



American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 50 Meeting
Crewe, Virginia
February 13, 2017

President Deanna **called the meeting to order**

Chaplain Nancy **opened with prayer**

Teresa led the unit in the **Pledge of Allegiance and ALA Pledge**

The minutes were dispensed with due to snow in January no meeting was held

Treasurer's Report given by Barbara. Balance showing \$2,986.79

Checks from Wreath's Across American will be given to Post 50. Ingo and Deanna will continue the WAA program next year with Deanna sending out letters for donations. 89 letters were sent out this year.

Mike H from post reported Poker Run scheduled for June 10, 2017, the rain date is June 24, 2017

Post would like the Auxiliary to provide desserts such as finger food. A sign-up sheet for making desserts was passed to members. Lemonade and Ice tea will be provided by Auxiliary.

Old Business:

Teresa and Deanna will meet Nottoway High School Principal Ms. Hicks on Monday, Feb 20 at 9am to discuss ALA Virginia Girls State candidate and introduce scholarships for Nottoway High School students.

Continue to collect food for Nancy's church.

Barbara brought refreshments for meeting, Nancy will do so next meeting in March

Christmas Party was a success, with families and a few post members enjoying the good food. Deanna reported that the post will store the Christmas tree and decorations in their storage shed so we may put it up every Christmas. Several post members help Deanna take it down.

Christmas parade participation was canceled due to lack of time to decorate vehicles and member participation.

Barbara made a motion to have Ham Dinner in the fall, Nancy seconded that motion. We will start planning this in July and hope to use the Fire Hall for this event.

New Business:

ALA Spring Conference in VA Beach. Three members will attend, Barbara, Elinor, and Deanna.

VA&R: Cheryl Shine, Chairman of VA&R has asked that we contribute one backpack for a homeless veteran, to be brought to the Spring Conference. Teresa made a motion to spend between \$30 or \$40 on the backpack, Nancy seconded that motion. The motion passed.

Ordering Hero Buttons: Teresa made a motion we use Auxiliary funds to purchase Hero Buttons to honor those who are our sponsors. Each button cost \$5. It was seconded by Nancy and passed. Each member is to bring a picture of their Hero to the next meeting so we can fill out the forms and send them in. The motion passed.

Membership: Thanks to our two new members we have reached the 102% goal in our unit membership.

Shining Star Nomination: Deanna explained who could be nominated for this honor and encouraged members to nominate someone in the unit.

Unit 50 Scholarship: This scholarship will be developed during the summer months and presented to the unit for approval in time to present it to the Nottoway High School for students to apply to receive \$500 scholarship.

Virginia Form For Soliciting: Barbara will fill out this form and turn it into Virginia Board to cover any soliciting the unit might incur. Cost \$10. Barbara made a motion to do this; Nancy seconded the motion, the motion passed.

Unit members decided to not participate in the poppy contest held at Spring Conference. They will do so in the fall.

Business cards with information pertaining to when, where, and time our Auxiliary Unit meets were handed out to distribute to interested prospective members.

Additions to Constitution and Bylaws were presented: Changes will be presented at March meeting for approval and vote.

Chaplain Nancy Closed with Prayer

Meeting adjourned