



Jewish War Veterans

of the United States of America

West Suburban Post 54 – Illinois
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West Suburban Post #54

Sunday, September 10, 2023, 10am

Via Zoom and DuPage County Bldg. 421 Room 3500B

Meeting called to Order: 1006

Roll Call and approval of the minutes – Howard Goldstein, Sr. Vice – John Wilkerson absent, Jr. Vice – Larry Malis, Adjutant – Steve Fixler, Quartermaster – Leslie Turner, Bruce Mayor, Mike Sawyer, Alan Mendelsohn, Joel Bernstein, and Mark Turner

Minutes: Approved as published

Quartermaster Report:

One event – Received \$46.00 in membership dues.

Balance - \$4636.94

Motion to accept the Quartermaster's report subject to audit. No Motion. QM had to confirm his number.

Commanders Report:

National Convention:

- IT Committee rolled out a Membership Donor Management System. This will be a progressive implementation, starting at National, followed in order by Department, Post, and the general membership.
- Constitution changes were passed at National level
- By-laws were passed, but no changes
- Budget approved for next year
- NEC – Dissolved, revoked, and merged Charters
- Marketing – There are new banners each Department can order and paid for by National
- Passed 13 Resolutions – Coast Guard is part of Homeland Security and if there's a government shutdown, they won't get paid. A Resolution passed which would pay them.

Silver Star Banner – Used during WWII, to show that a family member was wounded in the service.

Correspondence: Rabbi Wainer contacted me and said that Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 1288, Bolingbrook, is having a Four Chaplains Ceremony, Sat, Feb 3, 2024 and wanted to know if we would participate.

Vet Tech with VAC of Cook County: Jerry Fields and I are working a program that would give Veterans credit for their military schooling and experience working in IT.

Old Business:

DuPage Veterans Resource Fair results: Great event. Met a lot of Veterans and organizations and signed-up a new member.

Guest Speaker for future events: Chris Hill, VA Cemeteries, will speak at our Jan '24 meeting.

Cemetery Monument: Barry Greenberg is following up on this.

11/5 Oak Ridge Cemetery with 9th Grade CEC Class: We will meet at Oak Ridge at 0900

New Business:

October 25 at Hines VA: We will serve lunch at the Residential Care Facility to approximately 25 Veterans, plus us. We're looking at a couple of places to get the food. Motion to spend up to \$1000.00 – Goldstein, S – L. Turner, M/C

Good and Welfare:

Malis: I will have cataract surgery, Sep 14. Then I'll wait a while and have it done in the other eye.

Wilkerson: Very weak. Can talk for a few minutes. He's at home but looking for an assisted living place. Wife not doing too well.

Next Post meeting: No post meeting in Oct. Next post meeting, Sunday, Nov 12, 2023, 10am at 421 N. County Farm Rd., Wheaton, #3500B, and via Zoom.

Adjourn: M- M. Turner, S – L. Turner, 1103, M/C