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2023 Goal	1217	74.0%

The voice of American Legion Post 3 and its family of veterans affiliated organizations in Lincoln, Nebraska.

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## COMING EVENTS

### December

- 3 Salon 832 Meeting
- 7 Pearl Harbor Day
- 8 SAL Meeting
- 13 Post 3 / Unit 3 Meetings
- 15 Legion Riders Meeting
- 20 Voiture 103 Meeting
- 21 First Day of Winter
- 25 Christmas



### January

- 1 New Years Day
- 10 Post 3 Meeting
- 12 SAL Meeting
- 13-15 Mid-Year Conference, Norfolk
- 16 Martin Luther King Day
- 17 Voiture 103 / Salon 832 Meetings
- 19 Legion Riders Meeting

### February

- 9 SAL Meeting
- 14 Valentine's Day
- 14 Post 3 / District 15/Unit 3 Meetings
- 16 Salon 92 Meeting
- 16 Legion Riders Meeting
- 20 President's Day
- 21 Voiture 103 / Salon 832 Meetings



## LETTER FROM THE COMMANDER

Fellow Legionnaires ---

In the next few months, there are some important events that you should put on your calendar. A few are listed below:

**National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day:** National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day is celebrated on the 7th of December every year in the United States of America. On that day of infamy in 1941, more than 2,400 people died; and the United States was propelled out of isolation and into World War II. Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day is a time to reflect and to remember the brave souls of our country who lost their lives in that tragic war. It also reminds us to connect with the few who are still among us who survived the attack or simply were alive then and a witness to the history of the time.

**Salvation Army Bell Ringing:** Post 3 is currently scheduled for bell ringing in early December to support good causes in our area sponsored by the Salvation Army. We still could use additional volunteers for two-hour time slots (11am to 7pm). Dates, times, and locations are still available. Most of our members are signing up as two man and/or lady teams to cover the two-hour time slots. If interested, contact Ron Hindmand: Phone (254) 291-1514, or Email rhindmand@gmail.com.

**Wreaths Across America - Governor's Proclamation:** The program, tasking place on the second floor of the State Capitol under the Rotunda, will be on Monday, 12 December at 1100 hrs. The Warner Chambers, where the event is usually held, will not be available at that time.

**Wreaths Across America - Wyuka Cemetery:** The wreath-laying program at Wyuka Cemetery will be held on Saturday, 17 December 2022 at 1100 hrs. Activities take place at the New Soldiers Circle inside of the north entrance off of Vine Street.

**Christmas:** This Holiday is supposed to be a time of joy and happiness. Sadly, for many in Lincoln, Christmas is just another day on the calendar. They have nowhere to go or no one to share Christmas with them. As we prepare to celebrate this upcoming holiday and what it means to each of us, we need to reach out in a small way and try to brighten the lives of these forgotten citizens.

Donate money or your time to the Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign, volunteer at a charity that helps these people, give food or money to the Food Bank, or ask one of these individuals to share a Christmas meal with you and your family. There are many ways to help our fellow citizens.

**Mid-Year Conference:** The Mid-Year Conference is one of our most important gatherings of the year. I hope it's the kind of event you can talk about when you return to our post and your fellow Legionnaires. Your attendance at the annual Mid-Year Conference shows your dedication to our great organizations and the four pillars of The American Legion. The Mid-Year Conference will be held on January 13-15, 2023, at the Norfolk Lodge and Divots Conference Center, 4200 West Norfolk Avenue in Norfolk.



Commander Post #3  
Gerry Wolf

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District 15 Convention: The district meeting is the largest American Legion meeting the average member ever attends. Not all Legionnaires attend state conventions, and fewer attend national conventions. Therefore, the district meeting is a special opportunity to highlight The American Legion's accomplishments and aims.

We will not elect a new District Commander and Vice Commander this year. We will, however, have current and prospective Department officers present; and you can listen to their reports and campaign speeches. The District 15 Convention will be held at 6:30 P.M. on Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at the Lincoln Elks Lodge #80, 5910 South 58th Street.

I hope to see fellow Legionnaires at some of these events. As always, keep our veterans and our active-duty service men and women in your thoughts and prayers.

I want to wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*For God and Country,*

*Gerry Wolf*

Post 3 Commander

**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY**



Lincoln Unit 3 President  
Barbara Skillman

Dear Members,  
It is really hard to believe that Thanksgiving has come and gone and Christmas is just around the corner. In a way, am I ready for the Holidays!! I do so love being with my family.



As a unit, we are collecting food for the Lincoln Food Bank and the Lincoln VA Clinic. Also, we will give gift cards for groceries to veterans in need during Christmas (as we did around Thanksgiving, too). Always remember a veteran who may be having trouble making ends meet. You may know someone; give them a helping hand.

Shirley Horstman, our Education Chairman, was able to contact a second grade teacher; and we were able to donate items for her class. I am so grateful to help young children. They are so wide-eyed to the world of learning.

It is time to think about student scholarships for high school seniors and students attending Nebraska colleges. Please check the American Legion Post 3 webpage for information on the Unit Scholarship and Department of Nebraska Scholarships. If you have any questions, please contact Shirley Horstman at 402-467-1575.

The December meeting of Unit 3 will be on December 13th, but we will not have a regular meeting in January. Please come in February for the next meeting.

January 13th – 15th, the Nebraska American Legion Family will be holding its annual Mid Year Educational Conference in Norfolk at the Norfolk Lodge and Divots Conference Center. Information about the event will be in your Auxiliary Star. I hope you can attend this leadership meeting.

Membership is moving along. At this writing, we have 197 members who have renewed their dues, and we are at 68% of our goal. Please pay your dues today. We need your help so we can help our veterans.

Having hope that you had a very Happy Thanksgiving, I would like to wish you a Happy Hanukkah and a Merry Christmas.

*For God and Country,*

*Barbara Skillman*

President, Lincoln Unit 3

**AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS**



ALR Director Post #3  
Bruce Gubser

Greetings, Riders and All ---

Thankfully, the fall weather (so far) has been mostly kind to riders. We had some decent days in November, and I expect there will even be some days in December that aren't horrible for riding.

At our October meeting, we were able to present the proceeds of our September poker run to our designated charity, the First Responders Foundation JAVELAN Service Dog Program. The JAVELAN program provides funding for service dogs for military veterans and retired first responders in eastern Nebraska and western Iowa.

This program enriches the lives of veterans and retired first responders by enabling independence and giving life-changing support. You may have heard from a previous report on the poker run that we were able to raise over \$1,750 dollars from the participants. Your American Legion Riders just didn't think that was enough, so we voted during the meeting to kick in a few more dollars to make the donation an even \$2,000.



Pictured in the accompanying photo are, from left to right: Chapter 3 Assistant Director Neil Larson; JAVELAN recipient Tom Fairchild and his dog, Duke; JAVELAN representative Bob Dean and his dog, Jack; and Chapter 3 Treasurer David Dietz.

Meanwhile, your American Legion Riders continue to support and honor our veterans by participating in various honors ceremonies and other events. We were glad to see quite a few spectators as we participated in Lincoln's Veterans Day parade on Sunday, November 13th.

*Until next time, Ride (or Drive) Safe!*

*Bruce Gubser*

Director, Lincoln Chapter 3, American Legion Riders



Several Post 3 Legion Riders participated in the Lincoln Veterans Parade on November 13th. Pictured, L-R, as they prepared for the parade are William Smisek, Mike Streeter, Bruce Gubser, Hubert Olson, and Ron Bevard. Not pictured is Bob Vrana.

## SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION



SAL Commander Sqd. #3  
Brendan Moore

Lincoln Sons of the American Legion (SAL) Squadron #3 has in the past (before the pandemic shut things down) purchased food for needy families (mostly veterans) for Thanksgiving and then again before Christmas. Things have changed dramatically since, so we have decided to try something different this year.

Before Thanksgiving, we stopped by a local supermarket and determined who needed help with their food bill and handed out cash to them to help with the cost. It did bring tears to those who were recipients. We even had some decline the offer, but the gesture also brought tears of gratitude.

I am assuming that we will try this again before Christmas. Since this was our first venture in trying this format, we may make some changes as to time of day, location, and amounts. We will be discussing the success of this project at our next few meetings and try to improve on it.

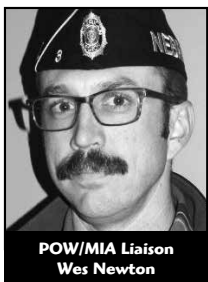
Upcoming events for the SAL. In the next few months, the squadron will be sponsoring a boy and a girl to attend American Legion Cornhusker Boys State and American Legion Auxiliary Girls State, both programs having returned to in-person sessions. From what I understand, there will be some increase in cost (as with the cost of everything going up recently).

I will again encourage members to attend a meeting. Meetings are held the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Post 3 business office located at 123 South 84th Street (just south of 84th and "O" Streets). Plenty of parking is available.

*Brendan Moore*

SAL Squadron 3 Commander

## PRISONERS OF WAR AND MISSING IN ACTION



POW/MIA Liaison  
Wes Newton

### Christmas Joy in the Least Likely of Places

Second Lieutenant Julian J. Gates, a member of the Army Air Corps, was captured when the U.S. surrendered to the Japanese on April 9, 1942, after the Battle of Bataan in the Philippines. Gates endured a 72-mile hike over the course of 10 days, watching many of his fellow soldiers succumb to exhaustion and being brutally executed by the Japanese

soldiers. This march would come to be known as the Bataan Death March. Despite the terrible conditions and treatment that he and his fellow soldiers endured at the Yodogawa Prisoner Camp, Gates still managed to write the following in his diary on Christmas Eve:

*"Jingle Bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way—Happy Christmas Eve! I am writing in bed with the cover up around my arms and head. I have a fever of 100 degrees. I thought last Christmas was tough, but at least I had food.... Anyway, it is Christmas, and I am going to try awfully hard to look up and see the brighter side of this bad situation. Christmas gift!"*

Simply imagining the horrific conditions that he was being subjected to, he somehow managed to write this the following day on Christmas of 1942:

*"MERRY CHRISTMAS to the world! Have just finished my Christmas dinner. The Japanese dinner was rice, water, and bread. But English Conley had saved a small can of sardines, so Lt. Placko cooked up a sardine and rice loaf. It had two tablespoons of lard (priceless), hot green pepper and black pepper, baked in a pot. It was wonderful! There are two meals prior to this that I always remember, but today, if I live to be 100 years old. I'll never forget this Christmas dinner. My one prayer this Christmas is that these 400 [number of other POWs] won't have*

*to spend another Christmas under these food circumstances."*

One year later Gates found himself in a different prison camp. However, his cheerfulness for the Christmas holiday was still present as displayed in the following diary excerpt written on Christmas day, 1943:

*"I never realized the old Christmas spirit could be so prevalent in a Prisoner-of-War camp. ...As I sit and write I can look around and see all sorts of Christmas decorations. What a difference from that dismal Christmas of a year ago! There are other decorations, so the Christmas spirit is here....Today we received two eggs apiece, which are priceless in Japan; also 10 tangerines; also two RC [Red Cross] parcels to three people. Tomorrow we are to get prune pie, milk, bread, noodles, chicken, etc...."*

Gates would spend one more Christmas in the same prisoner camp, but despite the terrible position he was in, he still found hope and managed to spread it to his fellow POWs, as evident in his final Christmas diary entry in 1944:

*"I can certainly say that this has been my grandest Christmas since a prisoner because any one of the 768 [POWs] of us could have and did get full of good food; also, because to a man we know next Christmas will find us at home (that's what we thought last Christmas)."*

The information Gates heard was in fact correct, and by the following Christmas he and his fellow POWs were released after Japan surrendered on September 2, 1945. Gates' diary gives an inciteful look at the holidays by an American POW. For three long years, Gates endured food rationing, sickness, and the unbearable pain of being away from his family. Despite all of this, his entries on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day are generally filled with an attempt to find joy, even in the least likely of places.

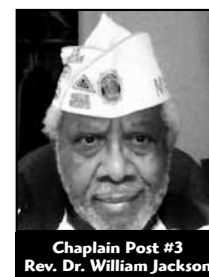
Let this be an example to all of us as we head into the Christmas season. Let's not look at the holiday season as a burden, but instead let's find joy in the moments that we find ourselves in, and truly appreciate the many blessings in our lives.

*God Bless and Merry Christmas!*

*Wes Newton  
POW/MIA Liaison*



## LETTER FROM THE CHAPLAIN



Chaplain Post #3  
Rev. Dr. William Jackson

### American Legion Trunk-or-Treat

It was a great Pre-Halloween Sunday afternoon with kids, babies, and parents galore striding the grounds of the Air Park Recreation Center in Northwest Lincoln.

The message was sent out early in October 2022 as a call to provide a safer menu for kids to interact

with fellow kids through the wearing of costumes of their fantasy heroes and heroines. There were a lot of "scary" demons, Marvel heroes, wizards, and a host of other portrayals.

Parents had the availability of Rec Center services and outside games amid festive music. Trunk participants, using the



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southern parking area, included: Lincoln Elks Lodge 80, Lincoln American Legion Post 3, and many more.

Yes, some people might be concerned about a chaplain and pastor from the American Legion participating in a notably unholy celebration once originated for evil events. As the Lord revealed to me: providing a peaceful and safe environment for kids to enjoy themselves may often take precedence over otherwise dark spiritual concerns.

This was especially true with my praying and being well aware of no contaminants for kids' candies, etc. because involved adults took part in this affair to help ensure the kids' safety and peace.

*Rev. Dr. William Jackson*  
Chaplain, American Legion Post 3

## ASK THE CHAPLAIN

*If any of you have a Biblical question or life issue concerning your walk with Jesus, call me confidentially at 402.613.9774, leaving a message so I may get back with you. You may also leave a text message or email me at wjdoc@gmail.com*



Several members of the American Legion Post 3 Family ---- Post 3, Auxiliary Unit 3, Sons of the American Legion Squadron 3, and American Legion Riders Chapter 3 ---- participated in Lincoln's Veterans Parade on November 13th.

## NOTES FROM THE ADJUTANT'S OFFICE

As we enter this holiday season, I hope that everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving, and I want to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas. Take the time to remember your fellow veterans, many who are in need of our support.

**How many of you have taken advantage of the many benefits of being a veteran?** There are many. During a visit to the Homestead National Park near Beatrice, I learned that veterans of any age can now get a pass to enter any of the parks in the National Park Service. See the article found at this link. <https://www.nps.gov/orgs/1207/11-8-2022-lifetime-pass.htm>. You might also take a look at this site with information about a number of locations: <https://www.nps.gov/planyourvisit/passes.htm>

Many states also have passes for their state parks, and many stores offer discounts for military and veterans. You just have to ask.

**VA Clinics and Hospitals are currently giving covid and flu shots.** It might be wise to call first. Many are running clinics after normal hours, while others are giving shots during your normal doctor appointments. Be sure to bring you covid shot record with you, as they will add another sticker to the card.

We look forward to seeing you at the Post 3 meeting in December.

Membership Renewals. A BIG THANK YOU to those who have renewed for 2023.

The third mailing of dues notices for 2022-2023 were mailed out by the National Headquarters during the second week of November. Current membership stands at 901. If you happen to be one of the few whose dues were received after the October cutoff date, you might receive a dues notice. If you know that you have paid your 2023 dues, just throw the notice away.

Thanks again for renewing with POST 3 and THE American Legion.

Those who have not paid your 2023 dues, please take the time to review the reverse side on the notice. These notices have been changed; they have added the basic information that they have on file for you. If the information is correct as listed, then throw it away if you have paid your 2023 dues already. If, by chance, some of your information is not correct, please correct the information and mail the form to the Post 3 business office at 123 South 84th Street, Suite L, Lincoln, NE, 68510. I will see that it gets corrected. Thanks for your help.

**Does your 2023 membership show your correct years of service?** The 2023 card that we are mailing out should be correct. If the years are not correct, please let us know and we can get it corrected for you. We have fielded many calls about total years of membership not being correct. It takes a lot of work to double check what is printed on the 2023 cards, so if yours is not correct, please email me, or text me, and I can correct the years for you. You can double check your card from 2022 to see if the 2023 card has added one year for you. If not, let me know; and I will mail out a new card with the correct years and have National update your membership record. { [edschnabelasa@gmail.com](mailto:edschnabelasa@gmail.com); 402-480-8542 }

Again, Thanks for your service and thanks for being a member of Post 3.

Remember to thank your fellow veterans for their service --- and thank you for your service.

*Ed Schnabel*  
Post 3 Adjutant

## HONORING VIET NAM VETS

Remembering America's Heroes (RAH) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization founded by Ken Buckles about 20 years ago whose mission is to educate our youth and communities about the high cost of freedom and the sacrifices made by our country's military veterans. It recently launched a new program to recognize the service and sacrifices of our Vietnam veterans called Honoring Vietnam Veterans Across America.

Executive Director and Founder Ken Buckles and his wife, Malinda, made a stop in Lincoln on November 3, 2022 on a cross-country trip to honor and thank Vietnam veterans, as well as apologize for the shameful way many of them were treated upon returning home. Several members of Post 3 attended a short program at the Antelope Park Shelter adjacent to the Veterans Memorial Gardens presented by Ken and Malinda Buckles.



**Ken Buckles, founder of Remembering American Heroes.**



**Pictured, L-R, are Wade Graft, John Ottoson, Steve Bartos, Ed Schnabel, Fred Craigie, Gerry Wolf, and Jack Sibert. Not pictured is Dave Timmerman.**

## DISTRICT 15 ORATORICAL CONTEST

District 15 (Post 3) held its annual Oratorical Contest at the Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, December 2nd.

District 15 had three entrants this year, but only one appeared at the contest. Jack Watermolen, the son of John and Shannon Watermolen and a junior at Lincoln Southwest High School, presented his orations and was advanced to the Area C Oratorical Contest in Seward on December 4th.

Organizing or in one way or another carrying out a variety of duties required to conduct an American Legion oratorical competition according to the official contest rules (judges, timers, escorts, etc.) were District Commander Bruce Gubser, District Vice Commander Ron Hindmand, Adjutant Ed Schnabel, Brendan Moore, Rich Lemmerman, Jeff Warrick, Fred Craigie, John Ottoson, and Commander Gerry Wolf.



**National Executive Committeeman Fred Craigie presents the 1st Place Medal to District 15 Oratorical Contest winner Jack Watermolen.**





**American Legion Post 3**

**LEGIONNAIRE..... SERVICE ERA..... DATE**

Justin L. Biskup .....	Korea .....	9/10/22
George Brock .....	Vietnam.....	7/8/22
Thomas D. Burns .....	Vietnam.....	10/17/22
Joseph C. Geist.....	WW II.....	9/18/22
James H. Hubbell.....	Vietnam.....	9/23/22
Lyle M. Jones .....	Korea .....	8/15/22
Raymond W. Steinman.....	Korea .....	10/26/22
Norman L. Stentz.....	WWII .....	1/17/22
John B. Tharnish .....	Korea .....	8/29/22
Donald G. Wolf .....	Vietnam.....	7/16/22

**QUILTS OF VALOR**

With over 100 folks in attendance at the November VA CoffeeHaus event, Post 3 Vice Commander Bruce Gubser ---- and three others ---- were presented their Quilts of Valor.

The next VA CoffeeHaus is scheduled for 10:00 AM to noon on Friday, December 16th, inside the Auld Pavilion in Antelope Park. Please plan to attend and join your friends for coffee, refreshments, and entertainment.



**EDITOR'S NOTE:**

Please send articles and pictures for the next issue of the *Lincoln Legionnaire* to Steve Bartos, Editor. 7441 San Mateo Lane, Lincoln, NE 68516 or email them to LB32906@windstream.net. Electronic submittals are preferred and should include reference to "*Lincoln Legionnaire*" in the subject line of your email. Materials for the next issue need to be submitted by **February 10, 2023**.

**STARS HOCKEY**

The Lincoln Stars hockey team held a Military Night during Veterans Day weekend. Adjutant Ed Schnabel coordinated the use of a large flag from Whitehead Oil Company,

Adjutant Ed Schnabel and Commander Gerry Wolf presented the colors as Jen Bacon sang the National Anthem.



## MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

Post 3 and Unit 3 plan to gather together after their December 13th regular meetings to socialize, enjoy a few refreshments, and then play "card bingo." Please join us.

Feel free to bring some snacks to share.

If you plan to play bingo, please consider bringing a small gift (less than \$5) for the prize box.

Also, Unit 3 is collecting non-perishable food items for the Food Bank and the VA Clinic. If you would like to donate something, you can bring it to the meeting.

## SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

Christmas is almost upon us, and there is lots of good charity work to be done using funds we will have helped raise. Members of the Lincoln Post 3 American Legion Family committed to volunteer for most of 4 full days of bell ringing to support good causes in our area that the Salvation Army sponsors.

Our Legion Riders chapter covered the Hobby Lobby at 66th & O Streets on December 1st. At least 13 other Post 3 volunteers scheduled

themselves in two-hour time slots on Wednesday, December 7th, and Thursday, December 8th, at the Williamsburg Hy-Vee located at 40th and Old Cheney Road. Our Auxiliary Unit 3 volunteers began our Bell Ringing effort by ringing bells on Wednesday, November 30th, at this Hy-Vee location, also. Well done, Ladies!

Merry Christmas --- and thank you to all who helped ring the bells. Post 3 has a long tradition of participating in this annual Salvation Army fundraiser, and we're glad that we could continue that tradition.

*Ron Hindmand*  
Post 3 Vice Commander



Auxiliary Unit 3 member Barbara Michael rings bells for the Salvation Army on a chilly November day.

## CONSOLIDATED POST REPORTS

The Consolidated Post Report (CPR) was established in 1975 in order to assist departments in the documentation of the various post activities in which a specific post --- or its members --- have participated during the 12-month period, June 1 through May 31. The CPR may be the most beneficial document the post will complete.

The post's information for the 2022-2023 CPR, combined with that of other posts, is used when the National Commander and others testify on Capitol Hill as mandated by our federal charter. Each post has a story to tell; and --- when we speak collectively --- our strength is magnified.

Nebraska has a very good national reputation in that Nebraska almost always has a Consolidated Post Report completed for 100% of its posts, and it's time for Post 3 to start working on the preparation of the next one to be submitted. (The national completion percentage is about 65%)

Do you do any volunteering? Give blood? Make monetary donations? Are you involved with schools or interacting with youth groups? If you have done any of these things, please let us know, as the National American Legion collects the numbers and information from all of the CPRs received to prepare its annual report to Congress.

The CPR has 122 items that collect data, broken down into 7 general areas. The seven general areas --- and *just a few examples* of things that qualify for being reported --- are shown below.

**Veterans Affairs.** Volunteer hours recorded at VA facilities. Monetary contributions to VA Volunteer Service programs.

**National Security.** Being a blood donor. Number of pints of blood donated. Participating in Homeland Security or disaster relief efforts. Participating in ceremonial honors for veterans.

**Media and Communications.** Contributes to a post website or newsletter.

**Veterans Employment and Education.** Participates in career fairs. Participates in or supports programs for homeless veterans.

**Americanism.** Participates in or supports (financially or otherwise) programs like Boys State, American Legion Baseball, Scouting, Oratorical Contest, and school awards programs. Does community service activities (report hours). Participates in Veterans Day and Memorial Day activities.

**Children and Youth.** Volunteers for or donates to children and youth activities. Donates to American Legion Children and Veterans Foundation. Provides financial aid to benefit children. Donates to child service charities.

**Internal Affairs & Membership.** Participates in Legion Riders Legacy Run. Participates in or donates to National Emergency Fund. Participates in Buddy Check. Miscellaneous fundraising for American Legion or veterans activities.

If you have anything to report that we might be able to include on the next Post 3 Consolidated Post Report, please call, drop us a note, or send an email. If you're not sure, send it anyway --- and we'll take a look to see if it can be included.

Thanks in advance for sharing with us the things you do. It's important that we blow our own horn a little from time to time!!

*Ed Schnabel*  
Post 3 Adjutant

 **92,162**

Units collected through The American Legion's Blood Donor Program in the 2021-22 membership year, with 67% of posts reporting their numbers.

## RECRUIT A MEMBER FOR POST 3 NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

Yes! I want to help my community and my fellow veterans by becoming a member of the American Legion. I certify that I have at least one day of active military duty during one of the periods identified below and was honorably discharged --- or am still serving honorably. Enclosed is my check made out to

**"American Legion Post 3" in the amount of \$46.**

Please fill out the information requested below and submit your application and payment to:

**American Legion Post 3  
123 South 84<sup>th</sup> Street Suite "L"  
Lincoln, NE 68510**

Eligibility Periods (Check One)

- April 6, 1917 thru November 11, 2018  
 December 7, 1941 thru the present  
 Merchant Marine: December 7, 1941 thru December 31, 1946

FOR DEMOGRAPHIC PURPOSES

BRANCH OF SERVICE

- US ARMY  
 US NAVY  
 US AIR FORCE  
 US MARINES  
 US COAST GUARD  
 SPACE FORCE

DATES OF SERVICE

- April 6, 1917 – November 11, 2018  
 December 7, 1941 – December 31, 1946  
 June 25, 1950 – January 31, 1955  
 February 28, 1961 – May 7, 1975  
 August 24, 1982 – July 31, 1984  
 December 20, 1989 – January 31, 1990  
 August 2, 1990 – Present  
 Other Conflicts (LEGION Act)

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Fred Craigie, 2 yrs., Wade Graft, 3 yrs., Jack Sibert, 1 yr.

## IF YOU ARE MOVING!

Please notify us if you have a change of address. Post #3 has to pay 75 cents for each incorrect address on a bimonthly paper. Send address changes to:

AMERICAN LEGION POST #3 • 123 S. 84th St., Suite L, • Lincoln, NE 68510

Or call us at 466-3958 Thank you for helping us keep expenses down!

*(This also include Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion, and 40 & 8)*

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