



Robert H. Baker American Legion Post 95 Meeting Minutes of February 17, 2015

With twenty two (22) members in attendance

Donald Happy, Jake Samborski, Judi Samborski, LeRoy Coe, Gentry Thomason, Jim Riech, Larry Allen, Vernon Mattock, Mike Edwards, Ron Pardeck, Jerry Pate, Tom Troutman, Gene Welch, Stephanie Ebner, G. Ray Nichols, Bob Beeks, Jerry Head, Ted Nelson, Paul Ellison, John Carey, Ron Laughman, and Robert Emery.

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.

Post 95 Chaplain G. Ray Nichols 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. Stephanie Ebner made a motion to forgo the reading of the minutes and proceed with Post business. Jake Samborski seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Guest and New Members:

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

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski presented several members certificates for their continuous American Legion membership.

Finance Report:

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy gave the Finance Report for January

Post 95 Finance Officer Don Happy reported the following totals:

Beginning Balance: \$ 1761.06

Deposits: \$ 731.50

Withdrawals: \$ 528.25

Ending Balance: \$ 1964.31

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 fifty eight (258) members paid up for 2015 with the 2015 membership goal of three hundred seventeen (317).



Honor Team:

Post 95 Honor Team Commander Mike Edwards reported that the Honor Team has been busy.

Don Happy talked about getting a call from the National Guard on the Saturday before the Super Bowl asking if the Post could do a funeral that Sunday. Don Happy said that within a half hour he had gotten enough members to do the funeral.

Don Happy thanked all those who help out with the Honor Team.

Flag Etiquette:

Post 95 Flag Etiquette Chairman Mike Edwards reported that there two dates scheduled in Smithville. March 2nd and March 6th with two (2) classes each day at 09:00 HRS and 10:00HRS.

Oratorical Contest:

Post 95 Adjutant Robert Emery reported that the Department Oratorical Contest would be held next Saturday in Jefferson City at the Spring Conference.

Missouri Boys State/Missouri Girls State:

Post 95 Missouri Boys State/Missouri Girls State Chairman Robert Emery reported that Larry Allen had volunteered to pick applications from Kearney High School and Liberty North High School.

Post 95 Missouri Boys State/Missouri Girls State Chairman Robert Emery reported that Larry Allen volunteered to attend the Liberty Sertoma Club meeting and give the club an update on Post 95.

Cadet Patrol: Post 95 Cadet Patrol Chairman reported that he was still looking for a possible candidate but has found none yet.

BINGO at Cedars:

Don Happy reported that BINGO at Cedars would be next Thursday February 26th starting at 18:30 HRS and all were welcome to come out and help.

Sickness and Distress:

Jim Rieck talked about being diagnosed with an aggressive cancer and was currently undergoing treatment for it.

G. Ray Nichols reported the following:

Sam Leonard was doing better.

Les VanBibber was having issues due to his PTSD.

Bud Kraft was having issues with his eyesight and would appreciate a ride to meetings.

Ray's Sister and Brother In Law were not doing well.

John Gibbs was not feeling good and could not attend tonight's meeting.

LeRoy Coe reported that his wife was not doing well.

Post 95 Vice Commander Stephanie Ebner asked for a moment of silence for those in Sickness and Distress.

Old Business:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski asked if Ted Nelson wanted to talk about his honor Flight trip. Ted Nelson said that it was all in the newspaper.



Ray Nichols asked if anyone had seen Ira Hunter.

Jerry Pate said that he had seen Ira in the store and appeared to be doing well.

Correspondence:

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski read a “Thank You” letter from the Liberty Community Christmas Tree Fund thanking the Post for its one hundred (\$100) dollar donation.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski read an invite from Missouri City to participate in its parade and present the colors on May 2nd. The issue was tabled until the next meeting.

New Business:

Spaghetti Supper:

Larry Allen asked for volunteers and passed around a sign up sheet.

Larry Allen said that he would contact Norma about decorating the tables.

The dinner hours would be 16:30 to 19:00 HRS and setup would be at 13:00 HRS.

LeRoy Coe volunteered to get raffle prizes.

Larry Allen made a motion to allocate three hundred (\$300.00) dollars towards purchasing raffle prizes. Ray Nichols seconded the motion and the motion passed.

G. Ray Nichols and LeRoy Coe volunteered to get door prizes.

Larry Allen asked Robert Emery if he would print tickets and bake cakes. Robert Emery said that he would.

G. Ray Nichols said that he would put information in the Liberty Tribune.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski talked about holding a special veterans only drawing for half of the gift cards for Texas Roadhouse. G. Ray Nichols made a motion to hold veterans only drawing for half of the gift cards for Texas Roadhouse. Stephanie Ebner seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Ron Pardeck asked what would happen to the other half of the gift cards.

Post 95 Commander Judi Samborski said that they would be given away at the Chili Supper in the fall.

Jim Rieck talked about A and A organization and how they can help.

G. Ray Nichols said that Ron McBee had information on how to contact the organization.

Post 95 Chaplain G. Ray Nichols 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 19:35 HRS

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