

## Monterey Peninsula American Legion Auxiliary Unit 41 1110 Veterans Drive, Monterey, California 93940

UNIT 41 REPORT November 19, 2023

Madame President Rebecca, Dist 28 Officers, and unit officers and members,

## Our Membership Update:

Our current membership is 25 paid to date and 62.5% of our 2023-24 goal of 40 members.

I am pleased to report that we had TWO, small but mighty fundraising events this fall.

Our first event was on held on Oct 21<sup>s</sup>, and was a Paint and Sip Party. We planned this event to raise funds to help our community of female veterans by designating G.I. Josie as the non-profit organization who would receive our donation. For an added fundraiser, we offered door prizes and sold additional tickets for more chances to win prizes. Unit members donated their time, food, and door prizes. We raised a total of \$540 and donated half to G.I.Josie.

The second event held November 4<sup>th</sup>, was our Americanism workshop for children organized by our Chaplain, Patricia Harris. Unfortunately after many hours she put into preparing the event, Patricia was unable to make it and so her sister, Karen Sanders of Yuba City stepped in and was able to go on with the show!

The theme of this workshop was "American as Apple Pie". Participants learned about the variety of apples as a story similar to the diversity of Americans. Other activities were learning how to recite the pledge of allegiance using American Sign Language and making candied apples.

After this workshop we held a bake sale which raised \$521 that will go towards future Americanism events.

## Upcoming Events:

- -Post 41 will host their annual Thanksgiving Meal open to all veterans and their families. Our ALA unit will be volunteering by making side dishes, set-up, serving, and clean-up.
- -We will again participate in the KSBW "Share Your Holidays" Toys and Food Drive. We will set up donation boxes at Post 41 Bazooka Lounge November 24th thru December 7th.

With a heart of service,

Deb Trulson, ALA D28, Unit 41 President