



Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America

West Suburban Post 54 – Illinois
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JWV Post 54 Meeting, Sunday, Jan 9, 2022, 10:00AM, via Zoom

Commander Goldstein called the meeting to order at 10:00AM

Roll Call: CDR – Howard Goldstein, Sr. Vice – John Wilkerson – Jr. Vice – Mark Turner - Absent, Quartermaster – Leslie Turner, Adjutant – Steve Fixler, Bruce Mayor, Larry Malis, Joel Bernstein, Scott Zonis

Minutes: Approve Dec. 12, 2021 Minutes. M – Wilkerson, S – Bernstein, M/C.

Quartermaster Report: Received \$34.50 from JWV for dues.

Current balance – \$2606.05

Motion to accept the Quartermaster's Report, M – Wilkerson, S – Bernstein, M/C,
Subject to Audit

Commander's Report: JWV National Director Ken Greenberg is out of the hospital and working from home.

JWV has a strategic plan survey. Please go on-line and take it.

Current [JWV Newspaper, Dec. 2021](https://www.jwv.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/The-Jewish-Veteran-Issue-4-2021.pdf): Post 54 got good publicity. We're on pages, 3,5,7, and 13. (<https://www.jwv.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/The-Jewish-Veteran-Issue-4-2021.pdf>)

Membership Report: Met with other synagogues.

Commander Goldstein mentioned this last month. The Fox Valley Neighborhood disbanded, but they published our letter on their Facebook page.

Keep talking to people about us.

Marketing Report:

National Membership Contest. This is for new members and will run from Jan '22 – May '22. What are your thoughts? Goldstein – The prize may not be appealing. I think people should bring in new members because they want our organization to continue.

Leslie Turner expressed that in his experience these kinds of membership contests did not result in any meaningful increase in membership.

Old Business: Oak Ridge Monument. Bruce – Tomorrow, we’re sending out 70 letters to Philanthropists in the Chicagoland area, who in the past have given to Jewish organizations. I want to thank Linda and Leslie for working on this.

NEC Meeting. Jan 27–29, 2022, Orlando, FLA. It will be a hybrid meeting: in-person and Zoom. Goldstein will be there for one day on Jan 28. No one else is going.

National Convention – Savannah, GA. True hybrid convention

Blood Drive – Red Cross – Do we have any interested in doing this? We will have to find people to donate blood. That will be man-power intensive on our part. Maybe we do it at Etz Chaim? Or work with the Cantigny American Legion and do it at Cantigny Park?

New Business:

Resource Center – Did anyone check it out? Please do. Leslie – Yes and it looks fine.

Chicago Wolves, National Desert Storm War Memorial Night, Sunday, Jan 9, 3pm has been postponed to Sunday, Apr 3, 3pm. Contact Steve Fixler for more information.

Hines VA Food Pantry now requires all volunteers to be vaccinated. Because of that, some volunteers will not be coming back. If you’re interested, please volunteer.

Hines Hospital – Now requires medical grade face masks to enter. They have them at their entrances.

Fixler –Doing a Tank Support on D-Day at Normandy Presentation, Jan 20, 7pm. Go to the [DuPage Historical website](#) to sign up.

Our post is giving the Etz Chaim 10th Grade Class a Four Chaplains Presentation on Feb 6, 9AM or 10AM. We’d like as many post members as possible to attend this.

[Pritzker Library and Museum](#) – They have a Bill Mauldin exhibit there.

New Post 54 Sheldon Lewis member published his book: [Letters Home: A Jewish Chaplains Vietnam Memoir](#)

Next Meeting: Sunday, Jan 9, 2022, 10am, 421 DuPage County Building, Wheaton and via Zoom

Adjournment: M – Mayor, S – L. Turner, M/C, 1120.

Post Adjutant

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