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Disabled American Veterans Mission Statement: Made up exclusively of men and women disabled in our nation's defense, the Disabled American Veterans is dedicated to one, single purpose: empowering veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity.

Commander's Column

Fellow members:

This is my final Bullets message as your Commander. It has been a pleasure to have your trust the last 3 years.

I am not leaving through, just get to try other ways to serve our Veterans within the DAV Chapter #1 area. I still want to do my favorite job of Forget Me Not (FGMN) fund raising.

Our next opportunity to do FGMN fund raising is the 16th and 17th of May 2025. This is the life-blood of this organization. It is what keeps us able to provide our local veterans with assistance they need.

We will be at three locations: Jerry's Foods in Eden Prairie, Jerry's Foods in Edina and CUB Foods in Eden Prairie. We will be collecting funds from 10 Am to 5 Pm each day. Shifts will be 10-1:30 and 1:30-5. Great inside locations and room to sit if needed. Contact Chuck LeTourneau (612) 978-3885 to volunteer at Jerry's Eden Prairie, Bill Johnson (952) 484-2503 to volunteer at Edina location or Don Tait to volunteer for CUB Foods, Eden Prairie (952)-221-9043.

If you can assist to tell the DAV story and the Chapter's story to interested citizens it is greatly appreciated. The event is always a good time to spend with your comrades and interact with people that I have found to be genuinely interested in our Organization and the things we do. Contact me if you are interested.

Bill Johnson, Commander

Adjutant's Column

Chapter Officer elections are going to take place at our April 1st membership meeting., please plan to attend. We will still have nominations open on that date, so feel free offer your service to the Chapter and become involved in guiding the Chapter into the future,

The DAV National HQ defines the role of Adjutant as: Responsible for keeping the Chapter's records and managing the chapter's official correspondence. I will be conducting the business of the Chapter to include managing memberships, maintaining the bank books, processing expenses, publishing newsletter and more.

Here is the normal battle rhythm of events.

*Mail will be picked up at PO box at least twice a week.

*E-mails to chapterdav@mindspring.com will be reviewed at lease 3 times a week.

*phone messages to be reviewed at lease twice a week (612) 726-9591

*Office Hours at lease one day a week (but, typically Monday and Tuesday AM)

As you can see the best method of contacting us is thru E-mail. If you have a question, would like to make an appointment to drop by the office, or have any other concern drop me an E-Mail.

Departed**Comrades****DC Mid Winter Conference Washington DC recap and Current Veterans Situation**

Trent Dilks, Legislative Director at DAV Department of Minnesota provided the following information.

A group of 30 DAV of MN members attend the Feb's DAV Mid Winter Conference in Washington D.C. They met with 9 of the 10 Congressional offices and 8 of the 10 Congress people. He states We brought a unified message, "ANYTHING THAT NEGATIVELY IMPACTS THE CARE OR BENEFITS OF VETERANS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED." DON'T freak out for rumors, There is a lot of fear mongering, misinformation, and bad intentions out there. If you hear something, be sure to verify. If you can't verify, feel free to reach out to Trent Dilks (phone 612-292-1212, e-mail trent@DAVMN.org) for assistance. Verify, do not add to the panic.

Please remember we are a "NONPARTISAN" organization

Minneapolis VA Medical Center Visitation

DAV Chapter #1, DAV Chapter #2 and DAV Chapter #40 conducts a monthly visit to inpatients on the Wards of the Minneapolis VAMC.

Here are the details:

4th Sunday of the Month

Time: 12:15PM met, visit Wards 1-2PM

Meeting Location: 1st floor auditorium

Hope to see you there!

2025

**Robert Brenner
August Grosslein
Joh Hamilton
Douglas Irwin
Keith Kramer
Douglas Lawver
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Fred Lenz
Ronald Olson
Kendall Provencher
Clarence Schesso
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George Thompson
Jerold Weinstein
Joseph Whitlock**

**As Submitted to
DAV National
Office Jan-Mar.**

**If you know of any member who has left us recently, please call the office to let us know.
612-726-9591.**

Minnesota TWIN Tickets

We have again requested tickets to the Twins Home Games. A number of things have changed at the Twins, our request is "in Process", but tickets are planning to be available soon.

If you would like to receive E-Mails regarding the availabilities of these tickets please let us know. Please include your NAME and a good phone number.

**E-MAIL to
chapterdav@mindspring.com
Subject LINE: TWINS Tickets List**

We typically only know the games a few weeks in advance and are subject to the TWINS available these tickets.

Dates and Times to Remember 2025**March**

23 4:00 pm MPLS VAMC Visitation
 26 12:15 pm *Board Meeting

April

01 5:45 pm *DINNER
 01 6:45 pm *MEMBERSHIP MEETING
 27 12:15 pm MPLS VAMC Visitation
 30 4:00 pm *Board Meeting

May

06 5:45 pm *Dinner
 06 6:45 pm *MEMBERSHIP MEETING
 25 12:15 pm MPLS VAMC Visitation
 28 No Board Meeting

JUNE

04 * NO Dinner
 04 *NO Meeting
 22 12:15 pm MPLS VAMC Visitation
 25 * Board Meeting

July

02 5:45 pm *NO DINNER
 02 6:45 pm *NO MEETING
 19 1:15-3:45pm Picnic at Vets Mem. Park
 Richfield
 27 12:15 pm MPLS VAMC Visitation
 30 4:00 pm *Board Meeting

***All meetings are held at Bloomington Event Center**
 1114 American Blvd, West. Bloomington, 55420
 Remember: All DAV meetings are open to all veterans.
 Only members in good standing may vote during meetings.

CHAPTER DONATION 2025

\$10 \$15 \$20
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SAVE THE DATE**Annual Family Picnic****Saturday****July 19, 2025****1:15PM - 3:45 pm****PICNIC SHELTER #2 CENTER****VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK****6335 PORTLAND AVE SOUTH****RICHFIELD MN 55423***DAV Department of Minnesota WEB SITE: DAVMN.org*

The DAV Department of Minnesota has a website with useful information .

We would like to highlight just one tab of the site.

On the landing page there is a tab for “OUR PROGRAMS”. This has a drop down of :

Veteran Transportation (how to volunteer to drive veterans to VAMC appoints or use that program)

Veterans Outdoors (free outdoor events in Minnesota and across the country)

Women Veterans (information and resources specific to Women veterans)

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