



Jewish War Veterans

of the United States of America

West Suburban Post 54 – Illinois
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West Suburban Post #54
Sunday, February 11, 2024, 10am

JWV Post Meeting, Sunday Feb 11, 2024, DuPage County Building, 421 N. County Farm Rd., Wheaton, IL 60187, #3500B

Roll Call CDR – Howard Goldstein, Sr. Vice – John Wilkerson, Adjutant – Steve Fixler, Quartermaster – Leslie Turner, Bruce Mayor, Larry Malis, Mike Sawyer, Robert Mikyska, Joel Bernstein, Alan Mendelssohn, Scott Zonis, and Barry Greenberg.

Approval of the Minutes: Stand a Published

Quartermaster Report: Received two checks from JWV National for membership dues totaling \$128.00.

Balance - \$4058.80

Motion to accept Quartermasters Report, M – Mayor, S – Wilkerson, M/C Subject to Audit

Commanders Report:

- Commander Goldstein, Bruce Mayor, and Jeff Sacks went to the Four Chaplains ceremony at Hines Hospital on Sunday, Feb 4. There were thirty people there. The Hines Rabbi did the ceremony.
- JWV National has thirty videos, and they are going to show them one video a day during the month of May which is Jewish American Heritage Month.
- Hines Hospital – Salute to Veterans and Volunteers, Feb 12, Auditorium
- A boy in Vernon Hills is doing his Bar Mitzvah project called, “Poppy Trot for JWV” on April 14.

Old Business:

- NEC Convention – not too late to sign up to go in person or virtually
Commander Goldstein will be there with Jeff Sacks in person, and Bruce and Leslie will be there virtually. We’re going to bring up the American Legion Son’s of the American Legion example and see if the JWV wants to incorporate something similar and maybe call it, Descendants of JWV.
- Guest Speakers – Chris Hill, VA Cemeteries, will be asked for either March or April.
- Officer Nominations – Senior Vice, Junior Vice, and Adjutant – Nominations in April, Election in May
- Member Portal – Leslie update – Roll-out to Dept. CDRs first, then Post CDRs. You can renew annual membership, change addresses, up-to-date roster list. Easy to use and secure.
- Descendants of JWV/family group associated w/Post #54 – Will use Post #54 as the test bed.
- Feb is our ninth year as Post #54. Feb 2015 is when we received our Charter.

Bruce Mayor, Commander Department of Illinois: Working on a draft letter to the Chicago City Council with Chudacoff. Bruce read the draft letter. Questions to Bruce – Is this from you or JWV?

- Went to Bolingbrook, Feb 3 for their Four Chaplains Ceremony, representing the JWV
- Still have my Monday Zoom Meetings from Israel about Gaza

New Business:

- Contact synagogues – Get new members – Howard has a list of synagogues and if we all take a couple of them and contact the synagogues, we can talk to them about JWV.

Good and Welfare:

Fixler:

- DuPage Veteran's Resource Fair – Weds, Aug 29, 9:00AM – 1:00PM, DuPage County Building
- Hines Hospital's Outreach Team goes to the VAC Office every third Weds, 1000 – 1400

Zonis – they are building a Fisher House at Lovell VA. Golf outing for the Hines Fisher House – Aug 19

Next Post meeting: Sunday March 10, 2024, 10:00 am, DuPage County Building, 421 N. County Farm Rd., #3500B, Wheaton, IL 60187 via Zoom and in-person

Adjourn: M – L. Turner, S – Wilkerson, 1106