

Minutes of Annual Installation of Officers Meeting  
Florida Unit #027, Fort Christmas, FL  
December 4, 2008

President, Dave Wenger, called the meeting to order. Randy Godfrey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, led in the pledge to the flag of the United States of America.

Secretary called the roll of the Executive Board as follows:

President, Dave Wenger  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Tom Moore  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Randy Godfrey  
Recording Secretary, Pat Finn  
Corresponding Secretary, Joan Carson  
Treasurer, Frank Carson  
2 Yr Trustee: Betty Wenger  
Henry Lappen  
1 Yr Trustee: Earl Leggett  
Joe McMillan (Absent due to family illness)  
Immediate Past President, Vic Smith

The Secretary read the minutes of the Annual Business Meeting. Frank made a motion the minutes be approved as read, seconded by Earl and approved.

The Treasurer gave his report. There were no questions. It will stand as read.

The Corresponding Secretary read correspondence from All Faiths Food Bank, Sarasota, thanking us for our donation in 2008; INTERACT, thanking us for our donation in 2008; a note from the Salvesens (members who have sold their trailer); Marge Brady of the Piedmont Unit thanking us for our donation to INTERACT; Dot & Wayne Kispert & Ed & Clara Givens, CFU couples who have sold their trailers thanking us for inviting them to join our unit; and a gift from Jersey Shore Haven donating a 3 night stay in their New Jersey Airstream Park to be given as a prize at the St. Augustine Rally.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Sunshine: Joan reported that Charlie Whittington broke 3 ribs. The McMillans are still in Ohio taking care of Ellen's sister. Bev Trask is on oxygen and in hospital with pneumonia.

Historian: No report.

Newsletter Editor: Pat reported that Frank brought the new printer purchased by the Unit to her home and installed the printer. All ready for the first newsletter to be printed at home.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Whit's Donation of Canes: Whit has made two canes; one will be raffled individually at the Cracker Christmas Rally with the proceeds going to the park Historical Society. The other will be donated toward the regularly held raffle by the park.

Donation: It was reported that \$100 will be donated to the Park to use to purchase new Christmas Decorations after the holidays when they are on sale to be used in 2009.

Flags: They have been found and are in use at this meeting. Tom Moore is having flag bags made to carry and protect the flags.

Unit Flag: Randy displayed a small version of the Unit flag that he would like to present to Headquarters to receive permission to have a regulation size flag made for Unit use at flag ceremonies in the future. Seconded by Vic and approved.

Blue Books: Officers leaving office should turn over their Blue Books, flags and ribbons to the officer replacing them. The Blue Book is also on line.

Recommended Change to WBCCI Constitution: Randy also raised the issue of requesting a change to the WBCCI constitution to move the date of the International Rally and leave it up to the option of the incoming presidents. Frank said he would get with Don Shaffer, a past International Officer, and come up with the correct wording of the request and then forward it to IBT. Frank will also request they extend the rally until Tuesday so that people who work will be able to stay the entire weekend. Ending on Sunday does not make it worthwhile for working members to attend.

### **UPCOMING RALLIES:**

**JACKSONVILLE:** Randy Godfrey and Ron Allen are doing a great job pulling this rally together. Get your reservations in ASAP.

**REGION 3:** Randy stated he would like to see more people at the Region 3 Rally and encouraged the members present to attend. Next year, 2009, it will be in Perry, GA, which is not too great a distance for Florida members.

**FLORIDA STATE:** Frank stated that the Airstream Company would not be sending Airstreams for display nor would they be sending a "store" to neither the International Rally nor the Florida Rally. Frank contacted Larry Huddle and he agreed to continue to support the rally by paying for items they paid for in the past as well as some door prizes. Frank is working with Mr. Huddle and local dealers in hopes to have a display, store, and repairs on site. He is working hard to make this rally a success and needs all who can volunteer to do so.

**EASTER RALLY:** The popular Easter Rally is already half full. Frank needs our members to sign up for the rally. It cannot be run effectively without our own members attending to run the events and meals. Entertainment is about 90% complete. The park can accommodate 55-57 units if some units are single members. The problem still is the number of people that can be seated comfortably in the School House.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Thank You and Rules: A representative from the Orange County Park, employed at Christmas, thanked us for coming to Fort Christmas and stated they could not run this even without our support. He specifically thanked Whit for the donation of the cane. For the campers, rules were once again addressed.

Nurses: Frank asked if there were any other nurses in our unit besides Marilyn Blasdell. Nurses will be needed for the Florida Rally to help Marilyn.

Nominating Committee: A new committee was appointed consisting of the 2009 President, Tom Moore; 1<sup>st</sup> V. President, Randy Godfrey; and Past President, Dave Wenger.

Adjournment: Frank made a motion the meeting be adjourned. Motion was seconded and carried.

Installation of Officers: The installation of the new officers followed with the installation ceremony being conducted by Julian Clemens, Region 3 President, and his first lady Lynne.

**2009 OFFICERS:**

Tom Moore, President

Randy Godfrey, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

Willard Pickrel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

Recording Secretary, Pat Finn

Corresponding Secretary, Joan Carson

Treasurer, Frank Carson

2 Year Trustees: Phil Drugge

Vic Smith

1 Year Trustees: Joe McMillan

Ear Leggett

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia A. Finn  
Recording Secretary