



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY, INC.
DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA
LEON A HARPER UNIT #50
3400 Rocky Ford Road
CREWE, VA 23930

11/09/15 Monthly Meeting

President Jane Henry called the meeting to order. Chaplain Nancy Hallinen gave the prayer, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Preamble to the Constitution of the ALA. Roll call of officers and members show those present: Teresa Adams, Sherry Gilliland, Nancy Hallinen, Jane Henry, Barbara Theftord and Elinor Vogt. The minutes were read and approved. Collected \$3.00 for the flower fund. November Treasurer's report shows balance forward of \$3026.82, deposits of \$338.11 and checks written for \$141.86 with an ending balance of \$3223.07

Checks written:

#1465 ALA-Dept of Va	Children & Youth	\$ 5.00
#1466 ALA-Dept of Va	Veteran Rehabilitation	24.50
#1467 ALA-Dept of Va	Veteran Assessment	25.00
#1468 ALA-Dept of Va	Poppy Proceeds	27.36
#1469 ALA-Dept of Va	Bonding	7.50
#1470 ALA-Dept of Va	Building Fund	17.50
#1471 Ruth Cole	5 th District President	35.00

Unfinished/Old Business – The laundry mat project “Operations Suds” is still on hold until the building is repaired. Teresa has taken care of getting the raffle prizes to the winners at the Ham Dinner. Western Zone Workshop was held November 7th at Appomattox and four members attended. The Christmas dinner is being held on December 12th at the post, all members encouraged to attend and bring their family or friends. Jane handed out a food list for members to sign up what they will be bringing. Nancy requested the auxiliary pay for the meat, after discussion Nancy made the motion and it was seconded by Sherry for the auxiliary to buy both chicken and ham, motion carried. Nancy to buy ham and cook it and be reimbursed. The Western Zone is still in first place for the membership drive.

New Business – In observance of Veterans Day we will be having a poppy drive this week, Jane handed out a signup sheet for the members and handed out poppies. The Laying of the wreaths will be December 12th in Amelia, encouraged all members to attend. Elinor requested we donate the coats, scarves and glove to our local area. Elinor to check with town hall to see if we can give them to the Crewe Christmas Mother. Bring all your items to the Christmas party. November is “GreenLight A Vet” month, this is a campaign to establish visible national support for our veterans by changing one light to green. Jane encouraged all members to change just one light bulb to green to show our support. Green is a color of hope, renewal and well-being and a term commonly used to activate forward movement. Nancy has been talking to Commander Ronnie Mason and he has requested that the auxiliary meet with them. Nancy has requested all members to come to the men's meeting Monday the 16th so we can “open up communication” with the legion. There being no other business Chaplain Nancy gave a closing prayer and President Jane adjourned the meeting. There will be a short meeting December 9th before our Christmas party. **Post note: At the American Legion meeting on the 16th the men brought up a Christmas party, after some discussion we have invited the American Legion, Riders and Sons of the Legion to our Christmas party on the 12th and we will furnish all the food.**