

**American Legion Post 523
P.O. Box 1432
Harrisburg, NC 28075**

Membership Meeting

Opening:

The regular meeting of The American Legion Post 523 was called to order at 7:00 PM on February 8, 2011. At The Carillon Assisted Living Center, 6200 Roberta Road, Harrisburg by Commander Robert Macleod.

Opening prayer was officered by Don Oberlin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Robert Macleod.

POW-MIA Chair was covered by No cover available

The American Legion preamble was led by Robert Macleod

Officers:

Commander	Robert Macleod
First vice	Ron Freeman
Second Vice	Ed Lacheney (Vac)
Adjutant	Jesus Velez
Chaplain	Charles Fero (Sick)
Finance	James Larabee
Judge advocate	open
Historian	Robert Crocker
Sergeant at Arms	Mark D'Amore
Service Officer	
Member at large	

Correspondence:

No Correspondence

New members

Don Oberlin, Pete Laden

Visitors

Charles Manning MC 1978

Reports:

Finance

James Larabee gave the financial report.

Chaplain

Chet Snow was sick and Charles Fero is recovering from surgery

Color guard Committee

No Report

Americanism Committee:

No Report

Post Historian

No Report

Post service Officer Report

No Report

Open Issues:

The commander announced that membership dues I still \$30.00.

The Christmas event at the VA was a great success. The gift bags were taken to the residents at the North Carolina Veterans Nursing Home. The party at the VA hospital put together by the members and their families. The patients that participated were treated to bingo and gift bags. Food and drinks were served.

These events were possible with the many donations received from the local vendors and friends of the post.

The VA Prom Night was a nostalgic event for all. Everyone had a great time.

The Veterans Day programs were held at the Boys Club of Concord and The Harrisburg Town Hall.

The post Auxiliary does a great job of attending and putting together these events. We thank everyone who attended and helped to make these events memorable.

New Business:

The post is still looking for a permanent meeting place. Ron and Robert will check on Bob Evans Restaurant as a meeting place. They will report their progress at the next meeting.

Ron introduced The Purple Hearts organization. They put in wheelchair ramps for veterans. Ron and Robert will form a committee to find out how the post can help.

Don will call the members that have left the post to encourage them to come back.

The commander suggested that the vets at the nursing home be included as Honorary members and the post would pick up the cost of the dues. More discussion on this will be held at the next meeting.

The Mid Winter Conference will be held in February.

The district 17 meeting will be held on February 26, 2011 at 2:00 Pm in post 51 Concord.

Closing Prayer was officered by Don Oberlin

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 08:00 by Commander Robert Macleod.

The next general meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on March 8, 2011 at The Carillon Assisted Living Center, 6200 Roberta Road, Harrisburg.

The minutes submitted by: Jesus Velez, Post Adjutant

The minutes were reviewed by: Commander Robert Macleod

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting were approved.

Motion: _____ Second : _____