

**Sons Of The American Legion
Detachment of Illinois**

**2025 FALL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
American Legion Post 134, Morton Grove
December 06, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER

- Detachment Commander Wayne Madson called the meeting to order at 1130 hrs.
- The colors were in place, hand salute rendered.
- Detachment Chaplain Bryson Taylor gave the prayer.
- Detachment 1st Division Commander Wade Hudson led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Commander Madson led the POW/MIA Ceremony. Detachment Sgt-At-Arms Glenn Kraemer placed the flag.
- Detachment Sr Vice Commander John Nemanich led the Preamble.

ROLL CALL

Detachment Asst Adjutant Eugene Gort called the roll. The following were present. The full attendance report is available from Adjutant.

Detachment: Commander Madson, Sr Vice Nemanich, ANEC Vozar, Asst Adjutant Gort, Finance Officer Stander, Judge Advocate & Historian Trout, Judge Advocate Emeritus Stillwell, Chaplain Taylor, Sgt-At-Arms Kraemer, Cmdr's Sgt-At-Arms Brown & Ranney, Sr Vice's Sgt-At-Arms Z. Van Horn, Cmdr's Aides Vozar & Feger, Sr Vice Aide Ray, IPDC Allen

Excused: Adjutant Jeff Van Horn, Judge Advocate Emeritus JR Stillwell, Parliamentarian Tommie Cisna, Sr Vice Sgt-At-Arms Zach Van Horn, Sr Vice Aide Butch Ray

Divisions: 1st Division Cmdr Hudson, Sr Vice Pillman, Jr Vice Jacobs; 2nd Division Cmdr Hollis, Sr Vice Bacon, Jr Vice Taylor; 3rd Division Cmdr Slevin; 4th Division Cmdr Young, Sr Vice Morecraft; 5th Division Cmdr Trout

Districts: 2nd, 4th, 5th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 17th, 18th, 24th

PDC: Allen, Slevin Sr., Stander, Trout, O'Connell, Vozar

Dept Advisors: Reed

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JUDGE ADVOCATE COMMENTS

Detachment Judge Advocate Jeff Trout discussed who is eligible to make motions, etc. during the DEC.

MINUTES OF DETACHMENT FALL DEC

Motion by 12th District Commander Jim Schuppner to accept the minutes of the Fall DEC as printed, subject to audit, with second, the motion passes.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Sgt-At-Arms Kraemer introduced the guests.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

There were no Resolutions submitted for the DEC.

FINANCE REPORT

Detachment Finance Officer Stander asked if there were any questions regarding the printed finance report. He then discussed the importance of filling out expense report form correctly and timely. Motion by 9th District Commander Greg Jacobs to accept, subject to audit, with the second, motion passed.

COMMANDER'S REPORT

Commander Madson spoke of his year so far and how well the SAL, TAL and Aux are working together. He discussed the Division Trainings that are going on with the TAL, along with Revitalizations. Discussed the license plate program and Detachment raffle. He encouraged the Legion 250 Challenge.

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DIVISION COMMANDER'S REPORTS

First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Division Commander's gave reports on their efforts.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT & SQUADRON ACTIVITIES & #1 PINS

Detachment Senior Vice Commander Nemanich presented the #1 Pins:

He awarded those winners to the following:

Division Winner 1st Division at 74.33%

District Winners:

1 st Division	7 th District at 97.79%
2 nd Division	13 th District at 70.21%
3 rd Division	15 th District at 69.44%
4 th Division	17 th District at 72.48%
5 th Division	22 nd District at 62.90%

Nemanich commented about the Committee meeting. Ideas were discussed about different fundraising ideas and membership retention. IRA's, Blue Brigade, and the upcoming Caravan were also discussed.

STANDING COMMISSION & COMMITTEE REPORTS

ALL REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE END OF THE MINUTES

Americanism Commission

Commission Chairman Vozar delivered the report.

Children & Youth Commission

Chairman Hollis delivered his report.

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Finance Commission

Chairman Trout delivered his report. Motion by 24th District Commander Trout to spend \$400 out of Overage for Detachment members attending Washington Conference Sunday bus outing, with the second, motion passed.

National Security

Chairman O'Connell delivered the report.

Legislative Commission

Chairman Kraemer delivered the report.

Leadership & Training Commission

Chairman Miller delivered the report.

Veteran's Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission

The report is on file.

Public Relations Commission

Chairman Vozar delivered the report.

Commander's Advisory

Chairman Trout gave the report.

Motion by 9th District Commander Jacobs to accept all reports, minus the motion made during the Finance report, with the second, passed.

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COMMISSION/COMMITTEE DONATIONS

Squadron 911 - \$350 to CWF, \$200 to IDRF, \$300 GTTY, \$111 VCF
Squadron 690 - \$250 to Girls State, \$250 to Boys State, \$250 to CWF, \$250
to IDRF
9th District - \$1,358 to GTTY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

Thank you letters for our donations from:
Lake County Honor Flight and Greater Peoria Honor Flight.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN'S REPORT

NEC O'Connell stated he has no report.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE SAL

Presented a plaque to IPDC Rick Allen from CWF. Presented the hospitality
Resolutions.

ADVISOR'S REMARKS

None.

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Closing & Benediction

Sgt-At-Arms Kraemer held the raffle. IPDC Rick Allen won \$50. He donated it to Youth Police School.

Chaplain Taylor said a prayer.

Kraemer retrieved the POW/MIA flag.

The Colors were in place; a hand salute was rendered.

Commander Madson adjourned the meeting at 1314.

Minutes compiled by:

Eugene Gort
Detachment Assistant Adjutant.

Minutes completed by:

Jeffrey Van Horn
Detachment Adjutant



DETACHMENT OF ILLINOIS

2025 Winter DEC

December 6, 2025

American Legion Post 134

Morton Grove, Illinois

Wayne Madson, Commander

Jeffrey Van Horn, Adjutant

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2025 WINTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER Detachment Commander	
POST THE COLORS	Legislative Commission
INVOCATION Detachment Chaplain	S.A.L. Leadership Training Commission
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Host Division Commander	Veteran's Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission
POW/MIA CEREMONY Detachment Commander Detachment Sgt-At-Arms	GTTY Promoter Poppy Promoter VE&E Promoter VAVS Promoter E-Sports Promoter
PREAMBLE Detachment Senior Vice Commander	Commander's Advisory Committee
ROLL CALL Detachment Adjutant	Finance Commission
JUDGE ADVOCATE COMMENTS Judge Advocate	Convention Board of Managers
MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING	All Donations to Commissions & Committees
INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS Detachment Sgt-at-Arms	UNFINISHED BUSINESS
APPOINT RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE Detachment Commander	CORRESPONDENCE
FINANCE REPORT Detachment Finance Officer	NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN'S REPORT NEC or ANEC
MEMBERSHIP REPORT & ACTIVITIES Presentation of #1 Pin's Detachment Senior Vice-Commander	NEW BUSINESS
STANDING COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES	FOR THE GOOD OF THE S.A.L.
Americanism Commission Boys State Promoter Flag Alliance Promoter Contest Promoter Legacy Scholarship Promoter	Guests Remarks Special Awards Blue Brigade Jacket Squadron of the Year Other items
Public Relations Commission	ADVISOR's REMARKS
Children & Youth Commission Child Welfare Promoter	50-50 DRAWING
National Security Commission Police School Promoter	CLOSING Detachment Commander
	BENEDICTION Detachment Chaplain
	RETIRE THE COLORS
	ADJOURN Detachment Commander

Sign up for the Detachment email list. Send email to
SALJeffVH@gmail.com and request to be put on the email list.
Please include your Squadron, District or Division title.
Membership Report is updated weekly and posted on website at
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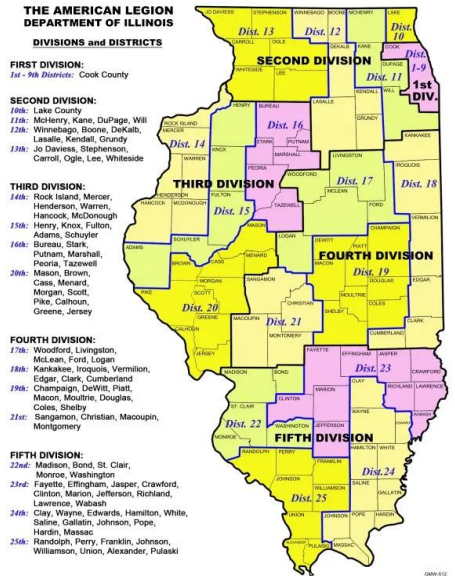
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2025 – 2026 Detachment Meeting Schedule

Membership & Squadron Activities Committee
Division and District Commanders & Sr Vice Commanders
Starts 90 minutes before each DEC.

Fall DEC -- September 13, 2025, 11:00 AM

Holiday Inn
1301 Avenue of Mid American
Effingham, IL 62401
217-540-7777

Illinois Legion Family Homecoming — September 13, 2025, Time: 6:00 social, 7:00 Dinner

Holiday Inn
1301 Avenue of Mid American
Effingham, IL 62401
217-540-7777
Hotel Info: Same as the DEC

Winter DEC -- December 6, 2025, 11:30 AM

American Legion Post 134
6144 West Dempster Street
Morton Grove, IL 60053
847-965-9503

Hotel Info: Holiday Inn Express, 7247 N Waukegan Rd, Niles, IL 60714
847-588-1400—American Legion Group Code: EG6 ends 11/14/25

Spring DEC – March 14, 2026, 11:30 AM

American Legion Post 6
221 East Washington Street
Macomb, IL 61455
309-833-2951

Hotel Info: Hampton Inn, 1639 E Jackson St, Macomb, IL 61455
309-837-6000

SAL CLOSE OF BOOKS 06/12/26

63rd Annual Detachment Convention – July 10-12, 2026

Springfield, IL 62701

54th Annual National Convention – August 28–30, 2026

Louisville, Kentucky

Updated 07/14/25

American Legion Dept. of Illinois 2026 FAMILY MEMBERSHIP CARAVAN

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15

DIV	DIST	POST	MEAL	TIME
3	15	Fairview Post 644	Dinner	6:00 PM

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16

3	16	Wyoming Post 91	Breakfast	8:30 AM
3	14	Milan Post 569	Lunch	11:30 AM
2	13	Sterling Post 296	Dinner	6:00 PM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17

2	10	Lake Zurich Post 964	Brunch	10:30 AM
1	2	Tattler 973	Snack	2:00 PM
2	11	Wood Dale 1205	Dinner	6:00 PM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

1	4	William McKinley 231	Brunch	10:30 AM
1	8	Marrs-Meyer Post 991	Snack	2:00 PM
2	12	Morris 294	Dinner	6:00 PM

MONDAY, JANUARY 19

4	17	Towanda 931	Dinner	6:00 PM
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 20—CARAVAN DAY OFF

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21

4	19	Bement Post 620	Brunch	10:30 AM
4	18	Marshall 90	Dinner	5:00 PM

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

5	24	Norris City Post 109	Lunch	12:30 PM
5	25	Orient Post 1961	Dinner	6:00 PM

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23

5	23	Diesen-Winkler Post 325	Lunch	12:30 AM
5	22	Mascoutah 292	Dinner	6:00 pm

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24

3	20	Brussels Post 685	Brunch	10:30 AM
4	21	Springfield Post 809	Dinner	5:00 PM

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May 1, 2025

TO: Detachment of Illinois Membership
FR: Harl "Butch" Ray, Past Detachment Commander
RE: State of Illinois SAL License Plates

Fellow Sons,

Do you want some free publicity for the Detachment of Illinois? Do you want a foolproof way to put funds in the Detachment of Illinois' budget each year? Have I got news for you! Now we can do both!

As explained at the Spring DEC, the Illinois Sons of The American Legion have been approved by the state legislature to have their very own special Illinois License plate for their vehicles! There is only one requirement at this point and that is that no plate will be manufactured until the office of the Illinois Secretary of State receives a minimum of 2,000 specialty plate applications from the SAL between now and December 31, 2026.

If you are interested, fill out the enclosed pre-filled application and then send it in to SOS with a \$10.00 check, money order, debit or credit card. These will be cashed immediately and the Office of the SOS will contact us once they have received the minimum number of applications needed. Each of us would be charged the balance due when we submit our applications once approved with the original \$10 accounted for.

Each registration will cost \$25 over whatever you currently pay for the registration of the vehicle you wish to have the SONS plate. Personalized plates are an option with a limit of 5 (five) character spaces on a truck or car plate and 4 (four) on a motorcycle. This will allow for combinations (first come, first served) as an example of NVC 25, DST 19, PDC 12, PNC 09, DIV 04, etc. There is an extra cost of approximately \$10 for personalized plates.

Here is where we win! Once the minimum has been met, \$10 of that \$25 comes back to the Detachment the first year these plates are issued. For each following year, \$23 of each \$25 will come back to the Detachment. If all we have is the 2,000 vehicle minimum, that's **\$20,000** that would be sent to the Detachment the first year and **\$46,000** for each and every year after that. With more than 2,000 vehicles sporting our plate, the more funds that will be generated. **It is a WIN, WIN for the Detachment of Illinois.**

Once these plates are on our vehicles, we will be advertising all of the **GREAT** things the Illinois SAL does all across our state and nation!

Let's get our plates on the road!



Secretary of State
Specialty License Universal Decals
Request and Guidelines

Secretary of State
Vehicle Services Department
501 S. Second St., Rm. 520
Springfield, IL 62756-5100
217-782-7758

ilsos.gov

Specialty universal decals are authorized by Illinois statute with the primary goal of raising funds for a specific organization(s). The decals are available to the public and are not awarded based on specific qualifying criteria. The Secretary of State's office will begin production of a new specialty decal category after receiving 2,000 requests for the decal. A non-refundable specialty license decals fee must accompany each plate request. The fee will be deposited into the special fund as designated by statute, regardless of whether or not the decals are produced. Design of the decal may be submitted by the requesting organization but ultimately is at the discretion of the Office of the Secretary of State. Please see sample on reverse, as well as the administrative rule for Universal Plate Decal guidelines.

Guidelines for Universal Decal Design and Artwork Preparation

- A standard license plate is 12" x 6" and the artwork area is 2 1/8" x 3" for standard plates and 1" wide x 1 1/2" high for motorcycle plates.
- Artwork may include colors using the Pantone Matching System (PMS); however, exact color matching is not guaranteed because the base colors used in license plate production do not correspond with the base colors of the Pantone System.
- Illinois license plates are printed on reflective sheeting. The legibility and colors in the artwork may be affected by the sheeting color.
- Organizations using trademarked or licensed artwork must provide proof of a licensure agreement when artwork is submitted.
- Prepare and submit a color sample to show the layout and use of color of the decal. You also may submit vector artwork of your design to the Secretary of State's office.
- The Office of the Secretary of State reserves the right to change any license decal design.

Name of Specialty Decal Being Requested: _____	Date: _____
Current License Plate Number: _____	Expiration Date: _____
Vehicle Owner's Name: _____	
Address: _____	
City: _____	State: _____ ZIP: _____
Daytime Phone Number (8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.): _____	
Signature: _____	Amount Enclosed: _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	Name of Specialty Decal: _____	Date Received: _____
	Vehicle Owner's Name: _____	
	Fee Received (check number): _____	

IL Universal Plate



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Title 92, Chapter II, Part 1010.459, subsection (c) of the Administrative Code states that an authorized organization shall be responsible for the following:

c) Authorized Organization

- 1) The authorized organizations approved by the General Assembly are set forth in IVC Section 3-699.14.
- 2) It is the responsibility of the authorized organization to design the decal it chooses to issue. The design must be approved by the Secretary prior to issuance to the public. Upon approval of the design, it is the responsibility of the authorized organization to purchase, distribute and maintain a sufficient inventory of the decals.

- 3) The authorized organization must make the decal available to any registered vehicle owner who has selected the organization to support under the statute.
- 4) The authorized organization shall communicate to the Secretary the method of receipt it will issue registered vehicle owners for presentation to the Secretary as evidence of purchase.
- 5) The authorized organization may charge a one time fee not to exceed \$25 per decal to the registered vehicle owner to recoup the costs of manufacturing and administration of the decal program.

d) Registered Vehicle Owner

- 1) The registered vehicle owner must select an organization approved by the General Assembly.
- 2) The registered vehicle owner must obtain the decal from the authorized organization of his or her choosing prior to application for the universal special plate. Upon application, the registered vehicle owner must present a receipt, as designated by the authorized organization, to the Secretary as evidence the decal was purchased.
- 3) The registered vehicle owner must maintain the chosen authorized organization's decal for the entire length of the registration. To choose a different authorized organization, one must apply for a new universal special plate.
- 4) The decal must be placed in the designated area on the universal special plate.

e) Decal Sticker Requirements

- 1) The authorized organization must contract with a manufacturer to produce the decal. A copy of the contract between the authorized organization and the manufacturer must be provided to and approved by the Secretary prior to production of the decal. The Secretary shall notify the authorized organization within 30 days after receipt if he or she has any objections to the terms and/or conditions of the contract. Information concerning the costs may be redacted from the contract prior to submission.
- 2) All decals produced for the authorized organization shall meet specific requirements. The decal must:
 - A) fit within a 2 $\frac{1}{8}$ " wide x 3" high space for a standard size registration plate.
 - B) fit within a 1" wide x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " high space for a motorcycle size registration plate.
 - C) adhere to the surface of the registration plate without the necessity of additional adhesive on the reflective material or application surface, or the use of water, other solvents, or heat techniques.
 - D) be precoated with a pressure sensitive adhesive that will create a durable bond to clean, dry, well-painted surfaces or unpainted corrosion proof metals. The adhesive must permit application to the prescribed surfaces and clean registration plates at temperatures as high as 125°F and as low as -10°F. The adhesive shall remain adhered at all temperatures for a minimum of five years under normal conditions of use.
 - E) maintain the integrity of the design chosen by the authorized organization for a minimum of five years under normal conditions of use.
- 3) The manufacturer must guarantee the correctness of the decals. Defective decals that will not properly attach to a registration plate, or those that are not properly pressure sealed, must be replaced by the manufacturer at no cost to the Secretary or the registered vehicle owner.
- 4) If, at any time, it becomes apparent that an authorized organization's decals failed to satisfy the minimum requirements set forth in this Section, the Secretary may order the authorized organization to destroy all additional decals in inventory and replace any decals issued to a vehicle owner with a decal that meets the above specifications. Any compensation the authorized organization receives from the manufacturer when decals are ordered to be replaced shall be determined by the terms of the contract between the authorized organization and the manufacturer. The authorized organization shall not issue any additional decals until the defect has been addressed to the satisfaction of the Secretary.

DETACHMENT OF ILLINOIS – SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

WINTER 2025 DEC AMERICANISM COMMISSION MEETING – 11/12/25

Meeting called to order at 7:06 PM

Members Present – Chairman Michael Vozar, Andrew Reinking

Members Absent: Kevin O’Connell, VC Tommie Cisna (E), Tom Ellis, Bryson Taylor (E), Phil Shipley.

Guests: Jeff Van Horn, John Nemanich, Butch Ray, Shawn Morecraft, Larry Miller

Chairman Vozar highlighted the National Americanism Call held on 11/10/25:

2025-2026 National Americanism goals are as follows:

- 1. A 10% increase in overall Boys State participation compared to 2025**
- 2. 100% participation in the Flying Flags for Heroes program by ALL detachments (at least one Squadron per Detachment) with at least 1 Million flag placements by August 8, 2026 before National Convention**
- 3. TBD – Will be related to America 250 Celebration. Consulting with Commander Clancy as this is part of his theme this year.**

Additional discussion from the National Call:

- As part of the Parent Child Initiative National C&Y has developed a Victory Garden Trifold explaining the program and will distribute soon
- National Junior Shooting Sports working on resolution to raise award amounts. Want to see the program expanded to other states. (Department Adjutant Josh is supportive and asked SAL to take the lead in IL. Illinois C&Y will coordinate with Ed Ranney as the lead)
- Legion World Series Centennial in 2027. SAL asked to raise funds for TAL Celebration. We will be selling custom Centennial baseball jerseys
- National Looking at Guidelines for Creation of C&Y Academies at Detachment Level – (Illinois C&Y is already looking into a program for State convention. Adam Anderson will be helping coordinate with Auxiliary)

Chairman Vozar stated his goal for the Commission is to develop and hold a Chaplain Training program this year.

- TBD if best held at the Spring DEC or State Convention.
- Nemanich will work with Taylor and Ray to develop and finalize a program.
- Nemanich has attended Legion Chaplain training in previous years at Convention and feels we can provide a better focus with our own program.
- Former National Chaplain Ray developed a SAL National Chaplains Manual which is a wealth of guidance and explains importance and value
- Taylor and Nemanich were recently contacted about helping honor a deceased SAL member. They will be visiting to assist and also present a memorial plaque. This further highlights the value of Chaplains and need for training as there have been several inquiries about this type of support.

Discussion of Americanism Programs

- Reinking has offered to craft a single source document highlighting the multiple Americanism programs. This can be a valuable educational and promotional guide for Squadrons to share with schools and community.
- Target date for draft is November 31st.
- Reinking is familiar with various education groups in the state and feels we have a great opportunity to be heard by multiple districts thru out the state.
- Department Oratorical Contest is in Bloomington on March 7th with District and Division contests coming up in January. There were only four participants at State last year.
- Four Chaplains Day is February 3 – Division or District Event? Brochure shared
- Essay Scholarship Program deadline February
- Lincoln Pilgrimage February 12th
- American Legion Family Day on April 25th.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM

Submitted by Michael Vozar
Detachment Americanism Chairman

**DETACHMENT OF ILLINOIS – SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
WINTER 2025 DEC PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING – 11/12/25**

Meeting called to order at 7:50 PM

Members Present – Chairman Michael Vozar, Andrew Reinking, Shawn Morecraft, Larry Miller

Members Absent: Eugene Gort (VC), Sergio Senese, John Tucker

Guests: Jeff Van Horn, John Nemanich

- Chairman Vozar discussed establishing a time standard for getting updates posted to the website. Webmasters were not in attendance to discuss further. He will follow up with them to develop a standard.
- Illinois is fortunate to have Butch Ray as a staff contributor to the National Millennium Newsletter. Eugene Gort has recently joined him as a contributor. Eugene welcomes hearing what your Squadron is doing for a possible Millennium story and photo or our Detachment Newsletter
- Discussed The Detachment Constant Contact e mail Newsletter. We always can use newsworthy information, articles and photographs. Vozar will reach out to Detachment leadership and C/C Chairmen with a schedule asking them to submit an article for publication. If you have made a Post on Facebook just copy the pictures/text and send to Eugene.
- Discussed that if you have a Squadron activity, District or Division Meeting coming up remember to have a Facebook event created. Mention your activity on Facebook local community pages as well as Squadron/Post Facebook pages.

- Discussed that there are other media opportunities beyond Facebook to publicize your event or activity. Local or regional newspapers, shopper guides and radio stations. These outlets are often overlooked. Write a simple press release for them or invite them to attend your event
- Let us know if you conducted/participated in any Veterans Day or Thanksgiving activities. Or other Squadron events. Post on your FB page, send a picture and note to Eugene for the Newsletter and also tag and send to the Millennium Newsletter Editor (rusty.myers@ymail.com)
- There is a National SAL program called Snapshots of Service. This recognizes Squadron activities based on one of the Four Pillars. Consider sharing your photos and videos for possible inclusion and recognition. Program information is included with these minutes.
- Andrew Reinking is working on a resource guide highlighting all of the Legion Americanism programs. This is something that will not only help in promoting but also get positive publicity out in our communities about the many good things the American Legion Family does for our veterans, Americanism, Children and Youth.

Submitted by
Michael Vozar
Detachment Public Relations Chairman



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION SNAPSHOTS OF SERVICE AWARD CONTEST RULES

AWARD RULES:

- Photos must be based on the Four Pillars of The American Legion
Americanism | Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation | Children & Youth | National Security
- Photos must be in a digital JPG or TIFF format
** Photos will become the property of the Sons of The American Legion
- Photos must not have a right of restriction
- Photos must contain members of the Sons with their covers or identifiable clothing on during the activity or even and a brief history of the event
- Entry form must be submitted from a Squadron
- Squadrons may submit a maximum of three (3) photos per category
- Contest will run each year from July 1st to June 30th, award submissions must be submitted to national headquarters by the **cut-off date of June 30th** to be considered. ** Photos must be from this time period

AWARD CATEGORIES:

AMERICANISM

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND REHABILITATION

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

NATIONAL SECURITY

** Plaques will be awarded during the National Convention to the (1st & 2nd) place winners in each category for a total of eight (8) awards

AWARD JUDGING:

Judging will be conducted by the Public & Media Communications Commission on the following criteria:

- Quality of Photo
- Best photo that symbolizes the support for the Four Pillars by the Sons of The American Legion
- Have Sons of The American Legion member or members in photo(s)

For more information visit the national SAL website at www.legion.org/about/american-legion-family/sons-of-the-american-legion/publications-and-forms



Year

The below listed highlighted items are required with each submission to be considered:

*** Snaps Entry Form * Brief description of entry* Adult Minor Release Forms**

Squadron Name

Squadron No.

Detachment

Attached are _____ photos under the following category (limit 3 per category)
Total # of photos

Submitted By

Email

Select a category below of submitted application:

: **Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation:**

Children and Youth:

National Security:

Brief description of the event and identification of participants:

Send completed Award Form, Photos and applicable Adult / Media Release Forms by one (1) of the below methods:

MAIL: The American Legion
Attn: SAL Awards
700 N. Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204

DEADLINE:
JUNE 30

Questions: 317-630-1205

EMAIL: SALawards@legion.org

REVISED: MAY / 2025





THE AMERICAN LEGION

MINOR MEDIA MODEL

RELEASE FORM

- A) the unrestricted right and permission to copyright and use, re-use, publish, and republish photographic portraits, pictures or video of me or in which I may be included intact or in part, composite or distorted in character or form, without restriction as to changes or transformations in conjunction with my own or a fictitious name, or reproduction hereof in color or otherwise, made through any and all media now or hereafter known for illustration, art, promotion, advertising, trade, or any other purpose whatsoever.
- B) I also permit the use of any printed or digital material in connection therewith.
- C) I hereby relinquish any right that I may have to examine or approve the completed product or products or the advertising copy or printed matter that may be used in conjunction therewith or the use to which it may be applied.
- D) I hereby release, discharge and agree to save harmless VISUAL MEDIA SPECIALIST, his/her heirs, legal representatives or assigns, and all persons functioning under his/her permission or authority, or those for whom he/she is functioning, from any liability by virtue of any blurring, distortion, alteration, optical illusion, or use in composite form whether intentional or otherwise, that may occur or be produced in the taking of said imagery or in any subsequent processing thereof, as well as any publication thereof, including without limitation any claims for libel or invasion of privacy.
- E) I have read the foregoing and fully understand the contents hereof. I represent that I am the [parent/guardian] of the above named model. For value received, I hereby consent to the foregoing on his/her behalf.

Date

Date Format: MM / DD / YYYY

(select date by clicking inside above box)

Minor's Name

Parent or Guardian

Address

City

State

Zip

Phone

Email

Witness

Request: 100th Anniversary Ad-hoc Committee Request: Call for Volunteers

Volunteer Opportunities for the 100th Anniversary Project

The Ad-Hoc Committee for the 100th Anniversary of the Sons of the American Legion (SAL) is seeking dedicated members from our Detachment to participate in a significant historical initiative. This project aims to create a comprehensive and authentic account of our organization's legacy, celebrating our impact on veterans and their families.

Available Volunteer Roles

- **Story Tellers:** Volunteers in this role will share and document memorable events and personal experiences that have shaped our Detachment's journey. Story Tellers are essential in capturing the spirit, achievements, and challenges of our organization, ensuring our unique history is preserved for future generations.
- **Archivists:** Members who serve as Archivists will organize, preserve, and catalog historical documents and artifacts. Their efforts will maintain vital records and memorabilia in an accessible and systematic manner, safeguarding our history.
- **Keeper of Old Photographs:** This role is for individuals interested in collecting, safeguarding, and curating historic photographs related to our Detachment. Keepers of Old Photographs will assemble a visual archive that highlights our legacy and commemorates significant moments from our past.

Information and Participation Requests

We ask the Detachment to provide a detailed list of past Commanders, including their years of service. Documenting this information is crucial for honoring the leadership and recording those who have guided our organization throughout its history.

Additionally, we encourage all members to share the 100th Anniversary Facebook page with their respective Squadrons. Members are invited to contribute photos and memories, ensuring each submission includes names, dates, locations, and photo credits. This collaborative effort will help enrich our historical record and foster greater community engagement.

Preserving Our History: Volunteer Roles and Participation

On behalf of the Ad-Hoc Committee for the 100th Anniversary of the Sons of the American Legion (SAL), we have received a formal request to identify members within our Detachment who possess a strong passion for our organization's history. This initiative is fundamental to creating a meaningful account of our legacy, going beyond a simple photo book to authentically tell the story of who we are and the impact we have made on veterans and their families.

Volunteer Roles Needed

- **Story Tellers:** We are looking for individuals who can share and document memorable events and experiences that define our Detachment's journey. Story Tellers will help capture the spirit, achievements, and challenges of our organization, ensuring our unique history is preserved for future generations.
- **Archivists:** Members willing to organize, preserve, and catalog our historical documents and artifacts are encouraged to serve as Archivists. Their dedication will help maintain important records and memorabilia in an accessible and systematic manner.
- **Keeper of Old Photographs:** Volunteers interested in collecting, safeguarding, and curating historic photographs related to our Detachment are invited to contribute as Keepers of Old Photographs. These individuals will help assemble a visual archive that highlights our legacy and commemorates significant moments in our history.

Information and Participation Requests

- The Detachment is asked to provide a comprehensive list of past Commanders along with their years of service. This documentation is crucial for honoring our leadership and recording those who have guided our organization throughout its history.
- We encourage everyone to share the 100th Anniversary Facebook page with all Squadrons. Members are invited to upload photos and memories, including names, dates, locations, and photo credits with each submission. This collaborative effort will enrich our historical record and promote greater community engagement.

Purpose

The materials and stories collected through these efforts will contribute to a robust and enduring historical record. This is an opportunity for us to present our identity to the wider community and highlight the support we provide to veterans and their families. By working together to share our experiences and preserve our heritage, we ensure that the legacy of the SAL continues to inspire and inform for generations to come.

Submission Details

All materials should be submitted to Bill Towns, Past National Historian, either at the Spring NEC or via email at tyler.vanice@gmail.com and docbill@neo.rr.com.

This is an excellent opportunity for the Detachment of Illinois to demonstrate its ongoing commitment to honoring our history and supporting veterans and their families.

Sincerely,

Rick Allen

Past Detachment Commander

2024-2025

Children & Youth Report

The Fall Detachment Children and Youth Committee Meeting was held on Monday November 10th and called to order at 8:05pm by the Chairman Bill Hollis. Roll Call was held, and the following members were present at the meeting:

Chairman: Bill Hollis – Present

Vice Chairman: Butch Ray – Absent

Member: Adam Anderson – Present

Member: Garrett Slevin, Sr. – Present

Member: Isaiah Curtis – Present

Promoter: Phil Stander – Present

Guests

Detachment Commander – Wayne Madson

Detachment Sr. Vice Commander – John Nemanich

Detachment Adjutant – Jeff Van Horn

5th District Commander - Ed Ranney

Old Business

There was an update on the CWF Socks. We still have socks available to sell or purchase. Phil Stander stated that we still have not sold enough socks to pay off the original purchase of the socks.

The 2nd annual Dart Tournament will be held on Saturday March 7th, 2026. It will be held at Post 32 again. The Dart Tournament will be three games of 501. There is a room block at the President Abraham Lincoln hotel. The flyers have been mailed out in the Detachment mailing.

New Business

Adam Anderson will be working with Angie Mulligan to get the young Son's more involved with the Jr. Auxiliary Patch Program. As well as working with the Auxiliary and Legion to set up a Illinois Children and Youth Academy like what was previously done at the National Convention. We also briefly discussed the Auxiliary Juniors and young sons conference that will be held April 18th and 19th in Monticello.

Ed Ranney will head up and start the Detachment a Jr. Shooting Sports program. More information to come.

We discussed spending a small amount and getting trophies for the Dart Tournament as well as the possibility of a traveling trophy.

Guest Comments

The Commander and Vice Commander gave positive closing remarks.

For The Good of The Sons

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm

SONS OF THE

 AMERICAN
LEGION
DETACHMENT OF ILLINOIS

DART

Tournament

2026

7
MARCH

TICKET
\$15

A BATTLE OF PRECISION AND NERVES OF STEEL (PLASTIC?).

THE MOST ANTICIPATED DART TOURNAMENT OF THE YEAR IS HAPPENING! THE 2ND ANNUAL DETACHMENT DART TOURNAMENT!

PUT YOUR SKILLS TO THE TEST AND TAKE HOME THE ULTIMATE BRAGGING RIGHTS.

TEAMS OF TWO! COME WITH YOUR TEAM OR WE WILL PAIR YOU UP.

PROCEEDS BENEFIT CMN
(CHILDRENS MIRACLE NETWORK)

STARTS AT 4:00 PM
AMERICAN LEGION POST 32
1120 SANGAMON AVE, SPRINGFIELD
FOOD AND DRINKS AVAILABLE AT POST FOR PURCHASE

CONTACT BILL HOLLIS FOR MORE INFORMATION AT
WHOLLIS.ILSAL43@GMAIL.COM

HOTEL BLOCK (ABRAHAM LINCOLN DOUBLETREE):
[HTTPS://WWW.HILTON.COM/EN/ATTEND-MY-EVENT/ILSONSOFAMERICANLEGION](https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/ilsonsofamericanlegion)



DETACHMENT OF ILLINOIS
WWW.SALILLINOIS.ORG

National Security Commission Detachment of Illinois Winter DEC Meeting Report

National Security met Monday Nov 17 via zoom at 7pm.

Following people were excused: Kevin O' Connell, Chad Miller, and Zach Van Horn.

Present Michael: Caveit, Troy Hempen, Detachment Commander Wayne Madson, Detachment John Nemanich, Detachment Adjutant Jeff Van Horn also present was Butch Ray, Phil Stander, Glen Kraemer.

Commander Madson led the meeting due to the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman. Topics of discussion was Ukraine purchasing 15 jets and money laundering scandals with top Ukraine officials. U.S. Navy having a big presence in the Caribbean due to Venezuela drug trafficking. Butch mentioned China newly discovered gold possibly valued at 390 trillion dollars in the next 20-25 years, something the United States need to watch. The Crown Prince of Saudi due to visit the White House Nov. 18 about purchasing F-35's aircraft. The National Ad Hoc Committee for National Security meet early October centering on Emergency Preparedness to send out information to Detachments to prepare for. Commander Madson would like to see more Squadrons host blood drives. Also made a push for Squadrons to sponsor kids for the Youth Police School.

Meeting ended at 7:18 pm

Sons of The American Legion - Detachment of Illinois -
Legislative Commission Zoom Meeting - Monday, November 10, 2025 - 7:00PM

Attendees -

Glenn Kraemer, Chairman (1st Division)
Wayne Madson, Detachment Cmdr
Bryson Taylor, Member (2nd Division)
Phil Shipley, Member (4th Division)
Ed Ranney

Larry Miller, Vice Chairman (5th Division)
John Nemanich, Detachment Sr. Vice Cmdr
Phil Stander, Detachment Finance Officer
Jeff Van Horn, Detachment Adjutant

Kraemer called the meeting to order shortly after 7PM. A brief overview of VA Services affected by the government shutdown was presented by Kraemer. This also included unaffected services such as VA medical centers, benefit processing, burials and the 24 Hour VA Crisis Line which all continued to function thanks, in part, to previous efforts by the American Legion to have the legislature pass laws to pre-fund these services for exactly times such as these.

The remaining topic of the meeting focused on activities of commission members and others who contact local or federal law makers to promote or discuss pending legislation on behalf of The American Legion and our veterans. Specifically, the SAL George B. Evans Grassroots Veterans' Advocate of the Year Award eligibility criteria was reviewed.

The award is presented annually at the National Convention to one SAL member who participates in all advocacy activities with law makers described in the program, participates in American Legion programs and related commissions/committees, attends appropriate meetings and events, and promotes these issues throughout the community. Last year, only two applications were received for review out of 55 Detachments. We believe Illinois members can and should be represented.

Additional discussion took place about the importance of sharing this program information at all Division, District and Squadron meetings whenever possible to identify Detachment of Illinois members who make the effort to meet most or all of the criteria while promoting the American Legion's position on these topics.

Guidelines for proper and organized contact with law makers at the state and national levels, resources and the Geo. B. Evans Award application can be found at [Legion.org Publications and Forms | The American Legion](https://www.legion.org/publications-and-forms)

Larry Miller, Vice Chair, reminded the commission that Washington Conference is scheduled for February 28 - March 4, 2026. Plans to attend should be made ASAP due to booking limitations.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30PM by Kraemer



Detachment of Illinois

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission

Zoom Meeting November 17,2025

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Williamson at 1930 hrs.

Attnd: Chair – Bruno Williamson (4th) **P**; Vice – Chris School (5th) **P**; Michael Yucuis (1st) **A**; Bryson Taylor (2nd) **P**; Shawn Morecraft (3rd) **P**.

Promoters: GTY – Jim Bacon **P**; VE&E & VAVS – Bruno Williamson **P**; Poppy - Butch Ray – **P**; E – Sports – Greg Lawrence **P**

Guests: Det Cmdr – Wayne Madson **P**; Det Vice John Nemanich **P**; Det Adj – Jeff Van Horn **P**; Glenn Kramer; Mike Caneviti, F.O. - Phil Stander Phil Shipley Illiana VAVS Deputy Rep.

The chairman welcomed everyone to this evening's meeting.

OLD BUISSINESS

State VA Homes

Michael - Chicago – NR

Bryson – LaSalle – 2nd Div, ALA does a lot of volunteer work there, currently working on a needs list. They do not need blankets. **See report**

Shwan – Manteno -- has an in person visit with 11/20/2025, also see report; he will also be providing information on Prince Home that is attached to Manteno. **See report**

Chris/Wayne – Anna – the onboarding at the state VA homes is considerably easier than the federal VA's. **See report**

Quincy – NR. Due to the chairman's foul up.

IDVA – the chairman is looking into the Detachment VA&R having a role with IDVA & possibly getting on the IVAC (Illinois Veterans Advisory Council) PNVC Ray volunteered to sit on that council if we can get on it.

Promoters.

Gift to Yanks (GTY) – Jim Bacon – problems with audio/visual. Det Adj spoke on GTY that our new chairman is having problems with getting info from the old chair & he asked Chairman Williamson to contact him for any information that he could give us for GTY

Veterans' employment & Education (VE&E) - Bruno Williamson – No report, there is nothing going at the SAL National level.

Poppy – NVC Butch Ray – **see report**. The adjutant reported that the machines that cut the poppies were down. They have been repaired & the Department HQ still plans on producing 1 million poppies this year.

Veterans Affairs Voluntary Services (VAVS) – Bruno Williamson - of the 5 VAMC's in Illinois we have SAL Representation in 4 of them. **Jessie Brown** – Derrick Stinson is the Representative; **Illiana** – Bruno Williamson is the Rep; Phil Shipley is the Deputy Rep; **Marion** – Jeff Trout is the Rep & Chris School is the Dep Rep; **Edward Hines – Bryson Taylor** is the Rep. We are looking for volunteers for **Cpt James Lovell Federated/Great Lakes**. To be a Representative or a Regularly Scheduled volunteer you only must volunteer 4 times a year. If you are the Rep/Dep if you go to the quarterly meetings; you have technically fulfilled your obligation. He also announced that we have a new VAVS associate Representative; Zach Van Horn will be at **Jefferson Barracks VAMC in St. Louis**.

Marion Rep Jeff Trout – **see report**

Illiana Rep Bruno – briefly spoke on what's going on at Illiana, especially the volunteer programs such as No Veteran Dies alone. This is a program where a patient is coming to the end of their life and there is either no family or there is not any family close by, the volunteer would be with that veteran. **See report**.

Hines Bryson – **see report**

New Business

None

Good Of

Detachment Vice Cmdr Nemanich –. He mentioned that Squad 690 had Bingo on the Surgical ward & on Jan 20,2026 they will have Bingo for the Psychiatric ward.

E – Sports – there was a lot of general discussion about this new ad hoc committee.

Glen Krammer discussed a project initiated by Tom Bertrum, aiming to provide each of the 220 residents at the Manteno State Veterans Home with a handheld radio, costing \$10 per unit. With Tom currently ill, Glen and Leah have stepped in to continue the project, and approximately half of the funds needed have already been raised.

Vice Chairman Schoo discussed the No Veteran Dies Alone program, that you must have some VA training & highlighted its significant value and the personal rewards that come from participating. He also echoed the chairman's sentiment that it requires a unique individual to take on this meaningful role.

The meeting adjourned at 2010 hrs.

Respectfully Submitted

Bruno "T" Williamson

Detachment VA&R Chairman

Department Veterans Employment and Education Commission,

when necessary shall initiate action concerning all matters affecting the economic well-being of veterans and or the establishment of all war veterans returning to civilian life after a period of active service in the armed forces of the United states; to keep the department commander and the executive committee informed concerning all developments affecting the economic welfare of veterans in all areas under the jurisdiction of the veterans employment and education Commission. The Commission shall study and recommend solution of problems relating to the employment, unemployment, underemployment, reemployment, and workers compensation of all war veterans who seek, or have, attachment of the labor force, public or private. The Commission shall assist veterans in the enforcement of the veteran's preference provision of the law in cases which may be referred to that show a violation of the spirit or letter of said veteran's preference provisions contained in federal statutes, federal civil service regulations, executive orders, or otherwise in all federal government employment. The Commission also presents citations to employers who do an outstanding job in hiring veterans, especially the handicapped veterans.

ILLINOIS VETERANS' HOME-ANNA

Anna was established in 1990 as a private establishment with the help from a WWII veteran who was also a state senator. The senator was wanting the veterans home their to help with the local economy and slight depression in the area. The home went to state funding in 2000 and is still run by the IDVA.

The grounds have two ponds for the Veterans use. I have been there several times to help with bating hooks, casting, and removing fish if needed. Afterwords there is a fish fry for all, including the staff, with the volunteers taking care of frying and serving.

The Volunteers include Legionnaires and Sons. To become a volunteer needs no training just a phone call or email to let them know you are interested to help. This is the BIG difference between State and Federal Facilities.

The services they provide are Mental and Dementia related, and spouses are welcome and the spouses are not asked to leave if the Veteran passes away.

This facility is one of the best I have seen. They have a very low to no turnover rate for the help with most having 20 plus years. Being a smaller home the help really gets involved with veterans and it is great to see.

As of October 2025

CAPACITY	Current Capacity	56
	Skilled Unit	50
	Domiciliary (Single Units)	06

CURRENT CENSUS	Skilled Unit	41
	Domiciliary (Full)	06

WAITING LIST	War Time Era Veteran-Short Term Skilled	01
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	War Time Era Veteran-Long Term Skilled	05
	Peace Time Era Veteran-Short Term Skilled	00
	Spouses- Short Term Skilled	16
DOMICILIARY	War Time Era Veteran- Short Term	05
	War Time Era Veteran- Long Term	07
	Peace Time Era Veteran- Long Term	01
	Spouse- Short Term DOM	21

***As of 10/03/2025 we currently have (7) open beds, and (1) open apartments that are being remodeled, and we are processing monthly admissions under The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) new updated admission guidelines.**

Applicants are currently being told the average wait time for a new applicant for short term skilled is approximately 1 to 3 months prior to the Covid-19 National Pandemic.

veterans DD214/discharge paperwork. If the applicant is a spouse and or widow, they will need the previously stated documents and a copy of the marriage certificate verifying his or her marriage to a veteran.

OVERVIEW OF EVENTS April 2025 through October 2025

MAJOR EVENTS HELD

Holidays and Special Days

- Good Friday
- Palm Sunday Church Service
- Easter Party
- Easter Sunday Worship
- Volunteer Recognition Ice Cream Social
- April Fool's Day
- Earth Day

- Kentucky Derby Day
- Cinco de Mayo
- VE Day
- Mother's Day
- Heroes Week
- Memorial Day Star Spangled Social
- Flag Day
- Army Birthday
- Father's Day Car Show and Cookout
- Juneteenth
- Flower Arranging—The Enchanted Garden Flower Shop
- Independence Day
- Shark Week
- Christmas in July
- Korean War Armistice Day
- Farmer's Market Day
- National Root Beer Float Day
- Purple Heart Day
- Fried Chicken & Waffles Day
- Bacon Lovers' Day
- VJ Day
- Grandparents' Day
- Patriot Day [9/11 Remembrance](#)
- Air Force Birthday Cake Cutting Ceremony
- POW/MIA Ceremony
- Oktoberfest

Volunteer Events

- Overflow Coffee Truck
- Gary Fravel-Fishing and Fish Fry
- Quilts of Valor
- American Legion VIP Visit
- Bible Study w/ Pastor Larry Crow
- Weekly Church Services w/ Mark and Melanie Mattias
- Music with Ken Carr, Dan Schingel, K-n-I Drifters, Lanakae, and, Tom and Kay Holt
- Pet Therapy: Jen Dagg, Steve and Cindy Miller, Laura Hurst, Becky McCormack
- Bingo: Elks and American Legion Auxiliary

Outings

- Elks Fish Fry
- Ladies Luncheon
- The Kitchen on Lafayette
- Kings Wok
- Giant City Lodge
- Movie: The Chosen
- Red Lobster
- The Haven
- Flamm's Orchard
- Peach Festival Parade
- Overflow Coffee Truck
- Veterans Day at Union County Fair
- Anna-Jonesboro Homecoming Parade
- Rodeo at Union County Fair
- Veterans Day at Illinois State Fair Du Quion
- POW/MIA Dinner VFW-Anna

Other:

- Monthly Birthday Parties
- Weekly Resident Shopping
- Bird Watching
- Baseball
- Colorful Creations
- Exercise Groups—Chair Tai Chi, Chair Yoga, Drum Fit, Chair Volleyball, Laughter Yoga,
- Garden Club
- Sensory Groups
- Ice Cream Socials
- NFL Kickoff Day [Tailgate Party](#)

Upcoming Major Events

- Navy Birthday Cake Cutting Ceremony
- Columbus Day
- Halloween
- Marine Corps Birthday Cake Cutting Ceremony
- Veteran's Day Parade and Bash
- Thanksgiving Day Family Dinner
- Pearl Harbor Day
- IVHA Christmas Party
- Christmas Eve

- Christmas Day
- New Years Eve Party
- New Years Day
- MLK Day
- Lincoln's Birthday
- Valentine's Day
- President's Day
- Elvis Birthday
- Mardi Gras
- St. Patrick's Day

Volunteer Events:

- Overflow Coffee Truck
- Gifts to the Yanks--American Legion Auxiliary
- Fall Fishing and Fish Fry with Gary Fravel
- Bible Study w/ Pastor Larry Crow
- Weekly Church Services w/ Mark and Melanie Mattias
- First Friday Mass with Fr. Uriel
- Music: Ken Carr, Dan Schingel, K-n-I Drifters, Lanakae, Tom and Kay Holt: Southern Gospel Vocal Duo
- Pet Therapy: Jen Dagg, Steve and Cindy Miller, Laura Hurst, Becky McCormack
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- Sensory Groups
- Ice Cream Socials

From The Volunteer Services Coordinator Desk

Volunteer Hours:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Total hrs</u>
Apr 2025	102
May 2025	279.50
June 2025	146.50
Jul 2025	151.50
Aug 2025	62
Sept 2025	50

Total number of active volunteers: **(64)**

ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

Honorably discharged Veterans who meet the following admission guidelines as follows:

Served in the armed forces of the US at least one (1) day of war time services between the dates recognized by the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs listed below.

Wartime eligibility service dates are:

- World War II: December 7, 1941 through December 31, 1946.
- Korean War: June 27, 1950 through January 31, 1955.
- Vietnam War: February 28, 1961 through May 7, 1975 (served in country) August 5, 1964 through May 7, 1975
- Gulf War: August 2, 1990, through November 30, 1995.

Served and has been honorably discharged or retired for a service connected disability or injury.

Served on active duty in the armed forces of the U.S. for 24 months of continuous service, or more and enlisted after 9/7/1980.

Served as a Reservist of National Guard member, and the service included being called to Federal Active Duty (excluding service on active duty for training purposes only) and completed the term.

Has been discharged for reasons for hardship or released from active duty due to a reduction in the U.S. armed forces prior to the completion of the required period of service. 90 Days Active Duty (I) have served as

an enlisted person at least 90 days on active duty in the armed forces of the U.S., and entered active duty before 9/8/1980, (2) have served as an officer at least 90 days on active duty in the armed forces of the U.S. and entered active duty before 10/17/1981. Reservist and National Guardsman with 20 years of service are eligible for Domiciliary Care only.

All applicants must have entered the service from the State of Illinois or resided in Illinois for one year immediately preceding the date of application for admission.

Wish List

Hygiene

Electric Razors, rechargeable, Norelco/clone

Clothing Donations

Polo Shirts (M, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL)

Cotton Slacks (M, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL)

Velcro Tennis Shoes (Sizes Men's 9-10-11-12-13-14)

Sandals with Velcro Straps (Sizes Men's 8 thru 13)

Suspenders (Men's)

Sweatshirts (M, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL)

Sweatpants (M, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL)

Monetary Donations

Newspaper Subscriptions

Postage Stamp Fund

Out to Eat Fund

Blackjack & Bingo

Christmas Fund

Sensory Garden Maintenance

Pet Fund

Homelike Environment Fund

Special Event Fund

Building & Small Equipment

Flags (US, POW, State)

Straight Talk Pre-Paid Phone Cards

Other Equipment

Cable TV Connections

Bedspreads

Room Renovation

Fishing Equipment

Therapeutic & Activity Equipment

Dementia Activity Kits (See Alzheimer's Association website for ideas)

Wireless Headphones

Robotic cats/dogs for therapeutic use

Baby dolls for therapeutic use

Snacks

Focus on shelf-stable, individually wrapped items.

Try to pick snacks with long shelf life

Sweet Snacks:

- Oatmeal Cream Pies
- Snack Cakes such as Zebra Cakes, Ding Dongs, Twinkies, etc.
- Applesauce cups (regular + unsweetened)
- Pudding cups (regular + sugar free)
- Jello cups (regular + sugar-free)
- Fruit cups in juice or water (peaches, mandarin oranges, mixed fruit)
- Granola bars (soft, chewy, low sugar options)
- Fig bars or Nutrigrain bars
- Individually wrapped cookies (soft and crunchy options)
- Muffins individually wrapped, mini-size, soft)
- Mini donuts (shelf-stable packs)
- Assorted chocolates and soft candies

Savory Snacks:

- Crackers (graham, Ritz-style, peanut butter)
- Cheese crackers (like Cheez-Its or Goldfish)

- Popcorn (low salt/butter, pre-popped bags)
- Chips (individually wrapped/assorted boxes) especially:
- Fritos
- Chesters
- Lays
- Cheese puffs
- Protein bars (low sugar, soft texture)

Beverages

- Hot Chocolate mix in cans
- Coffee: Regular and Decaf
- Soda

Hines VA Report

- There is currently no veterans transportation for Hines. Only 2 buses that can take 8 veterans each.
- Veterans at Hines are in need of T-shirts for when they change clothes. They must be colored shirts for female veterans. Shirt sizes need to be size Large and up. Underwear and toiletries are also needed.
- With the previous hold on SNAP benefits, CBOCs are asking for grocery store gift cards between \$25-\$50, to be distributed among the CBOCs. Kankakee CBOC is priority because they are not being replenished consistently due to no active post or organizations donating.

LaSalle VA Home Report

1) why it's there, how long has it been there, can spouses live with the veteran,

- Since 1990
- Yes as long as they have lived in Illinois for at least a year.

2) what services they have (mental health; dementia etc.),

- Medical and Nursing Care. Recreational and rehabilitative therapy, social services and pastoral services and Memory Care. Houses 190 veterans.

3) what can we do as a Veterans Service Organization (VSO) at your facility?

- Volunteer
- Encourage others in the community to volunteer.

4) What is the process to become a volunteer there or to be an SAL representative? Is there an application form & training like there is with the federal VA's?

- Yes there is application

5) Volunteer opportunities,

- Serving food
- Escorting residents to appointments
- Leading projects and events
- Playing games/recreational activities

6) Lastly what are their needs? perpetual needs - stuff that they need all of the time, occasional needs- what they need once in awhile.



ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

ILLINOIS VETERANS HOME - LASALLE

RESIDENT DONATION LIST:

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF ITEMS THAT OUR VETERANS USE IN THEIR DAY TO DAY LIVES AT THE ILLINOIS VETERANS' HOME IN LASALLE. WE UPDATE THIS LIST MULTIPLE TIMES A MONTH. PLEASE CONTACT US FOR AN UPDATED COPY AS NEEDED.

PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- MOISTURIZING BABY LOTION
- PHILLIPS NORELCO 3500 REPLACEMENT BLADES
- EMERY BOARDS
- DENTURE ADHESIVE STRIPS
- MEN'S BODY WASH
 - CAN BE 3 IN 1
- TOENAIL CLIPPERS
- MOUTHWASH

MISCELLANEOUS

- COLORED DESSERT PLATES (DOLLAR TREE)
 - 7 INCH BY 7 INCH- PARTY! BRAND
- COLORED TABLECLOTHS (DOLLAR TREE)
 - RECTANGLE SIZE (54 INCH X 108 INCH)
- 12" X 12" QUICK FRAME (HOBBY LOBBY)
 - GREEN TREE GALLERY BRAND
- CELEBRATE! BRAND PUNCH BALLOONS
 - 4 CT. FROM WAL-MART
- BIRD SEED
 - WILD BIRD FEED

Please Note for regulatory reasons, we cannot accept:

- Used Clothing/Shoes/Personal Items
- Medical Supplies (New or Used)
- Home-Made Food
- Expired Food/Drink

SNACK/FOOD ITEMS

- CHESTER'S PUFF CORN
 - BUTTER/CHEESE
- 1 GALLON TUBS ICE CREAM
 - CHOCOLATE & VANILLA
- SINGLE SERVE BAGS OF CHIPS
- SOFT DRINKS
 - ROOT BEER, COKE, DIET COKE, PEPSI
 - DIET PEPSI, SPRITE, ORANGE SODA
- HAWAIIAN PUNCH - GALLON SIZE
- SNACK CAKES
 - LITTLE DEBBIE/HOUSTESS
- REGULAR SIZED CANDY BARS
 - SNICKERS, MILKY WAY, TWIX,
 - REESE'S CUPS, M & Ms, ETC.
- WHITE CAKE MIXES
- FROSTING

CLOTHING

- MEDIUM, LARGE & XL SWEATPANTS
 - (UNISEX) WITH ELASTIC BOTTOMS
- SKETCHER'S CHAOS STIVIG BRAND
 - SLIP IN SHOES NO LACES
 - SIZES 9, 9.5, -12, 12.5
- MEN'S CREW SOCKS (WHITE)
 - SIZING 9-13 OR LARGER

WE DO NOT NEED:

- BLANKETS OF ANY KIND

Illiana VAMC report & wish list

Currently Green homes 7 & 8 are under construction & then homes 9 & 10 will be built. The homes are a little like Fisher Houses. These homes have 10 separate bedrooms with a bathroom. There is a shared family room, dining area, sunroom, and an impressive kitchen. This facility offers long-term housing, like assisted living or a nursing home. The hope is there will always be 8 homes in operation and 2 being rehabbed or repaired. When the homes are completed the community building will be built.

CBOC's – Illiana has 5 CBOC's (community outpatient clinics) Peoria, Bloomington, Decatur, Springfield & Mattoon. The Springfield clinic is going to get a new building once the property is selected. VA hopes that it will happen in 2027 & a new facility will be built by 2030. Champaign will be getting a CBOC & a space has been found with a soft opening in June 2026. It will have 2 primary care teams and as more veterans use this CBOC, more teams will be bought on.

Volunteer Opportunities- Veterans Transportation Network (VTN); Red Coat Ambassador; No Veteran Dies Alone; Parking Lot Shuttle Driver; CLC's & Green homes.

Wish/Needs List

DQ Gift Cards \$5-\$10 Wal-Mart Gift Cards \$5-\$10 Meijer Gift Cards \$5-\$10
Starbuck Gift Cards \$5-\$10 Applebee Gift Cards \$5-\$10 Paintable Ceramics
Belts-size 32-42 Winter Coats – Large & Ex. Large White T-shirts – Large & Ex. Large
Car/Sports T-shirts – Ex. Large and 2 XL Shoes All Sizes Birthday Decorations for each home
Holiday Decorations Infinity Game Board Baby Brushes

ILLINOIS VETERANS HOME AT MANTENO

The Manteno Veterans Home, established in 1986, sits on 122 acres, including a 1.75 acre lake. The facility offers a peaceful setting with accommodations ranging from large to private visitation areas.

CAPACITY and Care:

- 300-bed skilled nursing unit
- 40-bed Alzheimer's/Dementia unit

Current occupancy is 215 residents, with 182 residing in the skilled nursing unit and 33 in the Alzheimer's/Dementia unit.

Current Residents:

- 207 are male
- 8 are female
- The average is 82
- The oldest is 103
- The youngest is 45

Veteran Era Breakdown:

- 4 World War II
- 52 Korea
- 154 Vietnam
- 5 Gulf War

Also located on the grounds is the “Prince Home”, which will house veterans and spouses once renovations are complete in mid 2026.

Eligibility:

- Honorable discharge with wartime or active duty service
- At least one year Illinois resident
- Disabled that prevents veteran from work

Amenities:

- Library
- Barber & Beauty shop
- Bank
- Chapel
- Woodworking shop, open two days a week, where residents create handcrafted items that are sold semi-annually at craft show, with proceeds supporting residents activities.

• **Volunteer Opportunities:**

After speaking with their volunteer coordinator, the main thing they could use help with is volunteers to help wheeling residents around the facility, especially during any event, such as fish fry, cookout, holiday festivities etc. They do have an ongoing standard list such as coffee, soda pop, especially root beer, sweat outfits and toiletries. As an organization there is no application or requirement to volunteer



ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS



ILLINOIS VETERANS HOME AT MANTENO

MEMBER NEEDS LIST

The following is a list of items that our Veterans use in their day to day lives at the Illinois Veterans' Home in Manteno. We update this list multiple times a month, please contact us for an updated copy as needed.

Items in **yellow highlight** are most needed at this time.

CLOTHING:

Men's button-down shirts, M to 2XL
Men's T-Shirts (**not** undershirts), XL to 4XL
Men's Zip Up Sweatshirts – Size M to 4XL
Men's Sweatpants – XL to 3XL
Velcro Tennis Shoes, sz 11W, 11.5W & 12W
Men's slippers, sizes 11 to 15
Military Branch Caps/Hats
Men's pajama sets, Large
Men's Long Sleeve T-shirts, L
Neckties

PERSONAL CARE:

Electric Razors
Men's Body Spray (Axe, etc.)
Non-Alcoholic Mouth Wash

MISCELLANEOUS

Pocket Talker Personal Amplifiers
Portable Bluetooth Speakers
Thermal Beverage Tumblers with handle, straw, and lid
Sunglasses – Men's, Women's, Unisex
Grabber reaching/pickup tools, various lengths
Universal phone chargers

SNACK FOODS/DRINKS

Sugar/Sweetener packets (individual)
Individual liquid coffee creamers, original flavor, French Vanilla, Hazelnut
Canned Coffee – no Decaf
Miniature Candy Bars (assorted)
Individual bags of chips (assorted)
Gatorade – regular & sugar free
Pop – Regular & Diet, Cans
Root beer (cans)
Individually wrapped snack cakes
Individually wrapped mini-donut packs
Shelf Stable Microwave Meals (Mac & Cheese cups, Rice-a-Roni cups, Hormel Compleats)
Tuna/Chicken Salad & Crackers Snacks
Bottled Water

PAPER/DISPOSABLES

Sturdy Coffee Cups w/ Matching Lids
Sturdy Paper Plates – no Styrofoam
Heavy Duty Cutlery

For regulatory reasons, we **cannot** accept:

- Used Clothing/Shoes/Personal Items
- Furnishings/Bedding/Towels
- Medical Supplies/Equipment
- Home-Made Food
- Expired Food/Drink

Please call (815) 907-3545 to schedule delivery – no weekends please.

Please only bring donated items to Volunteer Services.

Manteno Veterans Home

Volunteer & Facility Overview

Manteno Veterans Home

The Manteno Veterans Home was established in 1986 and sits on 122 acres of land, including a 1.75-acre lake that adds to the peaceful environment. The facility provides a wide range of accommodations, from large veterans' halls to private visitation areas, ensuring both community and personal space for residents.

Capacity and Care - 300-bed skilled nursing care unit - 40-bed Alzheimer's/Dementia unit

Prince Home Also located on the grounds is the Prince Home, which can house up to 15 homeless veterans. Each veteran has a private bedroom along with designated areas to develop skills and confidence necessary for independent living. Note: The Prince Home is currently closed for renovations and is expected to reopen in early 2026.

Amenities Residents have access to a variety of services and conveniences, including: - Library - Barber and beauty shop - On-site bank - Chapel - Woodworking shop (open two days a week for projects sold at semi-annual craft shows, with proceeds supporting residents)

Eligibility To be eligible for admission to the Manteno Veterans Home, applicants must: - Have an honorable discharge with a record of wartime service or be currently on active duty - Be an Illinois resident for at least one year - Be disabled to the point of being unable to earn a living - Please note: This home is for veterans only — spouses are not eligible

Volunteer Opportunities The Manteno Veterans Home has a high demand for volunteers, with tasks that include: - Organizing and putting away donated items - Wheeling members to and from chapel, and assisting during services - Helping members access the pond for fishing activities - Supporting the weekly breakfast provided for residents - Wheeling members within facilities for activities and programs - Assisting members traveling to the barber and beauty shop - Assisting in the woodworking shop (projects made here are sold twice a year at craft shows, with

proceeds directly benefiting members)

There is also an ongoing needs list (see attached) for volunteer support and donated goods.

Volunteer Requirements To serve as a volunteer at Manteno Veterans Home, you must: - Have a valid TB test - Have received at least the first COVID-19 vaccination - Complete a volunteer application (see attached)

Marion VA Update

11/17/2025

Volunteers met October 20th in Marion.

There is training for **No Veteran Dies Alone** program. This program is set for Veterans that are close to passing and we want to see that there is someone next to him at all times for when he passes on.

This training will guide you on how to help a Veteran who has no family or could not be there for him.

We talked about the Thanksgiving Blessing Boxes. More than 300 were handed out last year, this year we have a list but instead of buying the black and yellow container boxes we should use a box or bags. The cost of the container was too high for 300 boxes and was decided to use the money on food. There are two options, 1) to purchase the food on the list or 2) purchase a \$75.00 Walmart gift card. They were asking for help on either putting the boxes together or delivery of Blessing boxes.

New Business

New process for attaining PIV cards, they will be 5year card now with new process for attaining them such as background checks.

Mobility and DME Fair. Nov 5th

Caregiver Support Nov 6th

Marine Corp Birthday Nov 10th

Veterans Day Event Nov 11th

Lung Cancer Screening nov 18th

Blood Drive Nov 28th

CURRENT VETERAN NEEDS

The following needs are ongoing and continuous. As needs change, increase, or decrease, this list will reflect those changes. If you have any questions pertaining to urgent needs, please contact our office at 618-993-4121.

Ongoing Needs

- ✓ Non-perishable food for hospice family members
- ✓ Non-perishable food for homeless Veterans (Evansville/Marion)
- ✓ iTunes cards – used to assist those with cognitive deficits i.e., memory, through a cognitive therapy also for Rec Therapy
- ✓ Cell Phones
- ✓ New clothing ONLY – underwear, t-shirts, sweatpants, slacks, khakis (M-4X), athletic shoes (size 10-11.5), work boots, slippers (M/F), Winter Coats (M-3X) both male and female
- ✓ Coffee
- ✓ Can openers
- ✓ Men's Belts
- ✓ Bingo prizes/Crosswords/Adult Coloring Books
- ✓ Special Event Drawing Prizes i.e., new book sets (Westerns)
- ✓ Regular size tubes of toothpaste (not sample or trial size)
- ✓ Regular size bottles of shampoo (not sample or hotel size)
- ✓ Individual toothbrushes/Efferdent
- ✓ Razors
- ✓ Gas Cards/Gift Cards/Bus Passes
- ✓ Gift cards for Panera Bread, Wendy's, and Aldi's in \$5.00 and \$10.00 increments.
- ✓ Bowling Gift Cards
- ✓ Assorted Model Kits
- ✓ Lotion, body wash
- ✓ Kleenex, toilet paper, dish soap, detergent, etc.
- ✓ Female scented products such as deodorant, soap, body wipes, female razors, hand sanitizer, hair spray
- ✓ Tampons and pads
- ✓ Briefs/boxers, medium to XL
- ✓ White t-shirts, medium, L, XL, 2XL
- ✓ Hand sanitizer
- ✓ Grocery pull carts – for food pantry visitors

Food Pantry Staples (Please consider pop top lids for canned items)

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|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ✓ Canned chicken, tuna, meats | ✓ Dry dog food/Cat food |
| ✓ Beef stew | ✓ Spaghetti sauce and noodles |
| ✓ Pork and beans/baked beans | ✓ Garlic & onion powder |
| ✓ Chili/Manwich | ✓ Peanut butter crackers |
| ✓ Ravioli/canned pasta | ✓ Canned chicken and dumplings |
| ✓ Coffee in the food section | ✓ Small bottles vegetable oil |
| ✓ Hair shampoo /conditioner | ✓ Canned tomatoes |
| ✓ Jiffy mix | ✓ Canned fruit in light syrup |
| ✓ Manwich | juice – pineapple, peaches |
| ✓ BBQ sauce | ✓ Peanut butter |
| ✓ Salad dressing/ mayonnaise | ✓ Jelly |
| ✓ Saltines | |

MICROWAVEABLE MEALS-

- ROAST BEEF
- TURKEY & GRAY
- BEEF STEW

Dry Beans

CANNED CHILI

HEARTY SOUPS SUCH AS PROGRESS

- ✓ ↑ Canned soup
- ✓ Small boxed dry cereal
- ✓ Oatmeal
- ✓ Macaroni and cheese
- ✓ Canned/dry milk
- ✓ Mashed potatoes
- ✓ Popcorn
- ✓ Canned dog/cat food
- ✓ Granola bars
- ✓ Spam
- ✓ Canned vegetables
- ✓ Small bags of sugar
- ✓ Stovetop stuffing

This list was emailed to 5th Division and District we had several people reach out on how to help on both the SAL and TAL side.

Nov 17th 2025 DET VA&R E-Sports Report

The Department Ad-Hoc E-Sports Committee was established in response to the national initiative promoted by American Legion Gaming (ALG) to expand organizational involvement in e-sports as a means to further advance the mission of the American Legion. The committee's primary objective is to encourage a grassroots movement that promotes e-sports across posts, squadrons, and auxiliary units through district-level engagement. This effort aims to build awareness of the growing interest in creating a department-level gaming program.

Video games offer numerous benefits that support the well-being of veterans. These include mental stimulation, emotional resilience, symptom relief, social connection, and opportunities for personal growth. Such benefits are especially meaningful for individuals experiencing PTSD, substance-use disorders, disabilities, or who have limited access to traditional therapies. Gaming events can also enhance camaraderie, connect veterans with supportive resources, and strengthen the sense of community within the organization.

Building a gaming community within the American Legion presents additional advantages, including enhanced recruitment, improved member retention, expanded outreach opportunities, and new fundraising avenues. Committee member Joshua Deron brings several years of experience in organizing gaming events throughout northeastern Illinois and has developed a practical roadmap to help establish and sustain an active gaming community. Posts are encouraged to avoid purchasing gaming equipment until they gauge member interest, and should host friendly gaming events, online and in person, in collaboration with other posts, squadrons, auxiliary units, and other veterans organizations.

American Legion Gaming provides a comprehensive toolkit designed to guide posts and departments in launching successful gaming initiatives. They also maintain a strong social media presence, and it is recommended that members be made aware of these resources. Additional information can be found on their website: <https://americanlegion.gg/>

Price sheet for a basic gaming kit (prices as of Sept. 2025):

- Overall expected price \$800 - \$1,500+ per setup.
- All prices are standard new prices excluding sales and bundle deals.
- Users are able to log into each console option using their personal account and play games they own.
- Players can bring their own controllers
- Consoles will require an internet connection and wired networking is recommended when multiple consoles will be in use.

PS5 (no disc drive) \$500

PS5 (w/ disc drive) \$550

(Screen resolution - 4k 120hz)

PS5 Pro (no disc drive) \$750 + \$80 for disc drive add on

(Screen resolution - 8k 60hz)

- (HDMI 2.1 cable and 1 controller included)
- 1 additional controller \$70 (up to 4 total)
- Online subscription \$10/ \$15 / \$18mo or \$80/ \$135/ \$160yr

Xbox series S (no disc drive) \$379 (512GB) - \$430 (1 TB)

(Screen resolution - 1440p 120hz)

Xbox series x \$550 (no disc drive) / \$600 (w/disc drive)

(Screen resolution - 4k 120hz)

- (HDMI 2.1 cable and 1 controller included)
- 1 additional controller \$70 (up to 4)
- Online subscription \$15 / \$30/mo

Nintendo Switch 2 \$450

(Screen resolution - 4k 60hz/120hz)

- HDMI cable and 2 joycons included
- 2 additional joycons \$70 (up to 8 total)
- Online subscription \$4/mo \$20/ \$50yr

Gaming PC, console equivalent (rough estimate)

Custom built w/new parts \$800+

Prebuilt PC \$1,000+

- Gaming controllers ea (varies) \$30+
- Online subscriptions, varies (generally none)

Displays and other accessories:

27"+ gaming monitor \$150 - \$500

55" 4k 60hz tv \$300 - \$500

55" 4k 120hz tv \$500 - \$700

65"+ 8k tv \$1,200 - \$10,000

Freestanding TV tripod \$40

Case Club Pro Gaming Station to Fit Xbox Series X or S Console 24" 144hz 1080p - \$800

<https://www.caseclub.com/product/xbox-series-x-s-portable-gaming-station-with-built-in-monitor/>

Xbox adaptive controller \$100 + additional switches and buttons

(Customizable controller for people with disabilities, works with other consoles and PC.)

Console storage case \$30 - \$100

Android TV box \$20 - \$100

Commander's Advisory 23 November 2025

The meeting was brought to order at 6:30 pm by Chairman Jeff Trout. Committee members present were Kevin O'Connell, Mike Vozar, Tommie Cisna, Rick Allen and Jeff Trout. Guests present were Commander Wayne Madson, Sr Vice Commander John Nemanich, Adjutant Jeff Van Horn, Detachment Advisor Bill Flanagan and Phil Stander.

Chairman Trout asked each of the Division representatives if they had any comments or questions for Commander Madson. All of the Committee members agreed that the Commander is doing a great job. Commander Madson was informed by committee member O'Connell that an upcoming wreath laying is a very small affair that will only last a few minutes. Member O'Connell stated he mentioned this because of the travel and time involved for the Commander to be there and recommends that he ask Senior Vice Nemanich to stand in for him. The committee strongly recommended that with Commander Madson engaged elsewhere on that day he should allow the Senior Vice to stand-in.

Member Tommie Cisna pointed out that with the recent Haven Jamboree held in the 5th Division that people should be aware that there is also a Haven in the 4th Division. While both entities have the same name, they are not related. Advisor Bill Flanagan pointed out that we have had this confusion in the past as there is a Haven House located in Marion that is not related to The Haven in Marion. Member Cisna stated, he only brings this up as many of our members attend the 5th Division Haven Jamboree and then go back to their Divisions and talk about the Jamboree. He wants to be sure everyone is aware of the potential confusion and should elaborate on which location they are talking about.

Commander Madson thanked the Committee for their input and support. He then took the opportunity to speak on The American Legion revitalizations being held throughout the state. The Sons are also invited to each of these to participate and the Commander and other members have used this time to do "Buddy Checks" on our fellow members. The Commander commented that there have been good results in doing this and pointed out there is a revitalization scheduled for December 11 & 12 in Decatur.

Adjutant Van Horn stated he had spoken with Department Adjutant Josh Thielen, Convention Chairman Mike Walton and Detachment Advisor Bill Flanagan about changing the schedule for the Sons Detachment Convention. Commander's Advisory supports the decision to make these changes as it will result in cost savings for the American Legion Family as well as individual members because the schedule is cut down from three(3) days to two(2). While some adjustments may be made, the following is a rough outline.

Friday Pre-Convention DEC: 12:30 – 1:30 Session 1: 2:30 – 5:00
Saturday Session 2 will start 30 minutes after the Combined Memorial Service to be completed by 12:00. This includes election and installation of Officers.

Currently, the thought is to provide MyLegion training on Friday morning and Children and Youth will hold a Youth Academy for our young Sons and Junior Auxiliary members after close of Convention on Saturday afternoon.

With nothing further to be brought before this committee the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 pm.

Jeff Trout
Chairman

FINANCE COMMISSION
23 NOVEMBER, 2025

Meeting opened at 7:05 pm. Committee members present were Kevin O'Connell, Garrett Slevin Sr., Tommie Cisna, and Jeff Trout. Gerald Boyd was excused. Guests present were Commander Wayne Madson, Sr Vice Commander John Nemanich, Adjutant Jeff Van Horn, Detachment Advisor Bill Flanagan, Finance Officer Phil Stander, Bob Tharp and Rick Allen.

Finance Officer Phil Stander reported that to the date of this meeting we had received \$2380 for the Detachment Sweepstakes. He also wanted to inform the commission that ANEC Mike Vozar has gone over his line item by \$24. The commission agrees that there is a potential for additional funds to be needed.

Member O'Connell wished to make the commission aware that the National Emergency Response ad hoc committee is working on several scenarios that would help the Sons since notification we are not eligible for National Emergency Fund grants from The American Legion. He stated that we should be on the lookout from National a letter requesting a donation for this program. He had no further details.

NVC candidate Phil Stander notified the commission that his presence has been requested at the following events; Washington Conference, Commander Bill Clancy's Homecoming and the Western Region Round-up. Reimbursement for these events will come from the National Candidate Fund.

Tommie Cisna motioned up to an additional \$400 to cover bus trip and meals for Washington Conference participants plus one (1) guest each. Garrett Slevin seconded. Motion passed. Finance Officer Stander stated that he needs to know by close of the Winter DEC in Morton Grove who will be attending so he can submit the registration form.

With nothing further to come before the Commission, meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Jeff Trout
Chairman

11:49 AM
11/20/25
Cash Basis

SAL GENERAL ACCOUNT
Balance Sheet
As of November 20, 2025

	<u>Nov 20, 25</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Annual Donations	10,391.04
Children and Youth	1,291.73
EDWARD JONES	
AMERICAN BALANCED FUND - A	29,095.51
INVESTMENT CO OF AMERICA...	49,646.56
Total EDWARD JONES	78,742.07
National Candidate fund	37,531.38
Overage Savings	70,333.64
SAL General Checking	22,691.12
Scholarships	21,187.23
Total Checking/Savings	242,168.21
Total Current Assets	242,168.21
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>242,168.21</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	205,037.44
Retained Earnings	35,690.91
Net Income	1,439.86
Total Equity	242,168.21
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>242,168.21</u>

SAL GENERAL ACCOUNT
Budget vs. Actual
 August 2025 through July 2026

	Aug '25 - J...	Budget	\$ Over Bu...
Income			
100000 - INCOME			
110000 - PER-CAPITA	16,989.50	70,000.00	-53,010.50
120000 - INTEREST	4.50	20.00	-15.50
130000 - CONVENTION			
130001 - REGISTRATION	0.00	900.00	-900.00
Total 130000 - CONVENTION	0.00	900.00	-900.00
150000 - OTHER			
150001 - Dept. SWEEPSTAKES	3,331.82	2,500.00	831.82
150003 - Detachment Sweepstakes	2,380.00	24,313.00	-21,933.00
Total 150000 - OTHER	5,711.82	26,813.00	-21,101.18
170000 - INVESTMENT			
	5,916.58	10,000.00	-4,083.42
Total 100000 - INCOME	28,622.40	107,733.00	-79,110.60
160000 - DONATION SAVINGS			
160005 - CHILD WELFARE FNDD.	250.00	0.00	250.00
160008 - GIFTS TO YANKS	220.00	0.00	220.00
160025 - COMMANDERS PROJECT	395.00	0.00	395.00
160026 - OP. COMFORT WARRIOR	298.00	0.00	298.00
160032 - THE HAVEN	250.00		
160034 - ILL. DISATER RELIEF	6.00	0.00	6.00
16035 - VCF (Veterans and Childrens Foundation)	310.00		
Total 160000 - DONATION SAVINGS	1,729.00	0.00	1,729.00
Total Income	30,351.40	107,733.00	-77,381.60
Expense			
010000 - ADM. NON-BUDGETED ACCT			
010006 - MISC.	6,178.01	0.00	6,178.01
010011 - NAT. REPORTS	800.00	0.00	800.00
010012 - detachment Sweepstakes	358.00	15,000.00	-14,642.00
010013- chair/prom dept meet/10	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Total 010000 - ADM. NON-BUDGETED ACCT	7,336.01	16,000.00	-8,663.99
200000 - GENERAL ADMIN. EXPENSE			
201000 - POSTAGE			
201100 - OFFICERS			
201104 - FINANCE OFFICER	0.00	300.00	-300.00
Total 201100 - OFFICERS	0.00	300.00	-300.00
Total 201000 - POSTAGE	0.00	300.00	-300.00
202000- SUPPLIES			
202101 - ADJUTANT	142.92	1,750.00	-1,607.08
202102 - FINANCE OFFICER	135.57	1,750.00	-1,614.43
202103 - HISTORIAN	0.00	100.00	-100.00
202104 - CHAPLAIN	0.00	50.00	-50.00
Total 202000- SUPPLIES	278.49	3,650.00	-3,371.51
203000 - MAINTENANCE			
203099 - MISCELLANEOUS			
	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Total 203000 - MAINTENANCE	0.00	100.00	-100.00
204000 - NAME TAGS, PLAQS, PINS			
204100 - NAME TAGS			
204101 - OFFICERS	0.00	250.00	-250.00
Total 204100 - NAME TAGS	0.00	250.00	-250.00

SAL GENERAL ACCOUNT
Budget vs. Actual
 August 2025 through July 2026

	Aug '25 - J...	Budget	\$ Over Bu...
204200 - PINS			
204201 - INCOMING COMMANDER	0.00	4,000.00	-4,000.00
204202 - PAST COMMANDER	0.00	350.00	-350.00
Total 204200 - PINS	0.00	4,350.00	-4,350.00
204300 - PLAQUES			
204301 - PAST COMMANDER	0.00	50.00	-50.00
204302 - DIV. MEMBER OF THE YR.	0.00	50.00	-50.00
204303 JR Mem. of Year	0.00	50.00	-50.00
Total 204300 - PLAQUES	0.00	150.00	-150.00
Total 204000 - NAME TAGS, PLAQS, PINS	0.00	4,750.00	-4,750.00
Total 200000 - GENERAL ADMIN. EXPENSE	278.49	8,800.00	-8,521.51
207300 - MANDATED			
207301 - SCHOLARSHIP	0.00	7,108.00	-7,108.00
207303 - ESSAY SCHOLARSHIP FUND	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00
207304 - ANNUAL AUDIT	0.00	1,900.00	-1,900.00
Total 207300 - MANDATED	0.00	10,508.00	-10,508.00
208000 BANK SERVICE CHARGES			
208002 CHECKS	0.00	175.00	-175.00
Total 208000 BANK SERVICE CHARGES	0.00	175.00	-175.00
300000 - FUNCTIONING EXPENSES			
301000 - ELECTED OFFICERS			
301001 - COMMANDER	3,600.74	4,000.00	-399.26
301002 - SR. VICE COMMANDER	425.59	3,500.00	-3,074.41
301003 - N.E.C.	0.00	900.00	-900.00
301004 - A.N.E.C.	924.11	900.00	24.11
301005 ANEC FOR NEC MEETINGS	152.10	600.00	-447.90
3010205 - IM. PAST. COMMANDER	450.00	450.00	0.00
Total 301000 - ELECTED OFFICERS	5,552.54	10,350.00	-4,797.46
302000 - APPOINTED OFFICERS			
302001 - ADJUTANT	1,289.33	2,000.00	-710.67
302002 - ASSIST. ADJUTANT #1	0.00	500.00	-500.00
302003 - FINANCE OFFICER	489.80	1,000.00	-510.20
302004 - CHAPLAIN	0.00	450.00	-450.00
302005 - JUDGE ADVOCATE	162.00	450.00	-288.00
302006 - HISTORIAN	0.00	450.00	-450.00
302008 - PARLIAMENTARIAN	0.00	450.00	-450.00
302009 - SERGEANT-AT-ARMS	0.00	450.00	-450.00
302014 - COMMANDERS AIDE #1	0.00	300.00	-300.00
302015 - COMMANDERS AIDE #2	0.00	300.00	-300.00
302016 - SR. VICE AIDE	0.00	450.00	-450.00
302017 - COMM. SRGT AT ARMS #1	0.00	450.00	-450.00
302018 - COMM. SRGT AT ARMS #2	162.40	450.00	-287.60
302019 - SR. VICE SRGT at ARMS	324.80	450.00	-125.20
Total 302000 - APPOINTED OFFICERS	2,428.33	8,150.00	-5,721.67
303000 - COMMISSIONS			
303101 - FINANCE PLANNING	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00
Total 303000 - COMMISSIONS	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00

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304000 - COMMITTEES			
304100 - SPECIAL COMM. MEETING			
304101 - CONVENTION SITE	0.00	750.00	-750.00
304102 - LEADERSHIP TRAINING	0.00	300.00	-300.00
Total 304100 - SPECIAL COMM. MEETING	0.00	1,050.00	-1,050.00
Total 304000 - COMMITTEES	0.00	1,050.00	-1,050.00
306000 - NATIONAL CONVENTION			
306001 - REGISTRATION FEES	0.00	1,600.00	-1,600.00
306002 - DELEGATE ALLOWANCES	6,800.00	8,000.00	-1,200.00
306003 - LUNCHEON	826.94	1,200.00	-373.06
306004 NAT. CON. DEL. SEC.	550.00	550.00	0.00
306006 - DELEGATION CHAIRMAN	550.00	550.00	0.00
306008 - INCOMING COMMANDER	550.00	550.00	0.00
Total 306000 - NATIONAL CONVENTION	9,276.94	12,450.00	-3,173.06
Total 300000 - FUNCTIONING EXPENSES	17,257.81	33,500.00	-16,242.19
400000 - DETACHMENT CONVENTION			
401000 - HOUSING			
401001 - COMMANDER	0.00	600.00	-600.00
401002 - REGISTRAR	0.00	450.00	-450.00
401003 - NAT. REPRESENTATIVE	0.00	450.00	-450.00
401004 - SENIOR VICE COMMANDER			
401004A - COMM - PRES DINNER	0.00	90.00	-90.00
401004 - SENIOR VICE COMMANDER - Other	0.00	600.00	-600.00
Total 401004 - SENIOR VICE COMMANDER	0.00	690.00	-690.00
401005 - ADJUTANT	0.00	500.00	-500.00
401006 - CHAPLAIN	0.00	600.00	-600.00
401007 - JUDGE ADVOCATE	0.00	300.00	-300.00
401008 - SERGEANT-AT-ARMS	0.00	300.00	-300.00
401009 - HISTORIAN	0.00	300.00	-300.00
401010 - FINANCE OFFICER	0.00	300.00	-300.00
401012 - PARLIAMENTARIAN	0.00	300.00	-300.00
401015 - IMD PAST COMMANDER	0.00	450.00	-450.00
401016 - NEC	0.00	600.00	-600.00
401017 - ANEC	0.00	300.00	-300.00
401018 - GIFTS	0.00	200.00	-200.00
401020 - SR VICE COM. CANDIDATE	0.00	450.00	-450.00
401021 - Comm Sgt at Arms	0.00	300.00	-300.00
401022 - COMM SRGT AT ARMS #2	0.00	300.00	-300.00
401023-SR VICE SGT AT ARMS	0.00	300.00	-300.00
Total 401000 - HOUSING	0.00	7,690.00	-7,690.00
402000 - REGISTRATION			
402003 - SUPPLIES	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Total 402000 - REGISTRATION	0.00	100.00	-100.00
403000 - ADMINISTRATION			
403003 - FLOWERS	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Total 403000 - ADMINISTRATION	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Total 400000 - DETACHMENT CONVENTION	0.00	8,290.00	-8,290.00
500000 - MEMBERSHIP			
501000 - DIVISION COMMANDERS			
501100 - COMMANDERS (5)	204.60	1,500.00	-1,295.40
501200 - SEN. VICE COMM. (5)	0.00	750.00	-750.00
Total 501000 - DIVISION COMMANDERS	204.60	2,250.00	-2,045.40

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502000 - DISTRICT OFFICERS			
502100 - COMMANDERS / CHMN (23)	265.00	2,760.00	-2,495.00
502200 - SR VICE COMMANDER (23)	0.00	1,150.00	-1,150.00
Total 502000 - DISTRICT OFFICERS	265.00	3,910.00	-3,645.00
503000 - CARAVAN			
503003 - NATIONAL CARAVAN	321.05	6,000.00	-5,678.95
Total 503000 - CARAVAN	321.05	6,000.00	-5,678.95
504000 - AWARDS			
504001 - CITATIONS & PLAQUES	0.00	500.00	-500.00
504003 - BREAKFAST & JACKET	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
504004 - MEMBERSHIP AWARDS	0.00	200.00	-200.00
504005 - COMMANDERS SHIRT	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Total 504000 - AWARDS	0.00	2,700.00	-2,700.00
Total 500000 - MEMBERSHIP	790.65	14,860.00	-14,069.35
600000 - DEPARTMENT FUNCTIONS			
601000 - LINCOLN PILGRIMAGE			
601101 - WREATH & RECEPTION	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00
601200 - COMMANDER			
601203 - EXPENSES	0.00	300.00	-300.00
Total 601200 - COMMANDER	0.00	300.00	-300.00
601300 - NEC			
601303 - EXPENSES	0.00	300.00	-300.00
Total 601300 - NEC	0.00	300.00	-300.00
601400 - HISTORIAN			
601403 - EXPENSES	0.00	300.00	-300.00
Total 601400 - HISTORIAN	0.00	300.00	-300.00
601500 - ADJUTANT			
601501 - EXPENSES	0.00	300.00	-300.00
Total 601500 - ADJUTANT	0.00	300.00	-300.00
601600 - SR VICE COMM.			
6016001 - EXPENSES	0.00	300.00	-300.00
Total 601600 - SR VICE COMM.	0.00	300.00	-300.00
601900 - NAT. REPRESENTATIVE			
601903 - EXPENSES	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Total 601900 - NAT. REPRESENTATIVE	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Total 601000 - LINCOLN PILGRIMAGE	0.00	4,000.00	-4,000.00
602000 - EGYPTIANS PAST COMM.			
602100 - COMMANDER			
602103 - EXPENSES	0.00	300.00	-300.00
602104 SR VICE EXPENSES	0.00	300.00	-300.00
Total 602100 - COMMANDER	0.00	600.00	-600.00
Total 602000 - EGYPTIANS PAST COMM.	0.00	600.00	-600.00
603000 - ARMED FORCES DINNER			
603100 - COMMANDER			
603103 - EXPENSES	0.00	200.00	-200.00
Total 603100 - COMMANDER	0.00	200.00	-200.00

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603200 - Sr Vice			
603201 - EXPENSES	0.00	200.00	-200.00
Total 603200 - Sr Vice	0.00	200.00	-200.00
Total 603000 - ARMED FORCES DINNER	0.00	400.00	-400.00
605000 - AUX. PATRIOTIC CONF.			
605100 - COMMANDER			
605103 - EXPENSES	0.00	200.00	-200.00
Total 605100 - COMMANDER	0.00	200.00	-200.00
605200 - HISTORIAN			
605201 - EXPENSES	0.00	200.00	-200.00
Total 605200 - HISTORIAN	0.00	200.00	-200.00
605400 - AMERICANISM CHAIRMAN			
605403 - EXPENSES	0.00	200.00	-200.00
Total 605400 - AMERICANISM CHAIRMAN	0.00	200.00	-200.00
Total 605000 - AUX. PATRIOTIC CONF.	0.00	600.00	-600.00
606000- JR AUXILIARY ANN. CONF			
606100 - COMMANDER			
606103 - EXPENSES	0.00	150.00	-150.00
Total 606100 - COMMANDER	0.00	150.00	-150.00
Total 606000- JR AUXILIARY ANN. CONF	0.00	150.00	-150.00
609000 - HOMECOMINGS			
609100 - DEPT. COMMANDERS GIFT			
609101 - DETACHMENT COMMANDER	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Total 609100 - DEPT. COMMANDERS GIFT	0.00	100.00	-100.00
609200 - DEPT. PRESIDENTS GIFT			
609201 - DETACHMENT COMMANDER	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Total 609200 - DEPT. PRESIDENTS GIFT	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Total 609000 - HOMECOMINGS	0.00	200.00	-200.00
Total 600000 - DEPARTMENT FUNCTIONS	0.00	5,950.00	-5,950.00
700000 - NATIONAL & OTHER FUNCT			
710100 - WASHINGTON CONFERENCE			
710101 - WREATH	0.00	200.00	-200.00
710102 - PRESENTOR OF WREATH	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00
710103 - BUS TRIP & MEALS	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Total 710100 - WASHINGTON CONFERENCE	0.00	1,800.00	-1,800.00
710200 - Central Region Extra			
710201 - Central region Ext	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Total 710200 - Central Region Extra	0.00	500.00	-500.00
790000 - HOMECOMINGS			
790100- NAT SAL COMMANDERS GIFT			
790101 - COMMANDERS GIFT	0.00	350.00	-350.00
790109 - PRESENTER OF GIFT	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Total 790100- NAT SAL COMMANDERS GIFT	0.00	1,350.00	-1,350.00
Total 790000 - HOMECOMINGS	0.00	1,350.00	-1,350.00
Total 700000 - NATIONAL & OTHER FUNCT	0.00	3,650.00	-3,650.00

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900000 - MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES			
901000 - CONTINGENCY			
901001 - MTG. CALL PAY	1,950.00	5,000.00	-3,050.00
901099 - MISCELLANEOUS	0.00	200.00	-200.00
Total 901000 - CONTINGENCY	<u>1,950.00</u>	<u>5,200.00</u>	<u>-3,250.00</u>
908000 - NATIONAL HOSPITALITY	<u>1,298.58</u>	<u>800.00</u>	<u>498.58</u>
Total 900000 - MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	<u>3,248.58</u>	<u>6,000.00</u>	<u>-2,751.42</u>
Total Expense	<u>28,911.54</u>	<u>107,733.00</u>	<u>-78,821.46</u>
Net Income	<u>1,439.86</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,439.86</u>

Detachment of Illinois
BUDGETED EXPENSE REPORT

NAME: _____

STREET: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

TITLE: _____

SQUADRON NUMBER: _____ DISTRICT: _____ DIVISION: _____

List the Amount of each separate expenditure for traveling away from home, such as cost of transportation and lodging. Expense for your meals, taxi fares, tips, ect., may be lumped into these categories for each day.

Itemized receipts must be submitted for all expenses within 45 days! Fuel receipts must show a fill up before and after the trip for actual fuel used for reimbursement.

IF YOU KNOW THE CORRECT "BUDGET ITEM" YOU CAN BREAK THE EXPENSES DOWN ON THIS PAGE; OTHERWISE USE A SEPARATE REPORT FOR EACH ITEM.
(ALSO GIVE A REASON FOR THE EXPENSE AND OR DESTINATION OF TRAVEL FOR FUEL REIMBURSEMENT)

DETAIL OF EXPENSES

BUDGET ITEM: <u>901001 - Meeting Pay Call</u>			
DATE	EXPENSE ITEM	AMOUNT	TOTAL
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
BUDGET ITEM: _____			
DATE	EXPENSE ITEM	AMOUNT	TOTAL
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
BUDGET ITEM: _____			
DATE	EXPENSE ITEM	AMOUNT	TOTAL
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
GRAND TOTAL		\$	\$

SIGNED: _____

DATE: _____

APPROVED: _____

DATE: _____

Detachment Commander or Detachment Advisor

DETACHMENT FINANCE OFFICER ONLY:

CHECK NO. : _____

DATE PAID: _____