



## **American Legion Auxiliary**

### **Unit 50**

**Crewe, Virginia**

**Thursday, August 24, 2017**

### **Meeting Agenda**

<b>Open with Prayer:</b>	<b>Nancy Hallinen</b>
<b>Call of the Meeting to Order:</b>	<b>Deanna Schwartz</b>
<b>Pledge to the Flag:</b>	<b>Teresa Adams</b>
<b>ALA Pledge:</b>	<b>Teresa Adams</b>
<b>Reading of the Minutes:</b>	<b>Tammy Wood</b>
<b>Treasure's Report:</b>	<b>Barbara Thetford</b>

Deanna Schwartz opened the meeting and Nancy Hallinen opened with prayer and pledge of Alliances.

We welcomed a new Junior Member, Kathena West (aka, Gabrielle), to our group at our August meeting.

Deanna still has yarn available to anyone wanting to knit or crochet for homeless. It is free, just need to sign up your name, contact information, how much yarn you take and color so this can be written in our report as one of our projects. These items will not be handed in until the ALA Fall Conference. At that time Deanna will give all items to Anne Starke who is in charge of the program knitting for the homeless. Ongoing request please remember Nancy's church pantry by continuing to donate food.

Concerning the concession stand sign, the motion was made by Shilo Mrazik and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nancy Hallinen by and unanimous vote we made the decision, that in order to keep public relations open, we would discontinue pursuing a refund from the CBYRA. (Crewe-Burkeville Youth Recreation Association)

On July 21, 2017 Unit 50 Auxiliary in Crewe hosted a service meeting for all veterans needing VA paperwork help. Sarah Dunn, National Service person, was on hand to answer questions and assist with needed paperwork. Deanna reported this meeting was a huge success

and also stated Sara Dunn presented an idea of having a special meeting concerning spousal benefits in the near future.

Our Ham dinner will be held on October 7, 2017 from 4pm to 8pm, at the Unit 50 American Legion Hall. The menu will consist of Ham, Mac & Cheese, Yams, Green Beans, Cole Slaw, and served with an optional roll. There will be deserts included with the meal, with a choice of cake, or pie. We will have pudding on hand as a backup desert. We will begin selling tickets in September. We decided on selling 125 tickets at \$10.00 dollars per dinner. No refills.

We will have a tent set up for a membership drive and fundraiser in Keysville, at the Wayland Nursing & Rehabilitation Center Block party on September 22, 2017. The American Legion Auxiliary goal for setting up this tent will be planned towards membership drive and fundraiser. Since this block party is a fundraiser by Wayland Nursing & Rehabilitation center for the Keysville Volunteer Fire Department, Tammy Wood, committee chairmen for National Security, will present information on fire safety.

At the end of the meeting, we gathered together and filled 15 backpacks for the Burkeville Elementary School for the 2017-2018 school year. Thanks to everyone for the donations, we had more supplies than backpacks so we sent the leftover supplies in a separate box to be divided among the teachers. Nancy also had a supply of coats, scarves, and hats she will take to the school when she delivers the backpacks. Thank you Nancy. Our junior members, Savanna and Gabrielle proved to be great assets to our unit as they worked hard in assisting with the filling of the backpacks and ensuring each and every one had all the required items requested by the teachers. Thank you junior auxiliary ladies, we appreciate you and look forward to all the wonderful things you will be bringing to our unit.