

# "For God And Country" APRIL 2023 POST 3 NEWSLETTER



# **Meeting Schedule For April 2023**

Organization	Location	Time	Date
Legion Post 3	Elks Lodge, 5910 S 58th St	7:00 PM	04/11/23
Auxiliary Unit 3	Elks Lodge, 5910 S 58th St	7:00 PM	04/11/23
SAL Squadron 3	Post 3 Office, 123 S 84th St	7:00 PM	04/13/23
ALR Chapter 3	Denton Legion Club	6:00 PM	04/20/23
40 & 8 Voiture 103	Elks Lodge, 5910 S 58th St	6:30 PM	04/18/23
8 & 40 Salon 832	Elks Lodge, 5910 s 58 <sup>th</sup> St	6:30 PM	04/18/23
8 & 40 Salon 92	VFW 3606, 3340 West A St	1:00 PM	04/20/20
Buddy Check	The Foundry, 211 N 14 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 PM	04/22/23
VA CoffeeHaus	Auld Pavilion, Antelope Park	10:00 AM	04/21/23

#### **Commander's Call**



Fellow Legionnaire:

It would not be my Commander's Call if I did not address my most important responsibility: Membership. Serving as your Post 3 Commander is an honor and privilege. With that, also comes a tremendous amount of responsibility to you, the membership of Post 3, and the Department of Nebraska. We are currently Nebraska's largest Post and I thank you for your continued membership and support that allows us to claim that spot.

The membership goal for 2023 is 1217 members as set by The American Legion Department of Nebraska. As of this writing, there are 1280 veterans who make up this Post. If you live in the Lincoln area, I ask that you seriously consider getting involved with the Post and its activities. Your membership is not only supporting our local Post but The American Legion nationwide. The American Legion has a strong voice in Congress which ultimately helps all our veterans.

We all have time, treasures, and talents we can give to this organization. If you have recently retired and are looking for something to do, look no farther. You have found it. You will be able to help the community and the Post while staying active. Please consider staying a part of our legion family.

The American Legion is only as strong as its membership. We must continue to lead the way to ensure that our veterans, our military service members, and our community are assisted in whatever way we can.

The Post 3 family includes the Legionnaires, the Auxiliary, the Sons of the Legion, and the American Legion Riders. Members come from many locations, backgrounds, and occupations. Together, these members work to organize a multitude of local veteran and community events.

As stated before, historically, our membership is reduced by 8%-10% annually. Much of this reduction is due to members joining Post Everlasting. We can't do much about that.

What you can do is get involved with our Post goal. This won't require much of your time and won't cost you any money. All you must do is ask your neighbors, friends, and family members to join the Post 3 family if they are not already a member. If just about 10% of you would recruit, reinstate, or renew a member, we would make our goal.

In 1919, The American Legion was founded on the four pillars: Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, and Children and Youth. These programs and the men and women who make them work, make a difference in the lives of our fellow Nebraskans each year. Our founders made this our mission and it's what we do as Legionnaires. Please get involved with the Post and remember that we are making a difference in the lives of our veterans and their families by being members of this great organization.

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.

Gerry Wolf Post 3 Commander

## **Notes from the Adjutant's Desk**



A big thank you to those who have renewed for 2023. On the other side, sorry to say we did not hit the 90% target date. This is the first time we have missed a target for 2023. We are just under 89%, so with a little effort we can make the 95% goal for May.

The fourth mailing of dues notices for 2022-2023 have been mailed out by the American Legion National Headquarters. Current membership stands at 1080. If you happen to be one of the few whose dues were received after the February cutoff date,

you might receive a dues notice. If you know that you have paid your 2023 dues, just throw the notice away.

If you have not paid your 2023 dues, please pay them. The post 3 memberships currently stand at 88% of our assigned goal for 2023. We are down to under 150 renewals to make 100%. Time to hit the street and find those who earned the right to be a Legionnaire.

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: branch of service, war era, phone number and email address. If some of your information is not correct, please correct the information and mail the form with your 2023 dues payment to 123 South 84<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite L, Lincoln, NE, 68510, and 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. Takes a lot of work to double check what is printed on the 2023 cards, so if yours is not correct, please email 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) 402-480-8542

Post 3 will honor those with 50,60,70 years of continuous membership with the Legion during the April meeting. We sent letters to those that will be receiving a Certificate. If you think you should be receiving a certificate and did not receive a letter, please let us know. We go off the data that National has in their database, which could be wrong.

Post 3 held a flag retirement on Wednesday March 29, 2023. Thanks to all who came to help.

I want to say thanks to all our Vietnam Veterans for their service. For those who might have forgotten, Wednesday March 29, 2023, was Vietnam Veterans Memorial Day. It marks the day that the last US combat troops left Vietnam. Hard to believe that it has been 50 years since I came home.

The truce that ended the fighting between US troops and NVA troops was signed in January 1973. During February and March, the POWs held by North Vietnamese were released and flown home.

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

Ed Schnabel Adjutant

### **Lincoln CBOC/VA News**



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A note to my fellow Vietnam veterans who happen to serve in theater, but outside of South Vietnam and to those who served in the Middle East Gulf Wars. On August 10, 2022, President Biden signed the <u>PACT Act</u> into law, extending VA health eligibility to many veterans, and expanding benefits to eligibility veterans. The PACT Act expanded benefits for exposures to toxic substances. The PACT Act now PRESUMES that exposure to toxic substances caused many health problems to those who served in these theaters. If you have filed a claim for Agent Orange, or other toxics and it was denied, you need to file a claim update and get a new review. For me, my service in Thailand is now covered for toxic exposures. This allows me to file new claims for many of my health problems without needing to prove my service caused them. This is a major change; the VA now PRESUMES that service is a direct cause for many health problems.

The PACT Act is a new law that expands VA health care and benefits for Veterans exposed to burn pits, Agent Orange, and other toxic substances. The PACT Act adds to the list of health conditions that we assume (or "presume") are caused by exposure to these substances. This law requires the Department of Veteran Affairs to provide generations of Veterans—and their survivors—with the care and benefits they've earned and deserve.

If you have not filed a claim under the PACT Act, go to the Veterans Affairs web site. There you will find answers to your questions about what the PACT Act means for you or your loved ones. You can also call them at 800-698-2411 (TTY: 711). And you can file a claim for PACT Act-related disability compensation or apply for VA health care now.

If you are awarded a new disability or have one upgraded, you will or should receive back pay to September 2022. If you had served in Vietnam or the Middle East, visit the VA web site and read the list of medical problems that are now presumed to have a link to service in these theaters. If you have any of these problems, contact your Service Office to file a new or updated claim. I was able to file claims for four medical problems that are now covered by this change.

It did not take much more than going to a Service Officer and visiting with them about my service while in theater.

Ed Schnabel Legion Rep. to Lincoln CBOC

#### **Post 3 ALR Director's Remarks**





We appointed Ray Paulson as sergeant-at-arms to replace Ron Bevard. Ron passed away January 26, 2023.

The Tour of Honor run is April 1-2. This run will visit various Tour of Honor memorials across the state. Ride Captain, Bruce Gubser, discussed various other runs in May, 2023.

We also designated two groups to receive our poker run funds. They are the JAVELAN group and the Patriotic Productions group.

Our poker run is September 9. We are again keeping track of our times and miles logged for our various ride commitments.

The Sons of the American Legion Squadron also gave the ALR Chapter a check to use for expenses incurred on our ride commitments.

Neil Larson
Director
Lincoln Chapter 3
American Legion Riders

#### **Post 3 Honor Guard**



In March, the Honor Guard assisted the Military Honors Teams at 9 Legion funerals and was present at 3 civic functions. In calendar year 2023, the Honor Guard was asked to assist the Military Honors Teams at 27 Legion funerals and was present at 6 civic events. Funerals held in bad weather are not easy, but the veterans deserve our recognition. The turnout for the services has been excellent, considering our age, health, and work responsibilities. The effort the Honor Guard makes to honor our deceased veterans is greatly appreciated. I want to thank everyone involved for their continued support.

#### Post 3 TAPS - March 2023



LEGIONNAIRE	WAR ERA	BRANCH	YEARS
Basil W. Conry	Vietnam	Air Force	44
Chalmers A. Cromer	WW II	Navy	54
Arthur M. Kolb	Vietnam	Army	43
Joseph A. Pospichal	Korea	Air Force	5

# Regular Meeting of American Legion Post 3 Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 March 14, 2023

Commander Gerry Wolf opened the March 14, 2023, meeting of American Legion Post 3 at 7:00 PM at the Lincoln Elks Lodge 80 with about 25 Legionnaires or guests present.

Commander Wolf introduced several first-time attendees. Ted Silcock, Abraham Morgan, and Mike Streeter.

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

The minutes of the February 14<sup>th</sup> Post 3 / District 15 meeting were read and approved.

Steve Bartos gave an update on Boys State, indicating that numbers from Lincoln were down this year.

Ed Schnabel gave a financial report for the month ending February 28, 2023, showing a balance on hand of \$45,131.02. Upon proper motion, the report was accepted and filed for review.

Vice Commander Bruce Gubser reported for the Legion Riders. He also indicated that Post 3 is continuing with its birthday card program for veterans in a number of the Lincoln senior living facilities.

Bruce also discussed some pending legislation where Congress is proposing to reduce veterans' disability payments for a variety of reasons. He indicated that there is talk of making it needsbased, which would discount the value of the veteran's service to his or her country.

William Jackson gave an Americanism report.

Brendan Moore reported for Squadron 3 of the SAL. He said they were just 4 members shy of reaching the goal.

Commander Wolf reported that the Jr. Law Cadet interview process was underway, and it appeared we would have candidates representing Post 3.

Commander Wolf also reported for the Honor Team and indicated that in addition to funeral duties, they were getting quite a few requests for other civic functions.

Mention was made of several upcoming events in the next month. The commander also indicated that the post would be scheduling a flag retirement ceremony as the weather improved.

Commander Wolf announced that Continuous Membership Certificates for a number of long-time Legionnaires would be presented in April. He also announced that nominations for next year's officers would take place in May, with elections in June and installation in July.

Membership was reported at 1072.

Chaplain Jackson read TAPS, and the meeting was closed in proper form at 7:30 PM.

Steve Bartos, Recorder

#### **Junior Law Cadet Program 2023**

The American Legion Junior Law Cadet Program, co-sponsored by the Nebraska State Patrol, is held annually during the summer after the junior year of high school. This year the boy's session is June 20-21 and the girl's session is June 22-23. Students stay at the Nebraska State Patrol Training Academy in Grand Island for a week. The purpose of the program is to allow male and female students the opportunity to explore and experience the various aspects of law enforcement.

Post 3 is proud to announce our candidates: Sydney Kuenning and Austin Kamm.



**Sydney Kuenning and Post 3 Commander Wolf** 

Sydney Kuenning is a Junior at Lincoln Southeast High School. In her own words:

"By attending the Junior Law Cadet Program, I can learn more about Law enforcement and would be able to gain experience in working with canine police dogs. I also have a strong desire to learn more about criminal investigation. I hope to study criminal justice in college, and this would provide me with more experience in the field."



**Austin Kamm and Post 3 Commander Wolf** 

Austin Kamm is a Junior at Lincoln Southwest High School. In his own words:

"My Grandfather, who recently retired from the Cuming County Sheriff's Office, has inspired me to keep law enforcement running in my family and to always protect and serve the community. I am interested in attending the Junior Law Cadet Program to learn more about potentially becoming a law enforcement officer in the future."

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The Post 3 screening committee fully endorses these two individuals to attend the Junior Law Cadet Program and wishes them both well and continued success in their future endeavors.

#### **Dignified Disposal Of Unserviceable Flags**

On a chilly Spring morning, a group of Post 3 Legionnaires assembled to conduct a dignified disposal of unserviceable Flags. After a brief ceremony, the fires were lit and the unserviceable Flags that had been collected in a period of over 2 years were disposed of. I would like to thank all who participated and especially Dave Timmerman, who made sure everything was in place and for the use of his acreage for the ceremony.













#### Post 3/District 15 Officer Recognized By Agricultural Society



Post 3 Vice-Commander and District 15 Commander, Bruce Gubser, was recently recognized by the Lancaster County Agricultural Society at their annual Blue Jean Gala.

Besides being a fountain of positive motivational quotes, Bruce received a plaque in recognition of the impact he had on the Lancaster County Agricultural Society's operation of the Lancaster Event Center during the pandemic.

Using his extensive experience in accounting from two long-time stints with the Army and the federal government, Bruce

helped the Lancaster Event Center wade through multiple complicated pandemic relief fund applications as they were passed at the city/county, state, and federal levels.

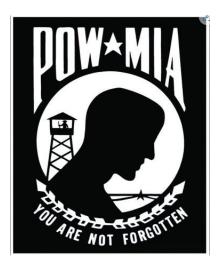
Bruce's work allowed the Lancaster Event Center to earn several grants that allowed them to keep their core staff on board and the lights on.

In addition to minimizing the number of pandemic-related closures, the Event Center was able to provide large, much-needed spaces for over 80 pandemic service events.

Congratulations, Bruce.

#### Soldier Accounted For From Vietnam War





The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) announced today, March 17, 2023, that U.S. Army Reserve Chief Warrant Officer 3 Larry A. Zich, 24, of Sturgis, South Dakota, killed during the Vietnam War, was accounted for Oct. 25, 2022.

In April 1972, Zich was assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 37th Signal Battalion, 1st Signal Brigade. On April 3, a UH-1H Iroquois (tail number 68-16330, call sign "Cavalier 70") with a crew of four, including Zich as the co-pilot. The crew departed from Marble Mountain, Da Nang, South Vietnam, on a combat support mission to Quang Tri City, South Vietnam. During the flight, the pilot told a Hue/Phu Bai Ground Control Approach (GCA) controller that he was lost, and believed they were near Quang Tri. Following the transmission, the GCA controller could not locate the helicopter on the radar and reported the crew missing. When the helicopter failed to appear at any of the air bases in South Vietnam, an aerial search was initiated but found no sign of the missing aircraft or crew.

The Joint Casualty Resolution Center conducted a number of investigations and recovery efforts between 1993 and 2014; a total of twelve investigations were conducted into this loss with negative results. On April 11, 1988, the Defense Intelligence Agency received human remains from a Vietnamese refugee. Reportedly the remains belonged to nine different individuals who died in an aircraft crash and were buried in Quang Nam Province. Those remains were sent to Central Identification Laboratory, Hawaii that same month.

To identify Zich's remains, scientists from DPAA used dental and anthropological analysis. Additionally, scientists from the Armed Forces Medical Examiner System used mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) analysis.

CWO3 Zich will be buried in Lincoln, Nebraska on a date yet to be determined.

#### <u>Vietnam Veteran Receives Medal of Honor.</u>





WASHINGTON — The White House announced retired Army Col. Paris Davis received the Medal of Honor for his acts of bravery as a commander during the Vietnam War. President Joe Biden presented the award to Davis during a ceremony at the White House Friday, March 3, 2023.

Davis commanded American Special Forces as well as an inexperienced South Vietnamese company against a large North Vietnamese force June 17-18, 1965. His tactical leadership allowed the company to gain an advantage and surprise the enemy.

Davis was wounded in the initial assault, but he continued to push forward, killing several enemy soldiers. Following a counterattack from the North Vietnamese and facing intense gun fire, Davis led a small group of Soldiers as they destroyed locations defended by the enemy.

Davis then regrouped with his company and ordered air strikes on the enemy. The North Vietnamese, however, launched another attack with increased numbers. Davis was again wounded but managed to hold off the enemy. Noticing two of his Soldiers seriously injured, Davis disregarded his own safety and went to save them. He was shot in the leg as he pulled the first one to safety.

Davis went back to get the second Soldier and drew heavy enemy fire. He crawled 150 yards and was hit by grenade fragments, causing multiple wounds. He didn't let that stop him and was able to get the Soldier to safety.

After rescuing both men, Davis directed the helicopter extraction of the wounded but refused it for himself. He continued to fight the enemy until his entire company made it out safely. He then remained on the battlefield to coordinate the final aerial and artillery attacks, ensuring victory.

Davis saved the lives of multiple Soldiers during the battle and led his company to victory over a much larger enemy force. He was awarded the Silver Star for heroism.

Now, after nearly six decades, Davis received the nation's highest award for military valor. The Medal of Honor.

#### **A Canine POW?**



Judy, a purebred pointer, was the mascot of several ships in the Pacific, and was captured by the Japanese in 1942 and taken to a prison camp. There she met Aircraftsman Frank Williams, who shared his small portion of rice with her.

Judy raised morale in the POW camp, and also barked when poisonous snakes, crocodiles or even tigers approached the prisoners. When the prisoners were shipped back to Singapore, she was smuggled out in a rice sack, never whimpering or betraying her presence to the guards.

The next day, that ship was torpedoed. Williams pushed Judy out of a porthole in an attempt to save her life, even though there was a 15-foot drop to the sea. He made his own escape from the ship, but was then recaptured and sent to a new POW camp.

He didn't know if Judy had survived, but soon he began hearing stories about a dog helping drowning men reach pieces of debris after the shipwreck. And when Williams arrived at the new camp, he said: "I couldn't believe my eyes! As I walked through the gate, a scraggly dog hit me square between the shoulders and knocked me over. I'd never been so glad to see the old girl!"

They spent a year together at that camp in Sumatra. "Judy saved my life in so many ways," said Williams. "But the greatest of all was giving me a reason to live. All I had to do was look into those weary, bloodshot eyes and ask myself: 'What would happen to her if I died?' I had to keep going."

Once hostilities ceased, Judy was then smuggled aboard a troopship heading back to Liverpool. In England, she was awarded the Dickin Medal (the "Victoria Cross" for animals) in May 1946. Her citation reads: "For magnificent courage and endurance in Japanese prison camps, which helped to maintain morale among her fellow prisoners, and also for saving many lives through her intelligence and watchfulness".

At the same time, Frank Williams was awarded the PDSA's White Cross of St. Giles for his devotion to Judy. Frank and Judy spent a year after the war visiting the relatives of English POWs who had not survived, and Frank said that Judy "always provided a comforting presence to the families."

When Judy finally died at the age of 13, Frank spent two months building a granite and marble memorial in her memory, which included a plaque describing her life story.

#### **Kearney Department Convention**

Please distribute this to anyone you know that is attending the Convention in Kearney on June 23-25, 2023. This notice will go out in the April Newsletter to all Post Commanders and Post Adjutants. Unfortunately, our April/May newspaper was just printed and mailed and states the convention is still at the Ramada. Obviously, that is now overtaken by events. The Department Convention WILL NOT be at the Ramada.

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Today, I cancelled our Convention at the Ramada inn in Kearney due to ongoing hotel disrepair and other disturbing reports.

The Convention is still being held in Kearney but across the street in the Younes Conference Center South. According to Younes, the Conference Center South is located just outside the doors of both the hotels.

Our guest rooms will be in either the Comfort Inn (308-236-3400) or LaQuinta (308-237-4400). Room rates are more expensive than the Ramada at \$129.95 nightly plus tax.

If you made a reservation at Ramada Inn then it is suggested you cancel that reservation and move to LaQuinta/Comfort Inn.

I'm sorry for this short-fused change but those attending convention shouldn't have to deal with substandard accommodations.

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### **Operation School Talk**

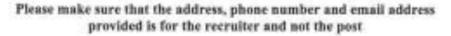
Our Americanism Committee sponsors "OPERATION SCHOOL TALK" to educate and inform the youth on the principles and programs of The American Legion and our proud military service. Those that have gone to a school and talked to the students are encouraged to fill out the form below and return it to the Department by May 1, 2023. The awards will be presented at the Department Convention in Kearney.

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National Commander, Jim Troiola, will award his National Commander pin to any American Legion Family member who obtains three new members into The American Legion.



#### NATIONAL COMMANDER VINCENT J. "JIM" TROIOLA 2023 MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE PIN CERTIFICATION FORM





Date:	
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National Commander, Jim Troiola, will also award his V.E.T.S. incentive pin to anyone who reinstates five expired members.



#### NATIONAL COMMANDER VINCENT J. "JIM" TROIOLA 2023 V.E.T.S. EXPIRED MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE PIN CERTIFICATION FORM



Please make sure that the address, phone number and email address provided is for the recruiter and not the post

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# **Lincoln VAG eAlert**

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!



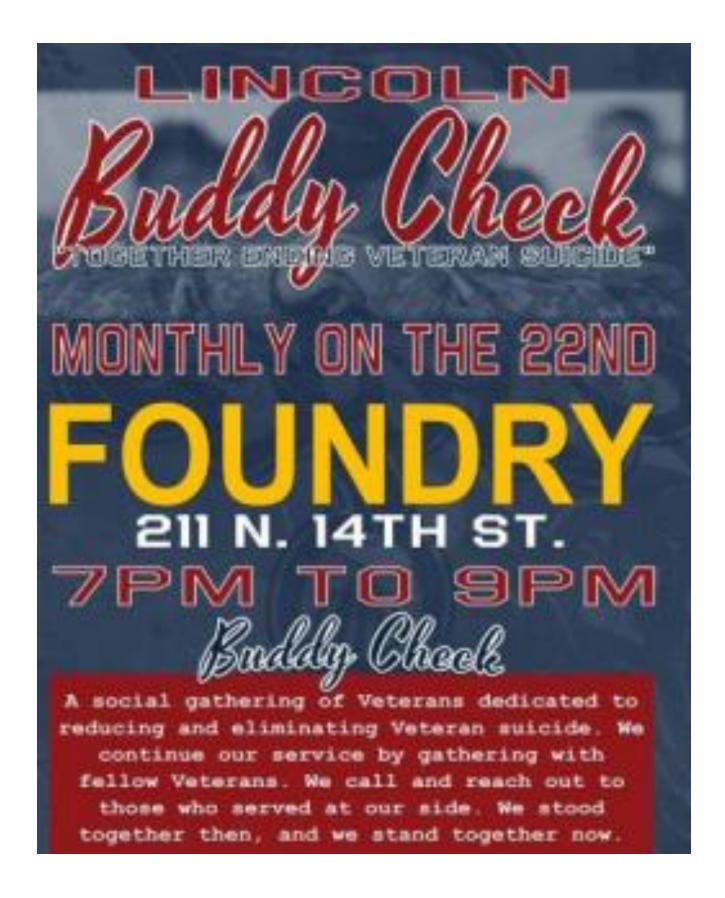
#### OUR SPONSOR

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!



Lincoln Buddy Check is a casual gathering of Veterans at the Foundry Coffee Shop. This joining together of Veterans is hopefully a way to help reduce veteran suicide and help with mental health thru comradeship. The Veterans Advisory Group will supply soft drinks, coffee, and snacks. This endeavor is supported by an Open-Door Grant from Lincoln Community Foundation

# **Sons Of The American Legion Application**



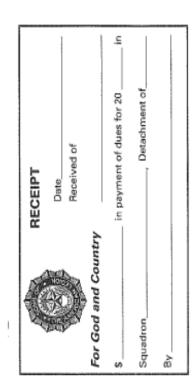
To be eligible for membership in the Sons of the American Legion, you must be a male descendant (son, grandson, stepson, or adopted son) of:

- 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 84<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite L

Lincoln, Ne. 68510

Detachment of Squadron No	Birth Date		Date
Name (First) (Initial) (Last)	Recruited by	(Initial)	(Last)
Address(Street)	(City)	(State)	(Zip)
E-mail Address	Telep	hone	
Veteran through whom eligibility is estab	olished		
(a) Above is a member in good standing	of Post No	, Dept. of	
OR (b) Above is a deceased veteran who	served honorably from_	to	
(c) Relationship of Applicant to Veteran			
I hereby subscribe to the Constitution o transmit \$ as annual member		an Legion, apply fo	or membership, a
	Signed	(By Applicant or Par	rent)
Eligibility certified by			



## **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 that you served at least one day of active military duty since December 7, 1941, and were honorably discharged or are currently serving honorably, you are eligible. Complete the application below and send it with a check in the amount of \$46.00 to:

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

	(Name)		(Date of Birth)
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To renew or transfer to Post 3, you only need to sign below and mail this and a check for \$46 made out to "American Legion Post 3" to the address listed above. If you have already renewed for 2023, and want to transfer to Post 3, only sign below and return the bottom portion to us.

YES! Please	transfer my membership to Lincoln American Legion Post 3
	Signature
	Membership Number
	Fmail address



American Legion Post 3 123 South 84<sup>th</sup> St. Suite L Lincoln, NE 68510 (402) 466-3958

Email: Post3legionlincoln@gmail.com

Web Site: <a href="mailto:lincolnpost3.org">lincolnpost3.org</a>

**2022 - 2023 Post 3 Officers** 

Commander – Gerry Wolf – Cell: 402-417-8230

First Vice Commander – Bruce Gubser – Cell: 402-470-1700

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