

VAC Meeting 7/18/18

Role Call

\* (e) indicates email

AMVETS Post 61	Sean Connolly amvets.chatham@gmail.com Anne Hofferkamp ahofferkamp@gmail.com	x
AMVETS Post 256	Charles Starks Don Green	Closed
AMVETS Post 94	Jerry Wiley Tim Shelaharger	Closed ~ Maybe renewed
AMVETS Post 257		Closed
American Legion 586 Pawnee	Jay Sheedy	
American Legion 278 Divernon		
American Legion 277 Auburn	John Dautel (e) Chris Licht (e)	X
American Legion 599 Pleasant Plains	Myron Griesheim (e)	
American Legion Post 32	Thomas Weiss(deceased) Gerald Bellatti (e)	X ~ I need updated delegates for Post 32
American Legion 274	Paul Bell James Ayers	x
American Legion 759	Robert Schotts Rosemary Connolly (e)	X
American Legion Post 809	Clarence Stowe Randy Boschulte	x
American Legion Post 743	David Kuehl Raymond Lloyd	This New Berlin post folded
VFW 755	Eugene Walker Jay Kennerly < <a href="mailto:jay.kennerly@gmail.com">jay.kennerly@gmail.com</a> >	2 present
VFW 8157	Anthony Bellin Ray Ragan	
VFW 10302	Frank Tyree Mikle Siere	x
VFW 4763	Lee Morgan John Mizer	x
VFW 11463	Kyle Blumhorst James Dunbar	x
Navy Club Ship 32	Robert Day Ed Obrien	
Military Order of Purple Heart	Dale Hunter Pete Dowding	x

	< <a href="mailto:peter.m.dowding@gmail.com">peter.m.dowding@gmail.com</a> >	
CWV	Joan Garvert Pat Noel	2 delegates present
Korean War Veterans	Need names???	
Marine Corp League	Bill Wollen Robert Earl	
VVA	Emile Bouvet Charles Spener Dale Emerson Yopops1946@gmail.com	x
AL Post 508	Myron Griesheim	x
ITAM	Charlie Palazolo Tom Kelly	

The Veterans Commission Assistance Committee of Sangamon County was called to order by Lee Morgan on 7/18/18 at 7:00 PM.

Salute colors  
Pledge  
Roll call ~ Rose Connolly

Reading minutes. Skip reading minutes. Minutes were voted and approved as written. Some members did not receive the minutes to read prior to this vote. That included Lee Morgan and Rose Connolly.

The Quarterly report was read and handed out to members. Motion approved budget

Tax letters have changed for disability for assessors are mailed locally and new expense.

Superintendent's quarterly report moved by Chuck and Lee seconded

### **Old business**

Screening for dental at Bank of Springfield center 19<sup>th</sup> 1 – 5pm bracelets will be issued to those who qualified/applied. A DD214 is required.

See video on News.

<http://newschannel20.com/news/local/springfield-dentists-office-offering-free-dental-for-veterans>

### **New Business:**

Mission of mercy dental kicks off tomorrow or new applicants can come tomorrow at 1PM to 4pm at BoS convention center. There are 250 spots 112 applied and bracelets will be issued after pre-approval.

SB 2603 tax break for homes are prorated from the day disability for those with 30% or more. <http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/100/SB/10000SB2603.htm>

VAC Trivia Night in May made about \$1400. The county created separate line item for things not normally offered.

The Sangamon County VAC will have limited hours the week of Sep 23 for training.

The VA Illiana Hospice-Veteran Partnership is hosting a meeting at Scheels in Springfield on 9/12/18 at 1:00 pm to demonstrate to hospice agencies, some ceremonies and rituals that can be used to recognize, on Veterans Day, their patients who are Veterans.

**VA Clinic has moved to** 792 N. Sunnyside Road, Decatur, IL 62522 (by Dollar General )

Effective June 4<sup>th</sup> the telephone number for the Decatur Community Based Outpatient Clinic will change to (217) 362-5442.

Combat-Injured Veterans Seeking Refunds of Millions of Dollars Improperly Withheld From Their Severance Pay by the Government. More than 130,000 veterans impacted and notices were sent to disabled veterans from Jan 91-2016. They must file to for money withheld from their pay. There is a time limit too.

<http://www.nvlsp.org/>

Veterans day at the fair was discussed.

# Veterans' Day

Illinois State Fairgrounds • Springfield, Illinois  
Sunday, August 12, 2018 • Lincoln Stage Area

Please join the State of Illinois and the State Fair on this special day honoring the men and women who have courageously served our Nations' Armed Forces.

## Events at Lincoln Stage & the Shed

- 9:30A.M. Celebration of Life • Lincoln Stage  
*(Memorial Service)*
- 9:30A.M. - 4P.M. Art Exhibit • Lincoln Stage Area
- 10A.M. - 4P.M. Benefits Expo • The Shed
- 10:30A.M. - 12 NOON AmVets Kid's Corner • Lincoln Stage Area
- 10:30A.M. - 12 NOON JROTC Drill Team • Central Avenue Competition
- 12 NOON Main Program • Lincoln Stage
- 1P.M. - 2P.M. Veterans' Lunch • Rising Star Tent  
*(Free to Veterans and Immediate Family)*
- 1:30P.M. - 3P.M. JROTC Drill Team • Central Avenue Competition
- 3P.M. - 3:30P.M. JROTC Drill Team • Lincoln Stage Competition Awards Ceremony
- 4:00P.M. Veterans' Day Parade • Grandstand Avenue



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<http://www.sangamoncountyrecorder.com/Honor-Rewards/Default.aspx>

### Veterans day ceremony next Wednesday Sep 26, 2018

American Legion 508 representative, Myron Griesheim, asked about VAC Business cards for commission staff not alternates or delegates.

Illinois Honor 200: We all know someone deserving. Vince Spiranza has been nominated. The rule was changed regarding the "must attend" ceremony in Chicago in December.

<https://www2.illinois.gov/veterans/Pages/Illinois-Bicentennial-Honor-200-Veterans.aspx>

VFW 10302 celebrating 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary ceremony.

Oak Ridge Cemetery talk/tour about trees on Saturday, Sep 8, 2018 1 PM - 4 PM

Ham radio operators Sang valley radio club could use help for Land of Lincoln Honor Flight from 7 - 9:30PM. <http://svrc.org/>

**For the good of all:**

Hog Roast July 27 at the Chatham American Legion to benefit Land of Lincoln Honor Flight.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:30

**Next VAC meeting**

The October 17 meeting will be held at VFW 755??

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosemary Connolly  
Secretary