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## Non Commissioned Officers Association of the United States of America

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2 Apr 14

MEMORANDUM FOR: Central Valley Chapter # 1551  
*Spirit of Sacramento* Auxiliary Chapter # 0270

**SUBJECT:** NCOA/Auxiliary General Membership Meeting Minutes (2 Apr 14)

1. Meeting called to order at 1900 hours at VFW Post 4647 by Chapter Chairman CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan.  
Pledge of Allegiance led by CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan.  
NCOA Creed read by MSgt (Ret) George Wheeler.  
Moment of silence observed.
2. **Executive Committee Members:**  
CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan, Chairman, Present  
MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow, Vice-Chairman, Absent  
CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns, Treasurer, Present  
MSgt (Ret) Terry Shannon, Secretary, Present  
MSgt (Ret) George Wheeler, Trustee, Present  
Sgt Michael Smith, Trustee, Present
3. **Auxiliary Executive Committee Members:**  
Jean Krocke, Vice Chairman, Present  
Sherry Byers, Treasurer, Present  
Tammy Sullivan, Chairman, Present  
Lauren Wheat, Trustee, Absent  
Judy Mabie, Secretary, Present
4. **Members Present:**

CMSgt (Ret) Allen Hegelein	MSgt (Ret) Nick Everett	TSgt (Ret) Orin K. Taylor
TSgt (Ret) Alain Gingras	SSgt R. B. (Bob) James	Corp Donald Ellis
June Shannon, Auxiliary	Cheryl James, Auxiliary	Robert Byers, Auxiliary
Mary Martin, Auxiliary	Nan Murphy, Auxiliary	Bettie Upton, Auxiliary
Karen Jamison, Auxiliary	Sylvia Hegelein, Auxiliary	Scott Rodowick, Auxiliary
Lori Rodowick, Auxiliary	Margaret Evangelista, Auxiliary	
5. **Guests Present:** None
6. **Chairman's Comments:**  
**Regular:** CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan, Chairman reported on the following topics:
  - March was the first month with no casualties in the Middle East Region.
  - Delivery of furniture to veterans continues to be very active with many donations.  
**Auxiliary:** Handed out NCOA membership forms with Snowball Express advertised.
7. **Membership Coordinator:** Regular: 107      Auxiliary: 97
8. **Treasurer's Reports:** CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns and Tammy Sullivan gave their treasurer's reports.

Balances: Regular: \$3,092.73  
JROTC: \$26,139.82

Auxiliary: \$1,621.20

**9. Legislative:**

MSgt (Ret) George Wheeler provided details regarding an article in the Military Times (<http://www.militarytimes.com>). After months of criticism about how the military accounts for the remains of fallen U.S. service members from foreign battlefields, Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel said Monday he will create a single Pentagon-level office to oversee the worldwide mission. The new office will consolidate all aspects of the mission for finding the estimated 83,000 Americans who remain missing from World War II and the wars in Korea and Vietnam. Details were given related to a Sexual Assault video available and now a mandatory requirement for active duty members. Base Exchange/Commissary news continues to be elevated topics of interest, to include combining the two. Additional details are available at the military times website. Capwiz.com can have an impact on legislative affair. The following site identifies legislative actions:  
<http://capwiz.com/military/issues/bills/>.

**10. Unfinished Business:**

- a. Senior Gleaners - Judy Mabie reported that NCOA members have given 160 hours of volunteer time. Next volunteer date is 12 Apr <http://www.seniorgleaners.org/> (OPEN)
- b. SnowBall Express - Jim Sullivan discussed organizing Snow Flake events in the local area. Ideas are being solicited with additional details being provided at the next meeting. For information about SnowBall Express: <http://snowballexpress.org> (OPEN)
- c. MDA Muscle Walk 4 May - Capital Park, Sacramento. Signup sheets were passed around. If you would like to participate or donate, go to: <http://www.mda.org>. (OPEN)
- d. 2014 Calendar of events - Tammy passed out new calendars. (OPEN)
- e. Habitat for Humanity – Terry working on possible briefing for the next meeting. (OPEN)
- f. Election results/positions assigned as follows from proceeding executive meeting.  
CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan (Chairman)    MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow (Vice Chairman)  
CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns (Treasurer)    MSgt (Ret) Terry Shannon (Secretary)  
MSgt (Ret) George Wheeler (Trustee)    Sgt Michael Smith (Trustee)

**11. New Business:**

- a. NCOA VFW Dinner - 16 May Jim handed out signup sheets. Chicken and ribs will be served for \$9 per plate. (OPEN)
- b. Watt Ave. Cleanup 17 May - Jim will have signup sheets at the next meeting. (OPEN)
- c. Memorial Day Parade 26 May - Jim discussed different ideas for entries in the parade. (OPEN)
- d. Stand Down Towel Drive. Jean passed around the donation box for towels. (OPEN)

12. Meeting adjourned at 2000 hours. The next meeting is scheduled for 7 May 14 at 1900 hours at VFW Post 4647.

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JAMES N. SULLIVAN, CMSgt, USAF (Ret)  
Chapter Chairman

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TERRY G. SHANNON, MSgt, USAF (Ret)  
Chapter Secretary