



“For God and Country”

MAY 2024 POST 3 NEWSLETTER



Meetings For May 2024

Organization	Location	Time	Date
Legion Post 3	Elks Lodge, 5910 S 58 th St	7:00 PM	05/14/24
Auxiliary Unit 3	Elks Lodge, 5910 S 58 th St	7:00 PM	05/14/24
SAL Squadron 3	Post 3 Office, 123 S 84 th St	7:00 PM	05/09/24
ALR Chapter 3	Denton Legion Club	6:00 PM	05/16/24
40 & 8 Voiture 103	Elks Lodge, 5910 S 58 th St	6:30 PM	05/21/14
8 & 40 Salon 832	Elks Lodge, 5910 s 58 th St	6:30 PM	05/21/24
8 & 40 Salon 92	VFW 3606, 3340 West A St	1:00 PM	05/16/24
Buddy Check	Rock-n-Joe, 5025 Lindburg St	6:00 PM	05/22/24
CoffeeHaus	Auld Pavilion, Antelope Park	10:00 AM	05/17/24

Commander's Call



Fellow Legionnaires and Legion Family,

This month I am passing along some important words of our National Commander, Daniel Seehafer, regarding an issue that is very dear to me personally and one that continues to plague many Veterans.

I strongly urge all of you to consider taking advantage of the training opportunity discussed.

Bruce Gubser
Commander, Post 3

From the Desk of National Commander Daniel J. Seehafer

Dear American Legion Family members and friends,

The American Legion saves lives and changes lives.

You may have heard me say that during a visit to a post or department, during an interview with media or elsewhere.

Nothing — absolutely nothing — is more important to The American Legion, or me personally, than our mission to save veterans on the edge of suicide. Be the One has helped elevate this conversation to a national level. Now more people than ever before are receiving the mental health counseling they need.

It's working. But we can do more.

That is why The American Legion has partnered with Columbia University to host free training classes that provide the tools we need to safely intervene when a veteran is demonstrating troubling signs.

There are virtual classes scheduled, as well as opportunities for in-person training at Spring Meetings, National Convention, Fall Meetings and at other times. Learn more and register for a session at this link:

<https://em.legion.org/c/11E49njlg9ykCPqD37vVCxsRBh> .

The page will be regularly updated as more classes are scheduled.

This valuable, life-saving training takes less time than it does to watch a movie, take in a baseball game or wait in line at the DMV.

It's just 90 minutes. An hour and a half that can save a life and change a life. Join me and sign up now.

Daniel J. Seehafer
American Legion National Commander

Notes from the Adjutant's Desk



We Currently stand at 1064 paid members for 2024, or 96% of our goal of 1107.

Thanks to those who have let us know they had not received their 2024 membership cards. We have received only a few this year, but if by chance you have not received your 2024 membership card and have sent a payment, please let us know. We try to get cards out within a day or two of receipt of payment.

Thanks to those who have made use of the MyLegion web site to renew their membership. It is quick and easy; you can even print your own 2024 membership card.

The American Legion National leadership has raised National dues \$5.00 a year beginning July first, 2024. Department of Nebraska most likely will raise their dues at their 2024 Department Convention this summer. At this time, Post 3 will not be raising its dues for 2025, remaining at \$11.00 dollars. The Post 3 dues beginning July 1st will be \$56.00 dollars. (National - \$23.50, Department - \$ 21.50, Post 3 - \$11.00)

Want to save 20 or 30 Dollars? As of this date, we have 20 members who have taken the opportunity to extend their membership for two or three extra years, saving themselves \$20 or \$30. To take advantage of this opportunity you need to log onto MYLEGION.ORG. Once there, click on renew, it should bring up current renewal status, paid for 2024. It then should allow you the opportunity to renew for an additional two or three years. If you have questions, give us a call.

We would like to thank those who have provided the request for phone/emails information. We have many members who do not have a phone number or an email address on file. Same goes for branch of service, or war era. National has been printing on the back of the renewal slips, the data that is in the Legion data base. Please check and add as needed so we can correct our database. Thanks, it makes it so much easier to reach out to you if needed.

The Honor Guard has been busy this spring with memorial services and flag details. On April 24th, Post 3 provided a Color Guard for "Our Community Salutes", to honor those High School graduates who have enlisted for military service following graduation this spring.

May is always a busy month for Post 3 Honor Guard, as we are called upon to provide details for Memorial events to honor our fellow veterans living in retirement or nursing homes.

This would be the time to review your memorial plans with the family. Locate your DD214 or other discharge papers. You have earned the right to burial in a VA cemetery or request a VA headstone for a private cemetery. You can do all this now by going to the VA web site and filling out the forms. If you need assistance, see your local service officer, or give me a call.

Again, thanks for your Service and thanks for being a member of Post 3. Remember to also thank your fellow Veterans for their service.

**Ed Schnabel,
Adjutant**

Lincoln CBOC/VA News



For FY 2024 (Oct-Apr) the Lincoln Clinic has served 11,397 veterans: 9% of veterans served were female veterans; 58% of veterans served are 65+ years old. On an average day the clinic serves 394 veterans. During FY 23, 315 new veterans enrolled for service at the Lincoln campus.

A new service added to the CBOC is the Orthopedic Clinic and it is now serving veterans, Express Care hours have expanded to 0830 to 1900 at the Lincoln clinic.

Flu shots and Covid shots are currently being given but you need to call the clinic to schedule an appointment.

VA clinics and hospitals no longer require the wearing of masks to enter clinics. Masks are available for those who still wish to wear them.

Express Care is a walk-in service, for those who wish to have a nurse check out minor items. This care is available to those who might wish to see a VA nurse without an appointment during normal hours.

Want to serve your fellow Veterans? The VA can use more volunteers to help at your local clinic or hospital. Or you can donate to your local clinic, hospital, or veteran's home. They can always use a monetary donation, or you can donate activities bags for younger kids to have when they come to the clinic/hospital with a parent for their appointments. There is always a need as some younger kids come with parents, grandparents, etc., and are too young to be left at home alone.

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

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

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

Volunteer Services, Lincoln, CBOC, is looking into adding more services for our Veterans. Services like we had in the old Clinic, Cookies, Popcorn, coffee, etc.

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

God Bless,

**Ed Schnabel
American Legion Representative to Lincoln CBOC**

ALR Riders, Chapter 3 Director's Remarks



The Lincoln Legion Riders plan on attending the Show & Shine event put on by the Veterans Advisory Group on Wednesday, May 15th, at Star City Shores from 4:00-9:00.

We will participate in the Memorial Day activities at Lincoln Memorial Park on Monday, May 27th.

We will sponsor a high school girl to the Girls' State event this summer.

Our April meeting was cancelled in order to provide a flag line at Ross Bartlett's visitation. We also stood in a flag line at his funeral. Some riders also rode in his escort to the funeral home.

The Legacy Run will be held in July as was discussed at our monthly meetings in February and March.

**Neil Larson
Director
American Legion Riders, Chapter 3**

Lincoln Chapter 3 Riders' Henry Golden Boy .22 LR Rifle



Lincoln Chapter 3
American Legion Riders

RAFFLE

HENRY GOLDEN BOY RIFLE, .22LR



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

Drawing held 9-22-2024 YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE PRESENT TO WIN

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

PRIZE WILL BE TRANSFERED TO THE WINNER THROUGH NEBRASKA GUN OF LINCOLN,
NEBRASKA, A FEDERALLY LICENSED FIREARM DEALER

ALL FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL FIREARM PURCHASE LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS APPLY

Post 3 Honor Guard



In April, The Honor Guard assisted the Military Honors Teams at 8 funerals and made appearances at 2 civic functions. We presented certificates and medals to 24 Nebraska University ROTC cadets and two Lincoln Northeast Air Force Junior ROTC cadets. Also we posted the Colors at the Community Salutes ceremony for High School students who will be inducted into the Military upon graduation. It seems like we are getting more requests to post the Colors at these civic events.

In the Calendar year 2024, the Honor Guard assisted the Military Honors Teams at 24 funerals and made appearances at 11 civic functions.

The effort the Honor Guard makes to honor our deceased veterans and for appearances at local civic functions are greatly appreciated. I want to thank everyone involved for their continued support.

Post 3 TAPS – April 2024



LEGIONNAIRE	WAR ERA	BRANCH	YEARS
Dalcyce F. Ronnau	Korea	Army	41
Jerry L. Williams	Vietnam	Air Force	9

**Regular Meeting of American Legion Post 3
Lincoln Elks Lodge #80
April 9, 2024**

Commander Bruce Gubser opened the April 9, 2024 meeting of American Legion Post 3 at 7:00 PM at the Lincoln Elks Lodge 80 with about 30 Legionnaires and guests present.

Veterans of the various war eras (including a WW II veteran) were asked to stand and be recognized.

The minutes of the March 12, 2024 meeting were read and approved.

Ed Schnabel gave the financial report for the month ending March 31, 2024, and it was approved and filed for review.

Membership was reported as 1054 --- a little over 95% of the goal.

Continuous Membership Certificates were presented to five individuals:

John Brehm (Vietnam) --- 50 Years
William Eckles (WW II) --- 50 Years
Richard Reiman (Vietnam) --- 50 Years
Marvin Wilson (Vietnam) --- 50 Years
Robert Taylor (Korea) --- 70 Years

William Jackson gave an Americanism report.

Steve Bartos reported that we had picked up two candidates from Pius X High School and now had 12 boys from the Lincoln area attending Boys State. An orientation is scheduled for May 5th.

Gerry Wolf reported for the Honor Guard. He indicated that they have recently been very busy.

He also reminded everyone to locate their DD214 and let folks know where it is.

Squadron 3 Commander Brendan Moore reported for the Sons of the American Legion. He also offered kudos to some Legionnaires in Tennessee who had stepped up and helped with a relative's funeral.

Legion Riders Director Neil Larson reported for the American Legion Riders. He indicated that the Lincoln Post 3 Riders were sponsoring a girl to Cornhusker Girls State this year and also reported on a number of other activities.

It was reported that Post 3 had selected a boy from Lincoln East and a girl from Lincoln Christian to attend the American Legion Junior Law Cadet program this year.

Commander Gubser also indicated that the Birthday Card Program in the senior living facilities continues.

It was announced that the April Buddy Check would be held at Rock and Joe's on Lindberg Street on the 22nd.

Wendy Gumb commented on some videos she had recently seen that were made to promote Boys State and Girls State.

The Chaplain read TAPS, and the meeting was closed in proper form at about 7:45 PM.

Steve Bartos
Recorder

Continuous Membership

Each year, we recognize members who are celebrating some milestone years of continuous membership with the American Legion. This year, Post 3 had 19 people with 50 years, 2 with 60 years, and 1 with 70 years of continuous membership. At the April regular meeting, we had some of these members in attendance. These members were honored and presented with a certificate of continuous membership indicating their years of dedicated support to the American Legion. Not all could be with us that evening. Those not present were mailed their certificates. We thank all our honorees for their continued support of the American Legion.



(L to R), John Brehm, Richard Reiman, Marvin Wilson, (50 Years), Robert Taylor, (70 Years), William Eckles, (50 Years)

Name	Years	War Era
Brehm, John J	50	Vietnam
Daubert, James F	50	Vietnam
Dennis, Robert K	50	Korea
Dermann, William K	50	Vietnam
Dillon, Jack	50	Vietnam
Eckles, William L Jr	50	WWII
Hammond, Tad D	50	Korea
Houser, Robert L	50	Korea
Judds, Raymond E	50	WWII
Marr, Rocci R	50	Vietnam
Morrison, Kenneth M	50	Vietnam

Name	Years	War Era
Parker, Daniel L	50	Vietnam
Reiman, Richard E	50	Vietnam
Rotter, James A	50	Korea
Schmidt, James F	50	Vietnam
Steinkamp, Charles E	50	Vietnam
Synovec, Thomas E	50	Vietnam
Wilson, Marvin L	50	Vietnam
Stauffer, Richard R	50	WWII
Freemon Lyman	60	Korea
Truhlar, Sally J	60	Korea
Taylor, Robert H	70	Korea

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

Junior Law Cadet



Junior Law Cadets, Zylena Ramirez (L) and Hunter Warnke (R) with Post 3 Commander, Bruce Gubser

Every year, high school juniors from each of The American Legion's 14 Districts in Nebraska are chosen to participate in the Junior Law Cadet program. The purpose of the program is to allow male and female students the opportunity to explore and experience the various aspects of law enforcement training. Students participate in daily calisthenics and receive training in firearms, self-defense, fingerprinting, K-9 handling, accident and criminal investigation, lie detector testing, and state patrol car driving. Students stay at the Nebraska State Patrol Training Academy in Grand Island.

This year, we are pleased to announce that and Zylena Ramirez and Hunter Warnke are Post 3's candidates to the program.

Zylena is a Junior at Lincoln Christian High School. She is active in the Lincoln Police Explorers and has a great relationship with many of Lincoln Police Officers. Zylena will enlist in the United States Army National Guard in June.

Hunter is a Junior at Lincoln East High School. He attends the Career Academy at Southeast Community College pursuing a future in Criminal Justice. He also volunteers for the Lincoln Police Department Shop with a Cop Program and with various tasks as needed during the event.

Congratulations to both as they attend the Junior Law Cadet training in Grand Island.

University Of Nebraska Chancellor's Review



On April 18th, the University of Nebraska, Lincoln ROTC Battalion held their annual Chancellor's Review of cadets and awards ceremony. Adjutant Ed Schnabel and Post 3 member, Gerry Wolf attended the ROTC Chancellor's Review. Post 3 awarded 12 Cadets with certificates and medals for Scholastic Excellence and another 12 Cadets for Military Excellence.

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

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

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

Calling on the Female Veterans of Post 3 to Preserve HERstory:

Register Your Military Service at the Women's Veteran Memorial

Introduction

As women have played an integral role in defending our nation, our stories deserve to be celebrated and preserved. The Women's Veteran Memorial (MWM) provides a unique opportunity for female veterans and servicewomen to make their military experiences visible by registering their service. Let's explore how you can contribute to this vital repository of HERstory.

The MWM Register: A Place of Honor

The MWM Register is a one-of-a-kind interactive database that records and preserves the names, service information, photographs, and memorable experiences of each registered servicewoman. By completing a simple form, you can take your rightful and visible place in history alongside the extraordinary women who have defended our country.

How to Register

1. Visit the MWM: Register your story for free at the [Military Women's Memorial website](#)
2. Eligibility: To become a Registered Member of the Military Women's Memorial, you must meet one of the following criteria:
 - Servicewomen: If you are currently serving or have served in any branch of the military, you qualify.
 - Women Veterans: If you have honorably completed your military service, you are eligible.
3. What to Include:
 - Dates of Service: Provide the period during which you served.
 - Branch of Service: Specify the military branch you were part of.
 - Awards and Decorations: Highlight any honors you received.
 - Memorable Experience: Share at least one impactful moment from your service.
 - Uniform Photo: Include a picture of yourself in uniform.

(Women's Veteran Memorial – Continued)

4. Privacy and Updates:

- **Privacy: All personally identifiable information (PII) remains confidential. Only non-sensitive details are visible to the public.**
- **Updates: You can update your registration as needed—whether you earn promotions, discover new information, or want to share additional experiences.**

Why Register?

- 1. Historical Legacy: For the first time in American history, the MWM provides a place to learn about the extraordinary servicewomen who have defended our country.**
- 2. Collective Impact: By registering, you contribute to a collective narrative that honors the resilience, courage, and sacrifice of women in the military.**
- 3. Educational Resource: Visitors can explore the Register, learn about individual servicewomen, and purchase profiles as keepsakes.**

Your service matters. Register today and ensure that your legacy becomes an enduring part of our nation's history. Let's celebrate the remarkable women who have stood shoulder-to-shoulder with their male counterparts, defending liberty and preserving our way of life.

The following article was written by Wendy Gumb, a fairly new Post 3 Executive Committee member, who asked to share her reasons why she belongs to the American Legion.

Wendy Gumb Executive Committee Member Purpose and Relevance in the American Legion:

- 1. American Legion Baseball:** I am dedicated to fostering community strength through American Legion Baseball. This program is not just about sports; it's a unifying force that brings our community together, celebrating our national pastime. My commitment lies with ensuring that our Post 3 fully embraces and upholds the true spirit and objectives of American Legion Baseball, reflecting positively on our community.
- 2. Youth Education About Service:** I advocate for educating our youth about the multifaceted nature of military service—it's a noble career path, not solely defined by conflict. Through programs like American Legion Baseball, Oratorical Competitions, County Legislative Days, Boys & Girls State, and ROTC, I aim to inspire responsible citizenship and a commitment to community service.
- 3. Supporting Veterans in the Private Sector:** I am committed to assisting veterans in their transition to civilian life, helping them find new purpose and relevance. It's essential to recognize and value their unwavering dedication to service, even when it's not fully understood by those who haven't experienced military life. We stand together against adversity, honoring our shared commitment to defending freedom.

Now available:

- Boys State: The Movie [BOYS STATE — Official Movie Site](#)
- Girls State: The Movie [Girls State - Mile End Films \(jessemoss.com\)](#)

Thank you,

Wendy Gumb

Fischer, Rosen Introduce Bipartisan Bill to Permanently Protect VA Helpline for Veterans

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senators Deb Fischer (R-Neb.) and Jacky Rosen (D-Nev.) introduced the Veterans Assistance Helpline Act to maintain a permanent helpline for veterans to quickly obtain information and assistance with all services from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

“We owe so much to our veterans for their sacrifice to protect our country and defend our freedoms. Unfortunately, too many veterans have difficulty navigating the VA and identifying which divisions to contact. The VA’s current main information line provides veterans with a single hub to access information about different VA contact centers. Our legislation will codify this resource to ensure veterans can maintain access to this critical tool and better connect with the resources available to them,” said Senator Fischer.

“Our nation’s veterans sacrificed so much to keep us safe, and the least we can do is make sure they have easy access to VA support and resources, and their hard-earned VA benefits. I’m proud to be working across the aisle to make sure the VA’s veteran helpline is permanently codified so they never lose access to a resource that will get them the information and assistance they need,” said Senator Rosen.

[Click here](#) to view the legislation.

Background:

The VA has had multiple phone number hotlines for veterans to call with questions about benefits. While the VA lists these phone numbers online, it can be difficult for older veterans to locate this information.

In February 2020, Senators Fischer and Rosen [introduced](#) the Veterans Assistance Helpline Act to create a simple helpline for veterans to obtain information and assistance with all VA services.

In response, the VA [launched](#) a main information line (1-800-MyVA411) in December 2020. The phone line allows veterans and other eligible individuals to speak with a live agent, who can answer questions and direct them to the proper contact center within the VA.

Senators Fischer and Rosen’s [new legislation](#) will codify the existing 1-800 number to ensure that it will remain in place for veterans in the future.

According to the VA, there are over 125,000 veterans living in Nebraska.

Grant Kros

Legislative Assistant
U.S. Senator Deb Fischer (R-NE)
Office: (202) 224-6551

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WWII Nebraska Soldier Accounted For



The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) announced recently that U.S. Army Air Force Sergeant White S. Goings Jr., 22, of Auburn, Nebraska, who was captured and died as a prisoner of war during World War II, was accounted for June 27, 2023. In late 1942, Goings was a member of the 93rd Bombardment Squadron (Bomb Sq), 19th Bombardment Group (Bomb Gp), when Japanese forces invaded the Philippine Islands in December. Intense fighting continued until the surrender of the Bataan peninsula on April 9, 1942, and of Corregidor Island on May 6, 1942.

Thousands of U.S. and Filipino service members were captured and interned at POW camps. Goings was among those reported captured when U.S. forces in Bataan surrendered to the Japanese. They were subjected to the 65-mile Bataan Death March and then held at the Cabanatuan POW camp. More than 2,500 POWs perished in this camp during the war.

According to prison camp and other historical records, Goings died July 19, 1942, and was buried along with other deceased prisoners in the local Cabanatuan Camp Cemetery in Common Grave 312.

Following the war, American Graves Registration Service (AGRS) personnel exhumed those buried at the Cabanatuan cemetery and relocated the remains to a temporary U.S. military mausoleum near Manila. In 1947, the AGRS examined the remains in an attempt to identify them. Twenty-two sets of remains from Common Grave 312 were identified, but the rest were declared unidentifiable. The unidentified remains were buried at the Manila American Cemetery and Memorial (MACM) as Unknowns.

In early 2018, the remains associated with Common Grave 312 were disinterred and sent to the DPAA laboratory for analysis.

To identify Goings's remains, scientists from DPAA used dental and anthropological analysis, as well as circumstantial evidence. Additionally, scientists from the Armed Forces Medical Examiner System used mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) and Y chromosome DNA (Y-STR) analysis.

Goings will be buried in Auburn, Nebraska, in June, 2024.

MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT, ROBERT D. BOOKER



DETAILS

- **RANK:** PRIVATE
- **CONFLICT/ERA:** WORLD WAR II
- **UNIT/COMMAND:** COMPANY B, 133D INFANTRY, 34TH INFANTRY DIVISION
- **MILITARY SERVICE BRANCH:** U.S. ARMY
- **MEDAL OF HONOR ACTION DATE:** APRIL 9, 1943
- **MEDAL OF HONOR ACTION PLACE:** NEAR FONDOUK, TUNISIA

CITATION

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty in action. On 9 April 1943 in the vicinity of Fondouk, Tunisia, Pvt. Booker, while engaged in action against the enemy, carried a light machine gun and a box of ammunition over 200 yards of open ground.

He continued to advance even though two enemy machine guns and several mortars were using him as an individual target. Although enemy artillery also began to register on him, upon reaching his objective he immediately commenced firing. After being wounded he silenced one enemy machine gun and was beginning to fire at the other when he received a second mortal wound.

With his last remaining strength, he encouraged the members of his squad and directed their fire. Pvt. Booker acted without regard for his own safety. His initiative and courage against insurmountable odds are an example of the highest standard of self-sacrifice and fidelity to duty.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS

- **AWARDED POSTHUMOUSLY:** YES
- **BORN:** JULY 11, 1920, CALLAWAY, NE., CUSTER COUNTY, NE, UNITED STATES
- **DIED:** APRIL 9, 1943, TUNISIA
- **BURIED:** ROSE HILL CEMETERY (MH) (D-2), CALLAWAY, NE, UNITED STATES

Veterans Advisory Group

Veterans Advisory Group is coming into the busy season.

15 May - 1600 to 2100 - Show and Shine at Star City Shores. Knights of Columbus food service and UNL Ice Cream cart will be there. Water supplied by Johan Kooij, Norland Pure Water. If you have a ride you are proud of, BRING IT OUT!

17 May – 10:00 to 12:00 - Will be the last CoffeeHaus at the Auld Pavilion until August, before our two month dark period. Entertainment will be Cole Younger and Renegades. Also Quilts of Valor will be awarded.

22 May – 18:00 to 20:00 - Buddy Check at Rock-n-Joe 5025 Lindberg Street, just off 84th and Glynoaks. Casual gathering for vets

1 June – 10:30 to 18:00 - Veterans Freedom Music Festival, Antelope Park Band Shell and Auld Pavilion Art Show, 10:30 until 6:30. Seven Bands, Veterans outreach, Food service Knights of Columbus, Ice Cream UNL Ice Cream trailer, Water from Johan Kooij, Norland Pure water. Sponsored by Alpha Media, Sandhills Global, Monolith, and Elks Lodge #80

Come out and enjoy!

Also check out our tool raffle prizes, 8 different prizes, \$10.00 ticket

Bruce L. Trautwein

VETERANS ADVISORY GROUP 11th ANNUAL Show & Shine!



Sponsored By Your Veterans Advisory Group

**Wednesday May 15,
2024, 4:00 to 9:00 PM,
Rain Date is May 16
Event to Be Held At
33rd & Nebraska
Parkway (old Hwy 2)**



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Contact Bruce Trautwein, (402) 560-7304, or Email to: brucon11@zitomedia.net,

Visit Us On the Web at: www.VAGLincoln.org



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!

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Buddy Check

"TOGETHER ENDING VETERAN SUICIDE"

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At 'Rock-n-Joe' Coffee Bar

5025 Lindberg Street

6:00 PM TO 8:00 PM

reducing and eliminating Veteran suicide. We continue our service by gathering with fellow Veterans. We call and reach out to those who served at our side. We stood together then, and we stand together now.

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10:30 AM — 6 PM

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7 LOCAL BANDS • ANTELOPE BANDSHELL

10:30 AM — PRESENTATION OF COLORS

STAR SPANGLED BANNER

— MARIE BARRETT

OPENING CEREMONY

11 AM — BILL CHRASTIL (ELVIS)

12 PM — 3 CHORDS AND A CLOUD OF DUST

1 PM — PINKERTONES

2 PM — THE SHUCKS BROTHERS

3 PM — COLE YOUNGER AND THE RENEGADES

4 PM — MOJO FILTER

5 PM — THREE SPEED BAND

6 PM — CLOSING CEREMONY

— *TAPS* BY KEVIN MURRAY

OTHER ATTRACTIONS

Food service by Knights of Columbus

UNL Dairy Store Ice Cream

Remembering Our Fallen Exhibit

Veteran Artists - Auld Pavilion

PUBLIC WELCOME

FREE PARKING & ADMISSION

(Free will donation to Peoples City Mission)

Bring Lawn Chairs, Coolers (subject to inspection) • No alcohol or pets (service animals only)

RAIN DATE: June 2, 2024

The Veterans Freedom Music Festival
is produced by the
Lincoln Veterans Advisory Group
VAGLincoln.org



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VETERAN ART EXHIBIT

JUNE 1, 2024

11AM - 6PM



FREE ART
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\$10 Raffle Tickets

Supporting Veterans in Your Community

<p>1st Place</p>			<p>Dewalt® 20V MAX 10 Tool Combo Kit with 2 Batteries, Charger, (2) Contractor Bags</p> <p>+</p> <p>Dewalt Cross Line Laser Level</p>	
<p>2nd Place</p>			<p>Milwaukee M18 18V Lithium-Ion Cordless Combo Kit 5-Tools with 2-Batteries, Charger and Tool Bag</p> <p>+</p> <p>M18™ 2-Gallon Wet/Dry Vacuum</p>	
<p>3rd Place</p>			<p>Milwaukee M18 18V Lithium-Ion Cordless Combo Kit 5-Tools with 2-Batteries, Charger and Tool Bag</p>	
<p>4th Place</p>				<p>Milwaukee M12 Cordless 2-Tool Combo</p> <p>+</p> <p>Milwaukee Rechargeable Work Light</p> <p>+</p> <p>Milwaukee 120 Pc Drill + Drive Bit Set</p>
<p>5th Place</p>			<p>DEWALT ATOMIC 20V MAX Cordless Brushless 4 Tool Combo Kit , (2) 2.0Ah Batteries, Charger, and Bag</p>	
<p>6th Place</p>			<p>Milwaukee M18 1/2" Compact Drill</p> <p>+</p> <p>Milwaukee M18 1/4" Compact Driver</p> <p>+</p> <p>3/8 in. Drive SAE/Metric Ratchet and Socket Mechanics Tool Set (56-Pcs)</p>	
<p>7th Place</p>			<p>Milwaukee M12 FUEL 12V Cordless Hex Impact Driver Kit w/Two Batteries & Bag</p> <p>+</p> <p>Milwaukee M12 Inflator Kit</p>	
<p>8th Place</p>			<p>DEWALT ATOMIC 20V MAX Cordless Brushless Compact Drill and Driver Tool Combo Kit with Two Batteries & Bag</p>	

Drawing will be held July 4th, 2024.

Need not be present to win.

39th Annual Nebraska Vietnam Veterans Reunion

August 8th thru Sunday, August
11th, 2024

Lincoln Marriott Cornhusker
Hotel

333 South 13th Street - Lincoln,
NE.

402-399-9000

For registration forms, update
schedules, and hotel information,

go to: vetsreunion.com

Contact information:

Jaime Obrecht 402-486-4010

Roy Schoen 402-477-9113

Sons Of The American Legion Application



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

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

Sons of The American Legion
 ATTN: Brendan Moore
 123 South 84th Street, Suite L
 Lincoln, Ne. 68510

Sons of The American Legion Membership Application

Detachment of ____ Squadron No. _____ Birth Date _____ Date _____

Name _____ Recruited by _____
(First) (Initial) (Last) (Initial) (Last)

Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

E-mail Address _____ Telephone _____

Veteran through whom eligibility is established _____

(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 of the Sons of The American Legion, apply for membership, and transmit \$ _____ as annual membership dues.

Signed _____
(By Applicant or Parent)

Eligibility certified by _____
(Post Adjutant)

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RECEIPT

Date _____ Received of _____

\$ _____ in payment of dues for 20 _____ in _____

Squadron _____ Detachment of _____

By _____

For God and Country

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 84th Street, Suite L
Lincoln, Ne 68510

The American Legion Membership Application

LEGION Act

(Name)		(Date of Birth)	
(Mailing Address)		(Phone Number)	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(Post #)
(E-mail)		<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female (Gender)	(Dues)

I certify that I served at least one day of active military duty since December 7, 1941 and was honorably discharged or am still serving honorably.

Please check appropriate service era and branch of service below

<input type="checkbox"/> Global War on Terror	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Army
<input type="checkbox"/> Gulf War	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Navy
<input type="checkbox"/> Panama	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Air Force
<input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon/Grenada	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Marines
<input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Coast Guard
<input type="checkbox"/> Korea	<input type="checkbox"/> Merchant Marines (WWII only)
<input type="checkbox"/> WWII	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Conflicts	



30-009 Signature of applicant	Date	Name of recruiter
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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 2024, 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
_____ Email address



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

Email: Post3legionlincoln@gmail.com

[Web Site: lincolnpost3.org](http://lincolnpost3.org)

2023 - 2024 Post 3 Officers

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

First Vice Commander – Ron Hindmand – Cell: 254-291-1514

Second Vice Commander – Rich Lemmerman – Cell: 402-694-9834

Adjutant & Post Service Officer – Ed Schnabel – Cell: 402-480-8542

Chaplain – William Jackson – Cell: 402-613-9774

Please submit any announcements or items for the monthly newsletter to the Editor for approval. All requests must be received one week before the 1st of the month.

