

# "For God And Country" August 2021 POST 3 NEWSLETTER



# **Meeting Schedule For August 2021 – September 2021**

Organization	Location	Time	August	September
Legion Post 3	Elks Lodge, 5910 S 58th	7 PM	No Meeting	09/14/21
Auxiliary Unit 3	Elks Lodge, 5910 S 58 <sup>th</sup>	7 PM	No Meeting	09/14/21
SAL Squadron 3	Post 3 Office, 123 South 84th	7 PM	No meeting	09/09/21
ALR Chapter 3	<b>Denton Legion Club</b>	6 PM	08/19/21	09/16/21
40 & 8 Voiture 103	Elks Lodge, 5910 S 58 <sup>th</sup>	7 PM	No Meeting	09/21/21
8 & 40 Salon 832	Elks Lodge, 5910 S 58 <sup>th</sup>	7 PM	No Meeting	09/21/21
<b>Buddy Check</b>	The Foundry, 211 N 14 <sup>th</sup>	7 PM	08/22/21	09/22/21
VA Coffeehaus	Auld Pavilion	10 AM	08/20/21	TBD

# **Commander's Call**



Let me introduce myself.

I am Gerry Wolf, a 40-year member of Post 3. Recently, I was elected to serve as your Post 3 Commander.

I was raised in a small farm town in Iowa and moved to Bellevue, Nebraska after my freshman year of high school. I graduated from Bellevue High School in 1964. I attended Creighton University in Omaha where I also enrolled in the 4 year ROTC program at Creighton.

In 1968, I received a BS in mathematics with a minor in chemistry. At the same time, I was commissioned as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in the US Army Corps of Engineers. After several military schools in the States, I was assigned to the 24<sup>th</sup> Combat Engineer Battalion, 4th Armored Division (later replaced by the 16<sup>th</sup> Combat Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Armored Division) in Fuerth, Germany.

At first, I was assigned as platoon Leader in a line engineer company with the area of responsibility along the German/Czech border. Later, I was assigned as Platoon Leader, Executive Officer and Company Commander of the Battalion's Mobile Assault Bridge Company.

I was discharged in 1972 and began working for Ralston Purina Company in Omaha. I was transferred to Lincoln in 1978 as plant manager where I remained until 2009, retiring with almost 38 years of service with Purina.

My wife, Nancy, and I have a son and a daughter, 3 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren.

I became active with the American
Legion upon my retirement. I joined the
Post 3 Honor Guard where I still serve.
I have held the positions of District 15
Commander, District 15 Vice
Commander and Post 3 Vice
Commander.

I am both honored and excited to be your Post Commander. I am fortunate to have Bruce Gubser as 1st Vice Commander, Ron Hindmand as 2nd Vice Commander and Ed Schnabel as post adjutant. All are knowledgeable leaders.

I ask for your support in helping me help our military personnel, our veterans, their families, our youth, and our Nation.

Gerry Wolf
Post 3 Commander

# **Adjutant's Report**



By this time, you should have received your 2022 renewals for your Legion membership. Dues remain the same at \$46.00 dollars. \$35.00 dollars of the dues are passed on to Department to cover State and National dues. The remaining \$11.00 dollars are used at the Post level. These \$11.00 are used to cover administrative cost and support many of THE American Legion activities that Post 3 supports here in Lincoln and at the State and National level.

As of this writing, renewals stand at 592, which is a great start towards our 2022 assigned goal. Percentage wise, that is about 40%. Thanks to those who already paid their 2022 dues. You should receive your 2022 membership card about 10 days after you mail your funds to Post 3 office. We try and process dues daily during July, just to keep up. Allowing for three or four days for mail each way, thus the 10 days turn around.

You can also renew your 2022 memberships online at MyLegion.org. You will need name and membership ID number. This is an easy way for those who might wish to use a credit card. You can also print your 2022 card once you have paid your dues.

We print off a list in the office daily of those who do pay online and mail

out a 2022 membership card to those who have paid dues online.

If by chance you have not received your 2022 membership card let us know. Call or email the office. Occasionally, we receive only parts of envelopes, where we do not receive the renewal slip or check, thus do not know whose it was. Sometimes we get the membership card mailing back due to a poor address. If you have moved, please be sure to let us know so we can update the Legion data base. It is nice when we have a phone number or email address, we can call and verify a mailing address.

Where is your DD214 or Discharge Papers?

And does your family know where to find it?

Cannot over stress this, NOW is the time to be sure that your family knows your wishes. You can help your loved ones with your request for Military Honors by doing some simple things now. If you desire Military Honors during your memorial service, you need to talk with your family, so they know your wishes. Your DD214 or discharge papers, are the key piece in requesting Military Honors that are provided by DOD personal. You can find answers to many of your questions on the VA's web site. The VA's site will help with requesting a VA grave head stone, how to request burial in a National Cemetery, etc. Feel free to call the office for assistance with this effort.

Ed Schnabel Adjutant

# LINCOLN CBOC/VA NEWS



The VA Web Site said they are now giving shots to partners of veterans. If you get care from the VA Health Care System, then you are enrolled. For those who do not currently used NWI (Nebraska Western Iowa) Health Care System, Omaha VA Hospital, or the local Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC), you can call 404-828-5257 to check if you are enrolled and enroll if you are not, They request that you use the VA Facebook or the VA web site to request an appointment. The VA will call you back to make the appointment with you.

The VA still requires the use of masks. They are requiring the blue paper masks, no cloth masks.

They are now taking walk ins, but it is best to call first for an appointment. Shots are only being given to the veteran and those who are enrolled as a Veteran Gare Giver with the VA.

Remember your VA ID card. You are required to check in for your appointment on the Kiosk. You will need your VA ID card or your FULL SSA number. When checking in, the computer will print off your appointments. In small print it tells you which waiting area to wait in. Staff will come out to the waiting areas and escort you to your appointments. For those needing blood work, there is a special Kiosk for lab check in. The lab is located to the right of main entrance in area B. Check in and take your number and have a seat, you will be called by Number.

If by chance you do not have a current VA ID card you can request one while you are in the clinic. You will need to have some form of ID that will allow them to double check your identity. You can use a state issued driver's license and/or state issued ID card.

The process is done by video computer link. Ask any VA clerk and they will show you where the room is for this video link. You can also get help to enroll in the VA system by using this link.

The waiting areas, two on the main floor and two on the second floor, have NEW NAMES

They are named Reception Area A or Reception Area B. Reception Area A is to the left and Area B is to the right of the main entrance.

The nurse / staff will come to the reception areas and call you by your name. Try and be in the reception area about 15 minutes prior to your appointment time.

For those who are required to make a Co-pay. If you made a payment to the VA during the last 9 months of 2020, you should receive a refund. The VA sent out notices of the refund and any amount due you. If you have not received a notice and made payments, I would call the VA to check the status of your account.

Remember, the VA will only to be there for us if we use its services. If we do not use them, the government sees it as a service not needed here and will cut funding for the Lincoln CBOC. The government funds each CBOC / hospital based on the number of veterans signed up for services in its service area. They, the veterans, do not need to be using the VA for their medical needs, just need to be enrolled in the VA Health Care System.

Funding is based on foreseen needs, not current need. We need to talk with our fellow veterans to be sure they are enrolled in the VA system. There are many veterans who could receive medical service but have never signed up for this benefit of our service.

Again, it is the old story, use them or lose them.

Thanks for your service.

Ed Schnabel

Lincoln VAG member (Veteran Advisory Group)

Lincoln VA American Legion Representative for Nebraska

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



July has been a busy month for your American Legion Riders! We participated in several parades, including Seward, Eagle, Beatrice, Dwight, Milford, DeWitt and Hickman. We will also be participating in the Czech Days parade in Wilber in early-August. It is so very inspiring and gratifying to see our great Nebraska citizens standing up, with their hand on their hearts, as we pass by. In Seward, there was even a spontaneous singing of "God Bless"

America" as we rode by. Humbling, for sure.

A number of Riders have also participated with the Patriot Guard Riders in flag lines for our departed heroes.

Our "Lack of Cents" challenge is still underway. If you'd like to sponsor one of our Riders with a pledge per mile ridden, please contact me, or any other Rider, for details and we will "hook you up."

Until next time, Ride (and drive) Safe!

Bruce Gubser Director, Post 3 ALR



# **The Chaplain's Remarks**



#### **The Movement**

What is it that moves a disciple of Christ, a Christ-in, a believer, or a person of faith, no matter their denomination or Christian following, to take a walk on "the wild side" of life by playing a sort of "Russian roulette" with their life (Proverbs 8:5)?

Religion defines a person's self-guided, philosophical, or habit of worship trial-n-error to not only meet God but establish a working relationship beneficial to both parties. Now where have some of you heard THAT before?!?! But the outright disastrous track some persons follow leads them to postulate that, amazingly, that THERE IS NO GOD! (Romans 1:21)!

Every soul that lives, breathes, and contemplates what life is all about has the opportunity to choose between living life to the fullest in faith, by God's grace and mercy (Joshua 24:15), or live haphazardly, with no assurances or forgiveness, let alone no way to make things better (Proverbs 10:20).

But why should anyone make a fuss about going with God, or staying with Satan's manipulations? How about living in Heaven with Jesus for eternity (2 Timothy 4:18), versus regretting your life's decisions for eternity in Hell (2 Peter 2:4)? If you know anything about our Lord and Savior, you KNOW that He has YOUR best interest at heart (Romans 1:16).

So, rally 'round the risen Christ to be assured of eternal life with Him, versus damnation with Satan. These are evil days. Make no mistake about it. You've your family, your livelihood, and your country to look after, as God intended you to do as stewards of His earthy Creation (1 Corinthians 4:1,2). In this time of little Anti-Christs running about wreaking havoc upon every woman, man, and child (1 Corinthians 10:20), we've all got to be on guard against things that stimulate our interests in violation of God's will.

Take a breather. Now...look into your mirror...keep calm...and REALLY see the person that you are, not what you want to be. God has plans for you (Philippians 2:2). But He wants your willing cooperation. Why not follow His will to be the person He knows you should be (Psalm 31:23)?

Rev. Dr. William Jackson Lincoln ALP 3 Chaplain

### **Post 3 Honor Guard**





In the month of July, the Honor Guard rendered "Honors" at 8 Legion funerals and was asked to assist at 3 VFW funerals. They also appeared at 4 civic functions. In calendar year 2021, the Honor Guard has rendered "Honors" at 97 combined funerals and appeared at 20 civic functions.

Recently, the Honor Guard provided the folding and presentation of the Flag, 3 shot volley and the playing of Taps at a deceased veteran's funeral. The family could not provide his DD214. The veteran's branch of service would not provide a funeral honors detail without the discharge papers. If you want military funeral honors conducted by your branch of service, you must produce a copy of your DD 214. Let your family know of your request and let them know where your paperwork is located. If you can't find your DD214, you may request a copy by logging on to <a href="https://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records">https://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records</a> and completing the form.

# **JULY 2021 TAPS**



A very strange, but a very good month. We had no Post 3 members reported as deceased in the month of July. However, we had 2 members reported as deceased in months past that we had not recorded:

LEGIONNAIRE	WAR ERA	BRANCH	YEARS
Wayne F. Johnson	Vietnam	Navy	12
Keith L. Muenchau	ww II	Unk	36

Regular Meeting of American Legion Post 3 Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 and also on ZOOM July 13, 2021

Commander Wade Graft opened the July 13, 2021 meeting of American Legion Post 3 at 7:00 PM at the Lincoln Elks Lodge 80 with about 25 Legionnaires and guests present. The meeting was being made available on Zoom.

Steve Bartos read the minutes of the June 8, 2021 meeting; and they were approved without correction.

Ed Schnabel gave the financial report for the month ending June 30, 2021 showing a balance on hand of \$38,299.43. The report was filed for review.

Welcomed to their first Post 3 meeting were new or transferring-in members Jim Stephan, Rich Lemmerman, and Nathaniel Thedford. They introduced themselves and made a few remarks.

Bruce Gubser reported for the Legion Riders. He commented on some upcoming meetings and parades.

Bruce also reported on the post's birthday card program for veterans residing in various senior living centers. He said another facility had been added and that about 300 veterans in those facilities are now receiving contact from Post 3.

Gerry Wolf reported for the Memorial Squad. He identified a number of events attended in June --- including the posting and retiring of the colors at the recently concluded Department Convention. He also reported that the Memorial Squad additionally participated in the Department Convention by conducting a Post Everlasting Ceremony. Gerry concluded his remarks by indicating that the Honor Guard would participate in a flag retirement ceremony scheduled for the Boy Scout Center in July.

Jerry Salber announced that Voiture 103 and Salon 832 would be holding their potluck dinner next Tuesday.

Gerry Wolf explained that Wade Graft had been named the recipient of the 2020 District Citizenship Award, but no presentation had been made as a result of last year's department convention being cancelled. Accordingly, Gerry proceeded to make the presentation of a certificate and pin to Commander Wade at tonight's meeting.

District Commander Ed Muggy presented certificates to Jack Sibert and Gerry Wolf. With Jack Sibert as webmaster, the Post 3 Website was awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in the 2021 Nebraska American Legion Press Association Social Media Contest for posts of 150 or more members. With Gerry Wolf as editor, the monthly Post 3 Newsletter was awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

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in the 2021 Nebraska American
Legion Press Association Print Media
Contest for posts of 150 or more
members. (At the Department
Convention in June, with Steve Bartos
as editor, The *Lincoln Legionnaire*newspaper was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> Place in
the 2021 Nebraska American Legion
Press Association Print Media Contest
for posts of 150 or more members.
Steve received his certificate at the
convention.)

District 15 Commander Ed Muggy presented a pin to Bruce Gubser in recognition of Bruce being selected to receive the 2021 District Citizenship Award.

Past Post 3 Commander and current Alternate National Executive Committeeman Fred Craigie was called to the podium to serve as installing officer. Installed as officers for the coming year were:

Commander --- Gerry Wolf

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander --- Bruce Gubser

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander --- Ronnie

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3-Year Term on Post Executive

Committee --- Fred Craigie

Adjutant Schnabel presented a plaque to Past Commander Wade Graft in recognition of his service to Post 3 during the past year.

Adjutant Schnabel presented Bruce Gubser with the 2020 Legacy

Scholarship coin to be added to their plaque.

Wade Graft reported that the post had been contacted about a local hospice investigating the possibility of finding local veterans to help with some of their activities. Anyone interested can talk to Wade for more details.

Commander Wolf announced that in preparation for filing articles of incorporation for Post 3, the Constitution and Bylaws are being amended and changes will be acted upon at the September meeting. He further indicated that copies of both proposed documents were distributed in the July email newsletter and are posted on the website.

Steve Bartos made a few comments about the nature of some of the changes and indicated that both documents are being treated as "fresh starts" since a number of amendments made to original and amended documents over the years have been lost. Upon motion by Bartos, the post agreed to suspend what would be the normal rules for making amendments and eliminate the reading of both documents by accepting their email distribution and posting on the website as having given sufficient notice.

Chaplain Jackson read TAPS and the meeting was closed at about 7:45 PM.

Steve Bartos, Recorder

#### **Miscellaneous**

Hi! I'm the School Counselor at Meadow Lane Elementary. I get to coordinate the teammates mentoring program at Meadow Lane in Lincoln NE. I am trying to build up our matches of mentors/mentees. I am reaching out to you because you can hopefully help us out!

I was hoping you may have some veterans who'd like to be a mentor to a 3rd, 4th, or 5th grader. They'd meet with the student once a week for about 30 min to an hour during the school year. Little amount of time, but it makes a huge difference.

I can answer any questions you have, and you can also visit <u>lincolnteammates.org</u> for more information. Could you maybe share this with veterans in the Lincoln area? You could even share my email address so they could reach out to me. <u>ESuhr@lps.org</u> Hope to hear back from you soon!!
Thank you,

Holden Armstrong

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As a follow up to last month's newsletter, pictured is Jack Sibert presenting Mary Spencer with a \$250.00 check to support Mary's work of placing headstones on unmarked graves of "Littlest Angels" in Wyuka cemetery. Mary's work is far from finished. At this time, we will purchase one headstone and place this on our yearly budget to purchase more. If you are able and want to help, please contact Post 3. We will make sure all funds go to Mary.



We have received a couple of phone calls from members who have been in contact with a gentleman by the name of Billy Newman. This guy is fishing for information and tells them he is a member of The American Legion. Some have talked to him about purchasing a life membership and is trying to get them to provide their bank account information. On one of them, he has a phone number and the caller ID comes up unavailable. The phone number that was given to me about this is 317-967-6675. I called the number and the voicemail message says he is Billy Newman with The American Legion.

We need to get the word out to the department leadership about this to scam.

# Pet Adoption Fee Program Now Open



veterans.nebraska.gov/vetsgetpets

# Vets Get Pets plates are still available!

Purchase of the plate is open to all Nebraska drivers and proceeds from plate sales support veterans with pet adoption fees







#### **WWII USS Oklahoma Sailor Accounted For**



WASHINGTON – The Defense POW/MIA
Accounting Agency (DPAA) announced today
that Navy Fireman 1st Class Louis J. Tushla,
25, of Atkinson, Nebraska, killed during World
War II, was accounted for on March 27, 2020.

On Dec. 7, 1941, Tushla was assigned to the battleship USS Oklahoma, which was moored at Ford Island, Pearl Harbor, when the ship was attacked by Japanese aircraft. The USS Oklahoma sustained multiple torpedo hits, which caused it to quickly capsize. The attack on the ship resulted in the deaths of 429 crewmen, including Tushla.

From December 1941 to June 1944, Navy personnel recovered the remains of the deceased crew, which were subsequently interred in the Halawa and Nu'uanu Cemeteries.

In September 1947, tasked with recovering and identifying fallen U.S. personnel in the

Pacific Theater, members of the American Graves Registration Service (AGRS) disinterred the remains of U.S. casualties from the two cemeteries and transferred them to the Central Identification Laboratory at Schofield Barracks. The laboratory staff was only able to confirm the identifications of 35 men from the USS Oklahoma at that time. The AGRS subsequently buried the unidentified remains in 46 plots at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (NMCP), known as the Punchbowl, in Honolulu. In October 1949, a military board classified those who could not be identified as non-recoverable, including Tushla.

Between June and November 2015, DPAA personnel exhumed the USS Oklahoma Unknowns from the Punchbowl for analysis.

To identify Tushla's remains, scientists from DPAA dental and anthropological analysis.

Additionally, scientists from the Armed Forces Medical Examiner System used Y chromosome DNA (Y-STR) analysis.

Tushla's name is recorded on the Walls of the Missing at the Punchbowl, along with the others who are missing from WWII. A rosette will be placed next to his name to indicate he has been accounted for.

Tushla was buried July 17, 2021, in his hometown, Atkinson, Nebraska.

#### KOREAN WAR HERO, MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT DIES



Ernest West, who received the Medal of Honor for his actions during the Korean War, has died. He was 89.

A native of Russell, Kentucky, and honorary life member of the Association of the U.S. Army, West died May 1 at St. Mary's Medical Center in Huntington, West Virginia.

On Oct. 12, 1952, West, a private first class with the 3rd Battalion, 14th Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division, volunteered to join a combat patrol near Sataeri, Korea, to look for an enemy outpost.

West and three other soldiers were scouting ahead of the main group when they were ambushed and suffered "numerous casualties," according to his Medal of Honor citation and an account by the Congressional Medal of Honor Society.

After the unit's leader, 1st Lt. George Gividen, was injured by grenades and small-arms fire, West ordered the patrol to fall back. He then "braved intense fire" to reach his wounded leader, the citation says.

While evacuating Gividen, West was attacked by three enemy soldiers.

Covering the lieutenant's body with his own, West "killed the assailants with his rifle, then carried the helpless man to safety," losing his left eye in the process, according to the citation.

Despite his injuries, West "courageously returned through withering fire and bursting shells to assist the wounded."
While saving two members of his unit, he killed three more enemy soldiers, the citation says.

West recuperated at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., before receiving the Medal of Honor, the nation's highest award for valor, from President Dwight Eisenhower on Jan. 12, 1954, *The Washington Post* reported.

It was an award West initially didn't want, according to the Congressional Medal of Honor Society. In an interview, he said, "I'll tell you this, I turned it down. I wasn't going to go get it. I thought everybody ought to have one. ... I did not consider myself a hero."

Of the battle where he earned the Medal of Honor, according to the *Post*, West said, "We didn't leave nobody. I was raised that way. I always figured that someone would come to get me if that were to happen, if I got down. I'd say it was because of brotherhood we all got back."

#### **Proposed Changes to Constitution and Bylaws**

Following the recommendations of the national and state organizations, Post 3 is moving forward with plans to file Articles of Incorporation. As a precursor to incorporation, the post is updating its Constitution and Bylaws.

Over the years, the original Constitution and Bylaws have become outdated, and documentation for a number of revisions and amendments have been lost. As a result, the two documents have essentially been refreshed as new documents.

The proposed changes were officially presented to the membership at the July 13<sup>th</sup> meeting and laid over. They will then be discussed, amended if necessary, and voted upon at the September 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. (There is no meeting in August.)

A copy of the proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws have been posted on the Post 3 website, (<a href="https://lincolnpost3.org">https://lincolnpost3.org</a>) and are included in this newsletter for your review.

#### **PROPOSED**

REVISED AND AMMENDED
CONSTITUTION OF LINCOLN AMERICAN LEGION POST 3
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

#### **CONFORMANCE WITH NATIONAL CONSTITUTION**

Any and all provisions or prohibitions affecting Lincoln American Legion Post 3 or its members contained in the National Constitution of The American Legion, as the same may from time to time be amended, are by reference made a part of this Constitution.

#### **PREAMBLE**

For God and Country, we associate ourselves for the following purposes:

To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order, to foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism; to preserve the memories and incidents of all wars; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to Community, State, and Nation; to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses; to make right the master of might; to promote peace and good will on earth; to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom, and democracy; to consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

#### **ARTICLE ONE**

#### NAME

Section 1. The name of this post shall be Lincoln American Legion Post 3, Department of Nebraska, hereinafter referred to as Lincoln Post 3 or Post 3.

#### **ARTICLE TWO**

#### **NATURE AND OBJECTIVES**

- Section 1. Lincoln Post 3 shall be a civilian organization, and membership therein shall not affect nor increase liability for military or police service. Rank does not exist in the American Legion, and no member shall be addressed by his or her military or naval title in any meeting of the American Legion.
- Section 2. Post 3 shall be absolutely non-political and non-sectarian and shall not be used for the dissemination of partisan principles nor for the promotion of the candidacy of any person seeking public office.
- Section 3. Post 3 shall be a service organization for veterans and their families and shall, to the extent that it is able,
  - (a) actively engage in the rehabilitation of all disabled veterans,
  - (b) take care of the dependents of deceased veterans, and
  - (c) assist those who are unable to provide for their families.

Furthermore, Post 3 shall participate in educational programs for our youth and serve our community, state, and nation.

#### **ARTICLE THREE**

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- Section 1. Eligibility requirements for membership in Lincoln Post 3 shall be as provided in the National Constitution of the American Legion.
- Section 2. (a) There shall be no form or class of membership in Post 3 except an active membership. Dues shall be paid annually or by having purchased an approved permanent membership plan (the retired Department Permanent Membership Plan or the National Paid-Up-For-Life (PUFL) Plan).
- (b) A member who has been honored by receiving a Life Membership from Post 3 will have his or her dues paid annually by the post.

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- Section 3. (a) Annual membership in Post 3 shall be for the calendar year January 1 to December 31.
- (b) Suspensions for the delinquent payment of dues and reinstatements shall be governed by the National Constitution and Bylaws.
  - Section 4. No member of Post 3 shall hold membership in any other post.

#### **ARTICLE FOUR**

#### **OFFICERS**

- Section 1. <u>Administration and Executive Committee</u>: The administrative affairs of Lincoln Post 3 shall be accomplished under the supervision of an Executive Committee which shall consist of 3 members of the post and the Commander, Vice Commanders, Finance Officer, Adjutant (if not a salaried employee), Chaplain, and Immediate Past Commander.
- Section 2. <u>Officers</u>: (a) The elected officers of Post 3 shall be a Commander, First Vice Commander, Second Vice Commander, and 3 At-Large Executive Committee Members.
- (b) The appointed officers of this post shall be an Adjutant, Finance Officer, Chaplain, Judge Advocate, Historian, Sergeant-at-Arms, and Post Service Officer.
- Section 3. <u>Election of Officers</u>: (a) The elected officers and members of the Executive Committee shall be elected in the manner prescribed in the Bylaws on the day of the regular meeting next preceding the Annual Department Convention, and shall take office at the first regular meeting following the Department Convention of each year.
- (b) (i) The Adjutant, Chaplain, Judge Advocate, Historian, Sergeant-at-Arms, and Post Service Officer shall be appointed by the Commander subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.
- (ii) The appointive officers shall not have a vote at the Executive Committee meetings.
- (c) All officers shall hold office for one year or until their successors are duly selected and qualified.
- (d) Vacancies in any elected office shall be filled as provided in the Bylaws.
- (e) Insofar as Lincoln Post 3 is the only post constituting District 15 of the American Legion, Department of Nebraska, a District 15 Commander and District 15 Vice Commander shall be elected for 2-year terms in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Department of Nebraska and the Constitution and Bylaws of Post 3.

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- Section 4. Every member of Post 3 in good standing shall be eligible to hold office in the post.
- Section 5. The duties of officers and Executive Committee-persons shall be those usually appertaining to such officers or committee-persons and as provided in the Bylaws.
- Section 6. No officer of Post 3 shall during his or her term of office endorse publicly in his or her official capacity any political candidate or party or any policy of any candidate or party until such policy has been endorsed by the post.
- Section 7. No employee of Post 3 shall during his or her term of employment, directly or indirectly, attempt to influence the nomination or election of any individual to an office in this post. Further, no employee shall recommend an individual to an appointive position of Post 3 unless requested to do so by the Post Commander or Executive Committee. Failure to adhere strictly to these provisions my result in termination of employment.

#### **ARTICLE FIVE**

#### **DISCIPLINE**

- Section 1. The Post Executive Committee, after receiving a written notice and conducting a hearing, may --- for good cause having been shown --- by a two-thirds vote recommend to the post the removal of any officer or member of the Executive Committee. Such recommendation shall be made at a regular business meeting of the post, and a two-thirds vote of the members present shall be required for its adoption.
- Section 2. The discipline of members of this post shall be governed by the provisions of Article XIII of the Department of Nebraska Constitution and Article XI of the Department of Nebraska Bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE SIX**

#### **FINANCE**

- Section 1. (a) The revenue of Lincoln Post 3 shall be derived from the payment of annual dues by regular members, from the payment of annual dues by the Department for residual members of the Department's Permanent Membership Plan, from the payment of annual dues by the national organization for members enrolled as Paid-Up-for-Life (PUFL) members, and from such other sources as may be approved by the Executive Committee.
- (b) The fiscal year for the operation of American Legion Post 3 shall be from August 1 to July 31 of the succeeding year.

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- Section 2. The amount of annual membership dues shall be determined and fixed by the membership.
- Section 3. The Commander, Adjutant, and Post Finance Officer shall be required to give good and sufficient bond in such amount as may be determined by the Executive Committee.

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#### **ARTICLE SEVEN**

#### **AUXILIARIES**

Section 1. The eligibility requirements for membership in the American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion, and American Legion Riders shall be as provided in the National Constitution of the American Legion.

#### **ARTICLE EIGHT**

#### **AMENDMENTS**

- Section 1. This Constitution is adopted subject to the provisions of the National Constitution and the Department of Nebraska Constitution of the American Legion. Any amendment to said National and Department Constitutions which is in conflict with any provisions hereof shall be regarded as automatically modifying the provisions of this Constitution to the extent of such conflict.
- Section 2. (a) This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the post by a two-thirds vote of the members of said post in attendance provided that the proposed amendment shall have been submitted in writing and read at the preceding regular meeting and then submitted to the Constitution, Bylaws, and Resolutions Committee of Post 3 for its recommendation to the Executive Committee.
- (b) The Post Executive Committee shall then, either with or without their recommendation, report such amendment back to the next regular post meeting for approval or disapproval.

#### **PROPOSED**

#### **LINCOLN AMERICAN LEGION POST 3**

#### **BYLAWS**

#### REVISED AND AMENDED IN THEIR ENTIRETY

#### **ARTICLE ONE**

#### NAME; NATURE, AND OBJECTIVES

Section 1. The Post existing under these Bylaws is to be known as Lincoln American Legion Post 3, Department of Nebraska; hereinafter referred to as Lincoln Post 3 or Post 3.

Section 2. The nature and objectives of Post 3 are as set forth in the Constitution.

#### **ARTICLE TWO**

#### **GOVERNANCE**

- Section 1. The government and management of Lincoln Post 3 shall be as provided in Article Four of the Constitution.
- Section 2. The election of officers and members of the Executive Committee shall be as provided in Article 4, Section 3 of the Constitution.
- Section 3. All vacancies occurring in the Executive Committee or in any of the elected offices of Post 3 from any cause other than expiration of term shall be filled by election at a regular Post meeting within thirty (30) days after the creation of such vacancy; and the person so elected shall hold office for the unexpired term of the committee member or officer whom he or she succeeds, provided that in the event of a vacancy of the office of Commander or Vice Commander, the next ranking Vice Commander shall automatically advance to such vacancy for the remainder of the term of office.

#### **ARTICLE THREE**

#### **ELECTION PROCEDURE**

- Section 1.a. Nominations of candidates for the respective offices may be made in writing signed by a member of the Lincoln Post 3 in good standing, giving the name of the candidate and the office for which he or she is nominated, and shall be filed in the office of Post 3 no later than the regular meeting next preceding the annual election. Nominations may also be made from the floor at the regular meeting next preceding the annual election.
- b. The names of those nominated shall be published to the membership in such form and manner as the Executive Committee shall direct.
- c. Each candidate to be voted upon must provide the Post 3 Office with satisfactory documentation of his or her military service and/or discharge prior to the election
- d. Any candidate who desires to withdraw his or her candidacy must notify the Adjutant in writing or by email prior to the date of the annual election.
- e. Prior to the election, the Adjutant will cause the ballots to be prepared, showing the offices to be filled and the names of the candidates therefore.
- f. The Post Commander shall cause notice of the annual or any special election to be given at least two weeks prior thereto.
- g. When there is a contest for any office or delegate's position, the election shall be by ballot, and every member in good standing is entitled to vote in person.
- h. The election shall be under the direction of a commission appointed by the Commander. Such commission shall consist of a chairperson and two to five other members, none of whom shall be a candidate for office in the election which they supervise. The members of said commission shall be responsible to organize the election, deliver and receive ballots, count the ballots, and monitor the election in its entirety to insure a fair election is held.
- i. The chairperson and commission shall arrange a convenient place for receiving ballots, and the polls shall be open for voting on the day of the election one hour before the meeting and close no sooner than one hour later, but in time to count the ballots and report the results before the close of the meeting on the day of the election.

j. As soon as practicable after the closing of the polls, the counting board shall report and certify the results to the Post Commander. Prior to such report and certification, no person on said election commission shall disclose, in whole or in part, any of the results of the election.

#### **ARTICLE FOUR**

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

- Section 1. The Lincoln Post 3 Executive Committee shall meet for organization and such other business as may come before it at the call of the Post Commander within ten days after the installation of the new officers. Thereafter, the Post Executive Committee shall meet regularly each month at the call of the Commander.
- Section 2. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of a majority of the qualified members of the Executive Committee.
- Section 3. A special meeting of the Executive Committee may be called by any qualified member thereof with the joint consent of two additional qualified members. The Post Adjutant shall prepare and mail a notice of the time, place, and purpose of the special meeting to all qualified members of the Post Executive Committee. Such a meeting is empowered to transact only such business within its authority as is stated in the written notice of such meeting, provided a quorum is present as provided in Article 4, Section 2 of these Bylaws.
- Section 4 The Post Executive Committee shall hire such employees as may be necessary within the limitations of the budget and shall require adequate bonds as provided in Article Six, Section 3 of the Constitution; shall hear the reports of Post committee chairpersons, and generally shall have charge of and be responsible for the management of the affairs of the Post.
- Section 5. The Post 3 Executive Committee may, by majority vote, bestow upon any individual, whether a member or non-member, any honorary or complimentary title or designation. Such honorary title or designation shall be perpetual unless rescinded by the Executive Committee. Rights carried with such honorary title or designation shall include the right to attend meetings and to speak, but not to make motions or vote, except as provided by the Post 3 Constitution and Bylaws, unless such individual is a regular and duly qualified member of Lincoln American Legion Post 3.

#### **ARTICLE FIVE**

#### **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

- Section 1. Duties of the Commander: It shall be the duty of the Post Commander to preside at all meetings of the Post and have general supervision over the business and affairs of the Post, and such officer shall be the chief executive officer of the Post. The Commander shall be jointly responsible with the Finance Officer for the disbursement of funds and shall countersign all checks disbursing money of the Post, and shall make an annual report covering the business of the Post for the year. The Commander shall perform such other duties as directed by the Executive Committee upon recommendation by Post 3 members.
- Section 2.a. Duties of the Vice-Commanders: It shall be the duty of each Vice Commander to discharge such duties as assigned by the Commander. The First Vice Commander shall discharge the duties of the Commander in the absence or disability of the Post Commander.
- b. The First Vice-Commander shall perform the duties of the Membership Committee Chairperson unless the Commander appoints another member to perform those duties. The Second Vice-Commander shall perform the duties of Salvation Army Bell Ringers Chairperson unless the Commander appoints another member to perform those duties.
- Section 3. Duties of the Post Adjutant: The Adjutant shall have charge and keep a full and correct record of all proceedings of all Post and Executive Committee meetings, keep such records as the Department and National organizations may require, render reports of membership annually or when called upon to do so at a meeting, and under the discretion of the Commander handle all correspondence of the Post except when such duties are otherwise delegated by the Executive Committee. The Adjutant's duties shall be as set out in the approved "Job Description," and he or she shall fully advise and inform the Commander of all activities, routine or otherwise.
- Section 4. Duties of Finance Officer: The Finance Officer shall be charged with the responsibility of seeing that proper and sufficient safeguards and accounting procedures are being followed, and that cash on hand does not exceed that which is reasonable and safe. He or she shall recommend to the Post Executive Committee for their approval federally insured financial institutions for handling the Post's various accounts, including recommendations for investments of idle or excess funds. Such investments may include reputably insured investment grade bonds. The Finance Officer shall countersign all checks disbursing the monies of the Post.

- Section 5. Duties of the Historian: The Post Historian shall be charged with the individual records and incidents of the Post members, and shall perform such other duties as may be determined by the Post or Executive Committee.
- Section 6. Duties of the Post Chaplain. The Post Chaplain shall be charged with the spiritual welfare of the Post comrades and will offer divine but non-sectarian service in the event of dedications, funerals, or public functions; and adhere to such ceremonials and rituals as are recommended by the National or Department Headquarters.
- Section 7. Duties of the Sergeant-At-Arms: The Sergeant-At-Arms shall preserve order at all meetings and shall perform such other duties as may be from time to time assigned by the Post Commander.
- Section 8. Duties of the Service Officer: The Service Officer shall aid all veterans, their dependents, and survivors in connection with just claims against the United States or State or Local Governments in matters of employment, financial relief, hospitalization, medical services, or community welfare matters.
- Section 9. Duties of the Judge Advocate. The Judge Advocate shall advise the officers of the post and the Executive Committee on all legal matters, including the construction and interpretation of the Constitution and Bylaws, or obtain proper counsel to assist doing so. The Judge Advocate shall perform such other duties usually incident to the office.
- Section 10. Duties of the Executive Committee. It shall be the duty of the members of the Executive Committee upon taking office to immediately familiarize themselves with the provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws of Lincoln Post 3.

#### **ARTICLE SIX**

#### **DELEGATES**

Section 1. Delegates and Alternates to the Department of Nebraska Convention shall be elected by the membership of Lincoln Post 3 at the regular meeting next preceding the Department Convention. The delegates elected to the Department Convention shall include the District 15 Commander; the newly elected Commander of Post 3, and all newly elected officers of Post 3, all of whom shall be declared as automatically elected delegates to the Department Convention.

- Section 2. The balance of the authorized Delegates and Alternates to the Department Convention shall be selected in order of their registration at the Department Convention, and shall be considered elected delegates and alternates to the Department Convention.
- Section 3. Each duly registered delegate shall be entitled to one vote. The vote of any registered delegate absent and not represented by an alternate shall be cast by the majority of the registered delegates present from Post 3. Alternates for registered delegates shall have all the privileges of registered delegates except that of voting. A registered delegate is one who has received his or her credentials after his or her registration fee has been paid.
- Section 4.a. Members of Post 3 desiring to be Delegates to the National American Legion Convention shall be recommended and nominated to the Department of Nebraska by nomination and election of the membership of Post 3 at the regular meeting chosen to serve as the District 15 Convention.
- b. Any members of Post 3 holding a National Appointment to a Standing National Commission or a Standing National Committee shall automatically be considered as nominated for election by Post 3 to be recommended and nominated as a Delegate to the National American Legion Convention unless they declare at the District 15 Convention that they do not intend to attend the National Convention.
- c. When the number of members nominated for delegate to the National Convention exceeds the number of delegates authorized from District 15, the results of the election, beginning with the candidate receiving the most votes, shall determine the selection of delegates and alternates to the National Convention. There shall not be a separate nomination and election for alternates.

#### **ARTICLE SEVEN**

#### **ANNUAL COMMITTEES**

Section 1.a. The Lincoln Post 3 Commander, immediately upon taking office each year, shall appoint a chairperson and an appropriate number of additional committee members (if necessary or desirable) to the following annual committees. These appointments will be for the tenure of his or her office.

**Membership Committee** 

**Salvation Army Bell Ringers Committee** 

**Publicity Committee** 

**Hospital Visitation Committee** 

**Boys State Committee** 

**County Government Committee** 

**Oratorical Committee** 

**Law & Order Committee** 

- b. Membership Committee. The Membership Committee shall have charge of matters pertaining to membership of the Post, including the procurement of new members, reinstatements, and eligibility of members subject to the Constitution and By-Laws.
- c. Salvation Army Bell Ringers Committee. The Salvation Army Bell Ringers Committee shall be charged with scheduling and coordination with the Salvation Army a time a place for members of the Post 3 American Legion Family to participate in volunteer bell ringing activities for the Salvation Army.
- d. Publicity Committee. The Publicity Committee shall be charged with the promotion of public support of the American Legion's programs by the establishment of proper contact with the American Legion magazine and other Department and National publicity resources. The committee shall promote publicity of Post programs and activities utilizing the Post 3 newspaper, email newsletter, and website.
- e. Hospital Visitation Committee. The Hospital Visitation Committee is charged with visiting and comforting members and their families when sick or bereaved and with visiting veterans in nearby hospitals.
- f. Boys State Committee. The Boys State Committee shall coordinate the selection process of Boys State citizens from the Lincoln area by keeping in contact with the Lincoln area schools and donors. It shall also schedule and conduct a Boys State Orientation for the Lincoln area Boys State citizens.
- g. County Government Committee.. The County Government Committee shall coordinate with the Lancaster County Commander any efforts to provide a County Government Day for the students in Lancaster County.

- h. Oratorical Committee. The Oratorical Committee shall endeavor to promote the American Legion Oratorical Contest to the students of Lincoln and conduct a Post 3 / District 15 Oratorical Contest each year.
- i. Law & Order Committee. The Law & Order Committee shall endeavor to promote the Nebraska American Legion Junior Law Cadet Program and coordinate the efforts to select boys and girls from the Lincoln area to participate in the program.
- Section 2. The Post 3 Commander may also appoint other special committees as may be deemed necessary for the proper operation of the Post.

#### **ARTICLE EIGHT**

#### **STANDING COMMITTEES**

Section 1.a. The following committees are declared to be standing committees of the post:

**Athletic Committee** 

**Memorial Committee** 

**Finance Committee** 

**Youth Activities Committee** 

**Americanism Committee** 

**Past Commanders' Advisory Committee** 

**Scholarship Committee** 

**Constitution, Bylaws, and Resolutions Committee** 

- b. When inactivity or other circumstances justify the action, the Executive Committee may place a standing committee on an inactive status.
- c. The Post Commander, immediately upon taking office each year, shall appoint or re-appoint to each active standing committee a single replacement to serve for a period of three years and then designate a chairperson.

- d. Committees may set up rules of procedure, conduct, or discipline within the sphere of their activities when such rules are expedient, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.
- Section 2.a. The Athletic Committee shall consist of three members for three-year staggered terms.
- b. The Athletic Committee shall have the specific duties relating to the extent of the post's involvement in American Legion Baseball and any other activities the Post undertakes in the field of men's and women's athletics.
- Section 3.a. The Memorial Committee shall consist of three members for three-year staggered terms. However, the formal appointment of three members to the standing committee is in no way intended to limit or inhibit any member's participation in Memorial Squad activities.
- b. The Memorial Committee shall have the specific duties to insure that proper burial ceremonies are conducted when requested for our departed comrades and any other civic function where memorial services are requested of the Post.
- Section 4.a. The Finance Committee shall consist of five members, three of which shall be appointed for three-year staggered terms. The Finance Officer and the Immediate Past Post 3 Commander shall be automatic members of this committee.
- 4.b. The Finance Committee shall be charged with the administration of the financial policy, preparation of the budget, making recommendations for and supervision of receiving, disbursing, and accounting of all Post funds and an annual audit. It shall be its duty to prepare and make reports to the Post or Executive Committee whenever requested by the Post Commander. It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to prepare a report showing the anticipated expenditure for the coming year, and to submit the same with recommendations to the Post following the annual election of officers. The Finance Committee shall, not later than the second regular meeting after the election, submit a proposed budget, its recommendation for the ensuing year which shall be placed before the Post for adoption or such other action as the Post shall consider necessary.
- Section 5.a. The Youth Activities Committee shall consist of three members for three-year staggered terms.
- b. The Youth Activities Committee shall be charged with making recommendations to the Commander regarding youth activities.
- Section 6.a. The Americanism Committee shall consist of three members for threeyear staggered terms.

- b. The Americanism Committee shall be charged with the inspiration of patriotism and good citizenship by arrangement for proper observance of patriotic occasions, encouragement of patriotic and civic phases of instruction in schools; Americanization of aliens, combatting anti-American propaganda by education of the general public in American Ideals, through public forums, etc., and activities for community and civic betterment.
- Section 7.a. The Past Commanders Advisory Committee shall be composed of the five immediate past Post 3 Commanders, the chairperson of which shall be the senior ranking Past Post Commander in point of succession.
- b. It shall be the duty of the committee to offer counsel and guidance to the active Post Commander. This committee shall be convened from time to time as needed either at the call of the active Post Commander or the chairperson of the committee.
- Section 8.a. The Scholarship Committee shall consist of five members, three of which shall be for three-year staggered terms. The Finance Officer and the current Commander of Post 3 shall be automatic members of this committee
- b. The Scholarship Committee shall be charged with the duty of administering the Post 3 Scholarship Fund with the approval of the Executive Committee.
- Section 9.a. The Constitution, Bylaws, and Resolutions Committee shall consist of four members, three of which shall be for three-year staggered terms. The Post 3 Judge Advocate shall be an automatic member of the committee.
- b. The Constitution, Bylaws, and Resolutions Committee shall be charged with receiving, reviewing, and processing any proposed changes to the Post 3 Constitution and Bylaws. Further, the committee shall be responsible to review and report on any resolutions offered by individual members or any Post 3 committee regarding American Legion matters of any kind to be brought before the membership for consideration and adoption.

#### **ARTICLE NINE**

#### **PURCHASING AND DISBURSEMENTS**

Section 1. Purchases of goods, services, or property, disbursements, and indebtedness shall be handled in the manner.

- Section 2.a. All contracts for service or materials within the limitations of the budget shall be authorized by the Finance Committee.
- b. Other disbursements and donations outside of budgeted items must be authorized by the Executive Committee with the approval of the Post; and, when so authorized, such disbursements shall be supervised and accounted for by the Finance Officer. No request for such expenditures of Post 3 funds shall be voted upon at a regular Post 3 meeting without prior approval of the Executive Committee.
- c. Amounts in excess of \$300 shall first be submitted to the Post Finance Officer, who shall report to the Post Executive Committee the availability of funds. The Post Executive Committee shall have authority to recommend approval or denial of such requests to the Post.
- d. Items not in excess of \$300 may be authorized by the Commander or Executive Committee without formal action by the Post provided that there are sufficient contingency funds remaining in the annual budget.
- Section 3. All real and personal property shall be purchased and held in the name of Lincoln American Legion Post 3.
- Section 4. All disbursement of funds of the Post shall be by warrant, which shall show thereon the purpose for which drawn. Such warrants shall be signed by the Finance Officer and countersigned by the Commander.
- Section 5. All vouchers or evidence of indebtedness shall be signed by the Finance Officer and countersigned by the Commander.

#### **ARTICLE NINE**

#### **MEETINGS**

- Section 1. The regular meeting of Lincoln Post 3 shall be held on the second Tuesday of each month, except in August when there shall not be a meeting.
- Section 2. Ten members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business of the Post.

Section 3.a. All meetings of Post 3 and the Executive Committee of Post 3 shall be governed by Roberts Rules of Order unless in conflict with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Department of Nebraska American Legion.

b. In most cases, meetings will be conducted in-person; but on those rare occasions when uncontrollable, catastrophic circumstances prevent in-person meetings, the Commander is authorized to conduct the Post 3 meeting or Executive Committee meeting electronically. All business of Post 3 can be administered provided the necessary quorum is present.

#### **ARTICLE NINE**

#### **AMENDMENTS**

Section 1.a. The By-Laws may be amended at any meeting of Lincoln Post 3 by a twothirds vote of the members attending such regular meeting provided that the proposed amendment or amendments shall have been read at the preceding regular meeting of Post 3; then submitted to the Constitution, Bylaws, and Resolutions Committee of Post 3 for their consideration and recommendation to the Post Executive Committee.

b. The Post Executive Committee shall then, either with or without their recommendation, report such amendment or amendments back to the next regular Post 3 meeting for approval or disapproval.

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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 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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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(Post #)
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(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)	
Signature of applicant	Date	Name of	recruiter

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 2022, and want to transfer to Post 3, only sign below and return the bottom portion to us.

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



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