

Lyle C. Pearson, Sr., Chapter #10 And Auxiliary Unit #10

501(c)(4) non-profit Total membership Chapter: 707 Unit: 208
All Chapter and Unit Business is conducted by volunteer members.

Chapter and Unit Regular Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM. at the Morson-Ario-Strand VFW Post 950 at 1900 North Riverfront Drive in Mankato For Chapter/Unit members attending Supper served at 6:00PM cost \$5.00.



DAV Chapter 10 Commander's Comments

Comrades,
We are moving into the fall of the year after a busy summer. I would like to reflect on just a couple of events of our busy summer. Several members of our Chapter and Auxiliary attended the DAV National Convention in Orlando, FL. In addition to attending many formal training sessions and networking with our comrades from other states, we were there to support Chapter 10's own Stephen Whitehead as he was elected as our National Commander. We congratulate Stephen on his elevation to this important post and pledge our support to him as he advocates for our nations disabled veterans to our elected Execu-

tive and Congressional leadership. We also obtained a temporary trailer to store our collected clothing for clothing program. We thank R&E Enterprises for this donation. We are hopeful to be able to have our goal of 33 thousand pounds or greater reached soon. We hope to transfer our clothing to the collections trailer that will haul it to the purchasing company either the last weekend in October or the first weekend in November. We will need as many volunteers as possible to accomplish this task. We will be reaching out to as many members and community members for assistance as possible. Your help to recruit assistance is greatly appreciated.

We also had our annual volunteer appreciation dinner in September in which over 90 of

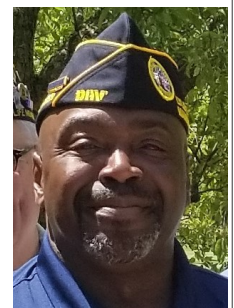
our chapter volunteers attended. It was a great event to recognize and celebrate their selfless support and dedicated support of our chapter and community Veterans.

In closing, membership is always important to the strength and growth of our chapter. Please keep this in mind as you meet with our colleagues and encourage them to join our Chapter. Please enjoy our beautiful and hopefully long fall season.

In service to Veterans,

Reggie Worlds,
Commander

Lyle C. Pearson, Sr.
DAV Chapter #10



DAVA Unit 10 Commander's Comments

Hello Everyone,
Hope everyone enjoyed their summer & are ready for Fall. We have many events coming up.

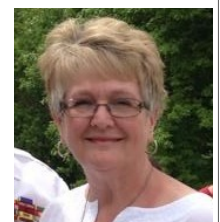
Oct.8 dinner 6 /meeting 7. The 15th & 16th Flu Clinic at VA in Mankato times: 8:30- 11 then 1-4 both days/

26th Stand Down Verizon Center downtown Mankato 9-2. In November & December we have Christmas Tree decorating at Sibley Park, Holiday Lights, Christmas cards to sign & fill for Veterans in the Nursing homes here and delivery, shopping for our adopted vets & ringing the bells for Salvation Army.

All dates & times for upcoming events will be handed out at meetings, if you

are not available to attend call Debbie 507-327-6520 for more information.

Debbie Mason
Commander
Lyle C. Pearson, Sr.
DAVA Unit #10



2019 July August September Meetings Approved MotionsJuly 2019

- Send DAVMN Dept letter of intent for Donation of \$10,000 from Profinium Forget-Me-Not account to the DAVMN Dept Transportation for purchase of van for the Mankato area, controlled by Dept.
- Approve additional \$100 from FMN Fund for MACV Salute to Service Women Golf Classic sponsorship.
- Approve additional cost for the CBOC Pizza event. From General fund.

August 2019

- Cost of 2019 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner not to exceed \$1,750.00. General Fund.
- Cost of banner for Clothing Trailer on loan from R&E Enterprises not to exceed \$100.00. General Fund.
- Donate \$200.00 to St. Peter Chamber of Commerce as a Thank You for Kettle Corn Sales at St Peter 4th of July Parade. General Fund.
- Donate \$200 to Nicollet County Fair Board as a Thank You for Kettle Corn Sales at Nicollet County Fair. General Fund.
- Accept generous donation from local Mankato A&W Restaurant \$605.00 and donate half (\$302.50) to DAVA Unit #10 as requested by Donor. General Fund.

September 2019

- Approve Request for Funds for MACV StandDown support for meal cost of \$5,775.00 – Saturday Oct 26th. Mankato Civic Center. FMN Funds. (1 abstain)
- Approve Request for Funds from SCBYR for Chili-Fest for \$500 sponsorship for Chilifest 2019 to cover entrance fees for veterans Saturday Nov 16th. FMN Funds.
- Donation to DAVMN Foundation for \$2,000.00 designated for Transportation Program from General Fund. To be presented at the upcoming DAVMN Dept Conference Oct 4-5.
- Approve members to attend DAVMN Dept Conference Oct 3-5. Ron Haugen, Jim Mason, Windy Block, Jo Miller, Russ Ahlstrom.
- Reimburse mileage and lodging for approved members to DAVMN Dept Conference Oct3-5th. \$105.00 per night and \$40.00 registration. General Fund.

For more information regarding the Chapter meetings, call Commander Reggie Worlds or Adjutant Jo Miller or email DAVMN10Adjutant@gmail.com, or talk to any Chapter officer listed in this newsletter.

Hello to DAV and DAVA members.

Thank you for all the work you do. We have a very important day for our Clothing Program coming up on Nov 2. We will be doing our first clothing exchange with our new program involving the semi-trailer. We need many people to help with this to make this successful. I will talk about this at our upcoming Oct meeting. Please do your part and help with this project. At around 8:00 in the morning, we will begin this work at the parking lot across the street from the VFW in Mankato. (Behind Zahl Equipment Services)

Again, please join us. Thank you.

Daryl Steffen, Clothing Committee Chair.



Oct Nov Dec 2019 Meetings/Events

Oct 8 - Exec Committee Meeting 5:00pm,
Dinner 6:00pm,
Regular Monthly Meeting 7:00pm

Oct 18 - DAV Mobile Service Office at VFW
Mankato 8am to 4 pm

Oct 26 - MACV Standdown

Nov 4 - Nursing Home Visit at Laurel's Peak

Nov 5 - Nursing Home Visit at Laurel's Edge

Nov 8 - Nursing Home Visit at Hillcrest

Nov 12 -Exec Committee Meeting 5:00pm,
Dinner 6:00pm,
Regular Monthly Meeting 7:00pm

Nov 12 - Nursing Home Visit at Oaklawn

Nov 13 - Nursing Home Visit at Pathstone

Nov 18 - Nursing Home Visit at Oak Terrace

Dec 10 - Exec Committee Meeting 5:00pm,
Dinner 6:00pm,
Regular Monthly Meeting 7:00pm

For more details about future events call any officer or
come to the meetings.

Nursing Home Visits call Donna Beck 507.344.4330

4th Annual Chilifest 2019

• Supporting our local Veterans, service members and families •

Saturday November 16th
Mankato, MN 56001
11am-3pm
Chili winners announced at 2 pm

\$10 at the Door
Military members get in FREE with
proof of DD214 or Military ID

SILENT AUCTION
Balloon Artist
Face Painting/Chili Cook-off/Dart Tournament

Dart Tournament

Friday November 15th: School Yard Draw-7pm Sign up \$15 Entry Bounty entry \$5 (optional) <small>Constant Charity for questions on tournament 907-363-0778</small>	Saturday November 16th A/B draw 11am Sign up Noon Start \$25 Entry-\$10 goes right to Donation Bounty entry \$5 (optional)
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If you or your group are interested in volunteering or donating to our silent auction please contact Angie @ 507-934-3446
If you or your group is interested in competing in Chilifest, please contact Angie by emailing southcentraltrg@gmail.com

<https://southcentraltrg.org/> 501c(3) 81-4232714

FAN 103.5 **98.5** **COUNTRY 101.5** **Radio MANKATO**

Veteran's Day Supper
Morson-Ario-Strand
VFW Post 950
Nov 11th
4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

STAND ★ DOWN FOR VETERANS - 2019 -

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26TH
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

(WELCOME CEREMONY BEGINS AT 11:30 AM)
ALL VETERANS WELCOME! CALL MACV FOR MORE INFO (507)345-4258

MANKATO CIVIC CENTER
1 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
MANKATO, MN 56001

Services ★ Resources ★ Camaraderie

FREE SERVICES AVAILABLE INCLUDE:

- MEALS
- VA BENEFITS
- CLOTHING
- HOUSING
- PUBLIC BENEFITS
- HAIRCUTS
- EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE
- LEGAL ASSISTANCE

THIS IS A KID FRIENDLY EVENT!
WE INVITE AND ENCOURAGE VETERANS TO BRING YOUR FAMILY!

MACV
Ending Veteran Homelessness in Minnesota



2019 Flu Shot dates
Mankato CBOC,
1961 Premier Dr.
Mankato MN 56001.

Tue: Oct 15 8:30 - 11:30A, 1:00 - 4:00P
Wed: Oct 16 8:30 - 11:30A, 1:00 - 4:00P

DAV's Mobile Service Offices (MSOs) travel to towns and rural communities to counsel and assist veterans and their families on the benefits and services available to them in thanks for their service.

Mankato Friday, October 18, 2019
8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

VFW Post #950 1900 North Riverfront Dr
Michael Medhaug DAV NSO Supervisor
(612) 970-5665



Chapter and Unit Photos and News



Stephen "Butch" Whitehead, a combat-disabled veteran of the Iraq War, was elected National Commander for the DAV at the 2019 National Convention in Orlando, Florida.

He joined the Army in 1991 and completed two overseas deployments, receiving the Bronze Star in 2007 for combat service in Iraq. He is a retired command sergeant major for 84th Troop Command Brigade in the Minnesota Army National Guard.

He serves as Executive Director of the DAV of Minnesota Foundation. He has served as Adjutant for the DAV of MN and is chair for multiple department-level committees.

He is a life member of Chapter 10.

An Air Force pillow case was given to Past Chapter 10 Commander Russ Ahlstrom by Mankato DAV Chapter 10 pillow case committee members. (left)



DAV National Commander Stephen "Butch" Whitehead, with wife, Kim, threw the first pitch at the Minnesota Twins vs. Detroit Tigers game. URL to video: <https://www.facebook.com/DAV/videos/dav-national-commander-throws-first-pitch-for-minnesota-twins/489464961847256/> and Mankato Chapter 10 DAV members attending DAV Day at the Minnesota Twins (middle and right)



The Chapter hosted another annual appreciation dinner for all of the hard-working volunteers who contributed to the many events over the last year, including the clothing, kettle corn, forget-me-not drive and Rock Recon fundraisers. And the many visits to the local nursing homes, the pillowcase recognition and other events. Close to 100 people attended and our new National Commander was speaker along with Chapter Commander Worlds and Unit Commander Mason.

**County Veterans Service Officers
Serving the Chapter 10 Local Area**



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Chaplain's Corner:

Good news is that there has been no passing to date or any sick calls for cards.

Remember if you know any DAV or DAVA family members sick or deceased please call me Jim Mason 507-381-8865 & leave a detailed message including name and address of individual.

Keep all our DAV and DAVA members & families in your prayers.

Chaplin "Gunny" Mason

Semper Fi

New Chapter 10 Members

Gerald Dotson

Chad Davis

Randy Dombrovski



Chapter 10 Officers

- Commander Reggie Worlds 507.995.9496
- Senior Vice Cmdr Stephen Whitehead 507.381.2061
- Junior Vice Cmdr Brad Hardt 507.340.6987
- Treasurer Leroy Kiecker
- Adjutant Jo Miller 507.625.7613
- Judge Advocate Harlan Mehlhop 507.354.8757
- Chaplain Jim Mason 507.381.8865
- 3 Year Trustee Ron Haugen 507.995.5575
- 2 Year Trustee Windy Block 507.934.2360
- 1 Year Trustee Gary Spiess 507.387.5750
- Officer of the Day Gary Luepke 507.457.5731
- Sergeant-at-Arms Daryl Steffen 507.317.8906
- Chapter Service Officers:
Jim Mason 507.381.8865
Windy Block 507.934.2360

Auxiliary Unit 10 Officers

- Commander Debbie Mason 507.327.6520
- Senior Vice Cmdr Jamie Goettl 507.779.5141
- Junior Vice Cmdr Donna Beck 507.344.4330
- Treasurer Glenice Karnes 507.340.1439
- SEC Donna Jean Peterson 507.388.3776
- Chaplain Tony Giese 507.345.3718
- Adjutant Marilyn Hardt 507.420.9549

Chapter/Auxiliary Committee Chairs

- Executive • Reggie Worlds 507.995.9496
- Membership • Stephen Whitehead 507.381.2061
- Aux Membership • Dee Ahlstrom 507.388.2144
- Americanism • Brad Hardt 507.340.6987
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Oct Nov Dec 2019

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Thank you for your service!

Lyle C. Pearson Community Based Outpatient Clinic (Mankato)
1961 Premier Drive Suite 330 Mankato, MN
507-387-2939
M-F 8:00 - 4:30

Primary preventative and mental health care services

Parent Facility: Minneapolis VA Health Care System
612.725.2000 or 866.414.5058

DAVMN Mpls VA Transportation Office 612.467.2768

National DAV: www.dav.org 877.426.2838
DAVA National HQ www.dav.org/dava 877.426.2838 option 5

Minnesota DAV: www.davmn.org 651.291.1212 or
888.317.2291
DAVA MN www.davamn.org

Chapters: www.davmembersportal.org
Members: <https://www.davmembers.org>

MN Dept of Vets Affairs www.mn.gov/mdva 651.296.2562



Our namesake
Lyle C. Pearson
1921-2013
US Army Air Corps
15th Air Force in Europe
B-17 Flying Fortress pilot 1942-45
Prisoner of War 1944-45
Chapter 10's Adjutant 1960-2009
National Commander 1975-76
National Legislative Comm mbr
Forget-Me-Not Comm Chair