



AMVETS BUGLER

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May 2025

Next Meeting: 05/13/25

Commander's Message

Commander Jeff Bedward

With the weather warming up I hope you all will be able to take full advantage of it. But I hope you will also be able to help us out in the coming months as well. We have a number of important events beginning with our spring White Clover Drive on May 9th and 10th and also we will be holding White Clover Drive in Fon du Lac as well. We still can use help for this important fund raiser. Then on May 15 at 4pm and on May 17 at 9pm we will be placing flags on veterans' graves for Memorial Day and we need a lot of help for that. Please contact us if you can help. We are also looking at serving food for the Artistry Fishery coming up in a few months. But we can't commit to that unless we can be certain we will have enough volunteers, let us know if you will be willing to help out with that.

Don't forget May is when we elect new post officers. Please try and make the meeting and vote.

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Post and Auxiliary May Birthdays

5/2 – Sue Egner; 5/11 – Jim Tratz; 5/12 – Jeff Bucholtz, Pete Gibson, Gary Lee; 5/15 – Tim

Adjutant's Report

Ron Griffin

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The primary business in April was the 1st period of nominations for officers. Those nominated are as follows: Commander-Jeff Bedward; 1st Vice/Membership-Angie Hill; 2nd Vice/Programs-Chad Unmuth; Finance-George Egner; Adjutant-open; Judge Advocate-Kevin Gunderson; Provost-John Huth; 3 Year Trustee-Elwood Sharpless, Pete Wolf. Nominations were suspended until the May meeting and elections will follow.

Editor's Note

I said last month that Steve Schultz will be taking over the newsletter. He asked to delay this till June as he was not yet in a position to complete the newsletter. Again please give Steve as much help and support as you have for me.

Chaplain's Corner **Chaplain Jeff O'Dell**

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If you're aware of any Post members that are ill, in the hospital or are home bound and in need of visit, please call me at 920-470-1315. Should be noted in the event of death, Active Post members are eligible that their next of kin is awarded a Bible on behalf of the Post, receive a final veteran's salute at the funeral service plus may have a graveside ceremony performed by the AMVETS Chaplain.

AMVETS Life Insurance Info.

I've had several people ask about the contact information For the free Life Insurance offered to AMVETs in Wisconsin. Contact: Joshua Fernandez, Accidental Insurance at 262-354-5255 or at jfernandez@alife.com



May, 2025

Dear AMVETS, Auxiliary Members and friends:

Nominations for offices will be open until the May meeting. After election officers will be installed. The officers will be installed by a visiting officer, not determined yet. This is an important meeting, please try to be there.

Report period ends April 31st, but anything you have done since May 1, 2024 is reportable. I need your info **NOW**. What you sent me for the first 6 months (5/1/23 – 10/31/24) I still have, send only new info or all, I can sort it out.

IMPORTANT: We will be placing flags at Peace Lutheran and Ellenwood Cemeteries on Thursday, May 15th, starting at 4:00 pm. Then we will be placing flags at Riverside and Calvary Cemeteries Saturday, May 17th, starting at 8:45 am. Please consider volunteering, many of these soldiers have no one to see to this honor.

The Auxiliary convention is coming up soon; June 20th seems not too far away. It will be held in Green Bay at the Casino, please decide if you are going so we can send in registrations. You can still register at the convention site. We have raffle tickets to sell and the Patrons Page to complete. If anyone can sell tickets please help me.

The Child Welfare program to collect clothing, etc. is ongoing. This is for children from birth to 18, so there are a lot of options for things to donate. We will be taking items to convention in June, the weekend after Father's Day.

Next meeting – May 13, 2025, 6:15 potluck, 7:00 pm meeting. Hope to see you!

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Post Calender

5/9th-10th/25
White Clover Drive*

5/13/25

**Post and Auxiliary Business Meeting
6:30 potluck dinner, 7:00 meeting
Marine Corps League Clubhouse**

5/15/25

**4pm Place Flags at Peace Lutheran,
Ellenwood.**

5/17/25

9am Place flags at Riverside

5/26/25

Memorial Day

6/10/25

**Post and Auxiliary Business Meeting
6:30 potluck, 7:00 meeting
Marine Corps League Clubhouse**

6/19-22

**Department Annual Convention
Green Bay**

*** Fund Raiser - Requires Volunteers**

Reporting of Service Activities

First visit you have to create a profile by filling out the report form that appears including the Post

To Report Hours :

1. Go to AMVETS.org
2. Click on Membership until the drop-down menu appears.
3. Scroll down to “Submit Reports” and hover over the arrow until the next menu appears.
4. Click on Program Reports – this will take you to a new page within the AMVETS website.
5. On the Program Reports page scroll down until you see the **Online Reporting Portal**.
6. Click on the Online Reporting Portal button to open the report form.
7. Enter the verification page from your email.

AMVETS Supports RED* Fridays!

***Wear red to Remember Everyone Deployed.**

Note: if you wear a red shirt or other garment on Friday, you should claim up to 8 service hours on your monthly service activities report.