that it was accessible 24/7 and that he could do other USPS business without an extra trip.

District Revitalization:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski read an announcement about the 3<sup>rd</sup> District holding a District Revitalization in January. Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported that American Legion National could not do it until April. 3<sup>rd</sup> District Commander John F. Kopp said that the 3<sup>rd</sup> District may hold one earlier just using the Post 1000 lists.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked Larry Allen when the next newsletter would go out. Larry Allen said that it would go out in December.

Larry Allen said that they could cut up vegetables Saturday morning.

Paul Ellison reported that the shirts he had ordered were supposed to be shipped out by the end of the week.

LeRoy Coe said that he had donated Donna Warrens Trumpet to Liberty North High School.

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 19:58 HRS

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Robert C. Emery – Adjutant

Judi Samborski - Commander