

"For God and Country" May 2025 Post 3 Newsletter



May Meeting Schedule

Organization	Location	Time	Date
Legion Post 3	Elks Lodge, 5910 S 58 th St	7:00 PM	05/13/25
Auxiliary Unit 3	Elks Lodge, 5910 S 58 th St	7:00 PM	05/13/25
SAL Squadron 3	Post 3 Office, 123 S 84 th St	7:00 PM	05/08/25
ALR Chapter 3	Denton Legion Club	6:00 PM	05/15/25
40 & 8 Voiture 103	Elks Lodge, 5910 S 58 th St	6:30 PM	05/20/25
8 & 40 Salon 832	Elks Lodge, 5910 s 58 th St	6:30 PM	05/20/25
8 & 40 Salon 92	VFW 3606, 3340 West A St	1:00 PM	05/15/25
Buddy Check	Enclosed Shelter, 1650 Antelope Park	6:00 PM	05/22/25
CoffeeHaus	Auld Pavilion, Antelope Park	10:00 AM	05/16/25

Commander's Call



Fellow Legionnaire:

In the month of May, we have some important days to celebrate: Mother's Day, Memorial Day and Membership Days.

Mother's Day: In the United States Mother's Day is a holiday celebrated annually on the second Sunday of May. This year, Mother's Day is on Sunday, May 11th. Remember to give your mother (or the mother of your children) a gift, or flowers, or a card, take her out for dinner to show her how special she is. If your mother is deceased, no matter how long it's been since you lost her, waking up on Mother's Day without her may never get easier. If you used to celebrate by taking her out to brunch at a favorite local spot, do that. Honor her memory. Remind yourself that her legacy lives on in all these things.

Memorial Day: While Memorial Day weekend for many Americans might be packed with family fun and summer activities, we also think it's important to pause the festivities in remembrance of the real meaning and history of Memorial Day. Since a lot of people still confuse Veterans Day and Memorial Day, you should know the difference to avoid any misunderstanding. We honor veterans on Veterans Day to express our gratitude and respect for their service. On Memorial Day, we remember those who died in wars. In honoring them, we can deliberate on the price of war and pay tribute to those who paid in full. To express noble Memorial Day sentiments, you should remember that this is the time to commemorate those who gave their lives in service to our country. That is why you should not thank the living veterans on Memorial Day, but show respect to their fallen comrades in arms, friends, and family.

Membership Day: Every day is Membership Day. Lincoln American Legion Post 3 remains the biggest post in the State, even though we continue to lose so many fellow Legionnaires each month. Each year, we lose about fifty to sixty members to Post Everlasting and there is not much we can do about that. Just like about all other organizations today, the American Legion nationally (and unfortunately, Post 3) is following that membership trend. While we can do nothing about the deaths that reduce our numbers, we can still increase our membership. The success of any program lies in the support of its membership, and the success of our many programs in Post 3 is no exception.

We need to maintain and expand our current membership so that all our programs can thrive and survive. There are many veterans out there who do not belong to any Veterans Service Organizations. There are thousands of Veterans right here in Lincoln and Lancaster County. If you know one of these Veterans, please encourage them to join us. We need to recruit these people. Simply by mentioning to people some of the good work that the American Legion is involved in may inspire someone to join us and become more active in our work. If you have a prospective member, please sign him/her up. A membership application is included at the end of this newsletter. If you are a current member who hasn't renewed for 2025, please do so now. Your membership is important to us.

As always, keep our veterans in your thoughts and prayers, particularly those who may be in need. Keep our active-duty service men and women in your thoughts and prayers as well.

For God and Country,
Bruce Gubser
Post 3 Commander

Notes from the Adjutant's Desk



This past month we have been working on 50 plus years of continuous membership certificates. Awards were presented to those who were able to attend our April meeting. The certificates for those who could not attend have been mailed to them. I need to make a correction; Gerald Salber should have been listed for

50 years of continuous membership in the American Legion, but was omitted.

If you feel you should have received a continuous year certificate and did not receive one, please contact the Post 3 office. We presented the certificates that we received from the Legion National office. We failed to double check the list against our 2025 membership roster.

<u>2025 Renewals:</u> We are still running behind 2024. The current 2025 membership stands at 932, about 87.5% of our 2025 goal of 1066. We should be at 95% at this point of the year. If you are a member who has not yet renewed for 2025, your 2024 membership card expired as of 31 December 2024.

2026 Renewals: National is printing 2026 membership cards beginning today, May 1, 2025. They will be based on the Post 3 roster of PAID members as of this date. If you had not paid your 2025 dues by 30 April 2025, your 2026 membership card will not show any years of continuous membership in the American Legion. As of January first, you were classified as expired. You will stop receiving The Legion magazine, and you could be denied entry into a Legion Club. Those who are in the Legion Insurance program, your coverage also ended as of 31st of December 2024. You must be a member in good standing to be covered. If you have not yet signed up for Legion Insurance, it is easy to do, just go to their website and enroll.

I want to thank those members who have renewed. If you happen to receive a notice and you KNOW that you have received your 2025 membership card, please just throw the notice away. No need to let us know. If you have paid and have not received your 2025 membership card, then call or drop us a note.

Post 3 has 50 Department Life members and 122 PUFL members. 57 members have participated and paid their dues for 3 years. For those who would like to renew for three years, you can do so by logging into Legion.Org and click the RENEWAL link. Once there, you will be given the opportunity to renew for three years. The rate for renewing will be at the current rate of \$56.00 dollars. The advantage of renewing it for three years is that you will save on any future dues increases for three years.

We still are trying to update our membership roster as to branch of service and the war era that you served. National has been printing on the back of renewal slips the data that is in the Legion database. Please check and add as needed so we can correct our database. Thanks, it makes it so much easier to reach out to you if needed.

Sorry to say we have lost another Veterans Club here in Lincoln. DAV, Chapter 7, has closed its lounge on North 70th Street, as of the end of March 2025. I have not received any word as to where the Chapter will be holding its meetings.

<u>Department of Veterans Affairs, VFW, DAV, AMVETS web sites:</u> These web sites are a great place to find current and helpful information on what Congress is currently working on and how it could affect you as a veteran. The VA website has many tips on filling claims and links to other VA services to which you are entitled. The VFW, DAV, etc. do an excellent job of keeping track of Congressional activities that can or will affect veterans.

(veteransaffairs@messages.va.gov).

The Nebraska Department of Veterans Affairs and your local County Service Office are there to serve you. They can pull up your records of military service and help track your claims you may have filed.

The members of the most current conflicts are now the backbone of not only the American Legion, but also the VFW, DAV, AMV, etc. Without younger veterans we will no longer have a strong voice in Congress. Without a strong voice in Congress, we will keep losing funding for the Department of Veterans Affairs and the VA Health Care System. If you are a member of this group of veterans or know a veteran from these conflicts, please ask them if they are a member of a VSO (veteran service organization) and if not, ask them to please join. They may not be using VA service now and may wish to in the future, but they may find that VA services have been cut back due to a lack of a strong voice in Congress.

Again, Thanks for your Service and Thanks for being a member of Post 3. Also remember to thank your fellow Veterans for their service.

Ed Schnabel

Adjutant

Lincoln CBOC/VA News



The Lincoln CBOC food drive to collect food items for our homeless veterans in the Lincoln area is still ongoing. Items requested are shelf ready items, power bars, and easy to open items (pull tabs).

A Health Information Fair is to be held at the Lincoln CBOC parking lot, south of the new clinic building on May 13th from Noon to 2 pm. A small

snack lunch is planned. We hope to see you there. The hope is to draw in veterans in the Lincoln area who do not take advantage of the services available to them within the VA Health Care System. Lincoln CBOC clinic sees about 220 veterans a day.

Flu shots and Covid shots: Shots are available only to those enrolled in the VA Health system. Those who have an appointment can receive a shot during their visit with their provider. Walk-ins can request a shot by speaking to the staff at check in and waiting for a nurse to be free to give you the shot.

There are no mask requirements at VA clinics and hospitals. Masks are available for those who wish to wear them at the front doors of the clinics.

Express Care, a walk-in service, is for those who wish to have a nurse check out minor items. This care is available to those who might wish to see a VA nurse without an appointment during normal hours. Times might be different at your local clinic, so give them a call and see if they offer Express Care (walk-in) service. The Lincoln Clinic treats 300 a month as walk-ins.

Want to serve your fellow Veterans? The VA can use more volunteers at your local clinic or hospital. You would volunteer to help veterans in the clinic or hospital, or a veteran home. Hours given by the volunteers are credited with saving the VA Health at Omaha, Lincoln, and GI an equivalent of 25 full-time staff employees. This is based on an hour of service being credited at the rate of \$31.50 dollars per hour.

You can also donate to your local clinic, hospital, or veteran's home. They can always use a monetary donation. You could donate activity bags for younger kids to have when they come to the clinic or hospital with a parent for their appointments. There is always a need for the younger kids who come with parents or grandparents, and they are too young to be left at home alone.

Clinics or hospitals can always use books or magazines for patients. You would need to check with your local hospital, clinic or veteran's home volunteer office to see what items they need or allow. This would be a great project for your church, school, or youth group.

(CBOC/VA News - Continued)

Service animals: The only animals that should be brought into a VA Health clinic or hospital are trained service animals that qualify under DAV requirements. Other pets or comfort dogs do not qualify and should be left at home.

With the signing of the PAC act, more veterans have become eligible for services, not only for those who served boots on the ground, but anyone who has served since the Gulf War.

If you have any questions, call your local service officer, VSO, county, or state. It only takes a few minutes to see if you might qualify for an increase, or a new VA disability rating.

The Veteran Affairs web site is a great place to visit. You can find out the latest information affecting Veterans. You can track claim status, file for travel pay, view your VA account, payments received, or Co-pay owed. You can make the Co-pay payments online.

Thanks for your service to your fellow Veterans and thanks for your service to this great country.

Ed Schnabel

American Legion Representative to Lincoln CBOC

ALR Riders, Chapter 3 Director's Remarks





Greetings Riders and all,

Well, it is May. Riding season is in full swing. Your American Legion Riders, and other motorcyclists, will be on the road more and more over the coming weeks and months. Please look out for us, as we look out for you.

Our riding calendar is "chock-a-block" with numerous riding activities in May, including poker runs, visits with Veterans, and the National ALR Romp. Here's a list of current activities as of the end of April:

- May 17, Armed Forces Day Dice Run, 10:30am 4:30pm, at Venue 1883 in Plattsmouth
- May 24, Thank A Veteran Tour South, meet at Bellevue Walmart, 9am, 10504 S 15th St, Bellevue
- May 25 Thunder on the Missouri run Sgt Bluff, Iowa to Freedom Park in South Sioux City Nebraska. Line up starts at 1200 at American Legion Post 662, 901 E Topaz Dr, Sergeant Bluff, IA depart for ceremony at freedom park at 1400.
- May 25, Colfax County Veterans Memorial Poker Run Schuyler.
- May 30-June 1, National ALR Romp at Lake of the Ozarks.

Remember to save the date for our annual Poker Run, August 23rd. Registration from 10am until noon at Frontier Harley-Davidson. I hope you will all join us and help raise some money that will be used to support Veteran activities in Nebraska.

Until next time,

Ride (and drive) Safe!

Bruce Gubser

Chapter Director

Lincoln ALR Chapter 3





Lincoln Chapter 3

American Legion Riders

RAFFLE

HENRY GOLDEN BOY RIFLE, .22LR





TICKETS ARE \$5 EACH OR 5 FOR \$20

The drawing will be held in August at our poker run.

YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE PRESENT TO WIN

YOU MUST BE OLDER THAN 18 YEARS OF AGE TO PURCHASE A TICKET

PRIZE WILL BE TRANSFERED TO THE WINNER THROUGH A FEDERALLY LICENSED

FIREARM DEALER and ALL FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL FIREARM PURCHASE LAWS, RULES AND

REGULATIONS APPLY

Post 3 Honor Guard



In April, The Honor Guard assisted the Military Honors Teams at 12 funerals. We attended the Chancellor's Review for the annual University of Nebraska ROTC Awards Ceremony. We also attended the Lincoln Northeast High School Air Force JROTC Awards Ceremony.

The effort the Honor Guard makes to honor our deceased veterans is greatly appreciated. I want to thank everyone involved for their continued support.

In the Calendar year 2025, the Honor Guard assisted the Military Honors Teams at 32 funerals and made appearances at 4 civic functions.

Post 3 TAPS – April 2024



LEGIONNAIRE	WAR ERA	BRANCH	YEARS
William K. Blythe	WW II	Army	12
Steven B. Frede	Vietnam	Army	9
Warren M. Overton	Korea	Army	36
Steven J. Titus	Vietnam	Army	39

Regular Meeting of American Legion Post 3 Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 - April 8, 2025

Commander Bruce Gubser opened the April 8, 2025 meeting of American Legion Post 3 at 7:00 PM at the Lincoln Elks Lodge 80 with 30-35 Legionnaires, SAL members, and guests present.

Veterans of the various war eras were asked to stand and be recognized.

The minutes of the March 11th Post 3 meeting were read and approved.

Ed Schnabel gave the financial report for the month ending March 31, 2025, showing a balance of \$43,112.80. It was approved and filed for review.

Adjutant Schnabel reported 2025 membership as 923, about 86.7% of goal.

Introduced was Mike Durst, a member who hadn't been to a meeting in quite a while.

Dr. Jackson gave an Americanism report.

Commander Gubser reported that April is County Government month and that he had spent the day at the Lancaster County Government Day. He indicated that about 70 students from Malcom, Norris, and Lincoln Christian attended.

Bartos reported on Boys State and indicated that we have 21 boys from the Lincoln area enrolled -- up from only 12 last year.

Gerry Wolf reported for the Memorial Squad.

It was reported that the Chancellor's ROTC Review would be held in the near future at the University of Nebraska. There will also be a Post 3 presence at a ceremony for the Junior ROTC program at Lincoln Northeast High School.

It was announced that the governor and the Nebraska Department of Veterans Affairs would hold a WW II Veterans Recognition Ceremony at the state capitol building on May 8th.

Brendan Moore reported for the Sons of the American Legion.

It was announced that the 40/8 would meet next Tuesday.

Three Legionnaires and two members of the Sons of the American Legion were present to receive certificates recognizing 50 or more years of continuous membership in their respective organizations.

Fred Craigie indicated that the post executive committee had voted to recommend the endorsement of Martin Neal as a candidate for Area C Vice Commander and then offered a motion to that affect. Upon a proper second, the post unanimously endorsed Martin Neal for Area C Vice Commander.

Commander Gubser offered a few closing reminders about upcoming events or post activities, the chaplain read TAPS, and the meeting was closed in proper form at 7:45 PM.

Steve Bartos, Recorder

Continuous Membership

Each year, we recognize members who are celebrating some milestone years of continuous membership with the American Legion. This year, Post 3 had 15 people with 50 years, 3 with 60 years, 1 with 70 years and I with 75 years of continuous membership.

At the April regular meeting, we had some of these members in attendance. These members were honored and presented with a certificate of continuous membership indicating their years of dedicated support to the American Legion.



(L-R): Commander, Bruce Gubser, Dayle Williamson, Chandler Tyrrell, Frank Condello, and Adjutant Ed Schnabel

Not all could be with us that evening. Those who were not present were mailed their certificates. We thank all our honorees for their continued support of the American Legion.

Due to an administrative error, Jerry Salber was not recognized for his 50 years of continuous service. We regret the oversight, and Jerry will be given his certificate at an appropriate time and location in the near future.

Listed below are the members, years of continuous service and war era.

Barner	50	Vietnam		Thomas	Spanel	50	Vietnam
Blackman	50	Vietnam		Waren	Spencer	50	Vietnam
Brown	50	wwii		David	Webb	50	Vietnam
Brydl	50	Vietnam		Dennis	Weixelman	50	Vietnam
Cummings	50	Korea		Dayle	Williamson	50	Korea
Davis	50	Korea		Frank	Condello	60	Vietnam
Easom	50	Vietnam		John	Quinn	60	wwii
Loseke	50	Korea		Adrew	Stasenka	60	Korea
Peschong	50	Vietnam		Chandler	Tyrrell	70	wwii
Salber	50	Vietnam		Jack	Caldwell	75	wwii
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(Continuous Membership – Continued)

It is an honor to recognize these members for their commitment to the American Legion and its programs. Most importantly, we thank them for their military service to their country.

Additionally, for the first time, Squadron 3 of the Sons of the American Legion was able to award certificates to recognize 50 years of continuous membership in that organization. Squadron 3 was chartered in 1975.

Eight Squadron 3 members were recognized this year.

Wylee Brunken	John Henry	John Horstman, Jr	Ronald Petsch
John Rosenstock	Marcus Rowe	Keith Stemper	David Tinius

Two recipients attended the April meeting of Post 3 and received their certificates from the Squadron Commander and Adjutant. Those not in attendance were either hand delivered or mailed their certificates.



(L-R): Squadron Commander Brendan Moore, David Tinius, John Horstmann, Jr., and Adjutant Fred Craigie.

The Sons of The American Legion's mission is to strengthen the four pillars of The American Legion. Therefore, Squadron 3 campaigns place an emphasis on preserving American traditions and values, improving the quality of life for our nation's children, caring for veterans and their families, and teaching the fundamentals of good citizenship.

We thank the Sons for their support.

Chancellor's Review

On April 17th, the University of Nebraska, Lincoln ROTC Big Red Battalion held their annual Chancellor's Review of Cadets and awards ceremony. Department Commander, Boyd Yochum, Post 3 Adjutant, Ed Schnabel, Post 3 member, Gerry Wolf and 40&8 Adjutant, Fred Craigie, attended the ROTC Chancellor's Review.

Commander Yochum presented 5 Cadets or Midshipmen with The Edger J Boschult Memorial Scholarship; Post 3 awarded 12 Cadets or Midshipmen with certificates and medals for Scholastic Excellence and another 12 Cadets or Midshipmen for Military Excellence; The 40&8 presented a Cadet with an award for Academic Excellence.

The annual event is a celebration of the ROTC cadets and their commitment to service. Organized by the university's Big Red Battalion (featuring representatives of the Army, Air Force, Navy, and Marine ROTC programs). The event is open to university leaders, alumni, community members, ROTC program partners and special guests.

The university's military science program was established in 1876 under the provisions of the Morrill Act of 1862. Today, the Military Science and ROTC programs are an integral part of the university's commitment to the veteran and military-connected communities.

Later that day, similar certificates and medals were given to two Air Force JROTC Cadets at Lincoln Northeast High School. It might be mentioned that Lincoln Northeast High School is the only Lincoln High School that provides JROTC training in the city.









Monday, May 26th is Memorial Day. This day is a Federal Holiday observed to honor the men and women who died while serving their country in the United States Military.



Airman Accounted For From WWII





The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency announced that U.S. Army Air Forces Cpl. Glenn H. Hodak, 23, of Cambridge Springs, Pennsylvania, killed during World War II, was accounted for on Sept. 25, 2024.

In March 1945, Hodak was a member of the 93rd Bombardment Squadron, 19th Bombardment Group, when the B-29 "Superfortress" he was a gunner aboard was shot down on a mission to Tokyo, Japan. Initially reported as missing in action, investigators later learned that Hodak was captured and perished in the Tokyo Prison Fire on May 26, 1945. The blaze was the result of heavy U.S. aircraft bombing of the Japanese capital.

On the evening of May 23, 1945, more than 500 American B-29 Superfortress bombers took off from the Mariana Islands in the western Pacific Ocean. When they reached Tokyo, they firebombed the city with highly flammable explosives under a strategic shift that was intended to force a Japanese surrender. His remains were not immediately recovered or identified after the war.

Following the close of hostilities, American Graves Registration Service (AGRS) personnel searched for and disinterred the remains of U.S. servicemen throughout the Pacific Theater. Based on information from the Japanese government, AGRS personnel anticipated the recovery of 62 sets of remains from the Tokyo Military Prison in early 1946. Over the following three years AGRS conducted several investigations into the Prison, identifying 25 of the 65 recovered servicemembers, one being a repatriated Japanese unknown. After various attempts to identify the remaining 39 sets were unsuccessful, they were ultimately interred as an Unknowns in the Manilla American Cemetery and Memorial (MACM).

In March and April 2022, the 39 Unknowns from the Tokyo Prison Fire were disinterred from MACM and sent to the DPAA laboratory for analysis.

To identify Hodak's remains, scientists from DPAA used dental and anthropological analysis, as well as circumstantial evidence.

Hodak will be buried in Spring Creek, Pennsylvania, in May 2025.

Marine Awarded The Medal Of Honor





Citation:

Corporal Meyer maintained security at a patrol rally point while other members of his team moved on foot with two platoons of Afghan National Army and Border Police into the village of Ganjgal for a pre-dawn meeting with village elders. Moving into the village, the patrol was ambushed by more than 50 enemy fighters firing rocket-propelled grenades, mortars, and machine guns from houses and fortified positions on the slopes above.

Hearing over the radio that four U.S. team members were cut off, Corporal Meyer seized the initiative. With a fellow Marine driving, Corporal Meyer took the exposed gunner's position in a gun-truck as they drove down the steeply terraced terrain in a daring attempt to disrupt the enemy attack and locate the trapped U.S. team. Disregarding intense enemy fire now concentrated on their lone vehicle, Corporal Meyer killed a number of enemy fighters with the mounted machine guns and his rifle, some at near point-blank range, as he and his driver made three solo trips into the ambush area. During the first two trips, he and his driver evacuated two dozen Afghan soldiers, many of whom were wounded.

When one machine gun became inoperable, he directed a return to the rally point to switch to another gun-truck for a third trip into the ambush area where his accurate fire directly supported the remaining U.S. personnel and Afghan soldiers fighting their way out of the ambush. Despite a shrapnel wound to his arm, Corporal Meyer made two more trips into the ambush area in a third gun-truck accompanied by four other Afghan vehicles to recover more wounded Afghan soldiers and search for the missing U.S. team members. Still under heavy enemy fire, he dismounted the vehicle on the fifth trip and moved on foot to locate and recover the bodies of his team members.

Corporal Meyer's daring initiative and bold fighting spirit throughout the 6-hour battle significantly disrupted the enemy's attack and inspired the members of the combined force to fight on. His unwavering courage and steadfast devotion to his U.S. and Afghan comrades in the face of almost certain death reflected great credit upon himself and upheld the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

Corporal Meter was awarded the Medal of Honor on September 15, 2011, by President Barack Obama at the White House

Governor Jim Pillen and the Nebraska Department of Veterans Affairs will present medals to Nebraska's living WWII veterans on VE Day, 2025, May 8th in the second-floor rotunda at 1:00 p.m.



CELEBRATING 80 YEARS OF VICTORY

Governor Jim Pillen and the Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs are launching an initiative to recognize the state's World War II veterans in 2025 to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the end of World War II.







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Eligibility Requirements

This WWII Recognition Medal is reserved for <u>living veterans</u> meeting the conditions below

- Must have served in the U.S. Armed Forces between December 1, 1941 and December 31, 1946.
- Must be a current legal resident of Nebraska or demonstrate Nebraska residency at time of entering service.
- Must have discharged under conditions other than dishonorable.

For more information about the World War II Veteran Recognition Program, visit

veterans.nebraska.gov/WW2













Seize this golden chance, whether you're a novice in the creative field or an established artist seeking to expand your fan base. This opportunity embraces all forms of artistic expression. Hurry, the submission deadline is June 6th! The top 3 talents being revealed at the Veterans Freedom Music Festival on June 14th, each receiving a cash reward and name recognition. Don't miss out, visit our website for more information.





Working together to end veteran suicide.

MONTHLY ON THE 22ND 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Antelope Park Enclosed Shelter 1650 Memorial Dr., Lincoln, NE 68508 Next to The Veterans Memorial Garden

OPEN TO ALL VETERANS



Coffee, refreshments, and snacks are provided.





A Message from Your Veterans Advisory Group!

VAG Lincoln Coffeehaus!



JOIN US ON FRIDAY!

A CoffeeHaus Event has been scheduled for the third Friday each month from 10:00 AM to Noon, at Auld Pavilion in Antelope Park

In addition, Quilts of Valor Ladies will be awarding quilts to Veterans touched by war, and the presentation begins at Noon.

CoffeeHaus is a monthly gathering to honor our Veterans, with FREE Coffee, Beverages, Snacks, Fellowship, and Entertainment.

Join us - reach out and bring a guest too!



The Sponsor for CoffeeHaus is the Elks Lodge #80.



MORE INFORMATION!

For a Calendar of Upcoming VAG Events, visit our Website, at www.VAGLincoln.org!



A FELLOW VETERAN NEEDS YOU!

VETERAN VOLUNTEERS CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OUR VETERAN HOSPICE PATIENTS BY

- PROVIDING COMPANIONSHIP
- RECORDING A LIFE STORY
- CALLING OR VISITING ON A SPECIAL DAY
- PINNING A VETERAN PATIENT
- EDUCATING PATIENTS ON RECEIVING VETERAN BENEFITS
- PARTICIPATING IN VETERANS DAY CEREMONIES

To learn more about becoming a volunteer, please contact Jen Vogt, Regional Volunteer Coordinator at (402) 943-6871 or jen.vogt@amedisys.com

Ready to apply?

Visit http://bttr.im/1fnah
or scan the QR code with your smart phone!
Contact Jen if you would like a paper application.





Sons Of The American Legion Application



To be eligible for membership in the Sons of the American Legion, you must be a male descendant (son, grandson, stepson, or adopted son) of:

- A member of The American Legion, or
- A veteran who died in service during World War I or since December 7, 1941, or
- A veteran who died after their honorable discharge from such service, and
- Return the application below along with \$35.00 to:

Sons of The American Legion

ATTN: Brendan Moore

123 South 84th Street, Suite L

Lincoln, Ne 68510

Sons of The American Legion Membership Application						
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Name(First) (Initial)	(Last)	Recruited by	(Initial)	(Last)		
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Veteran through whom eligib	ility is establish	ed				
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OR (b) Above is a deceased vi	eteran who serv	ed honorably from	to_			
(c) Relationship of Applicant t	o Veteran					
I hereby subscribe to the Co	nstitution of the	Sons of The Ameri	can Legion, apply for	membership, and		
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Become a Member of The American Legion

Do you want to help your community and fellow Veterans by becoming a member of the American Legion? Would you want to help recruit a new member? If you can certify you, or do you know someone, who served at least one day of active military duty since December 7, 1941, and was honorably discharged or are currently serving honorably? Then they are eligible. Complete the application below and send it with a check in the amount of \$56.00 to:

American Legion Post 3
123 South 84th Street, Suite L
Lincoln, Ne 68510

	(Name)		(Date of Birth)
	(Mailing Address)		(Phone Number)
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(Post #)
(E	-mail)	(Gender)	(Dues)
☐ Panama ☐ Lebanon/Grenada ☐ Vietnam ☐ Korea ☐ WWII ☐ Other Conflicts	☐ U.S. Air Force ☐ U.S. Marines ☐ U.S. Coast Guard ☐ Merchant Marines (WWII only)	GIO
Signature of applicant	Date	Name	of recruiter

To renew or transfer to Post 3, you only need to sign below and mail this application and a check for \$56.00 made out to "American Legion Post 3" to the address listed above. If you have already renewed for 2025, and want to transfer to Post 3, only sign below and return the bottom portion to us.

YES! Please	ansfer my membership to Lincoln American Legion Post 3
	Signature
	Membership Number
	Email addross



American Legion Post 3
123 South 84th St. Suite L
Lincoln, NE 68510
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