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Disabled American Veterans Mission Statement: Made up exclusively of men and women disabled in our nation's defense, the Disabled American Veterans is dedicated to one, single purpose: empowering veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity.

Commander's Column

Adjutant's Column

Fellow members:

Looks like fall is here. Hope you all had a great summer. I am looking forward to the upcoming Forget- Me-Not days in November. We will be looking for assistance as usual for this event. It is extremely important that we have good representation at these locations, since this is our main fund-raising activity for the Chapter. The dates are the 10th and 11th of November. We will be at the Jerry's Foods in Edina and Eden Prairie MN. A third location will be added if we get enough volunteers BEFORE our next Board meeting Sept 27th. We need to provide DAV of MN our plans for fund raising 30 days in advance. Please email or call me if you would like to participate for a few hours on any of these days or all of them.

We had a good turnout for the Chapter picnic at the Veteran's Camp. We plan to continue to hold the event next year at Richfield Memorial Vets Park.!

MPLS VAMC hospital Ward visit to resume. Oct 2023!

We are planning to resume our month visit to patients at the MPLS VA Medical Center. These will start up Oct 22, 2023. Our visits will be the 4th Sunday of each month (except Dec and then it is Christmas AM). We will meet in the 1st floor auditorium at 12:00 NOON) and get our ward assignments. We will start our visitation in the wards from 1:00PM to 2:00PM. This is a great way to connect with our comrades who are inpatients at the MPLS VAMC.

The MPLS VAMC is planning to open a Food Shelf and are seeking our assistance. Hear their presentation at our Oct Membership Meeting

Summer is over, as a Chapter we are back to a more normal monthly schedule of meetings. Please remember that we DO NOT have a general membership meeting Tuesday NOV 7, 2023. This is election Date.

DAV LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP INCREASE to \$325 effect Jan 1, 2024

At the DAV National Convention (Aug 2023) it was approved to increase the cost of DAV Lifetime membership by \$25. *AGE 80 and over FREE. Currently our Lifetime membership is \$300 total. If you submit an application thru the Chapter we assist you in paying!

\$100 from New member

\$100 match from DAV Chapter #1

\$100 match from DAV Dept of Minnesota

To receive these benefits it needs to be processed THRU THE CHAPTER. We will have forms at our meeting or complete the form for a new member and send to the Chapter's PO BOX

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Minneapolis MN 55417

Joel Schilling Adjutant

SERVICE TO VETS / COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT FOR FY 2023-2024

The following is a short list of some of the activities DAV Chapter #1, MPLS is involved with on a ongoing basis:

- 1) Fall Forget Me Not fund raising (Nov 10 & 11, Jerry Foods Edina & Eden Prairie MN
- 2) Golden Corral (national level event) fund raising on or about Nov 13, 2023 Maple Grove
- 3) OMNI Brewing Co. Vets appreciation event on or about Nov 11, 2023
- 4) Spring Forget Me Not fund raising on or about 17 & 18 May 2024
- 5) MPLS VAMC hospital visitation, 4th Sunday of the month 12:00 Noon
- 6) VAMC food shelf program (in current development , details to follow)
- 7) December Holiday meal served to the residents of Fort Snelling UPPER POST Vet Housing
- 8) Monthly support to Hastings Vet Home supplying laundry soap for resident to use
- 9) Partner with Every Third Saturday to conduct Veteran outreach to homeless vets in MPLS
- 10) Provide funds for MPLS Vets Home recreational therapy and events
- 11) Provide funds for MPLS VAMC to serve coffee to patients and family in waiting areas
- 12) Provide fund to Fort Snelling Memorial Rifle SQD for supplies and uniforms for military honors at Fort Snelling National Cemetery
- 13) Provide funds to veterans in need of emergency assistance, e.g. unpaid medical bills, utilities pending disconnect, paying of medical transfers of vets from Hospitals / nursing homes to new housing arrangements
- 14) Provide Fellowships at 3 colleges to assist veterans in transitioning

After a minimum down payment of \$40 toward your life membership, you will receive your membership card. The remaining balance is paid in interest-free installments. All dues payments received are applied to your life membership account. Apply online for as little as \$10 with a recurring monthly credit card payment at dav.org/membership/join-dav. **Thank you for becoming a member!**

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Applicant's Phone No. (_____) _____ Email _____

Date of Birth ____/____/____ Date Enlisted ____/____/____ Branch _____ Date Discharged ____/____/____
Month Day Year Month Day Year Month Day Year

Rank _____ Service-Connected Disability _____ % Receiving: VA Comp. VA Pension Service Retirement

Check all that apply: Amputee Visually Impaired Hearing Impaired POW Purple Heart Gassed Agent Orange PTSD Gulf War Illness TBI Burn Pits

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Dates and Times to Remember 2023

October

- 03 5:45 pm *Dinner
- 03 6:45 pm *Meeting
- 22 12:00 (NOON) MPLS VAMC Visitation

November

- 01 4:00 pm Board Meeting
- 07 5:45 pm *NO DINNER
- 07 6:45 pm *NO MEETING
- 10 TBA Forget Me not fund raising
- 11 TBA Forget Me not fund raising
- 26 12:00 (NOON) MPLS VAMC Visitation
- 29 4:00 pm Board Meeting

December

- 05 5:45 pm *Dinner
- 05 6:45 pm *Meeting
- 25 **Christmas Day/**
- 25 09:00 am MPLS VAMC Visitation
- 27 4:00 pm *NO Board Meeting

January 2024

- 02 5:45 pm *NO DINNER
- 02 6:45 pm *No Meeting
- 28 12:00 (NOON) MPLS VAMC Vitiation
- 31 4:00 pm Board Meeting

***All meetings are held at Bloomington Event Center**
 1114 American Blvd, West. Bloomington, 55420
 Remember: All DAV meetings are open to all veterans.

CHAPTER DONATION 2022

\$10	\$15	\$20
\$25	\$50	

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 P.O. Box 17037
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2023

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“America is a Nation with a mission - and that mission comes from our most basic beliefs. We have no desire to dominate, no ambitions of empire. Our aim is a democratic peace - a peace founded upon the dignity and rights of every man and woman.

George W. Bush