



# Jewish War Veterans

## *of the United States of America*

West Suburban Post 54 – Illinois  
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JWV Post Meeting, Sunday, Feb 13, 2022, 1000 hrs, via Zoom

Commander Goldstein called the meeting to order at 1000 hrs

**Roll Call:** CDR – Howard Goldstein, Sr. Vice – John Wilkerson – Jr. Vice – Mark Turner - Absent, Quartermaster – Leslie Turner, Adjutant – Steve Fixler, Bruce Mayor, Larry Malis, Rich Heisler

**Minutes:** Approve Jan. 9, 2022 Minutes. M – Wilkerson, S – Mayor, M/C.

**Quartermaster Report:** No financial activity in the previous month.

Current balance – \$2571.55

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

**Commander's Report:** Went to NEC in person in Orlando, FLA. The Executive Committee spoke, there are three posts in the Pittsburgh, PA area that may be closing. Budget committee reported and we're pretty solid, and the Membership Committee reported. The 2022 national convention is in Savannah, GA, and the 2023 convention will be held in Jacksonville, FLA.

Our National Executive Director was at the NEC but is now back in the hospital.

Branding Guide and the Resource Center are password protected and any JWV member can get a password.

Resource Center – Has anyone checked it out? Leslie – Yes and it's works well.

Bruce Mayor and Commander Howard Goldstein spoke to the Etz Chaim 10<sup>th</sup> Graders about the Four Chaplains.

VA VAVS – Bruce represents the JWV at Hines and Commander Howard Goldstein will be the National JWV representative at VA HQ in Washington.

Compassionate Contact Corps – This is from the VA. You volunteer to call a Veteran once a week and talk to them over the phone.

DuPage County Veterans Court – Looking for Veterans to be mentors for the Veterans in the court.

**Membership Report:** National Membership Contest – Whoever brings in the most new paying members will get a free trip to this year's National Convention.

Keep talking to people about us.

**Marketing Report:**

Need a good local PR person to get into local papers. Get into digital marketing, Programmatic Digital Marketing. We will need a dynamic Website landing page developed to take advantage of Programmatic Digital Marketing.

Jewish Festival – Sunday June 12, Morton Grove

**Old Business:**

National Desert Storm War Memorial Night at the Chicago Wolves game is Sunday, Apr 3. See Steve Fixler about getting tickets.

Oak Ridge Monument. Bruce – Sent 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. Leslie will check the mailbox once he returns.

Blood Drive – Red Cross – Do we have any interested in doing this?

**New Business:**

Wheaton – Carol Stream American Legion Post #76 is having a Veteran Suicide Prevention presentation by the DuPage County Veteran's Suicide Prevention Coalition. This will be on Thursday, April 21, 2022. 6:30pm – 7:00pm, Refreshments, 7pm – 8pm Presentation.

We're interested in doing this possibly at Etz Chaim and John is taking the lead in this.

Bruce Mayor and Steve Fixler talked to the Rabbi of Beth Hillel in Wilmette and the Rabbi is interested in talking to us about JWV and telling his member about us. We will also include Joe Wrobel in the conversation.

*The Jewish Veteran* – Steve Fixler gets phone calls from Veterans and if they're in the Chicagoland area, I tell them about JWV here in IL.

**Next Meeting:** Sunday, March 13, 2022, 10am, #421 DuPage County Building, Wheaton, and by Zoom

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

Post Adjutant

*Steven L. Fixler*