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5 Mar 08

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

SUBJECT: NCOA/Auxiliary General Membership Meeting Minutes (5 Mar 08)

1. Meeting called to order at 1900 hours at VFW Post 4647 by Chapter Chairman, CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan.
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance led by CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan.
 - b. NCOA Creed read by Teri Page-Gleason.
 - c. Moment of silence observed.

2. **Executive Committee Members:**
CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan, Chairman, Present
MSgt (Ret) Terry Shannon, Vice-Chairman, Absent
CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns, Treasurer, Present
Sgt Michael Smith, Secretary, Present

3. **Auxiliary Executive Committee Members:** Tammy Sullivan, Chairman, Present
Jean Krocke, Vice Chairman, Present Lauren Wheat, Secretary, Present
Teri Page-Gleason, Treasurer, Present

4. **Members Present:**

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| CMSgt (Ret) George Moses | CMSgt (Ret) Gerald Stewart | SKCS Norma Von Dohren |
| TSgt (Ret) Carl Cooley | TSgt (Ret) Orin Taylor | Sgt Judy Ayers |
| SSgt Shann Elmore | SSgt Mark Reith | Lori Rodowick, Auxiliary |
| Yvonne Cooley, Auxiliary | Scott Rodowick, Auxiliary | |

5. **Guests Present:**

6. **Chairman's Comments:**
Regular: Jim mentioned that the Annual Chapter Operations Report was sent in to HQ. He also had copies at the meeting that were passed around. Jim had received two letters from CK McClatchy High School thanking him for the JROTC presentation.

Auxiliary: No Comments

7. **Membership Coordinator:** 135 regular members, 56 auxiliary members.

8. **Treasurer's Reports:** CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns gave the treasurers' report.
Balances - Regular: \$1,582.67 Auxiliary: \$778.27

9. **Legislative:** Chief Sullivan mentioned the VA has a new Facts and Figures brochure that can be obtained from their website. The address for the brochure is:
http://www1.va.gov/vetdata/docs/pamphlet_2-1-08.pdf
Jim also mentioned the National Defense Authorization Act of 2008, which increases free medical care for most conditions from two to five years for military veterans who served in combat since Nov. 11, 1998. It also extends VA dental benefits -- previously limited to 90 days after discharge for most veterans -- to 180 days. For more information please navigate to: <http://www1.va.gov/opa/pressrel/pressrelease.cfm?id=1454>
10. **Unfinished Business:**
- a. Purchase of Service flags. Jim explained the flags he wanted; he found a vendor, and will purchase by the end of the month. (OPEN)
 - b. Job Fair. The job fair was a success, 31 companies participated. There were 284 job seekers. (CLOSED)
 - c. NCOA convention --15 -17 Jul. All are invited to attend. Rooms are available for \$69 per night. There is a \$150 registration fee and \$175 after 1 Jun. Jim had convention agenda and registration forms available. (OPEN)
11. **New Business:**
- a. JROTC Program. Chief Sullivan briefed that we have two additional requests to date. They are from Valley High School on 2 May 08 and Las Plumas High School on 23 May 08. SKCS Von Dohren volunteered to make the Valley High presentation. Additional requests will come in over the next few weeks. (OPEN)
 - b. A motion was made, seconded and carried to donate \$25 to the NCOA Benevolent fund in memoriam for CMSgt (Ret) Marcel-Henri Claing who passed away earlier this month. (CLOSED)
 - c. VFW Parade. Chief Sullivan discussed the North Highlands Memorial Day Parade. After discussion, the chapter had decided to participate again this year. (OPEN)
12. Meeting adjourned at 1945 hours. The next meeting is scheduled for 2 Apr 08 at 1900 hours at VFW Post 4647.

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

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MICHAEL SMITH, Sgt, USAF
Chapter Secretary