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

SUBJECT: NCOA/Auxiliary General Membership Meeting Minutes (7 Feb 24)

1. Meeting called to order at 1900 hours in person.

Pledge of Allegiance led by CMSgt (Ret) Jim Sullivan
NCOA Creed read by Auxiliary Vice Chairman Ellie Witt
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, Absent
MSgt (Ret) Liz Lynn, Secretary, Present
MSgt (Ret) George Wheeler, Trustee, Present
MSgt (Ret) Gary Chase, Trustee, Present

3. Auxiliary Executive Committee Members:

Ellie Witt, Vice Chairman, Present
Scott Rodowick, Treasurer, Present

Tammy Sullivan, Chairman, Present
Pam Wright, Secretary, Absent
Melissa Carnahan, Trustee, Present

4. Members Present:

Orin K. Taylr, Sr. TSgt (Ret) Larry Lynn, Auxiliary Bob Byers, Auxiliary

5. Guests Present: Sheryl Smith, Smith Real Estate Services, Citrus Heights Real Estate Market Update. Presentation given about the real estate market trends, interest rates, and a real-time market profile. Data on Citrus Heights was presented along with a Q&A. If needed, Sheryl can provide further real estate information, email her directly.

6. Chairman's Comments:

Grand Knight Letter: Presidents Day is now the 3rd Monday of February versus February 22nd per the Uniform Monday Holiday Act of 1968; originally designed to give federal employees a 3-day weekend. Petitions for Knighthood and Girding are due NLT 19 April 2024. Ensure compliance with the most recent Knights Rules of the Order and NCOA Awards Manual.

Regular: The KST2024 mid-year newsletter is in progress and be aware that the social security rules are subject to change. The Cordova Community Council's 34th annual Kids Day is 27 Apr 2024 with Super Science events. The Aerospace Museum will be hosting a Valentine dinner 14 Feb 2024 and on 21 Feb 2024, an 'exploration after dark' exhibit will be displayed. Every Saturday, there will a 'story time of Amelia Bearhart.' February is Black History and the 2024 NCOA Membership Campaign and NCOA Advocate are in progress. The NCOA Strategic Plan continues to be in progress.

Auxiliary: Tammy Sullivan, President of International Auxiliary NCOA. Air Show 13-14 July 2024 scheduled to be in the evening, more info to follow. Commitment to 2,000 membership goal in 2024 by reducing retention issues and increasing recruitment numbers. A "shout out" for Ellie Witt and Pam Wright who each recruited one new member in Jan 2024-Yay!! A note from the Wheeler Family was read by Tammy with prayers for the family.

HQ Chairman's Comments: Sir Joe Terry. Challenges everyone to step up membership recruiting; Hoping to reach goal of 1001 new members by 16-19 July 2024 conference. Continue to seek sponsorship for the War Medallion Recognition Program. Congratulations to Chief Jim Sullivan who was selected to attend the Super Bowl along with his guest Mike Grabow. A special 'shout out' for the NFL and USAA in their partnership with NCOA. Lady Tina Kish also congratulated Chief Jim on Super Bowl tickets donated by Puka Nacua, NFL rookie of L.A. Rams and Chief Jim's interview on Fox13 News. <https://www.fox13now.com/sports/byu-great-puka-nacua-gifts-super-bowl-tickets-to-military-veteran>

7. **Membership Coordinator:** Regular: 151 Auxiliary: 130

8. **Treasurer's Reports:** MSgt (Ret) Liz M. Lynn and Mr. Scott Rodowick gave Treasurers' reports.

Balance: \$2,548.03 JROTC: \$1,112.84 Auxiliary: \$3,462.60

9. **Legislative:** Governor Newsom signs SB 770 into law. The main principal belief of SB 770 is to create a California statewide healthcare system that guarantees healthcare on an equitable basis. <https://stateofreform.com/featured/2023/10/newsom-signs-unified-healthcare-financing-bill-sb-770-into-law/> AB 1400 California Guaranteed Health Care for All Act (CalCare), looks to introduce a single-payer health care coverage system for all residents regardless of citizenship status. https://www.nationalnursesunited.org/sites/default/files/nnu/documents/0221_CA_LegFactSheet_AB1400_CalCare.pdf

10. **Unfinished Business:**

- a. Website Update – Pam - To be updated to include changes such as phone numbers, JROTC Program, Minutes, 2024 Calendar and VA Welcome Kit. (Open)
- b. JROTC Update – 12 orders of JROTC medals in progress and 1,000 folders received. We have at least 6 local high schools who participate in our JROTC program. (Open)
- c. Gotsneakers.com - Scott Rodowick - Three bags of sneakers were collected with a \$25.00 check given to our Auxiliary. A huge thanks to Ellie Witt who negotiated with a Sketchers Store to have a barrel in place. (Open)
- d. 2024 Calendar of Events – Tammy - Updated to reflect 22 Mar 2024 NCO/VFW dinner. (Open)
- e. VFW Breakfast – 18 Feb – Volunteer signup sheet was passed around. (Open)
- f. Primary Elections - Chief Sullivan – Volunteer signup sheet for the Ballot Transport and Supply Vans were updated after the meeting. This is our biggest fund raiser event for the year. (Open)
- g. VFW Dinner 22 Mar 2024 – Volunteer signup sheet will be handed out at the next meeting.

11. **New Business:**

- a. Korean War and Vietnam Medallion Program - So far, four names have been submitted for the Korean War Medallion and eight names for the Vietnam Medallion. (Open)
- b. Stand Down Point of Contact -Tammy will be NCOA's point of contact in the interim for Kim DeWar. Melissa Carnahan to research Heart Program previously run by Kim DeWar. (Open)
- c. Golf Tournament 7 June 2024. (Open)

The meeting adjourned at 2015 hours. The next meeting is scheduled for 6 Mar 2024 at 1900 hours and will be held both in person at the VFW and online with Zoom. MSgt (Ret) Michael Grabow will send out an email with information to attend; please respond to his message so you can register.

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

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DR. LIZ M. LYNN, Ed.D, MSgt, USAF (Ret)
Chapter Secretary