



## Pacific Beach American Legion Auxiliary Unit #552

### Meeting Minutes March 21, 2012

- Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by President Desiree Herrera. Pledge of Allegiance and ALA Preamble were recited by all.
- Attendance was taken by Secretary.
  - **9 Members Present:** Desiree Herrera (President), Victoria Seamon (1<sup>st</sup> Vice), Jody O'Donnell (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice), Nancy Person (Treasurer/Secretary), Nancie McLees (Historian), Karen Stewart (Chaplain), Lindsey Bittman, Cheryl Dolmage, and Sue Gibbons.
  - **1 Guest Present:** Mistiza Colebank is the Program Director of Embrace, a non-profit aimed at getting college students to volunteer their time to assist less fortunate members of civilian and military communities. Mistiza is also a friend of Lindsey, and she lives in PB! Mistiza has filled out a membership application, and will be our newest member shortly. She told us about a fundraiser being held Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, at The Tavern at the Beach (on Garnet near Trader Joe's) from 6:30 - 9:00pm. Tickets are \$30 and include food and wine-tasting. All proceeds will benefit H3 (Healing our Heroes' Homes), a division of Embrace. H3 is the organization Lindsey volunteered for in December when she helped rebuild a Marine's home in Oceanside.
- Treasurer's Report:
  - Bank balance at last meeting (Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>) was \$2,228.77; total receipts: \$2,633.66; disbursements: \$1,369.89; current bank balance is \$3,492.54. Of that, \$266.01 is for our poppy fund, and \$3,226.53 is for our general fund.
  - We are still planning to donate \$171.17, which is the profit from our February 3<sup>rd</sup> dinner, to VVSD. I am awaiting a name and/or department to which the funds will be designated since VVSD reached their \$35,000 goal for their winter shelter and it's already spring.
  - The net profit from our March 4<sup>th</sup> breakfast was \$226.09, all of which will be donated to Stand Down 2012. We will add our rummage sale profits, as well as the \$500 donation that came from the SALS for Stand Down. Thank you Sons of the American Legion Squadron 552 for helping us contribute a substantial amount of money to Stand Down!
- Historian Report:
  - As reported last month, Nancie completed one tablecloth to be used at our events. She will have another finished in time for the rummage sale.

- Old Business:
  - This Saturday's rummage sale was discussed. Volunteers will meet at the post on Friday, 3/23, beginning at 3:00pm, to start sorting items and get tables set up for the next morning. I will make price signs for different tables. Members who are available to assist will meet at the post on Saturday morning, 3/24, at 6:00am to finalize the set-up. We will hopefully have enough people to have two members at every table or station. The rummage sale is scheduled to run from 8am-11am.
  - The April 6<sup>th</sup> fish fry is on! Nancy P. and Nancie M. will shop on Thursday morning, 4/5. Nancie will check with her friend Greg about cooking, since he has done fish fries for The Pennant in the past. Nancie and Greg will both do the cooking, and Jody, Desiree, and Heather M. will be able to assist with set-up, serving, clean-up, and/or treasury. More volunteers would be great! Meals are \$7.00 each and will include fish, french fries, and cole slaw. The dinner will run from 5-7pm.
  - Year-End reports are due at the next District 22 meeting at Post365 in Vista on Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. Those committee chairs who are interested in working on their reports together, we will be meeting at the post next Wednesday, 3/28 at 5:30pm. All report templates are available on-line at [www.legion-aux.org](http://www.legion-aux.org) or you can e-mail Desiree or me for copies. FYI, Supplemental Reports need to be double-spaced.
- New Business
  - Initial nominations for 2012-2013 unit officers were made. We will continue election discussions next month; we are still looking for a new 1<sup>st</sup> Vice.
    - Nancie nominated Desiree to be reelected President; Vicky seconded. Desiree declined nomination.
    - Lindsey nominated Vicky to become President; Nancy seconded. Vicky accepted as long as someone else takes over VA&R chair.
    - Vicky nominated Karen to be reelected Chaplain; Jody seconded. Karen accepted.
    - Vicky nominated Nancy to be reelected Treasurer/Secretary; Lindsey seconded. Nancy accepted as long as someone else takes over work on the three committees for which she is currently chair: Legislative, National Security, and Public Relations. Nancy also requested that someone else be the Media Coordinator and take over Facebook responsibilities. Lindsey volunteered to take over these responsibilities.
    - Nancy nominated Nancie to be reelected Historian; Vicky seconded. Nancie accepted nomination.
    - Lindsey nominated Heather Marzan to be reelected as Sergeant-At-Arms; Nancy seconded. Heather was not present to accept or decline.
    - Lindsey nominated Jody to be reelected as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice; Karen seconded. Jody accepted.
- A closing prayer was delivered by Chaplain, Karen Stewart.
- Meeting was adjourned by our President at 7:00pm.
- Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Minutes are respectfully submitted by Nancy Person.