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5 Feb 14

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

**SUBJECT:** NCOA/Auxiliary General Membership Meeting Minutes (5 Feb 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) Terry Shannon.  
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  
Sgt Michael Smith, Secretary, Present  
MSgt (Ret) Terry Shannon, 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:**

SKCS (Ret) Norma Von Dohren	MSgt (Ret) Nick Everett	MSgt (Ret) George Wheeler
TSgt (Ret) Orrin K. Taylor	SSgt R. B. (Bob) James	Sgt Elliot Ross
Corp Donald Ellis	Robert Byers, Auxiliary	Scott Rodowick, Auxiliary
Nan Murphy, Auxiliary	Bettie Upton, Auxiliary	Karen Jamison, Auxiliary
Cheryl James, Auxiliary	Joan Turner, Auxiliary	June Shannon, Auxiliary
Dottie Everett, Auxiliary		

**5. Guests Present:** Mary Martin

**6. Chairman's Comments:**

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

- The maker of the WWII medallions, National Defense Foundation, has split from the NCOA.
- Snowball Express; there are still conflicts to be worked out.

Jim will get more information on these items when he attends the Knights of the Square table conference later this month. Super Saxon awards were handed out. Congratulations to all recipients. Sgt Michael Smith read the correspondence from the last month.

**Auxiliary:** Tammy Sullivan stated that the Auxiliary received a thank you from RAF Croughton for the donated coupons. Super Saxon awards were handed out. Congratulations to all recipients.

7. **Membership Coordinator:** Regular: 102      Auxiliary: 101

8. **Treasurer's Reports:** CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns and Sherry Byers gave the treasurer's reports.

Balances: Regular: \$4,525.81  
JROTC: \$18,332.31

Auxiliary: \$1,993.30

9. **Legislative:**

MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow reported that there are two retirement COLA bills currently in progress, 1950 and 1982. Jim Sullivan spoke about the Veterans Treatment Court in Sacramento that will help veterans mitigate minor offences. Capwiz.com can have an impact on legislative affairs. The following site provides details of legislative actions: <http://capwiz.com/military/issues/bills/>

10. **Unfinished Business:**

- a. Senior Gleaners - Mary Martin spoke about the organization. Judy Mabie reported on her experience when she volunteered. 22 0800 - 1200 Feb was chosen for a group event. A signup sheet was sent around. More information on the Senior Gleaners can be found here: <http://www.seniorgleaners.org/> (OPEN)
- b. SnowBall Express - Jim will report back after his meeting. Information can be obtained from: <http://snowballexpress.org> (OPEN)
- c. WWII Medal presentation - 21 medals were presented Thanks to Jim Sullivan for presenting. (CLOSED)
- d. Christmas Party - 66 people attended. A great time was had by all. Thanks to all who helped put on the event. The next Christmas party is scheduled for 13 Dec. (CLOSED)
- e. MDA Muscle Walk 4 May - Capital Park, Sacramento Signup sheets were passed around.(OPEN)

11. **New Business:**

- a. 2014 Calendar of events - Tammy passed out new calendars.
- b. Habitat for Humanity - Terry will try to have a spokesman at the next meeting.
- c. Nomination for elections - The following were elected for nomination:  
CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan                      CMSgt (Ret) Jim Kearns  
CMSgt (Ret) George Wheeler              MSgt (Ret) Terry Shannon  
MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow                TSgt (Ret) Orrin K Taylor

12. Meeting adjourned at 2000 hours. The next meeting is scheduled for 5 Mar 14 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