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7 May 14

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

SUBJECT: NCOA/Auxiliary General Membership Meeting Minutes (7 May 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) Michael Grabow.
Moment of silence observed.

2. **Executive Committee Members:**

CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan, Chairman, Present
MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow, Vice-Chairman, Present
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	Tammy Sullivan, Chairman, Present
Sherry Byers, Treasurer, Present	Lauren Wheat, Trustee, Absent
	Judy Mabie, Secretary, Present

4. **Members Present:**

CMSgt (Ret) Allen Hegelein	SKCS (Ret) Norma Von Dohren	MSgt (Ret) Nick Everett
TSgt (Ret) Orin K. Taylor	TSgt (Ret) Alain Gingras	Sgt Debbie Smith
Corp Donald Ellis	Joan Turner, Auxiliary	June Shannon, Auxiliary
Robert Byers, Auxiliary	Patty Grabow, Auxiliary	Scott Rodowick, Auxiliary
Sylvia Hegelein, Auxiliary	Bettie Upton, Auxiliary	Mary Martin, Auxiliary
Karen Jamison, Auxiliary	Margaret Evangelista, Auxiliary	

5. **Guests Present:** None

6. **Chairman's Comments:**

Regular: CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan, Chairman reported on the following topics:

- Standup of NCOA Chapter at Nellis AFB.

Auxiliary: Tammy Sullivan, Auxiliary Chairman reported on the following topics:

- Auxiliary members handing out (48) stuffed bunnies on Easter Sunday to patients at the Mather VA Hospital. Extremely well received by patients.
- Mather Community yard sale being held on 17 May 14. Proceeds will be used to purchase supplemental items for veterans in need.
- Letter was received by Bettie Upton from Germany base for coupons being collected and mailed for use at overseas commissaries. Thanks Bettie – you are appreciated!

7. **Membership Coordinator:** Regular: 107 Auxiliary: 98
8. **Treasurer's Reports:** CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns and Sherry Byers gave their treasurer's reports.
Balances: Regular: \$3,092.73 Auxiliary: \$1,621.35
 JROTC: \$29,962.94

9. **Legislative:**

MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow provided details regarding information about the AFSA and Military Times websites (<http://www.hqafsa.org>), (<http://www.militarytimes.com>). Many legislative affairs articles are available to include: TRICARE for life changes, prescription medication increases and status of pay and benefits legislative activities. Capwiz.com can have an impact on legislative affairs. The following site identifies legislative actions: <http://capwiz.com/military/issues/bills/>.

10. **Unfinished Business:**

- a. Senior Gleaners - Judy Mabie provided details for assisting with USPS food donation drive scheduled for 10 May 14. Signup sheet was passed around with two shifts (1200-1500, 1500-1800). Location will be post office on Watt Ave. (OPEN)
- b. SnowBall Express – Sherry Byers discussed current status. No new news was provided except to reiterate all events must be approved prior to occurring. For information about SnowBall Express: <http://snowballexpress.org> (OPEN)
- c. MDA Muscle Walk 4 May - Capital Park, Sacramento. Successful once again because of all the volunteers to setup and take down tables, chairs, pop-up canopies, signs, water and administrative duties, etc. NCOA volunteers as always received high praise for being the best of the best. From the MDA staff – Thanks!!!! (Closed)
- d. 2014 Calendar of events – Discussed upcoming events. (OPEN)
- e. Habitat for Humanity – Will revisit volunteer opportunities later in the year. (Closed)

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. Signup sheet was available. (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)
- e. Volunteer sheets were passed around for upcoming elections. The dates are: handing out election materials on 30 May 12 (0700-1700), retrieving election materials on 3 Jun 14 (1930-2330). Location is the Orangevale Community Center. (OPEN)
- f. Chapter By-Laws. The updated chapter By-Laws were reviewed to include the newly elected executive committee. A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the By-laws. Originals will be sent to headquarters. (CLOSED)

12. Meeting adjourned at 1955 hours. The next meeting is scheduled for 4 Jun 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