



American Legion Auxiliary

In the Spirit of Service Not Self for Veterans, God and Country

505 North Mountain Road Linglestown, PA 17112

18 May 2025 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 by 1st Vice President McCullough.

Sergeant of Arms confirmed a quorum is present

Sergeant at arms advanced the colors and prepared the POW chair.

Meeting opened with Pledge of the Allegiance, singing of the national anthem and followed by a prayer by Chaplain Marilyn.

Those in attendance: Melissa Gebhard, Emily Clark, Barb McCullough, Marilyn Short, Cathy Kissinger, Samantha Dowhower, Sandy Gibo, MaryAnn Gajar, Belinda McCottry, Jan Snyder, Mary Beth Durst, Patty Carnathan, Brittany Robinson, Laura Turns

Guests in attendance:

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Secretary Report:

- Minute emailed monthly, no corrections needed to April minutes
- Motion by Cathy, 2nd by Melissa, motion passed

Treasurer Report:

- Tammy out, balances read by Barb
- Book is always available if you have questions
- Motion to accept by Cathy, 2nd by Emily, motion passed

Donation requests:

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President (read by Barb):

- Legion is selling raffle tickets for a 5 day 4 night vacation in North Myrtle Beach, Sept. 22-26, 2025, sleeps 6, service dogs only. Tickets are \$20/ea, selling 500, drawing will be at Members Appreciation Day, Aug. 16th. We have tickets to sell.
- Trivia every Wednesday, one is a paid provider and the other is Legion generated.
- Sharon bought 500 Poppies for \$100 from Dept. for the parade. The VA Veterans put the poppies together and get paid 8 cents per poppy.



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President (read by Barb):

- Sending around a sign-up sheet for side dishes for June 22nd's Anniversary party.
 - Sign-up sheets are in the book to give us an idea of how many people, email, and thanks to Sam for making a flyer and putting a sign up on Genius (Melissa's suggestion).
- Poppy Poster Contest – voted at Bingo today 1st and 2nd place winners from each grade get a \$50 check and a \$50 donation made in their name to National Children's Scholarship Fund
- Department Convention is at the Red Lion Hotel from July 17th to July 19th.
- Application for Auxiliary Dept Scholarship for 2025. Must be a daughter, son, granddaughter, grandson, great granddaughter or a great grandson of a deceased or living veteran in the US Armed forces. June 1st deadline. Info is attached
- Application for Auxiliary Past Dept. President Scholarship for a medical scholarship for a son/daughter, grandson/granddaughter of a living or deceased veteran. June 1 deadline. Information is attached.

2nd Vice:

1st Vice:

- Smash Burgers Sold out – New Wednesday Night Special – come check out
- Looking for new Asst MGR and Sous Chef through Express Pro
- LCB audit, we have 2 warnings
 - License was not posted
 - Sloppy bookkeeping (error in payouts for gambling which was corrected)
- The new social member criteria is in effect. If you are signing for a new social member, you and the new member **MUST** go to the next Home Assn. meeting to present appicate or they won't be voted in.
- HA Board Election is next month, looking for 1st VP and Treasurer
- The will be stripping the floors in the small dining room, banquet room, bathrooms and foyer
- There will be a new menu coming out

Keystone Girls State

- 1 applicant so far and we sent her \$100 in spending money
- Sharon got a message about sponsoring another person, we are willing but waiting for information.



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JR ALA:

- Met last month, 2 helped out at the Yard Sale,
- Made around \$140 in donations for bake sale at the yard sale.
- Will be putting flags at the cemetery at Koons park and walking in Memorial Day Parade.

Poppy Fund:

Sunshine:

Children's Halloween:

Breakfast with Santa:

Membership:

- 932 paid members for 2025. 113.24% of goal
- Got Pin for the membership goal exceed
- 140 are new members and 22 JR Renewals
- All membership money received from online renewals
- No credit cards at the bar anymore. You can pay with cash or check
- If you would like to pay with credit card, please pay online:
 - <https://www.legion-aux.org/renew>

Yard Sale: Emily and Barb

- \$940 for spaces and tables
- \$498.25 for food, had \$143.26 in expenses
- **Total profit: \$1294.74**
- Next Yard Sale is October.

Veteran's Dinner: Marilyn

VA Holiday Dinner

Angel Tree

Community

- Looking for bakers for Sunday Bingo to sell for fundraising and baskets for raffles



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100th Anniversary Party

- Mission BBQ will donate mac and cheese & another side dish
- Please sign up so we can have a count on how many people are attending.

Old Business:

- Honor Guard is still in need of members. They only have a few that can be there during the week days. You do not have to be a Veteran and if you attend at least 5 Functions, they will pay for your membership and supply your uniform
- Tee Shirts – I have some extra and can still order if you would like one. Payment at time of pick up is expected cash or check please, check made out to Sharon. I can still order shirts if you want one.
- If you have suggestions for entertainment on Fridays, you can talk with Michelle Zandome.
- PA Auxiliary website – pa.ala.org
- National Auxiliary website – alaforveterans.org

New Business:

- August Meeting Date changes to **August 3rd** due to vacations
 - Motion made by Emily, 2nd by Brittany – motion passed
- Election of Officers
 - President – Sharon Lynott
 - 1st Vice President – Brittany Robinson
 - 2nd Vice President - Barb McCullough
 - Vote took place
 - Treasurer - Tammy Fleisher
 - Secretary – Samantha Dowhower
 - 1st Sgt of Arms – Cathy Kissinger
 - 2nd Sgt of Arms – Emily Clark
 - Historian – Danielle Maneval
 - Chaplain – Belinda McCottry

Upcoming Bingo Proceeds:

- June 10th – Tata Rebels
- July 8th – Nutripacks
- August 5th – VA Meal
- Sept – Prairie Fire Farms
- October – Vickie's Angels
- Nov 11th – Guitars for Vets
- December – Tiny Homes



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Upcoming Sunday Bingo/BBQ and Soup Sales:

- June 15th – Sunday Bingo
- June 21st – Chicken BBQ
- July 19th – Chicken BBQ
- July 20th – Sunday Bingo
- August 17th – Sunday Bingo
- August 23rd – Chicken BBQ
- September 21st – Sunday Bingo
- October 19th – Sunday Bingo
- Nov 16th – Sunday Bingo
- December 21st – Sunday Bingo

Please make sure you are handing in your volunteer hour sheets at least quarterly.*

No Meeting Next Month

**Come Celebrate our 100th Anniversary Party
6/22 @ 5pm
FOOD, Cash bar and DJ**

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.