

**AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA
MINUTES – OCTOBER SEC 2018**

Friday, October 26, 2018 – First Business Session

Call to Order by President, Sherry Marecek
Presentation of Colors by Sgt. At Arms, Claudia Thompson
Invocation by Chaplain, Wendy Luzader
Pledge of Allegiance by Sgt. At Arms, Claudia Thompson
Reading of the Preamble by First Vice President, Meltonia Presley
Reading of the Aims & Purposes by Second Vice President, Debbie Beck
Reading of the Code of Ethics by Third Vice President, PNP Patty Piening
Reading of the definition of Americanism by Americanism Officer, Holly Burbach

Welcome by President, Sherry Marecek; Madam President welcomed everyone and thanked them for staying after the joint meeting for our first business session.

Roll Call of Officers, SEC Woman and Local Presidents by Secretary, PDP Donnajeanne Hakler

Approval of the Agenda by President, Sherry Marecek; Madam President announced that the Quarter Auction scheduled for Saturday night had been canceled. **Meltonia Presley moved to the approval of the Agenda with the change removing the Quarter Action from the Agenda, seconded by Carol McKenzie from Auxiliary 8, no discussion, Motion carried.**

Announcements: Madam President Marecek asked that the E-Board members stay for a few minutes after recessing the meeting.

Benediction by Chaplain, Wendy Luzader
Respect to the Colors by Sgt. At Arms, Claudia Thompson
Meeting Recessed until 8:30 a.m. Saturday morning.

Saturday, October 27, – Second Business Session

President Sherry Marecek called the Second Business Session of the 2018 Fall SEC to Order and welcomed everyone. Chaplain, Wendy Luzader, gave the invocation and Sgt. At Arms, Claudia Thompson led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentation of Charter; President, Sherry Marecek presented Auxiliary 777 of Englewood, Florida their Charter. We were told that when the Auxiliary was formed that they had 28 ladies in attendance and had 40 members to start their Auxiliary. They are now working on their 50th member. She said that with the enthusiasm that these ladies have they are going to give us all “a run for our money.” As our newest Auxiliary they were presented a Bible from Chaplain, Wendy Luzader. This was the Department's Bible which had been replaced and the Department wanted them to have it to get them started.

Roll Call of Officers, SEC Women and Local Presidents by Secretary, PDP Donnajeanne Hakler

Minutes of the June Convention were read by Secretary, PDP Donnajeanne Hakler. **Donnajeanne Hakler moved for the approval of the minutes as read and published, seconded by Meltonia Presley, First Vice President, no discussion, Motion carried.**

Communications by Secretary PDP Donnajeanne Hakler. There were thank you cards from Executive Secretary, Jerri Devol, PDP, Trudy Wood, PNP, Charlene D. Kee, Sgt. At Arms, Claudia Thompson, Zachery Topl (for the scholarship), Ronald McDonald Houses, (\$175.00 Tampa), (\$300.00 Northwest Florida), (\$1,550.00 Central Florida), and (\$2,625.00 Jacksonville, Florida), the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranch, \$6,775.08, Department of Veterans Affairs Fisher Houses (Eglin AFB), (\$100.00 Bay Pines), (\$4,548.00 James Haley), (\$530.00 Orlando), and (\$700.00 West Palm Beach), Make a Wish Southern Florida in the amount of \$1,630.00, and St. Jude's Ranch for Children in the amount of \$125.00.

E-Board Recommendations by Secretary, PDP Donnajeanne Hakler.

1. From the Finance Committee a recommendation made to donate \$1,000.00 to assist with the Disaster Relief Fund through the Service Foundation. **PDP Donnajeanne Hakler moved that the Auxiliary donate \$1,000.00 to the Service Foundation for their Disaster Relief Fund, seconded by Holly Burbach, no discussion, Motion carried.**
2. The AMVETS Service Foundation had asked the Ladies Auxiliary to find a project that they would support each year. From the E-Board comes the recommendation that the Ladies Auxiliary adopt a VA nursing home (there are 8 VA nursing homes in Florida) each year to donate to much like we do with Fisher House and Ronald McDonald and that the nursing home to support would be drawn each year. **PDP, Donnajeanne Hakler moved that the Ladies Auxiliary adopt a VA nursing home (1 of the 8) each June to support and that the nursing home be picked each June, seconded by Carol McKenzie, Auxiliary 8, Discussion held, Motion carried.** We drew a VA nursing home to support for the 2018/2019 year and it was Douglas T. Jacobson Nursing Home in Northport.
3. From the By-Laws Committee a recommendation made to **add a #6 to our Standing Rules that states If an Auxiliary member is a member of the AMVETS Riders or Sacketts, she shall register with the AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary prior to registering with the Riders or Sacketts at all SEC's and Department Convention with an (a) added to say that a Rider or Sackett uniform shall not be worn on the AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary floor; PDP Donnajeanne Hakler so moved, seconded Debbie Beck, Discussion, Motion carried.**

Finance Report by Treasurer, PDP Karen Powers. Her report is on pages 21 – 27 in the SEC book. The report contains the balance sheet ending June 30, 2018, the 2017-2018 Profit & Loss Budget versus actual, the 2018-2019 proposed budget, and the Profit & Loss stated for July 1, 2018 thru September 30, 2018. The balance sheet as of September 30, 2018 was accidentally left out of the book however if anyone wanted to look at it Karen had a copy.

It was reported the CD #9655 rolled over on July 28, 2018, which now has the expiration date of January 28, 2020. CD #1772 and 1798 were closed on October 12, 2018 and put into 2 new CD's #9222 (\$33,404.15) & 9280 (\$13,921.14) with an interest rate of 1.35% for 25 months making the new expiration date November 12, 2020. Since that occurred after September 30th these CD's will reflect in our February SEC book.

She gave us a friendly reminder that if anyone was submitting vouchers for reimbursement that

they had to be turned in with receipts attached by Noon in order to be reimbursed this weekend.

Tentative Budget by Treasurer, PDP Karen Powers. The proposed budget is on pages 26 and 27 of the SEC book for review.

Karen thanked the Finance Committee, Meltonia Presley, Debbie Beck and PDP Donnajeanne Hakler for their hard work in helping to submit a balanced budget for the memberships approval.

Karen Powers moved to accept the proposed budget with the addition of adding the VA Nursing Home as a new Department project under donation expenses, seconded by PDP Gloria Jasinski, no discussion, Motion carried.

Audit Committee Report by First Vice President, Meltonia Presley. She stated that the Audit was conducted on Thursday, October 25th at 4:30 p.m. She announced that all the books & records were in order. She thanked the committee of 2nd Vice President, Debbie Beck, 3rd Vice President, Patty Piening, Alt. NEC, Donnajeanne Hakler. She also thanked Treasurer, Karen Powers, Executive Secretary Jerri Devoll for keeping the books together all year making it easy to do the audit.

Introduction of First Timers by Gavelier's President, PDP Karen Powers. The first timers introduced themselves and each received a medallion. They were: Nonie Daily, Aux 1992, Donna Cherparro, Aux 1992, Pam Horton, Aux 88, Kathleen Larson, Aux 312, Tina Bond, Aux 777, Tammi Hatfield, Aux 777, Barbara Thompson, Aux 33, Susan Hall, Aux 911, Antoinette Eox, Aux 81, Claudia Commans, Aux 447, Linda Torres, Aux 447, Kathleen Dutkiewicz, Aux 447, Hazel Peterson, Aux 442, and Nancy O'Shea, Aux 92.

Special Guest President Sherry Marecek introduced our special guest Mike Delancey and his father Mike Delancey. Mike Delancey spoke to us about the Wounded Warriors Abilities Ranch in Pinellas Park, Florida. (This is Madam President's project this year) and the progress of building the ranch and how the City of Pinellas Park has been so supportive by donating the land and money to build the abilities ranch to benefit are Veterans and their families and the community. Currently that have a Campaign in progress called "Help Build our Park." They are currently building the park in phases and they are in phase 2. The infrastructure has been built, the walking path is done, the basketball court is completed as well as a small dog park along with exercise equipment for handicap people and a small pavilion with picnic tables to accommodate the handicapped. They are planning a playground, a memorial garden and building their administrative building on the property. The landscaping is also complete and the park is in full use. The park also has a small lake. Mike explained that they have had a bus donated to them as well as a boat so that they have the ability to take disabled Veterans to different functions. Mike also answered questions and when asked made it clear that his program has NO affiliation with the National Wounded Warriors program and is/has changed the name of this project to WW Abilities Ranch. He thanked us all for our support and hoped that he would see many of us at the ranch or at a function in the near future. He had brochures and a map of the ranch passed out giving us all further information on this project.

Officer's Reports:

President: Sherry Marecek welcomed us all to the first SEC for the 2018-2019 year. She talked about the "Ruthia R. Hester Memorial Award" and reminded us that she had not given out that award at the June Convention. She did not give it out as the receipant was not able to be at Convention. She stated

that this award is awarded to the individual doing the most to aid the Department President to further Aims & Purposes of AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary. She stated that this is a very prestigious award and it was hard to pick just one person but because this person went above and beyond the choice to her was clear. She proudly presented the "Ruthia R. Hester Memorial Award" to Pat Zaykowski from Auxiliary 8 and said she is forever honored to call her my friend.

Madam President stated that her theme this year is "Keep Reaching" and her project is "Wounded Warriors Abilities Ranch" in Pinellas Park. We got more explanations from our guests, the Founders of WWAR.

She introduced everyone to our new Scholarship Officer, Sharon Sheldon who was appointed with the E-Board approval when Jan Northcutt had to resign that position.

Her report is in the SEC book on pages 9 and 10. She announced the School of Instruction this afternoon and told everyone to bring their manuals. She reminded the membership that all of the Officers are here for them.

First Vice President: Meltonia Presley stated that her report is on pages 11 thru 14 in the SEC book. She thanked everyone for their continued vote and trust in her and congratulated all of the newly elected and appointed officers. Her theme this year is "Membership is on the road to success." She reminded us that her National Counterpart is Dee Baggett and her theme is "Revving Up Membership, Recruit, Renew & Retain."

Meltonia reported that there was a vote to increase dues at National Convention so everyone should renew now. Annual dues are due on or before December 31st. If you pay after that date you will be considered a new member.

She reminded us that she is here for the membership and stated that if you have questions about membership to please ask her.

Second Vice President: Debbie Beck said it was great to be here with her Auxiliary sisters. Her report is on pages 15 thru 17 in the SEC book. She said that in the packets given out today that you would find some great fund raising ideas from our National Second Vice President.

She told everyone to keep the reports coming and reminded us that the Officers are here for the membership and should you have any questions about child welfare to be sure and ask them.

Third Vice President: PNP Patty Piening stated that her report was on pages 18 & 19. She is presenting a Chairman's Award to the Auxiliary who raises the most money for PAWS With a Cause during PAWS month, which is March. The criteria will be determined by the most money raised during the month of March only, largest percentage per member in March's evaluation. Your March donation to PAWS must be into Department no later than April 15, 2019 to be eligible to win this award. Don't forget to do your service report and submit to me.

She set a goal to reach new heights in reporting Community Service programs this year. She said you are all doing great things and she is looking forward to working with the membership.

In your packets you'll find the tools you need to properly fill out your report forms. Please completely fill out your reports and be sure to list each volunteer along with her hours and mileage. Don't estimate based on previous projects. Be sure and check your math.

NEC: PDP Sheila Haywood was not present so Alt. NEC, PDP Donnajeanne Hakler read a report from Sheila. Her report is on page 55 thru 58 in your SEC book. Congratulations to Dee Baggett our new National First Vice President.

We reached for the stars and went to infinity and beyond at National Convention. Be proud Florida we rocked at National. All certificates of Awards from National will be found in your packets.

Congratulations to all of the winners. Read my report and find out who won and what they won.

She asked all SEC women to remind all local service officers to please send in their service reports to the five Department service officers and have all reports in their hands by November 5, 2018. We have 60 Auxiliaries in the Department of Florida and we need to shine at National's Mid Winter Conference and have all 60 Auxiliaries reporting something. She says let's get to work ladies, get off your duffs and report, report, report.

Remember to stay in touch with your service officers as they welcome all questions and phone calls and so do I and our Alt. NEC.

Sheila's report had us all in "stitches."

Alt. NEC: PDP Donnajeanne Hakler said she couldn't follow that and stated that her report was on page 50 of the SEC book.

Chaplain: Wendy Luzader said it was a pleasure to see everyone's smiling faces. She said she believed we are all bonded by our common mission of our Aims & Purposes and are blessed to be a part of the AMVETS family. Her report is on pages 52 and 53 in the SEC Book.

She acknowledged the passing of additional sisters other than those listed in the book; Helen Picconi, Palm Bay, Bernice Lamsert, Chiefland, Betty Stinson, Susan Sherlock, Frida Callahm, Panama City Beach, Ruth McCarthy, Port Orange, and Marilyn Garrett, Warn Mineral Springs.

She asked us to be sure and send the current forms to the current Chaplain (Wendy) as sending the to a prior Chaplain or our Executive Secretary causes further delays in sending out condolences.

Hospital Officer: Linetta Shilling stated that her report was on page 31 in the SEC book. She asked that the Ladies make sure that they were sending their reports to her current address in Tavares.

Linetta recognized Auxiliary 4 for sending her at least 1 report per month and that they had sent in 10 reports already. Their reports are legible and full of information about their activities. Auxiliaries 67, 86, and 893 have submitted 5 service reports each. Other Auxiliaries have begun sending in reports.

She talked about service awards and now was the time to start thinking about that. She encouraged everyone to apply. Marie Rorrio, National VAVS Representative encourages our youth volunteers to work at VA Medical Centers so that they could apply for the James H. Parke Scholarship. Several scholarships are given out each year.

We were reminded that November is St. Jude Children's Research Hospital month. Plan a project to donate to the Ladies Auxiliary National program.

She reminded us that the mid year service reports must be in her hands by November 5th.

Americanism Officer: Holly Burbach stated her report was on page 28 thru 30 in the SEC book. Her theme this year is "Honor Our Heroes Every Day." Let's see if we can get 100% reported in Americanism. She will give a little something extra for every Auxiliary in June.

When doing reports keep in mind to send me the original, not a copy, check your math, be precise and if you have any questions to please call her.

She didn't want us to forget about our Americanism essay, poster and Flag coloring contests and information is provided in the packets. She encouraged us to get involved in our local schools to help teach our children about Americanism. Local entries must be into Department by February 1, 2019.

Mid Year reports are to be to her by November 5th.

Scholarship Officer: Sharon Sheldon stated that her report was on pages 34 thru 36. She thanked all of the Auxiliaries that had sent in reports and asked to keep the coming.

She suggested a way to help those young people applying for Scholarship was to have a work

shop at your post on how to fill out the application. Go over the application line by line. By doing this you can do a service report taking the time, mileage, and any refreshments. Be sure and use the most up to date forms. You can go to amvetsauxfl.org under service officers, then go to scholarship and the application will be there. She had a few applications with her. She reminded us that reports are due to her by November 5th for mid-year reporting.

Parliamentarian Report: PNP Charlene D. Kee stated that the By-Laws Committee met on Friday, October 26th. She thanked the Committee for their hard work and said the committee consisted of PDP Gloria Jasinski, PDP Donnajeanne Hakler, Meltonia Presley, Debbie Beck and PDP Dee Baggett (excused) and PDP Sheila Haywood (excused). Madam President was also at the meeting. The committee reviewed the National Constitution and By-Laws changes. Madam President had mentioned the changes in her report. She thanked Madam President for putting together all of the changes for us and said that the National Parliamentarian and her committee were still working on the changes and getting them to print.

We submitted the recommendation that you voted on and passed from the E-Board about the Riders and Sacketts which will now be Standing Rule #6.

Madam President and our First Vice President mentioned that National increased our Annual, Life and Honorary membership dues. The increase is an automatic change.

Charlene will read the change to our annual and Honorary dues and it will be printed in the next Hot Line and will be read again at the February SEC, at which time we will vote on it.

Article III d. (1): Annual Dues for each member shall be remitted by the local auxiliary to the Department of Florida in the amount required by the National Auxiliary plus \$9.00 for the Department Treasury. As of February 16, 2019 that amount will be \$24.00.

Article IV: Honorary membership dues and Honorary replacement cards shall be in the amount required by National plus \$5.00 annually for the Department Treasury. As of February 16, 2019 that amount will be \$15.00.

Charlene stated that the annual dues will be \$22.00 until the February meeting and if passed will be increased to \$24.00. Honorary and replacement cards will be \$10.00 until the February meeting and if passed will be increased to \$15.00.

Life membership costs will not change, only the amount going to National. Life dues will now be \$350.00; \$225.00 going to National and \$125.00 going to Department.

Charlene states that her report is on page 60. She noted that at the bottom of her report is a list of the auxiliaries who need to update their by-laws and that they need to be to her prior to completing your Revalidation form in May 2019. She asked that we use the By-Laws cover sheet when submitting By-Laws to her. When sending her By-Laws you should send the cover sheet 1 copy of your minutes approving the By-Laws and 3 sets of your By-Laws. The minutes should reflect the changes in your By-Laws. One set of the By-Laws should be highlighted where the changes were made.

Charlene apologized to Auxiliary 78 because they had NOT made a mistake in their bylaws and she will make the correction and send a letter and they are doing a great job.

Delegate Report: President Marecek gave the delegate report from National Convention. Her report is on pages 37 thru 51. She announced that Florida had 59 voting members on Saturday morning which made a difference. She was proud to announce that Florida won the subordinate pin which came with \$50.00. She is putting that \$50.00 toward her project, WW Abilities Ranch.

Dee Baggett was elected National First Vice President and Auxiliary 1992 won Local Auxiliary of the Year. Great job!!

Florida also won other awards: Largest percentage of renewals as of December 31 in Class D;

PNP Dee Kreiling-Riley Local John Tracy Clinic Award, winner Auxiliary 8 and runner up was Auxiliary 1992; PNP Heidi Dineen-Serpis Americanism Award for Department was Florida; PNP Patty Piening Award for a Local in Americanism runner up Florida Auxiliary 1992; Individual Americanism Award, Mary Conley, Florida Auxiliary 1992; PNP Brenda Kilgor Hospital Award (Local) runner up Auxiliary 1992; and PNP Barbara Guth Nursing Home Award (Local) runner up Auxiliary 8.

Certificates for PAWS With A Cause, John Tracy Clinic, and St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital that were given out at National Convention are in your packets.

Awards from Freedoms Foundation for Florida were given out at this meeting. The Betsy Ross Award (a certificate and a stein) were given to Auxiliaries 14, 15, 35 and 67 (raising \$300.00 to \$599.00). The Martha Washington Award (a certificate, a stein, & a statue) were given to Auxiliaries 81, 550, and 1992 (raising \$600.00 or more). Be Proud Florida.

Sherry Marecek talked about the changes to the National Constitution and By-Laws and they are published in the Book.

Doe Seals apologized for putting the wrong dates in the book on pages 67 and 77. The date should be January 26, 2019 not the date that is printed in the SEC book.

We then had the 50/50 drawings for Friday and Saturday. The winner for Friday with \$168.00 was Auxiliary 444 and the winner for Saturday of \$168.00 was Pearl Long. Congratulations.

Executive Secretary Report: Jerri Devoll stated that her report is on page 61 of the SEC book. She mentioned that many of the local membership chairman are not following through with the forms. She needs two (2) copies of all forms and they need to be filled out completely. She announced that in the packets for each Auxiliary there is a CD that has all of the forms on it that the Auxiliary would need. She asked that we do not use the new Honorary Member forms at this time as she jumped the gun. The proper form is on the website Amvetsauxfl.org. As you heard that are many changes coming out of National.

She noted that there are rosters in the packets for your individual Auxiliary; the green list are your 2018 members, the white list is your life members and 2019 members.

Jerri reminded us that if she calls and leaves a message to please call her back as what she needs is usually a quick fix. She is not going to hold the D & R forms so if you don't call back she will return everything to you. Just a reminder that if your Auxiliary does not meet all deadlines set forth by the Department your Auxiliary will not be in good standing.

When filing your 990 be sure and scroll down the page until you see the print button, click on that to print your 990 and then go back and click submit. If you don't print it then all you will have is a confirmation and it will be 7 to 10 days later before you will be able to print your 990. The confirmation is not your 990. When you send your 990 please send two (2) copies.

Recording Secretary Report: PDP Donnajeanne Hakler stated that her report is on page 62 of the SEC book.

Jr. AMVETS Coordinator: Fran McGurk stated that her report is on page 65 of the SEC book. She reported that the Juniors won national awards for their work from St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, Freedoms Foundation and Juvenile Diabetes. The Jr. AMVET of the year was Jovan Rosado. She said that Florida now has 67 Jr. AMVETS.

Our Juniors have 3 people holding National Offices; Jovan Rosado is the President, Natalie Rosado, Treasurer, and Madison Marin is the Chaplain. Jovan Rosado's project this year is the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans.

Honors & Awards: PNP Evelyn McElvin stated that her report is on page 68 of the SEC book. She said the theme for the Awards will be Keep Reaching Hollywood Style – Lights, Camera, Action. She said there will be more information available at the February SEC.

Appeals: PDP Gloria Jasinski was happy to report that there had been no appeals filed.

P.R.O. Report: PDP Trudy Wood stated that her report is on Page 64 of the SEC book. She asked that if Madam President comes to your local to please take pictures and send the to her. She said there will be a scrapbook this year to present to Madam President.

Announcements: It was announced that if you had any questions during or before the School of Instruction to please put them in the bin at the back of the room and they would be answered this afternoon.

The Benediction was done by Chaplain, Wendy Luzader and respect to the Colors by Sgt. At Arms, Claudia Thompson.

Meeting was recessed until Sunday morning.

Sunday, October 28, 2018 – Third Business Session

All the drawings were held prior to the meeting starting. The 50/50 was for \$264.00 and was won by Dan O. Mundson from Post 7467. Winners from all the other drawings were on hand to receive what they won. District VI raised \$600.00 for Ways & Means.

President Sherry Marecek called the Third Business Session of the 2018 Fall SEC to Order. Chaplain, Wendy Luzader, gave the invocation and Sgt. At Arms, Claudia Thompson led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Officers, Sec Women and Local Presidents by PDP Donnajeanne Hakler.

Madam President recognized Ramona Mourhess for all of her help saying that she flew in from North Carolina to be at this SEC and has worked credentials and has paged and is still working.

Credentials Report: Doe Seals stated that her report is on Page 67 of the SEC Book. She thanked the Ladies that had helped her at the Credentials Desk, Kathy Mannix, Christina Albright and Ramona Mourhess. There were 138 per-registered which included the Dept. Officers, PDP's & VAVS Representatives, 5 registered after the deadline date and 14 registered on site. There were 21 no shows.

Doe stated again that the deadline for the February SEC is January 26, 2019.

Americanism Officer Holly Burbach had told us that the deadline for the Poster/Essay Contest was February 1, 2019 but she has now been told that the actual deadline date is January 15, 2019 and the entries must be sent to Luther Davidson.

Gaveliers Report: PDP Karen Powers reported that there were 8 PDP's in attendance at the meeting yesterday. There were 2 Gaveliers awards for perfect attendance that were under investigation and the

issues were resolved. She asked Ramona Mourhess, President and Sandra Brower, SEC woman to come forward to receive their awards.

The Gaveliers have one recommendation – that because of Hurricane Michael that the President and SEC Woman from Auxiliaries 231 and 2298 be marked as “excused” on the roll call for this meeting. **PDP Karen Powers moved that because of Hurricane Michael the the President and SEC Woman for Auxiliaries 231 and 2298 be marked as excused from this SEC meeting, seconded by Claudia Thompson, Motion carried.**

Karen reminded the membership of the criteria for the Gaveliers Award (Past Department Presidents). Each local AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary President and State Executive Committee Woman (SEC Woman) must answer roll call at EACH SEC meeting (October and February meetings) and attend meetings on Friday, Saturday and Sunday to receive the Gaveliers Award. She must also attend HER individual Council meeting with her signature on the council roll call. The Department Convention is held in June. The President and SEC woman must answer roll call at business meetings on Saturday and Sunday. The attendance will start at the June Convention and end at the Spring SEC meeting.

Convention Report: PDP Mary Lou Maslo stated that her report is on page 66 of the SEC book.

She reported that the 2018 Convention took in \$6,836.25 and \$125.00 was left in the account so it was agreed that it would be left in the account.

She said that the Convention committee still has not been able to meet with the hotel so she has no information. She is hoping to have all the information in February. She said that \$600.00 was raised for the 50/50 raffle and \$97.00 was raised on the other raffle.

President's Council: Sue Bice reported that the council shared ideas about engaging younger members by involving them in Auxiliary functions. They shared ideas of recruiting younger members against the challenges of long job hours and older technologies and the use of social media to attack them. The President's shared some ideas for functions and fund raising.

SEC Council: Theresa DeFocy reported that they had 2 National Presidents, 23 SEC women, 8 Alternate SEC women and 10 guests. Madam President Marecek stopped by and talked about reporting.

SEC council brought a proposal to the floor about Fisher houses. Theresa Defocy said she had worked at the Fisher House in West Palm Beach and now there is one in Miami. She feels that there is a need for more than 1 Fisher House representative to cover the entire state. PNP Charlene D. Kee stated that if someone wants to become a Fisher House representative that they would need to send a letter to Madam President.

A question came up about forming a District. PNP Evelyn McElvin said that in National Manual on page 21 it states that there must be a minimum of 2 Auxiliaries to become a District and each Auxiliary would need to bring a letter with a copy of the local minutes saying that Auxiliary wants to join a District and come to June Convention for approval. She further stated that the Auxiliaries cannot just come from anywhere as the AMVETS already have Posts to assigned Districts.

Sgt. At Arms Report: Claudia Thompson said her report is on page 54 in the SEC book. She thanked Peggy Morgan, Jan Northcutt, Natalie Cartegena and Ramona Mourhess for their help paging. She said if you have a problem with something she or one of the pages does or says that you should see the President not yell at the pages. She said she had taken in \$23.00 for the talking cup and \$5.00 for a phone ringing. She said if anyone is interested in paging to please come see her.

She thanked all for the condolences of the passing of her mother.

Busnell Cemetery Report: Claudia Thompson said her report is on page 69 in the SEC book. She mentioned the Veterans Day Ceremony at Busnell on November 11, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. She will be leading the Pledge at the ceremony.

VAVS Reports: Tammy Waring is the representative for James Haley and she reminded all of us the importance of volunteering. She said if anyone was interested in volunteering to contact her.

Eartha Melton reported that they had just finished a BBQ at the Orlando facility. She said the next event will be with District II on December 18, 2018 and they will put on a full Christmas Dinner with gifts, etc.

Jan Northcutt from Bay Pines said they are taking donations for Christmas and the Homeless Veterans. She said she is in need of volunteers even if they can only work 4 hours a week. She asked us to please call her.

Quartermaster Report: Natalie Cartagena stated her report is on page 63 in the SEC book. She said she sold merchandise on Friday totaling \$2,148.01 and \$1,325.00 on Saturday for a grand total of \$3,473.01. She thanked her assistants, Toni Plemmons Marvine Roberts, and Hazel Peterson from Auxiliary 422 and Sharon Sheldon from Auxiliary 88 for helping her.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Announcements: Auxiliary 777 was reminded that they had 6 months to get in their initial By-Laws.

It was announced that Bertha Cassidy had passed away. Post 447 is having a memorial service on November 3, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

District XVI is responsible for Ways and Means in February.

Retirement of the Colors by Sgt. At Arms, Claudia Thompson
Benediction by Chaplain, Wendy Luzader
Adjournment

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Donnajeane Hakler

Donnajeane Hakler, Recording Secretary

Sherry Marecek, President

ROLL CALL JUNE 2018 CONVENTION

		<u>ROOM NUMBER</u>		
		<u>10/26</u>	<u>10/27</u>	<u>10/28</u>
PRESIDENT	SHERRY MARECEK	1556	1556	P
1 ST VICE PRESIDENT	MELTONIA PRESLEY	1523	1523	P
2 ND VICE PRESIDENT	DEBBIE BECK	1520	1520	P
3 RD VICE PRESIDENT	PNP PATTY PIENING	2336	2336	P
TREASURER	PDP KAREN POWERS	912	912	P
AMERICANISM OFFICER	HOLLY BURBACH	208	208	P
HOSPITAL OFFICER	LINETTA SHILLING	902	902	P
SCHOLARSHIP OFFICER	SHARON SHELDON	823	823	P
CHAPLAIN	WENDY LUZADER	216	216	P
SGT AT ARMS	CLAUDIA THOMPSON	202	202	P
N.E.C.	PDP SHEILA HAYWOOD	E	E	E
ALT. N.E.C.	PDP DONNAJEANNE HAKLER	1711	1711	P
PARLIAMENTARIAN	PNP CHARLENE KEE	1552	1552	P
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY	JERRI DEVOLL	914	914	P
RECORDING SECRETARY	PDP DONNAJEANNE HAKLER	1711	1711	P

COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL CHAIRMEN

QUARTERMASTER	NATALIE CARTAGENA	833	833	P
P.R.O.	PDP TRUDY WOOD	210	210	P
JR. AMVETS COORDINATOR	FRAN MCGURK	305	305	P
CONVENTION CHAIRMAN	PDP MARY LOU MASLO	625	625	P
AWARDS CHAIRMAN	PNP EVELYN MCELVIN	1540	1540	P
CREDENTIALS CHAIRMAN	DOE SEALS	2202	2202	P
GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR	PDP DOLORES "DEE" BAGGETT	E	E	E
APPEALS BOARD CHAIRMAN	PDP GLORIA JASINSKI	507	507	P
SEC PRESIDENT COUNCIL CHAIRMAN*	THERESA DEFOCY	2101	2101	P
S.E.C. COUNCIL CHAIRMAN* President	SUE BICE	A	1003	P

REPRESENTATIVES

BUSHNELL CEMETERY REPRESENTATIVE	CLAUDIA THOMPSON	202	202	P
FISHER HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE	DARLENE LINNELL	Aux NOT IN GOOD	standing	
JAMES HALEY VAVS REPRESENTATIVE	TAMARA WARING	711	711	P
BAY PINES VAVS REPRESENTATIVE	JAN NORTHCUTT	1110	1110	P
ORLANDO VAVS REPRESENTATIVE	EARTHA MELTON	A	P	P

DEPUTY VAVS

DEPUTY VAVS *	CAROL AHMAD	560	560	P
DEPUTY VAVS *	PAT UNDERWOOD	A	A	A
DEPUTY VAVS *	CYNTHIA FOREMAN	711	711	P
DEPUTY VAVS*	PATRICIA SHAW	A	A	A
DEPUTY VAVS	EILEEN BROWN	A	A	A

*REGISTRATION NOT PAID BY DEPARTMENT

PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENTS

PNP CHARLENE D. KEE	(Aux. #30) 2008-2009	1552	1552	P
PNP EVELYN MCELVIN	(Aux. #30) 2016-2017	1540	1540	P
PNP PATTY PIENING	(Aux. #8) 2009-2010 (OH)	2336	2336	P

	<u>PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS</u>		<u>ROOM NUMBER</u>	
PDP DELIA RAY	(AUX. #30) 1976-1978	INACTIVE	INACTIVE	INACTIVE
PDP RUBY COKER DANIEL	(MAL) 1978-1979	INACTIVE	INACTIVE	INACTIVE
PDP RUTH CITY	(AUX. #50) 1980-1981	INACTIVE	INACTIVE	INACTIVE
PDP DYANN EDWARDS	(MAL) 2001-2002	INACTIVE	INACTIVE	INACTIVE
PDP BOBBIE McROBERTS	(AUX. #1992) 2004-2006	INACTIVE	INACTIVE	INACTIVE
PDP TRUDY WOOD	(AUX. #9) 1978-1979 (ME)	210	210	P
PDP LUCILLE HENSON	(AUX. #30) 1984-1986	E	E	E
PDP GLORIA JASINSKI	(AUX. #9) 1989-1991	507	507	P
PDP DOROTHY JOHNS	(AUX. #1) 1988-1989	509	509	P
PNP/PDP CHARLENE KEE	(AUX. #30) 1993-1995	1552	1552	P
PNP/PDP EVELYN McELVIN	(AUX. #30) 1995-1996	1540	1540	P
PDP ESTRELLA YOUNG	(AUX #100) 2006-2008	E	E	E
PDP MARY LOU MASLO	(AUX #8) 2008-2009	625	625	P
PDP DORORES BAGGETT	(AUX #1992) 2009-2011	E	E	E
PDP DONNAJEANNE HAKLER	(AUX #8) 2011-2013	1711	1711	P
PDP KAREN POWERS	(AUX #78) 2013-2015	912	912	P
PDP SHEILA HAYWOOD	(AUX #78) 2015-2017	E	E	E

	<u>DISTRICT PRESIDENTS</u>			
DISTRICT II	EARTHA MELTON	A	A	A
DISTRICT III	CHRISTINA ALBRIGHT	2411	working	A
DISTRICT IV	MICHELLE HARRIS	NOT IN GOOD	STANDING	BYLAWS
DISTRICT VI	CHARLENE MARTIN	434	434	P
DISTRICT XVI	SHARON SHELDON	833	833	P

<u>AUX #</u>	<u>LOCAL PRESIDENTS</u>		<u>ROOM NUMBER</u>	
0001 ST. PETERSBURG	ELIZABETH RUSSELL	A	A	A
0002 EDGEWATER	SUE BICE	A	1003	P
0004 TAMPA	CYNTHIA FOREMAN	711	711	P
0007 CHIPLEY	DELIA BELL	A	A	A
0008 ST. PETERSBURG	GAIL R. HALEY	E	E	E
0009 ODESSA	PATRICIA LANSING	1312	1312	A
0012 PENSACOLA	BARBARA ROTHENBERGER	A	A	A
0013 DELAND	PAULA HEINRICH	A	A	A
0014 HOBE SOUND	LINDA MASTON	A	A	A
0015 FORT PIERCE	TERRY STICKNEY	A	A	A
0016 HUDSON	SANDRA MAXSON	A	A	A
0017 SANFORD	EARTHA MELTON	A	P	P
0019 ORANGE LAKE	JANICE WILLIAMS	NOT IN GOOD	STANDING	990
0021 SEBRING	JOANNE GRAY	A	A	A
0023 NAPLES	GINGER DOWNS	P	P	P
0026 VALRICO	CHRISTINE ALBRIGHT	2411	working	P
0029 DESTIN	LISA CROWLEY	NOT IN GOOD	STANDING	990
0030 ORLANDO	VIOLA JONES	404	404	P
0032 LAKE LAND	BARBARA FOSTER	211	211	P
0033 ST CLOUD	CRISTI STANFORD	A	A	A
0034 PALM BAY	HELEN FENOCCHI	A	A	A
0035 CRESTVIEW	MARY ALSINA-HAFNER	A	A	A
0042 CHIEFLAND	JAMIE FULTZ	A	A	A
0044 PLANT CITY	PAM ABBY	E	E	E
0045 ST. AUGUSTINE	DEBBY BISOGNO	NOT IN GOOD	STANDING	990

0047 PANAMA CITY BEACH	DEBBY GARWOOD	A	A	A
0050 N. FORT MYERS	SANDRA BROWER	923	923	P
0060 ARCADIA	SALLY DANCER	A	440	A
0067 CLEARWATER	NANCY MEIER	331	331	P
0078 VALPARAISO	MARGARET THORNTON	A	A	A
0081 N. FORT MYERS	MARGARET MILNES	1520	1520	P
0086 KEYSTONE HEIGHTS	KERI JUDGE	A	A	A
0088 BRONSON	DEBBIE ROBINS	A	1141	P
0092 JENSEN BEACH	LINDA POWEL	A	A	A
0098 HOLIDAY	PATRICIA CAMPBELL	1713	1713	P
0100 DAYTONA BEACH	DEBRA REED	E	E	E
0113 BUNNELL	CYD WEEKS	A	A	A
0178 DEFUNIAK SPRINGS	ELSIE BENSLEY	A	A	A
0231 FOUNTAIN	JONI SOUTH	E	E	E
0292 PENSACOLA	JULIA RUTHERFORD	A	A	A
0312 NORTH PORT	ELIZABETH LABOSSIERE	A	308	P
0422 FANNING SPRINGS	WENDY LUZADER	216	216	P
0444 WILLISTON	RETA NEWTON	NOT IN GOOD	STANDING	990/ByLaws
0447 INGLIS	LANAE FOSTER-DAVENPORT	A	A	A
0550 ZEPHYRHILLS	MILDRED CLARK	A	2436	P
0777 ENGLEWOOD	EVELYN LONG	A	A	A
0893 ROCKLEDGE	DORIS "BIRDIE" MILLER	A	A	A
0911 PORT ORANGE	SUSAN HALL	1147	1147	P
0941 PALMETTO	PATRICIA CHAPEL	NOT IN GOOD	STANDING	990
1208 SALT SPRINGS	KATHERINE AURINGER	A	A	A
1219 TAMPA	ERIKA MARTIN	A	A	A
1292 MILTON	MICHELLE HARRIS	A	A	A
1939 DEERFIELD BEACH	LIZ OEHLER	A	A	A
1992 MOUNT DORA	LINETTA SHILLING	902	902	P
1999 PORT CHARLOTTE	VIRGINIA LAFORME	A	A	A
2000 WARM MINERAL SPRINGS	REGINA SHEETS	E	E	E
2001 OKEECHOBEE	RENEE SILVERS	A	A	A
2006 LEESBURG	JUDITH CASSIDY	A	A	A
2298 PANAMA CITY	MARIE BRADFORD	E	E	E
7467 PINELLAS PARK	TAMMY ALLEN	204	204	P

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0001 ST. PETERSBURG
0002 EDGEWATER
0004 TAMPA
0007 CHIPLEY
0008 ST. PETERSBURG
0009 ODESSA
0012 PENSACOLA
0013 DELAND
0014 HOBE SOUND
0015 FORT PIERCE
0016 HUDSON
0017 SANFORD
0019 ORANGE LAKE
0021 SEBRING
0023 NAPLES

LOCAL S.E.C. WOMEN

DOROTHY JOHNS
PAT BICE
PATRICIA UNDERWOOD
BONNIE DEEKEN
CAROLYN MCKENZIE
MARGARET "PEG" MORGAN
BEVERLY MUNOZ
LINDA BLAKE
THERESA DEFOCY
TERRI GRAZIANO
LINDA PETERSLIGE
GEORGIA BLACK
LORILYNNE WESLEY
DIANE THOMPSON
ANITA LONERGAN

ROOM NUMBER

509	509	P
A	A	A
A	A	A
A	A	A
1903	1903	P
507	P	P
A	A	A
A	A	A
2121	2121	P
232	232	P
A	A	A
A	A	A
A	A	A
640	640	P
A	A	A

0026 VALRICO	LESLIE KADUBEC	964	964	P
0029 DESTIN	KATHY JENNER	NOT IN GOOD	STANDING	990
0030 ORLANDO	EVELYN McELVIN	1540	1540	P
0032 LAKELAND	LORRAINE CAPUA	A	1160	P
0033 ST CLOUD	BARBARA THOMPSON	A	A	P
0034 PALM BAY	MARY BOYKIN	A	A	A
0035 CRESTVIEW	JERRI DEVOLL	914	914	P
0042 CHIEFLAND	NATALIE CARTAGENA	833	833	P
0044 PLANT CITY	DEBRA LLOYD	E	E	E
0045 ST. AUGUSTINE	CATHY LEAHY	NOT IN GOOD	STANDING	990
0047 PANAMA CITY BEACH	LOLA TEETER	A	A	A
0050 N. FORT MYERS	DAWN BURGENUS	925	925	P
0060 ARCADIA	CHARLOTTE DYER	A	1938	A
0067 CLEARWATER	JAN NORTHCUTT	1110	1110	P
0078 VALPARAISO	REGINA TUCKER	A	A	A
0081 N. FORT MYERS	TONIA BLAUVELT	1634	1634	P
0086 KEYSTONE HEIGHTS	Att. JUDY MCGOVERN Debbie Ellingham	A	1409	P
0088 BRONSON	BETTY DOUGLAS	A	1141	A
0092 JENSEN BEACH	EDITH SEELY	A	A	A
0098 HOLIDAY	ERICKA BRUNETTE	1716	1716	P
0100 DAYTONA BEACH	PEARL LONG	838	838	P
0113 BUNNELL	ROBYN LENTO	A	A	A
0178 DEFUNIAK SPRINGS	LORYANNE BARTON	A	A	A
0231 FOUNTAIN	RITA GIRARDOT	E	E	E
0292 PENSACOLA	MARI MILLS	505	505	P
0312 NORTH PORT	MARGARET SOUSA	A	307	P
0422 FANNING SPRINGS	TONI L. PLEMMONS	P	P	P
0444 WILLISTON	EVANELL TILTON	NOT IN GOOD	STANDING	990
0447 INGLIS	BERTHA CASSIDY Passed away			
0550 ZEPHYRHILLS	CINDY SEYMOUR	A	A	A
0777 ENGLEWOOD	TINA BOND	1550	1550	P
0893 ROCKLEDGE	PHYLLIS HOBBS	A	A	A
0911 PORT ORANGE	CHRISTINA SYLVIA	A	A	A
0941 PALMETTO	MESHIA RICHARDSON	NOT IN GOOD	STANDING	990
1208 SALT SPRINGS	VALERIE HOWSARE	A	A	A
1219 TAMPA	DAPHNE LOPEZ	A	A	A
1292 MILTON	CARRIE NAGY	A	A	A
1939 DEERFIELD BEACH	PAMELA BILINSKA	A	A	A
1992 MOUNT DORA	MARGARET JOHNSON	227	227	P
1999 PORT CHARLOTTE	ELSIE WALLACE-BUSHOR	A	A	A
2000 WARM MINERAL SPRINGS	CHRISTINE REYNOLDS	E	E	E
2001 OKEECHOBEE	MARION MERRILL	A	A	P
2006 LEESBURG	CLAUDIA THOMPSON	202	202	P
2298 PANAMA CITY	JANET ROGERS	E	E	E
7467 PINELLAS PARK	Att. AMY EDDINGS Cathy Hoffmeister	204	204	P

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W - WORKING EXCUSED

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