



American Legion Auxiliary

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

505 North Mountain Road Linglestown, PA 17112

3 August 2025 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 by President Lynott.

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, and followed by a prayer by Chaplain Marilyn.

Those in attendance: Sharon Lynott, Melissa Gebhard, Emily Clark, Barb McCullough, Marilyn Short, Samantha Dowhower, Diane Boyer, Debbie Vaughn, Cristy Weigel, Deb MacKey, Michele Darrah, Sandy Gibo, Betty Fenicle, Jan Synder, Laura Turns, Andrea, Rung, Ruth Jeannerat, Belinda McCottry, Patty DiCello

Guests/First Time in attendance:

- Betty Fenicle, Diane Boyer, Debbie MacKey, Patty DiCello

Secretary Report:

- Minutes emailed monthly
- Correction to Poppy Contest winner – 1st place got \$20 cash and 2nd Place got \$10
- Motion by Melissa, 2nd by Cristy, motion passed

Treasurer Report:

- Tammy out, balances read by 2nd Vice Barb
- Marilynn motion to accept, 2nd by Cristy – motion passed

Donation requests:

- 10 tickets for Son's Deimler Scholarship tickets Motion made by Barb – 2nd by Emily – Motion Passed
- CD Alumni asked for a donation for the Veterans Memorial - \$500 motion by Andrea – 2nd by Jan – Amended for \$250 by Cristy 2nd by Michele – motion passed
- Erica Horst Flag Annual Golf Outing - - \$100 donation motion by Aundrea – 2nd by Melissa – motion passed

President:



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- Ali Jacobs and students from Silver Academy were very grateful for acknowledgment of the Poppy Posters
- Night Out for Safety is this Tuesday, August 5th @ George Park. We will be setting up tents around 12:30 then going back about 4pm to set up displays
- August 16th Is Membership Appreciation Day from noon until 5pm in the banquet room. Radiogypsies band playing inside and DJ outside, dunk tank (Adrienne and Michelle Z). We are planning on having 2026 renewals. Membership is still \$35. Need volunteers to sell 50/50 and set up and tear down
- BBQ have been well attended both with volunteers and customers. Thanks to all
- Sunday Community Bingo has been up and down. The money from the bingo is to make up for the BBQ's we aren't having. The money is split three ways (ALA, Sons and Riders) and enables us to do the kids parties, make donations to veteran's organizations and community. We are doing a raffle Basket each time. We made \$188 in raffles, 50/50 - \$190 and baked goods for \$55. We also get a kick back on Food.
- September 14th is Tata Rebels bingo. You can get tickets from the bartender for \$30.
- Installation of officers is August 19th @ 6pm. We need to know if you are coming and all officer dues for 2026 need to be paid prior.
- Round Table meeting items
 - Sept 19th is the POW/MIA Remembrance Ceremony downtown Harrisburg. The Legion van will leave at 9am that morning. Let Michele or us know if you are planning on attending
 - Sunday Oct 5th @ 3pm an Edwards Jones Rep will be in the smoke-free dining room to discuss financial Planning
 - November 11th is Veteran's Day Breakfast
 - Dec 18th and 19th is Bike a Better Path
 - Saturday December 20th is Wreaths Across America at Indiantown Gap
- Department convention went well. Julia Maldonado is our Central VP, awards will be presented at Installation August 19th.
- We were awarded a membership ribbon and award for attaining goal, Award for Unit Activities, Certificate of Participation for Give 10 to Education and \$50, \$50 for AEF Award and the juniors were awarded \$50 as well.
- Sharon was voted in at Tri-County President - We are hosting the May 2026. We will need a team to help with that



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President (continued):

- Next Tri County meeting is October 4th at Mount Holly Springs. We need to know if you are coming by September 15th. We pay the money for you to attend. Andrea, Belinda and Jan going

2nd Vice:

- Thank you Notes
 - To Mr./Mrs. Synder – Nutripacks Director – they have their volunteer banquet here for free
 - Honoring Veterans – Combat Vets Association for donation of \$500
 - Healthy Steps Diaper Bank – donation \$250
 - CD Cares–
 - Kaja – Girl State for sponsoring her

1st Vice:

June HA Meeting

- Using Express Pro to find employees. They do the vetting process
- New Elected Officers
 - Larry Oakes – President
 - Bill Leaman – 1st VP
 - Lee Rung – Finance
 - Kathy Killinger – Secretary
- Working on new menu with “comfort food” and some lower prices 9/2/2025
- They will be stripping and waxing the banquet room and smoke-free dining room floors
- Breakfast open to the community, only in the banquet room. No Alcohol
- Switching from Pepsi to Coke.

July HA Meeting

- Gave the Legion \$120 for the red shirt sales
- New Asst Manager Estivan – resigned
- New Cook, Kia, New Dishwasher – Nicholas
- Chris and Chris (cooks are gone)
- Auggie was let go
- Found out what the smell was and corrected
- Purchases a commercial toaster
- Roof is/was leaking over the gambling machine

June Post Meeting

- Served 60 for Military Share
- Buddy checks are half-way finished
- Loan for deck \$234,839.97



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1st Vice (continued):

July Post Meeting

- 55 Military Share recipients
- Honor Guard did 19 Memorial Day ceremonies
- New Officers for the Post
 - Commander – Adrienne O'Brien
 - 1st VP – Larry Oakes
 - 2nd VP – Michael Volz
 - Finance – Frank Zandome
- Banquet Room – Bar project is ongoing, seeking bids and contractors
- Installation of officers is August 19th @ 6pm. We need to know if you are coming

Keystone Girls State:

JR ALA:

- Melissa is staying on for JR
- Molly attended last BBQ – starting back with school

Poppy Fund:

Sunshine:

Children's Halloween:

Breakfast with Santa:

Membership:

- 2025 – we have 959 paid members, new members 159 JR – 22 members
- 2026 - We have 46 paid members, pending new 9 for next year, 3 paid JRS
- 2026 Goals – 950 members
- All officers need to pay by August 19th.
- If you would like to pay with credit card, please pay online:
 - <https://www.legion-aux.org/renew>

Yard Sale: Emily and Barb

- Next Yard Sale is October 11th

Veteran's Dinner: Marilyn

- September 15th
- Would like new Chair
- Will need help setting up /serving and hanging out with veterans



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VA Holiday Dinner

Angel Tree

Community

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

Old Business:

- Reading of Standing Rules and Constitution
- Honor Guard is still in need of members. You do not need to be a Veteran and if you attend at least 5 functions, they will pay for your membership and supply your uniform
- Tee Shirts/Sweatshirts – I have some extra and can still order if you'd like one
- [PA Auxiliary Website](#)
- [National Auxiliary Website](#)
- [Unit 272 ALA Facebook Page](#)
- [Legion 272 Website](#)

New Business:

- Motion made by Andrea to pay for Sharon and Barb's flight and hotel for National Convention – 2nd by Ruth – motion passed
- Audit/Budget Committee – 3 people and 1 alternate signed up to help
- August 10th around 10am, we will need help to sort and box school supplies would be appreciated

Upcoming Bingo Proceeds:

- August 5th – VA Meal
- Sept 16th – Prairie Fire Farms
- October 14th – Vickie's Angels
- Nov 11th – Guitars for Vets
- December 9th – Tiny Homes

Upcoming Sunday Bingo/BBQ and Soup Sales:

- 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.*

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.