

BellaVita Veterans Meeting Minutes  
17MAR2010, 1900H

1. Commander Stiefvater opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. New members Dan Tostado and Cecil Strange were recognized.
3. The minutes of the 20Feb2010 meeting were read by Secretary David Southard. There were no changes requested and the minutes were approved.
4. The treasury report was given by Treasurer John Devereux. There were additional 30 flag sales for a total of 493. There is a total of \$11,144.75 in funds.
5. Mike Sanders reported his research re the potential project to widen the East walk of the clubhouse. The current concept is to widen the walk by 2' to the right. Wayne Johnson is contacting our former concrete surfacing contractor to determine if he can do the whole job. Mike will discuss with Nancy the possibility of Village Builders doing the pour.
6. Benny Rains reported on the Memory Walk.
  - a. The walk will now be dedicated in general to all deceased BellaVita residents, prior and future. There will not be an ongoing record by name of deceased residents maintained by the Veterans Club.
  - b. Trees have been identified by Dutch at Legacy Live Oaks. Legacy needs to vacate their current property and are selling inventory at reduced prices. Twenty nine trees in 40-50-100 gallon sizes are available for \$4,050 or approximately \$140 each. Benny gave legacy a \$2,000 down payment for the trees. Jack Lauber moved to approve the purchase of the trees. After discussion the motion was approved unanimously. Benny has arranged for a truck, trailer, and bobcat to be available Thursday morning at 7:30a.m. to pick up trees. Brandon's personnel will be available to help offload the trees here at BV. Dutch has numbered the location of each type of tree in the walk. Brandon will start planting Thursday and Friday. Volunteers are needed for this project tomorrow morning at 7:30a.m.
  - c. Benny presented concepts of a stone marker with inscription to be placed on the N. Riviera side of the walk. There was no estimate of cost. Benny will proceed with quotes from a provider in Nagadoches.
  - d. Discussion ensued re a sympathy card with a rendition of the marker. However, the project as now described remains as our expression of sympathy in lieu of flowers.
  - e. Mrs. O'Connor has agreed to be Guest of Honor at the dedication of the walk on Memorial Day weekend.
  - f. John Devereux indicated this project and the new associated costs would use up all budget monies designated for projects for this budget year.
  - g. Benny informed us that the Memory Walk would now be referred to as the BellaVita Memorial Arbor.
7. Volunteers for the New Year's Eve Committee were requested. Henry Reist and John Kaltenbach volunteered.

8. Flag Project. Texas flags need to be assembled. Sprinkler guards have been shipped from Orbit.
9. Clubhouse flags will be cared for in March by Bob Stockinger and Cecil Strange.
10. The Veterans Club needs to provide the Clubhouse Committee with a calendar of events they will be sponsoring. After discussion revolving sponsorship of the Labor Day picnic it was determined the Club would sponsor the Memorial Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, and Labor Day picnics.
11. Henry Reist discussed how heart disease is now a presumptive service related covered event.