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

501(c)(4) non-profit Total membership Chapter: 800 Unit: 185 All Chapter and Unit Business is conducted by volunteer members.

Chapter 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. Supper is at 6:00PM cost is \$5.00 for members who attend the meetings and \$11.50 for non-members.

## DAV Chapter 10 Commander's Comments

I hope everyone is doing well and is excited about summer finally being here.

Our Chapter membership continues to do some great work in helping veterans in our area. This summer we will be looking for volunteers to help with our kettle corn sales at three parades/fairs. If you are able to help, please let us know.

We remain in need of volunteers for our chapter. If you can find time to volunteer either helping with our clothing bin pickups, we would greatly appreciate it.

Your help will allow our chapter to continue to fulfill our mission to take care of Veterans and their family members.

I look forward to serving each one of you this coming year as your Chapter Commander. Membership continues to be a priority for the DAV. Please be mindful of this and try to recruit community Veterans to join our chapter.

In closing, I hope everyone enjoys the summer and I look forward to seeing you all at the next meeting. Reminder, our Chapter meeting is the second Tuesday of every month.

Butch Whitehead Lyle C Pearson Ch 10 DAV MN Chapter Commander





# DAVA Unit 10 Commander's Comments

We never had much of a spring this year. Well, it is definitely summer now! The last week has been hot temperatures, humidity and storms. My wishes go out to you, that we have many warm sunny days and time to enjoy them.

Coming up we will have days making our Kettle Korn for parades and gatherings like the Nicollet parade, St. Peter Fourth of July parade and Nicollet County Fair.

We will have a table along with the DAV at the Veterans Resource event put on by Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans (MACV) at Franklin Rogers Field on July 17th with space provided by Mankato Moondogs.

We hope to have a booth at the Nicollet County Fair and we also were asked to do Blue Earth County Fair.

We have great hopes of doing picnics or some kind of get

togethers at the Nursing Homes for our veterans. We had one already Oak Terrace. In the last couple of years we were not able to do this, but we ope to get going with this again. We enjoy meeting the veterans, having music and just visiting with them all.

We still are doing clothing and our bins are back out so if you have a rummage sale and have some clothing left, remember our bins. It all gets used to help veterans.

If anyone feels they would like to volunteer to help with any of these events you can give me a call.

God bless our Veterans who served and those still serving. Enjoy your summer and stay healthy.

Charlotte Giese Commander Lyle C. Pearson Sr. DAV Auxiliary Unit #10



### **2022** April May June Meetings - Adopted Motions

#### April 2022

- Approve one time reimbursement for Kettle Corn fundraiser mileage expense. General Fund.
- Donate to DAV MN Golf Classic "Crystal Lake Golf Club" in Lakeville, MN on Tuesday, July 26th, 2022. \$250.00 for sponsorship and \$1,000.00 for a team to play. General Fund.
- Donate \$3,000.00 unrestricted to DAV MN Foundation from General Fund.
- Work on getting the rifles possibly being donated to the Chapter appraised.

## **May 2022**

- Approve transfer in for member Edward Keogh from Montgomery from Chapter 20.
- Chapter will participate in the MACV Mankato Veterans Resource Event (Formerly known as Standdown) on Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup> at Moondogs ISG Field.
- Clothing Program, compensate volunteer truck/trailer drivers \$100 for fuel costs per quarter in addition to current mileage rates. General fund.
- Clothing Program. Provide up to \$600 of sand/soil and/or gravel mix material to VFW to fix holes in lot where Chapter trailers are kept. General fund.

#### **June 2022**

- Reimburse approved Chapter Delegates up to \$1000.00 with receipts for travel expenses to 2022 National Convention at Orlando, Florida on August 6-9. General Fund.
- Provide up to \$2.300.00 for meals and water for veterans and their families at the MACV Mankato Veterans Resource Event at Franklin Rogers Park on July 17, 2022. Forget-Me-Not Fund.
- Increase reimbursement for Clothing Program Trailer Drivers for mileage to the IRS rate of 61.5 cents (\$0.615) effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. General Fund.

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

Report on Mankato VA (Community Outreach Clinic) CBOC

After information coming from Administrator at Mankato CBOC, I provide the following:

- Clinic are not doing walk-ins, VA has designated all clinics high risk areas, for now and wearing masks covering nose is required. Make a call for appointments.
- Limited visitors to one plus the Veteran during appointment times.
- Covid booster shots are scheduled on Wednesday's, good idea to call in advance.
- Ear cleaning has returned to the clinic, only by appointment with a nurse. Reminder, prior to appointment, Veterans are reminded to use over the counter ear drops for 3 days before their ear appointment.
- When requesting a consult whether community care or VA, there is a 10 day to two week turn around. You are asked to give providers time to get those requests in for care managers to call and assist with appointments. Keep in mind, if there is no consult VA will not cover and they do not back date-Period.
- When you have labs or testing done, again, within the VA or in the community, remember if it is a critical issue you will be called immediately, if not critical, you will be notified by a results letter from your provider.
- Previously announced, Lyle C Pearson Sr, Mankato VA Clinic will be moving to new location, come January 1, 2023.
- It will be located next to Joann in the former Madison East Shopping. Work is in progress and appears to be on schedule. Services offered: Primary Care, Radiology, Lab, Physical Therapy, Nutrition, Pharmacist, Social workers, Mental Health. "*Only speculation* at this point adding podiatry, eye, audiology, and dermatology."
- What is certain, the new location will be operated by Mpls VA and staffed as well.

Reports are given monthly at Mankato DAV Chapter 10 Meetings. You are welcomed to come and join for a meal and receive information how the DAV can assist you in many ways...

Harlan Mehlhop, Liaison from Mankato DAV Chapter 10 to Mankato VA CBOC



#### 2022 July August September

#### July 4th

St Peter 4th of July Celebration Kettle corn fundraiser

#### July 12

5:00pm: Chapter Exec Committee Meeting

6:00pm: Dinner

7:00pm: Chapter and Unit Meetings

#### July 17

Vets Resource Event/Moondogs

#### August 9

5:00pm: Chapter Exec Committee Meeting

6:00pm: Dinner

7:00pm: Chapter and Unit Meetings

#### **August 10-14**

Nicollet County Fair Kettle corn fundraiser

#### August 13

Rock 95 Rock Recon

#### September 2

Forget-Me-Not Drive

#### September 13

5:00pm: Chapter Exec Committee Meeting

6:00pm: Dinner

7:00pm: Chapter and Unit Meetings

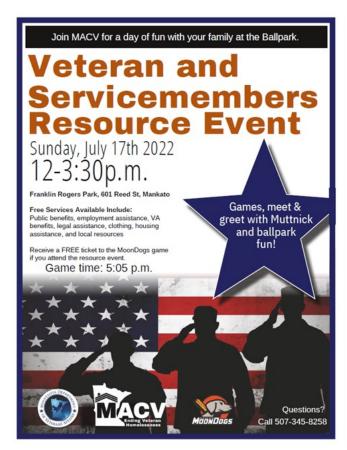
The Chapter and Unit plan to have tables at the MACV Veteran's Resource Event. Formerly know as the Standdown. On July 17th.

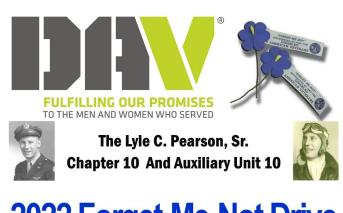
We are planning to work again this year with Rock 95 radio and their Rock Recon V event on Saturday, August 13th. With planned prizes, raffles, and sponsors to raise money for support of our local veterans. Details will be announced at our July and August Chapter meetings.



-Kettle Corn season is here! Volunteer, pop, sell or buy and eat it!

The Chapter and Unit FMN Drive at store-fronts is planned for Friday, September 2nd.





# 2022 Forget-Me-Not Drive

Your kind generosity will help ensure disabled veterans and their families can access the benefits available to them. Your contributions help local disabled veterans

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Chapter Officers 2022-2023. Commander: Stephen Whitehead, Senior Vice Commander Dave Wagner, Junior Vice Commander Jeff Kronback, Treasurer/Adjutant Jo Miller, Judge Advocate Harlan Mehlhop, Chaplain Jim Mason.



Department Commander Ron Haugen speaking at the Department Convention in St Cloud on April 29th with a special guest: Saint Paul Saints Mudonna.



Harlan Mehlhop and Gary Spiess and veterans at Old Main Village Senior Living to present them with 'thank you for your service' pillowcases on May 10th. Also attending is Gerri DeWitte RN, MSN Director of Nursing for Old Main Village, former Mankato VA CBOC Administrator.



Left: Marilyn Woelfel and Darlene Tellijohn were recognized at the April 12 meeting dinner for their volunteer work sewing the thank you pillowcases for the Chapter to present to veterans in the local senior living centers.

Below right: DAV MN Dept, Kati Carpenter, speaking about the Transportation Program at the May 10th meeting. Middle: DNR Enforcement Officer Thro Nelson speaking about dealing with people with mental/memory problems and weapons in the home at the April 12th meeting dinner. Right: Terry Davis presenting a check to Senior Vice Cdr Wagner at the June 14th meeting dinner.







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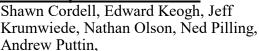
#### **Chaplain's Corner:**

Hope everyone is enjoying the beginning of summer. During this time remember to let me know me still if anyone has passed, in the hospital or under the weather. Leave a detail message with the name, address and reason for the card to Jim Mason 507-381-8865 cell phone.

A card was sent to Richard Holtz for sick call.

Chaplin "Gunny" Mason Semper Fi

#### New Chapter 10 Members:





#### In Memoriam

Richard Allen, Richard Mulligan, Hebert Pagel



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Our namesake

Lyle C. Pearson

1921-2013

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