

# February SEC

**FEB 19 – FEB 22, 2026**



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**AMVETS**  
**(American Veterans)**  
**Department of Florida**

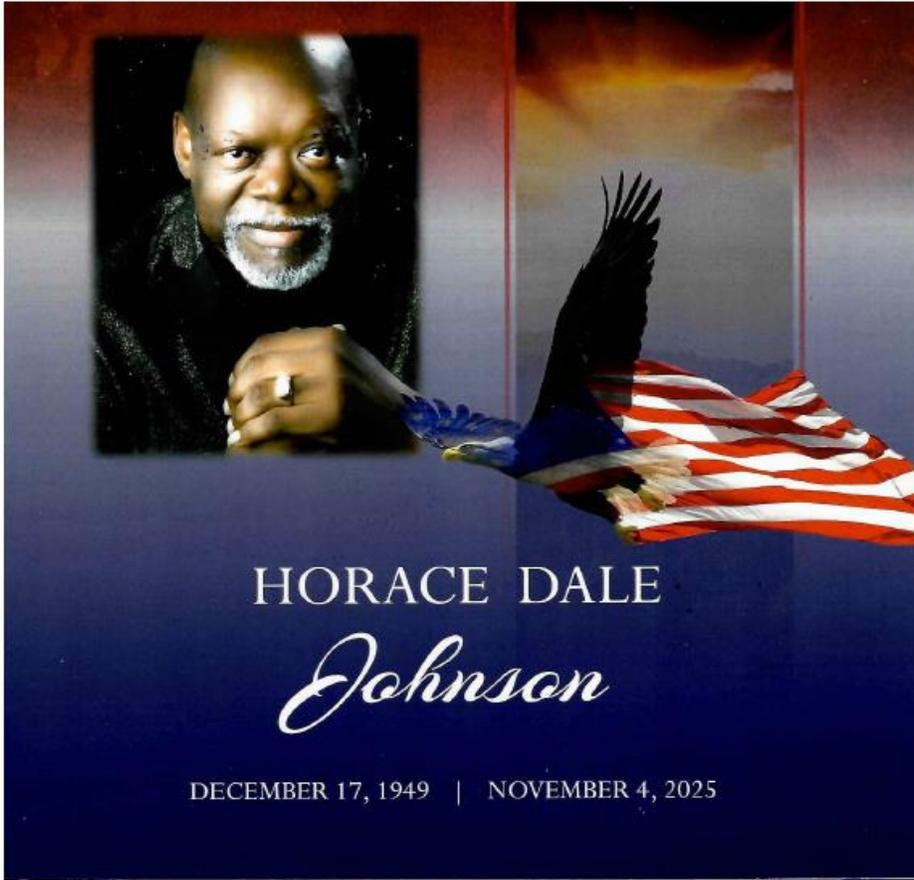


# **AMVETS DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA**

## **FEBRUARY SEC**

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AMVETS DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA  
SEC 19-22 FEB 2026  
9840 International Drive  
Rosen Centre, Orlando

SEC Agenda

(Note: Agenda subject to change at the Commander's discretion.)

**THURSDAY**

3:00 PM Finance Committee Meeting - Salon 9  
4:00 PM Pre-Con Meeting (Designated Officers Only) – Salon 3  
State Commander  
Executive Director  
Finance Officer  
Provost Marshal  
Auxiliary President  
Auxiliary Sgt-at-Arms  
Auxiliary Treasurer  
SOA Commander  
SOA Treasurer  
Hotel Staff  
Convention Chairs  
Riders President  
Riders Treasurer  
Juniors Coordinators  
Service Foundation President  
4:30 PM LAUX Finance Committee/Audit(Following Pre-Con) – Salon  
10

**FRIDAY**

9:00 AM – 6 PM LAUX Bylaws/ Convention Advisory Committee/Elected  
Officers Board/E-Board – Salon 10  
9AM-11AM Grievance Hearing – Salon 9  
11:00 – 12:00 PM Joint Meeting - Salon 9  
(AMVETS Elected Officers, Exec. Director, Sons CMDR, Jr.  
AMVETS Coord, SVC Foundation President, Riders President  
2:00 – 3:00 PM 2026 June Conv (AMVETS/LAUX/Sons/Riders Reps) – Salon 9  
2:00 – 3:00 PM LAUX/ Elected Officers Board w/Appointed Officers/Service  
Officers/Alt NEC Meeting  
2:30-3:30 PM AMVETS Executive Board Meeting - Salon 9  
4:00 – 5:00 PM Service Foundation – Salon 9  
6:30 PM Joint Opening Meeting - Grand Ballroom A

**SATURDAY**

8:AM Juniors Meet Salon 3  
8:00 AM – 11 AM 1<sup>st</sup> AMVETS Business Meeting – Grand Ballroom A  
8:30 AM – 3:00 PM SONS of AMVETS Meeting - Salon 13/14  
8:30 AM LAUX Official Business Session – Grand Ballroom B  
11:00-12:00 PM LUNCH

**SATURDAY CON'T**

12:00 - 1:00 PM Program Training - Grand Ballroom A  
12:00 - 1:00 PM CBL Committee- Salon 9  
12:00 - 13:00 PM Joint Americanism/AADAA Training – Salon 12  
12:00 - 1:30 PM Honors/Awards Training Followed by /District Commanders  
Committee Meeting (Post/District Commanders) – Salon 10  
1:00 - 2:00 PM Membership Training - Grand Ballroom A  
1:00 - 2:00 PM Homeless Veterans Task Force – Salon 12  
2:00 - 3:00 PM Trustee/Canteen Training – Salon 9  
2:00 - 3:00 PM Joint VAVS Council Meeting – Salon 10  
3:00 – 4:00 PM Commanders Call – Grand Ballroom A  
2:00 - 3:00 PM Women Veterans Council - Salon 10  
3:00 - 5:00 PM Laux Presidents Council/Honors/Awards – Salon 13/14  
4:00 - 6:00 PM Riders E-Board/Meeting - Grand Ballroom A  
7:00 - 10:00 PM Sons Horse Race – Salon 15/16

**SUNDAY**

**(First Round of Nominations)**

8:00 AM AMVETS General Session Reconvene - Grand Ballroom A  
8:30 AM LAUX Official Business Session – Grand Ballroom B

**REGISTRATION - Desk 1**

Friday 12:00 – 4:00 PM

Saturday 8:00 – 10:00 AM

(\$15 Pre-Registration/ \$16 On-line)

After Cut-Off/11 Feb (\$20.00 cash; \$21.00 credit card)

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**QUARTERMASTER – Salon 11**

Friday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

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**HOSPITALITY SUITE – SONS – Suites 235/236**

Thursday 5:00 PM - 12:00 AM

Friday 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM / 8:30 PM – 12:00 AM

Saturday 4:00 PM – 12:00 AM

*June 2026 Annual Convention 18-21 /Rosen Centre, 9840 International Drive,  
Orlando, FL*

*Phone 407-996-9840/Room Rate \$145.00/RESERVATION CUT-OFF May 17, 2026*

**AMVETS DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA  
SEC AND CONVENTION MEETINGS  
FEBRUARY 2024 OCTOBER 2027**

				HOTEL				PRE-	FLOOR
				CUT-OFF	ROOM	ROOM		REGISTRATION	REPORT
MEETING	MEETING DATE	HOTEL		DATE	RATE	BLOCK		CUT -OFF	CUT -OFF
SEC	02/13 - 02/18/24	ROSEN CENTRE		1/13/2024	\$139.00	472		1/29/2024	1/29/2024
CONVENTION	06/06 - 06/9/24	ROSEN CENTRE		5/4/2024	\$139.00	682		5/21/2024	5/25/2024
SEC	10/24 - 10/27/24	ROSEN CENTRE		9/22/2024	\$139.00	466		10/14/2024	10/12/2024
SEC	02/20 - 02/23/25	ROSEN CENTRE		1/18/2025	\$139.00	472		2/14/2025	2/10/2025
CONVENTION	06/19 - 06/22/25	ROSEN CENTRE		5/17/2025	\$139.00	682		6/10/2025	6/10/2025
SEC	10/30 - 11/2/25	ROSEN CENTRE		9/29/2025	\$139.00	466		10/22/2025	10/18/2025
SEC	02/19-02/22/26	ROSEN CENTRE		1/17/2026	\$145.00	472		2/10/2026	2/11/2026
CONVENTION	06/18-06/21/26	ROSEN CENTRE		5/17/2026	\$145.00	682		6/10/2026	6/10/2026
SEC	10/29-11/01/26	ROSEN CENTRE		10/27/2026	\$145.00	472		10/21/2026	10/21/2026
SEC	02/25-02/28/27	ROSEN CENTRE		1/23/2027	\$149.00	472		2/17/2027	2/17/2027
CONVENTION	06/17-06/20/27	ROSEN CENTRE		5/16/2027	\$149.00	682		6/9/2027	6/9/2027
SEC	10/28-10/31/27	ROSEN CENTRE		9/26/2027	\$149.00	472		10/20/2027	10/19/2027



## **PREAMBLE**

We, the American Veterans who have served or are serving in the Armed Forces of the United States during and since World War II, fully realizing our responsibility to our community, to our state and to our nations, associate ourselves for the following purposes: To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States; to safeguard the principles of freedom, liberty and justice for all; to promote the cause of peace and goodwill among nations; to maintain inviolate the freedom of our country; to preserve the fundamentals of democracy; to perpetuate the friendship and associations of these veterans; and to dedicate ourselves to the cause of mutual assistance,

**“THIS” by the grace of God.**



## The History of AMVETS

Truly, AMVETS was born in the midst of war, for it was in August 1943, with victory still two years away, that a new organization, later to be known as the American Veterans of World War II, had its beginning. Overseas, the tide of battle was turning. The Allies had swept through North Africa and Sicily. In the Pacific, fighting raged in New Guinea. Thousands of Americans had made the supreme sacrifice. Hundreds of others were being mustered out of uniform with battle wounds and medical discharges. These men who fought in history's greatest war found it natural to seek each other's company. They were united by similar experiences in jungles, in the Arctic, in deserts, in mountains, at sea and in the skies. Thus, out of such comradeship, AMVETS came to be.

Formed in Washington, D.C., two independent veterans clubs, one on the campus of George Washington University, the other of veterans employed by the government, joined together to sponsor a servicemen's party. By September 1944, other such veteran's clubs organized throughout America. In California, Florida, Louisiana, New York, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, Tennessee and Texas. On Nov. 11, 1944, a Veterans Day article entitled "12,000,000 in search of a Leader" appeared in COLLIER'S. This story, written by Walter Davenport, introduced the clubs and outlined their three mutual aims: to promote world peace, to preserve the American way of life, and to help the veteran help himself. In December 1944, 18 leaders, representing these nine groups, met in Kansas City, Mo. There, a national organization was formed and on Dec. 9, 1944, the name "American Veterans of World War II" was chosen. The word AMVETS, coined by newspaper headline writers, soon became the official name. The white clover, a flower that thrives in freedom throughout the world, and is symbolic of the struggle during World War II, became the adopted flower of AMVETS.

In October 1945, two months after the end of World War II, the first national convention was convened in Chicago. In 1946, AMVETS petitioned Congress for a federal charter. AMVETS,

having displayed dignity and a sound approach to national problems, won the deep respect of Congress and on July 23, 1947, President Harry S Truman signed the AMVETS charter. The words of the Senate Judiciary Committee echoed throughout the land, "The veterans of World War II are entitled to their own organization, and AMVETS, being organized along sound lines and for worthy purposes . . . having demonstrated its strength and stability is entitled to the standing and dignity which a national charter will afford." President Truman also commented, "Were I a veteran of this war, I would prefer to have a veteran of World War II looking after my affairs, then a veteran of some other war."

When the war broke out in Korea and again in Vietnam, AMVETS requested Congress to amend the charter so that those serving in the U.S. Armed Forces would be eligible for membership. On Sept. 14, 1966, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the bill redefining the eligibility dates for AMVETS membership, stating "Any person who served in the Armed Forces of the United States of America, or any American citizen, as an American citizen, who served in the armed forces of an allied nation of the United States at any time after Sept. 15, 1940, and on or before the date of cessation of hostilities as determined by the government of the United States is eligible for regular membership in AMVETS, provided such service when terminated by discharge or release from active duty be by honorable discharge or separation." On May 7, 1975, President Gerald R. Ford signed Proclamation 4373, terminating the Vietnam era and announcing the cessation of hostilities. Effective May 8, 1975, the armed forces became a peacetime service.

American veterans is now the only congressionally chartered veteran's service organization that recognizes the sacrifices of these veterans and service persons by extending membership eligibility to them. At the 46th and 47th national conventions, the contributions made by the National Guard and Reserve forces were recognized and membership eligibility was extended to include all ready reserves. Membership in AMVETS is now open to any person who has served or is serving in the U.S. Armed Forces during and since World War II, including all National Guard and Reserve personnel. At the 49th National Convention in 1993, the eligibility of merchant marines who served this country in time of war was addressed and approved. Merchant marines who are considered veterans and eligible for VA benefits (and have received a DD-214 from either the Navy or the Coast Guard) are eligible for AMVETS membership.



Welcome fellow AMVETS,

It's a great day to be an AMVET! I hope all are doing well and your posts are prospering. I would like to speak to a philosophy, and that is "FAMILY". As AMVETS we cannot help veterans and our community without the help of our Ladies Auxiliary, Son's Squadrons and our legendary Riders. Like the saying goes "you can pick your friends, but you can't pick your family", so this leaves us with one truth. A family that works together stays together. Amvets do not run any of these organizations. They have their own set of by-laws and ways of doing their business. I ask that you respect that and that if you don't know how they operate, ask them. Communication is the key to success. Commanders you hold a position of leadership at your post. That doesn't mean you are the boss of everything. It means you are a facilitator that provides the tools and direction to your officers according to the bylaws. The bylaws are there to protect the organization as well as you. If the bylaws are followed your organization will succeed. Remember the post and what it does for veterans and the community comes first. Your post canteen is your fundraiser and is a business and must be run like one or it will fail. If your fundraiser is having trouble, visit other posts to see what they are doing to be successful. On the topic of canteens, if your distributor is pushing the new THC infused drinks, refuse them. You are not covered your insurance if you sell it. If you do not believe me, just ask your agent. Do not be the post that gets caught with their shorts down. If you need advice on how to do something related to your posts do not hesitate to reach out to any of the department officers for assistance. It is what they do, having walked the chairs has given them a lot of experience. I hope everyone has an enjoyable time and attends as many training sessions as possible.

Dean Richards

Commander

Florida Department of AMVETS

"Rangers Lead The Way"



**AMVETS**  
**(American Veterans)**  
**Department of Florida**



Commander Richards, Fellow AMVETS,

First, I hope everyone had a great Holiday Season. We'll have our first round of nominations this SEC and elections will be here before we know it, how time flies. Good luck to everyone.

Like I said before, please enjoy yourself and learn from the various training sessions the Department has scheduled for Saturday. We put these training sessions on for your benefit so please participate in them. A lot of problems throughout our Posts leads back to lack of training and failure to follow our CBL's. If you need help or training in between the SECs, reach out to us anytime and involve your District Commanders. Make good use of the training the Department provides on your behalf, and I wish everyone an awesome SEC. Also, membership and program training is being offered in between SECs so check your emails for these sessions.

We currently have 63 active Posts with one new one on the horizon and one trying to get their status back which will hopefully bring us to 65,

I want to remind everyone that Post validations is upon us in May. There's a lot of Posts that gave me a form 8868 last year but have not sent me their 990 though. You don't have to wait until after the elections to send it to me; and all I need is the first page. As a reminder, everyone should of received a thumb drive with forms and documents on it including the validation form that needs to be used. This form is a PDF fillable form so please use it. This is also posted on our website.

It's that time of year again when everyone should be getting notices about updating your Articles of Incorporation on Sunbiz by March 31 or a \$400.00 fine would be imposed. This does not apply to Veteran Posts. Don't update until after your elections are complete so it is truly up to date. If you do this prior to elections you would have to update again and pay again to get it updated.

I have negotiated with the Rosen Centre and increased our number of guaranteed room nights going forward on the contract. I have also negotiated an additional 3-years with favorable rates. This will be brought to the floor for vote to extend our contract with the Rosen Centre through 2030. This is posted on our website.

As a reminder, please follow the chain of command. Don't start with National without going through your Department, they will send you back to us first anyway. We are here to help and guide. We want every Post to be self-sufficient and successful.

Lastly, I need to talk about THC infused drinks. This may be legal to sell due to a 2018 Farm Bill but it still illegal to consume and sell within our Posts. This will also affect your insurance. Don't get your insurance cancelled because of this. Your members also need to understand that if they are subject to drug testing because of job, etc. they will test positive for THC. FYI, this portion of the bill is being repealed to remove the loophole in November.

Have a great Convention, learn, communicate, and have some fun.



Richard McKern  
Executive Director, Department of Florida



Commander Richards, AMVET members.

For the Spring NEC Session, the National Organization will host the official ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new National Headquarters in Washington, Pennsylvania. This marks a significant milestone for the organization as we establish a permanent and modernized home for our national operations. Members attending the NEC session will have the opportunity to participate in this historic event and tour the new facility.

The National Sons of AMVETS will be actively participating in National Law Week. During this time, members of the National Sons will be “Walking the Hill” to engage directly with legislators and staff in support of AMVETS' legislative priorities, as well as those of other Veterans Service Organizations. This coordinated effort allows us to advocate for key veterans' issues and advance the shared legislative agenda for the upcoming year.

Commander, I conclude my report, and I move for its adoption.

Yours In Service

A.J. John, NEC



**1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander**

**Membership Report**

**FEB 2026 SEC**

Commander Richards and Membership,

Your commitment and achievements continue for the Department of Florida gains in membership. As one of America's leading veterans service organizations, AMVETS—and especially Florida Posts—help veterans access benefits, support services, and community resources. Your dedication ensures veterans receive the opportunities they deserve and reflects the core values of AMVETS.

I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge and highlight the contributions and progress made by the Department of Florida Posts in increased membership from the Oct 2025 SEC Report, 1,735 renewals or new members have been added to our roster in-good standing.

Current numbers (as of February 7, 2026)

- **Annual Members: 5,379**
- **Life Members: 11,463**
- **Members-at-Large (MAL): 2,713**
- **Total Membership: 16,842 — Department of Florida**

**“Strong Membership Builds Us.”**

**“Strong Leadership Guides Us”**

Amvets Department of Florida offers leadership opportunities at Post, District, and Department levels to advance veterans advocacy and lead with integrity. As an officer, you can directly influence membership growth and community service programs. Your voice directly shapes the future of your Post. Florida Posts are among the most active in our nation, consistently upholding the mission of serving those who served. Active and engaged membership continues this legacy of service. Mentoring and developing our future leaders with traditions, values and responsibilities will uphold the standards expected within AMVETS. Members who feel guided and supported are more likely to stay active, volunteer and contribute to our goals. Training is essential for long-term success.

Membership strategies should include strengthening member retention, new member outreach, Post visibility in our communities, improving our online presence, and appointing a Post membership committee. Working together as an entire AMVETS Family is key to our success!

I encourage all current officers and future leaders to attend the Membership Training during FEB 2026 SEC Orlando. Yours in Service,

Kevin Butwill

1<sup>st</sup> Vice CMDR

**AMVETS Department of Florida  
2nd Vice Commander Report  
February 2026 SEC**

Fellow Officers, Delegates, and Members,

As we bring the 2025 reporting year to a close, I am extremely proud of what the Department of Florida has accomplished together. This year was not just successful, it was exceptional!

Through teamwork, dedication, and a shared commitment to excellence, Florida achieved **100% reporting for 2025**. Every Post, every District, and every reporting officer stepped up and did their part. That level of participation speaks volumes about the strength of this Department and the pride our members take in ensuring their service is properly documented and recognized.

Even more impressive is the growth we saw this year. Compared to the previous reporting period, the Department of Florida recorded **over 2 million additional program hours**. That represents countless volunteer hours, community projects, veteran support efforts, and acts of service carried out across the state. These numbers are more than statistics — they are proof that Florida AMVETS continues to expand its reach and impact year after year.

**In total, the value of programs reported for 2025 reached \$14,052,971.71**, underscoring the real, measurable impact our members are making in their communities and for our veterans statewide.

This success belongs to every Post Commander, 2nd Vice Commander, and volunteer who took the time to report and contribute. Your hard work ensures that Florida's efforts are seen, valued, and respected at the National level.

As we move into 2026, I challenge every Post and District to build on this momentum. Let us commit to early, accurate, and consistent reporting, continue growing our program hours, and push ourselves to reach even more veterans and communities across Florida. If we can achieve 100% reporting and record growth in 2025, there is no limit to what we can accomplish together in the year ahead.

Let's set the bar higher, support one another, and make 2026 our strongest year yet.

**ROCK ON!**

Respectfully,  
David A. Baca  
Department 2nd Vice Commander  
AMVETS Department of Florida



## FINANCE REPORT DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA FEBRUARY 2026

**Commander Richards, Executive Board, and Members of the Department of Florida:**

The financial posture of the Department of Florida remains strong and stable. As part of this report, I have submitted the approved 2025–2026 working budget, current as of February 12, 2026. This budget reflects our steadfast commitment to fiscal responsibility and strategic advancement, ensuring that we remain well-positioned to support the mission of AMVETS throughout the state.

Looking ahead, my focus will remain on safeguarding the Department’s financial health, addressing emerging concerns with diligence, and ensuring that every dollar entrusted to us is managed with integrity and purpose. Together, we will continue to reinforce the foundation of this Department and advance our shared mission of service to veterans, their families, and our communities.

### **Finance Committee Transition**

It has been an honor to serve alongside Past Department Commander Terry Corson, whose contributions to the Finance Committee have been both impactful and deeply appreciated. PDC Corson’s presence will be missed, and we extend our sincere gratitude for his service.

As we move forward, Tim Hulme (Post 78) will assume the duties and privileges of Finance Committee member until the elections at the June 2026 Department Convention. In preparation for the upcoming administrative year, the Finance Committee will present a provisional budget for 2026–2027 to the Executive Board for review and approval during the forthcoming SEC meeting.

### **Acknowledgment of Service**

I extend my heartfelt appreciation to the entire Finance Committee for their diligence, professionalism, and unwavering commitment to the AMVETS Department of Florida. Your service continues to strengthen our organization and propel our mission forward with honor and purpose.

### **Submitted and Attested By:**

Dr. Jondexter  
Toombs, DM

*Finance Officer*  
Department of Florida  
Tampa, Florida

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# Department of Florida

## 2025-2026 Budget



Approved June 2025



2025-2026 BUDGET					
07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026					
As Of 12 February 2026					
ACCOUNTS/INVESTMENTS					
	<b>INVESTMENTS</b>	<b>INVESTMENT</b>	<b>MATURITY AMOUNT</b>	<b>DIFFERENCE</b>	<b>%</b>
R	Edward Jones MM (1/29/2025) 4.67%	\$423.27	\$ 443.03	\$ 19.76	4.5%
R	Edward Jones CD (1/23/2025) 3.7% <small>Matures 7/01/2027</small>	\$119,979.13	\$ 124,418.40	\$ 4,439.27	3.7%
R	Edward Jones CD (6/30/2025) 4% <small>Matures 6/30/2026</small>	\$110,000.00	\$ 114,583.33	\$ 4,583.33	4.0%
R	Edward Jones CD (7/2/2024) 5.00% <small>Matures 6/29/2026</small>	\$106,000.00	\$ 111,578.94	\$ 5,578.94	5.0%
	<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 336,402.40</b>	<b>\$ 351,023.70</b>	<b>\$ 14,621.30</b>	<b>4.2%</b>
	<b>QUARTER MASTER</b>	<b>Actual Inventory</b>	<b>Starting Inventory July 01</b>		
	QTR MASTER INVENTORY	\$ 41,594.83	\$ 25,000.00	\$ (16,594.83)	166.4%
	QTR MASTER NATIONAL INVENTORY (Raw Supplies Purchased)	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	0.0%
	<b>TOTAL INVENTORY</b>	<b>\$ 41,594.83</b>	<b>\$ 45,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,405.17</b>	<b>92.4%</b>
	<b>BANKING</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>	<b>Starting Balance July 01</b>	<b>DIFFERENCE</b>	<b>%</b>
R	Wells Fargo 9241 FLS Holding Account )	\$ 20,772.04	\$ 16,500.00	\$ (4,272.04)	125.9%
	Wells Fargo (Quarter Master account 3850)	\$ 38,334.65	\$ 53,777.00	\$ 15,442.35	71.3%
	Wells Fargo (Checking account 1194)	\$ 29,895.35	\$ 106,738.00	\$ 76,842.65	28.0%
R	Wells Fargo Business Savings (Juniors 9217)	\$ 8,574.01	\$ 6,483.51	\$ (2,090.50)	132.2%
R	Wells Fargo Market Rate Savings 9225	\$ 10,780.65	\$ 10,781.00	\$ 0.35	100.0%
	<b>TOTAL BANKING</b>	<b>\$ 108,356.70</b>	<b>\$ 194,279.51</b>	<b>\$ 85,922.81</b>	<b>55.8%</b>
	<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS &amp; BANKING</b>	<b>\$ 444,759.10</b>	<b>\$ 545,303.21</b>	<b>\$ 100,544.11</b>	<b>81.6%</b>
R	<i>Denotes: Restricted Account</i>				
	<b>GRANTS (Provided by DOF and Post Donations) (DOF Service Foundation)</b>				
R	<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>DIFFERENCE</b>	<b>%</b>
R	<b>PROGRAM GRANTS</b>				
R	<b>SCHOLARSHIPS</b>				
R	A - GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP 1-4 Yr College*	\$ -	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	0.0%
R	C - JR ROTC DON RHINEDRES SCHOLARSHIP 1st Year College*	\$ -	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	0.0%

R	JROTC MEDALS, MAILING AND SUPPLIES *	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	0.0%
R	HONORS & AWARDS	\$ -	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 3,700.00	0.0%
R	AADAA	\$ -	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,300.00	0.0%
R	AMERICANISM	\$ -	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,300.00	0.0%
R	FREEDOMS FOUNDATION	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	0.0%
R	HOMELESS VETERANS TASK FORCE	\$ 10,225.20	\$ 37,440.45	\$ 27,215.25	27.3%
R	WOMEN VETERANS Committee	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	0.0%
R	VAVS REPS TRAVEL - Min 50 miles one way	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	0.0%
R	TRAINING GRANT	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.0%
R	EAGLE SCOUT Program	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	0.0%
R	COMMANDER'S PROJECT	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 3,400.00	\$ -	100.0%
R	GOLD STAR MOTHERS	\$ 461.50	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	92.3%
	<b>TOTAL PROGRAM GRANTS</b>	<b>\$ 14,086.70</b>	<b>\$ 83,640.45</b>	<b>\$ 69,553.75</b>	<b>16.8%</b>
	<i>These Grants Have Not been Funded Thru DOFSF</i>				
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>					
	<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>				
	Membership Refunds from National	\$ 41,542.00	\$ 120,000.00	\$ 78,458.00	34.6%
	Incidental Refunds During the month from National	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.0%
	Membership From Posts/MAL - Processed by Department	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.0%
	<b>SUBTOTAL MEMBERSHIP</b>	<b>\$ 41,542.00</b>	<b>\$ 122,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 80,458.00</b>	<b>34.1%</b>
	<b>FRONTLINE SUPPORT</b>	<b>\$ 2,731.25</b>	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,268.75</b>	<b>27.3%</b>
	<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>				
	CONVENTION BANQUET(Tickets and Donations)	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	0.0%
	REGISTRATION SECs & CONV	\$ 3,971.37	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 6,028.63	39.7%
	QTR MASTER INCOME	\$ 22,461.74	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 77,538.26	22.5%
	QTR MASTER NATIONAL INCOME	\$ 33,010.00	\$ 25,750.00	\$ (7,260.00)	0.0%
	OTHER REVENUES - Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
	<b>SUBTOTAL MISCELLANEOUS</b>	<b>\$ 68,027.94</b>	<b>\$ 425,750.00</b>	<b>\$ 357,722.06</b>	<b>16.0%</b>
	<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 112,301.19</b>	<b>\$ 557,750.00</b>	<b>\$ 445,448.81</b>	<b>20.1%</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>					
	<b>COMMANDER</b>				
	POSTAGE	\$ 48.29	\$ 150.00	\$ 101.71	32.2%
	AWARDS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.0%
	DISCRETIONARY	\$ 638.74	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,361.26	31.9%
	AUTO EXPENSE - FUEL	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.0%
	AUTO EXPENSE - REPAIRS	\$ -	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	0.0%
	LODGING	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.0%
	TRAVEL (AIR)	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.0%
	TOLLS/MEALS/UBER	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	0.0%
	Other EXPENSES COMMANDER	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
	<b>SUBTOTAL COMMANDER</b>	<b>\$ 687.03</b>	<b>\$ 11,950.00</b>	<b>\$ 11,950.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
	<b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR</b>				
	PHONE,INTERNET,Office,Utilities Reimbursement	\$ -	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 2,800.00	0.0%
	POSTAGE	\$ 15.53	\$ 500.00	\$ 484.47	3.1%
	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 716.04	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 283.96	71.6%
	Google Meet	\$ 69.93	\$ 200.00	\$ 130.07	35.0%
	<b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMPENSTATION PACKAGE</b>				
	SALARY	\$ 29,258.64	\$ 43,888.00	\$ 14,629.36	66.7%
	EMPLOYER/UT TAXES	\$ 2,462.46	\$ 3,924.36	\$ 1,461.90	62.7%
	TRAVEL (Gas/Airline)	\$ 606.03	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 893.97	40.4%
	LODGING	\$ 185.84	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,314.16	12.4%
	Konica Printer Lease	\$ 4,839.40	\$ 4,000.00	\$ (839.40)	121.0%
	EQUIPMENT MAIN	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
	Other EXPENSES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	\$ 43.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 457.00	8.6%
	<b>SUBTOTAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR</b>	<b>\$ 38,196.87</b>	<b>\$ 59,812.36</b>	<b>\$ 21,615.49</b>	<b>63.9%</b>
	<b>ADJUTANT</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Difference</b>	
	POSTAGE	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	0.0%
	TRAVEL	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.0%
	LODGING	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.0%
	PRINTING/OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.0%
	Other EXPENSES ADJUTANT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
	<b>SUBTOTAL ADJUTANT</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,600.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,600.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
	<b>VICE CMDR FOR MEMBERSHIP</b>				
	POSTAGE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
	TRAVEL	\$ 137.90	\$ 700.00	\$ 562.10	19.7%

LODGING	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
SUPPLIES		\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
MEMBERSHIP PROMO	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Other EXPENSES VICE CMDR FOR MEMBERSHIP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
<b>SUBTOTAL VICE CMDR FOR MEMBERSHIP</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 700.00</b>	<b>\$ 700.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>VICE CMDR FOR PROGRAMS</b>				
POSTAGE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
TRAVEL	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.0%
LODGING	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Other EXPENSES:206 - VICE CMDR FOR PROGRAMS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
<b>TOTAL VICE CMDR FOR PROGRAMS</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>FINANCE OFFICER</b>				
POSTAGE	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.0%
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 99.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 901.00	9.9%
TRAVEL	\$ 130.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 470.00	21.7%
LODGING	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.0%
PRINTING	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Cherry Bakaert Acct/Quickbooks/Payroll	\$ 6,602.73	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 4,397.27	60.0%
EQUIP MAINTENANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Other EXPENSES FINANCE OFFICER	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
<b>SUBTOTAL FINANCE OFFICER</b>	<b>\$ 6,831.73</b>	<b>\$ 14,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,268.27</b>	<b>48.5%</b>
<b>JUDGE ADVOCATE</b>				
POSTAGE	\$ 65.78	\$ 100.00	\$ 14.22	85.8%
TRAVEL	\$ 75.75	\$ 400.00	\$ 324.25	18.9%
LODGING	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	0.0%
SUPPLIES	\$ 639.99	\$ 700.00	\$ 60.01	91.4%
PRINTING	\$ 25.48	\$ 100.00	\$ 74.52	25.5%
Other EXPENSES JUDGE ADVOCATE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
<b>SUBTOTAL JUDGE ADVOCATE</b>	<b>\$ 827.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 873.00</b>	<b>48.6%</b>
<b>PROVOST MARSHALL</b>				
TRAVEL	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	0.0%
LODGING	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
DEPUTY PROVOST MARSHALLS - TRAVEL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Other EXPENSES PROVOST MARSHALL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
<b>SUBTOTAL PROVOST MARSHALL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 300.00</b>	<b>\$ 300.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>QUARTER MASTER</b>				
TRAVEL	\$ 610.97	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 389.03	61.1%
LODGING	\$ 195.98	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,804.02	9.8%
OFFICE EXPENSE	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	0.0%
STORAGE	\$ 611.77	\$ -	\$ (611.77)	#DIV/0!
NATIONAL EXPENSES QUARTER MASTER	\$ 5,065.15	\$ 5,000.00	\$ (65.15)	101.3%
NATIONAL COST OF SUPPLIES + SHIPPING	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	100.0%
COST OF SUPPLIES + SHIPPING	\$ 55,406.74	\$ 55,000.00	\$ (406.74)	100.7%
<b>SUBTOTAL QUARTERMASTER</b>	<b>\$ 71,890.61</b>	<b>\$ 73,150.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,259.39</b>	<b>98.3%</b>
<b>NAT'L EXEC COMMITTEEMAN</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Difference</b>	
TRAVEL	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.0%
LODGING	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.0%
Other EXPENSES NAT'L EXEC COMMITTEEMAN	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
<b>SUBTOTAL NAT'L EXEC COMMITTEEMAN</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>ALTERNATE N. E. C.</b>				
TRAVEL	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.0%
LODGING	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.0%
Other EXPENSES ALTERNATE N. E. C.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
<b>TOTAL ALTERNATE N. E. C.</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>SONS COORDINATOR</b>				
Travel	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Lodging	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.0%
<b>SUBTOTAL SONS COORDINATOR</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>OTHER EXPENSES</b>				
MEETINGS				
NATIONAL CONVENTION	\$ 11,722.18	\$ 11,722.18	\$ -	100.0%
Spring SEC Feb (Hotel)	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	0.0%
Spring SEC Feb (Travel)	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	0.0%
WINTER NEC	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	0.0%

NATIONAL DISTRICT III MEETING	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	0.0%
Fall SEC Oct (Hotel)	\$ 8,684.11	\$ 8,684.11	\$ -	100.0%
Fall SEC Oct (Travel)	\$ 2,517.38	\$ 2,517.38	\$ -	100.0%
SPRING NEC	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	0.0%
DEPARTMENT CONVENTION June (Hotel)	\$ -	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	0.0%
DEPARTMENT CONVENTION June (Travel)	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	0.0%
CONVENTION BANQUET	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 24,000.00	4.0%
SPECIAL DEB MEETINGS	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.0%
<b>SUBTOTAL MEETINGS</b>	<b>\$ 23,923.67</b>	<b>\$ 108,923.67</b>	<b>\$ 85,000.00</b>	<b>22.0%</b>
PAST DEPT COMMANDERS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
APPOINTED OFFICERS	\$ 395.61	\$ -	\$ (395.61)	#DIV/0!
INSPECTOR GENERAL - TRAVEL	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.0%
GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE - TRAVEL	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	0.0%
CONTINGENCY	\$ -	\$ 22,926.33	\$ 22,926.33	0.0%
DEPARTMENT CONVENTION PINS	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0.0%
MEMBERSHIP TO NAT'L	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	0.0%
MEMBERSHIP REFUNDS TO POSTS	\$ 4,320.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 5,680.00	43.2%
FRONT LINE SUPPORT	\$ 3,493.75	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	69.9%
LIABILITY INSURANCE & BONDING	\$ 2,484.31	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 515.69	82.8%
BANK CHARGES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
DISTRICT III DUES	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -	100.0%
Other EXPENSES	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	0.0%
<b>SUBTOTAL OTHER EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 10,993.67</b>	<b>\$ 45,426.33</b>	<b>\$ 37,926.41</b>	<b>24.2%</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 153,350.58</b>	<b>\$ 321,662.36</b>	<b>\$ 172,492.56</b>	<b>47.7%</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 112,301.19</b>	<b>\$ 557,750.00</b>	<b>\$ 445,448.81</b>	<b>20.1%</b>
<b>NET REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ (41,049.39)</b>	<b>\$ 236,087.64</b>	<b>\$ 272,956.25</b>	<b>-27.5%</b>



**AMVETS**  
**(American**  
**Veterans)**  
**Department of**  
**Florida**



Good Afternoon Commander Richards and fellow Amvets,

It's been a busy 8 months since I was elected as your Judge Advocate. Many of you have called asking legitimate questions. Hopefully I was able to answer them all or direct you to the proper places to find the answers.

With no newly proposed amendments to vote on this SEC, the CBL committee will concentrate on updating the current Department CBL and training.

This SEC I would like to concentrate on the canteen SOP, so we will be having trustee training on Saturday at 3:00 after Commanders call in Grand Ballroom A.

Have a great SEC, and again, thank you for having faith in me as your JA, and please don't hesitate to call if you need me.

*Thanks for all that you do!*

Yours in Service

*Sharon Davis*

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## AMVETS Department of Florida - Homeless Veterans Taskforce and POWMIA Comm

### Floor Report – February SEC 2026

Commander Richards, Officers, AMVETS Family,

Our next meeting of the Homeless Veterans Taskforce/POWMIA committee will be on Saturday, February 21, 2026, from 1300-1400 (1 to 2:00 PM) in Salon 12 Second Floor. We are hoping to collect many blessing bags as well as Men's socks, T-shirts and underwear from our challenge issued in October we have a new challenge coming this weekend.

At the last SEC we were working on Homeless Veteran #16 who were given some form of assistance, and we also mentioned that how we've started participating in Standdowns, going to different meetings, and doing networking with other organizations all helping Homeless Veterans. At the writing of this floor report, we are now working with veteran #33!! It's because of each donation that we can proceed with. This gives help to each of these Homeless Veterans!!

We will be sponsoring our first AMVETS Homeless Veteran Taskforce Standdown on May 16, 2026, at VFW Post 10208 23498 NE Highway 314/AMVETS Post 1208 Salt Springs 32134 from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM this is in the Ocala National Forest. If you're in the area, please stop by, maybe your riders can plan a ride for a great cause?

The blessing bags have been wonderful. The joy that they bring to these in need is our absolutely heartwarming. Today we are around 7,300 that we have distributed!! Thank you to all that have helped. We were asked to keep this to one page so I will end this with our new challenge. Since this committee has been active, around 2023, only 22 of the 63 posts have contributed to our mission of no Veterans should be Homeless. Some posts go above and beyond to help, others not at all. For each Homeless Veteran we do help it is anywhere from \$100 to \$4000 that we need to help them out (the average is about \$2000).

SO: We are challenging every AMVETS Post between now and June Convention for a \$1000 donation to the AMVETS Department of Florida and earmark for the Homeless Veterans Taskforce. It may be enough to get us through a year or so depending on how many more Homeless Veterans ask us for help. As you have read, our networking is working! We are proud that since October we've doubled the number of Homeless Veterans we've helped. We welcome everyone to please continue with the blessing bags and cash donations to keep this committee going. Only with each and every one of you to help us, we will continue to thrive so the Homeless Veterans can survive.

Thank you from the top and bottom of our hearts!

I move my report.

Yours in Service.

Pat Tully – Co-Chairperson

Steve Cantelli – Co-Chairperson

Homeless Veterans Taskforce and POWMIA Committee



**AMVETS Department of Florida**  
PDC Doug Furgeson  
Honors & Awards Chairman



Fellow AMVETS,

We are nearing the close for nominations for the Department Honors & Awards. All nominations must be to me by the close of this February SEC. on Sunday February 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you wish to nominate a member and have not done so I will have nomination forms to fill out Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> during our Saturday SEC meeting at 8am.

Yours in Service  
*PDC Doug Furgeson,*



**AMVETS Department of Florida**  
Terry Betts, Inspector General



Commander Richards, Executive Board members and fellow Amvets members,

While there were no investigations since the last report, I was involved in discussions about issues at several posts. One of the post's issues were resolved with an audit of the post finances. Another post had issues regarding a disciplinary hearing that ended with the post conducting another hearing. One post's issues were resolved with the assistance of Deputy IG Brad Smith. Several other problems in posts are still unresolved.

I am also happy to report that a post which had not complied with the Executive Board's directives following an investigation has now complied.

I would remind Post Commanders and Judge Advocates that not only do we follow AMVETS Constitution and By Laws, we also follow Robert's Rules of Order. It is important for Posts to have a copy of the latest edition of Robert's Rules and that Commanders and Judge Advocates be familiar with their content.

/s/ Terry Betts  
Inspector General  
Department of Florida



**AMVETS**  
(American Veterans)  
Department of Florida



Greetings Commander Richards and fellow Amvets,

Since the October SEC we have gained \$500 through donations for the general scholarship fund so now are up to \$10,500.00 for General Scholarships, and \$7000.00 for JROTC. Hopefully that will increase with continued donations between now and April.

In late January, reminder flyers were sent via email to the local county public school systems to be added to their Scholarship Matrix's, as well as to the Florida School Counselor Association. Informational flyers were also added to the JROTC packages that went out to the high school JROTC Programs around the state. All scholarship applications should be postmarked by April 30, 2026, and the scholarships will be awarded in June. Have a great SEC, and I look forward to seeing everyone around this weekend.

Yours in Service

*Sharon Davis*

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January 31, 2026

Commander Richards, Department Officers and Fellow AMVETS

Welcome to the 2026 February SEC. I hope that you all made it through our cold weather period without any colds or flues. We made it through the 2025 Hurricane without any major storms hitting our great State. What a great opportunity this is giving us to build up our Disaster Relief Fund. It is all too hard to forget the results of Hurricane Ian in 2022, where we had over \$400,000 in applications and could only manage \$203,000. As of January 31, 2026, this account has a balance of \$277,661.10. In accordance with our Disaster Relief Policy the maximum payout amount is \$2,000 per applicant. If we can bring this up to \$300,000 it will raise our maximum payout to \$2,500 per applicant. Please have a fundraiser for our Disaster Relief Fund so that you can take advantage of receiving \$2,500 if you meet the requirements in the Policy.

So far, this fiscal year we have paid out \$2,253 in grants. We still have \$12,500 budgeted grant money to award. We are waiting for receipts so we can award the grants.

Lastly, for those who have not heard, my wife and I have sold our home in North Port. We will officially move February 15, 2026. It has been a pleasure serving as President of the Service Foundation and a member of the Department Finance Committee. If you need any assistance or clarifications, I am only a phone call away.

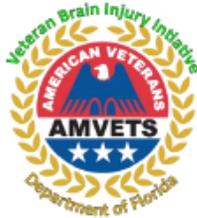
Enjoy yourself at the SEC. Attend the training and take the lessons learned back to your post and implement them.

Yours in Service,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Terry Corson".

PDC Terry Corson, President  
AMVETS (American Veterans)  
Department of Florida  
Service Foundation





**AMVETS**  
**Department of Florida**  
**Veterans Brain Injury Taskforce**

Dear Commander Richards and fellow AMVETS

Subject: Floor Report

We would like to first thank members of the AMVETS family for their support of this very important initiative.

Since the vote passed last October SEC, there has been a number of things that have been progressing. We have made the following headway:

1. We have made contact with a supplier of the VieLight Red Light Therapy used for the treatment of both brain injury and PTSD. We have special pricing when purchasing multiple units in the future, should our fundraising allow for this.
2. We are investigating sources to coordinate with for other alternative treatments, including fishing and equine therapy.
3. We have written and submitted to members of the Florida House of Representatives suggested legislation for Veterans to allow for Florida funding of alternative treatments for brain injury. The legislation is patterned after the Missouri legislation that passed last year, as well as the Indiana legislation moving through the House.
4. Helping with a brain-injured veteran in promoting a bike ride in which pledges will be taken per mile ridden. The funds raised will be designated for veterans through Brain Injury Florida.
5. A veteran-specific handout concerning brain injury, how acquired, symptoms, and talking points when meeting was developed.
6. We are working with Riders to conduct a fundraising ride to be held later in the year. Details will be forthcoming.

Veterans Brain Injury Initiative

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7. We have been in discussion with the Homeless Veterans Taskforce to participate in the May Standdown. This will be an opportunity for us to meet with veterans that may have experienced a brain injury during service.

We are looking for AMVETS members interesting in joining the committee. We have received information from one Post with a contact person, if we have a veteran needing assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy J Sorady



**AMVETS District 2  
Department of Florida**

AMVETS Florida District 2 Floor Report, February 2026

Commander,

As District 2 Commander, I would like to thank the Posts within the district for participating in our meetings this year. Thanks to their continued support, we've been able to raise funds and donate to several worthy causes.

During our last meetings, the District discussed the proposed re-districting across the Department of Florida. Our members have made it abundantly clear that we wish to maintain our current district as is. We are making so much progress that it would truly be a shame to tear that apart and start over.

District 2 is continuing to do well, and we again thank our Posts and Department for all the support.

Yours in Service,

Larry Lonneville, Commander  
AMVETS District 2, Florida



**DISTRICT III  
DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA  
SEC FLOOR REPORT  
FEBRUARY 2026**

**We Are the Tip of the Spear**

**Commander Richards, Executive Board, and Members of the Department of Florida:**

The AMVETS Department of Florida's District III remains strong and advancing with purpose. With 1,824 members on roll and a program value of \$2,29,089.08, our district continues to demonstrate exceptional vitality, unity, and commitment to service.

**Building Participation and Camaraderie**

AMVETS Post 1 will proudly host the annual District III picnic on March 21, 2025, immediately following our district meeting. This gathering strengthens our bonds, celebrates our shared mission, and reinforces the spirit that drives District III forward.

**Scholarship Initiative**

Applications are now open for the **Evelynn Johnson Scholarship Fund**, chaired by PDC Eddie Bullock. Our goal is to award a scholarship before the close of this administration and to honor the recipient and their family during a district meeting ceremony. This initiative reflects our dedication to supporting education and investing in the next generation.

**Moving Forward Together**

Through unity, service, and unwavering dedication, District III will continue to thrive and set the benchmark for excellence across the Department of Florida.

With pride and respect, **COMMANDER OUT!**

**Submitted and Attested By:**

Dr. Jondexter  
Toombs, DM  
*Commander*  
AMVETS District III  
Department of Florida  
Tampa, Florida

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DISTRICT III - 1014 Skinner Road - Tampa, FL 33613



**AMVETS DISTRICT VI**  
**2705 Garden St**  
**North Fort Myers, Florida 33917**

February 13, 2026

Commander Richards, Department Officers, and fellow Veterans:

District Posts have had a good four months. We had a district meeting at Post 50 where it was voted that instead of breaking up our district, we would incorporate Posts 2000, 312 & 21. A member from Post 2000 was in the meeting and agreed with the change. We've done a lot of fundraising and benefits to assist various post members and our communities.

Post 23 in Naples is staying busy and making a lot of donations to various groups. The Commander is doing a great job getting his officers trained and doing their assigned duties.

Post 50 in N Ft Myers Queen of hearts is bringing in a lot of people on Thursday nights and Scream for Green is doing well. They also had Home Depot go to a veteran's home and completely redo the interior of his mobile home.

Post 60 in Arcadia has a lot of events and meals going on. Bingo and Queen of Hearts is bringing in a lot of people.

Post 81 in N Ft Myers is staying very busy with many different games and meals. They also had Home Depot help with the back of the post so the smokers would have a covered place to go.

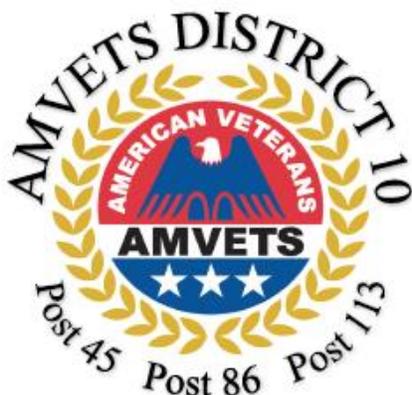
Post 777 in Englewood is keeping very busy with all their fundraising and serving dinner to the Veterans' of the Douglas Jacobsen Veterans home in Port Charlotte.

I move my report.

Yours in service,

*Jane Abel*

Jane Abel, Commander District VI



**Good Morning Commander Richards, Dept Officers, and fellow Veterans!**

**It is most certainly my pleasure and honor to share this report of District 10 to all Veterans in attendance at the February 2026 SEC.**

**I'd like to first update the status of the Inaugural District 10 "Brenda K. Flynn" Scholarship. I must thank once again the Veterans, LAUX and Sons for their generous donations for the start of this project including seven members donating \$100.00 each. In addition, the donated adult beverage raffle created \$365.00, the 50/50 raffle \$403.00, District 10 donation of \$200.00 for a grand total of \$1,668.00. There will be two \$500.00 scholarship awardees leaving \$668.00 for the start of next year's District 10 Scholarship program.**

**I must mention and give a heartfelt 'Thank You' to Post 113 LAUX member Margo McConnell for her most generous donations of two handmade quilts for District 10. The proceeds for the first quilt were entered into the District's finances. The proceeds for the second quilt will be split between District 10 and a Veterans Organization yet to be determined. Furthermore, those Veteran members that attended last night's Joint Opening Session saw firsthand another homemade quilt in remembrance of PNC Horace Johnson presented to Horace's wife Toni Johnson and also donated by Margo. She has an undeniable spirit for Amvets members. Her contributions to the Amvets were mentioned during the meeting.**

**In conclusion, District 10 is preparing for nominations, elections and revalidation in accordance with Dept of Florida regulations.**

**Tanya Marheine**

**Amvets Department of Florida Americanism/AADAA Chairperson**

**District 10 Commander**

Amvets Post 007

1073 Hwy 007  
Chipley Fl 32428

SEC FLOOR REPORT  
02/11/2026

SEC Floor Report  
02/11/26

Post 007 currently has 112 annual members and 113 life members for a total of 225 members.

Programs stand at \$167,966.56 for the current year. We remind our members at our general Membership meetings that programs help us maintain our non-profit status.

We are pleased to report a member made a donation to the post which paid our mortgage off.

We celebrated our 30th anniversary/birthday 12 February 2026. I'm thankful we were able to present plaques to the two remaining charter members who formed the post. We had a mortgage burning ceremony and the Mayor of Chipley made a proclamation.

The Ladies Auxiliary and Sons have worked together to raise money for their programs.

Kathryn M. Lowe, Commander  
Amvets Post 007



AMVETS POST 8  
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St. Petersburg, FL 33709  
727-544-6810  
Oct 14, 2025

**Commander, Fellow AMVETS:**

I am pleased to report that Post 8 has done well this reporting period.

Our current membership stands at 56 annual members and 191 life members for a total of 246 members.

Our 2nd Vice Commander for Programs reported current period starting Jan 2025 through Feb 2025 for 13 programs, 48 volunteers, 79.2 hours for a value of \$2,275.25

Our AMVETS family continues to support the community by raising funds during our weekly games, Queen of Hearts, 50/50, Daily and Weekly Draw. We also provide entertainment in the form of Bands and games like Euchre, Pinochle, I Got It, and Tic Tac Toe for our members and draw new memberships. Also we feed over 100 vets & family at our Thanksgiving Day Dinner.

We continue to observe our nation's military holidays with respect and honor of those who came before us and those currently serving, by pausing and paying our respect.

We are continuing fundraising for much needed roof repairs. Once the necessary funds are raised, we will begin the repair work.

**Thank you,**

**Clifford Gordon  
Commander, Post 8**



**AMVETS Post 26**  
Commander/PDC Eddie Bullock  
October Floor Report  
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January 16, 2026

Commander and Department of Florida AMVETS,

On behalf of Post 26, Happy New Year! here's to a prosperous 2026 filled with growth, shared achievements, and a bright new year filled with new opportunities and continued success.

Post 26 membership continues to grow with over 230 members, over 140 lifetime members, and over 90 annual members. Our programs reporting quadrupled in 2025. We all see the benefits of our quartermaster at the Post, Department, and National level. Our Juniors are above reproach. I would be remised if I did not speak about our Auxiliary and Sons. This entire community of resources is by far the backbone of Post 26.

The members of Post 26 closed out 2025 with great accomplishments by showing resiliency through a challenging year. Our veterans expressed pride in personal growth, became more self-aware, trusted instincts, and most of all, delegated responsibilities. I extend heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated E-Board, members, volunteers, donors, and community. Their invaluable support empowered us to make a meaningful difference in the lives of veterans every day. I'm providing you with a small portrait of our cherished moments.





To all veterans, may your 2026 be 100 times kinder and better than 2025 with more laughter, fewer tears and endless reasons to smile. Our veterans and Post 26 truly deserve it.

Yours in Service

Post 26 Commander  
PDC Eddie Bullock  
AMVETS Department of Florida



## AMVETS POST 32

Max Carroll, Commander 2025-2026



### **FLOOR REPORT – February 2026 SEC, AMVETS Post 32, Lakeland. FL**

Post 32 continues to prosper most every day through our bar games, evening entertainment, and dinners. We served over 80 members and guests at both our Christmas and New Years Day Dinners. Our entertainment of Bingo, Karaoke, and live musical groups have attracted large audiences at each event.

Prior to last year's SEC October Meeting, Post 32 initiated a fundraiser to accomplish three goals...First, a 911 Victim Flag Dedication and donation to The Tunnel to Towers organization, which we finished in September...Second, to have the entire interior walls in the main room of the post refurbished and painted. Volunteers were organized to clean and repair those walls prior to the painting. That painting was completed by a Veteran Owned Painting Company in December...Third, research and installation of the P.O.S (Point of Sale) Accounting System to streamline the Canteen (Bar) method of money collection. This goal is currently in the research and data install stage, and is anticipated to be operational in the next few months.

Our First Vice, Rhonda Smith, has organized Membership Drives, including Booth/Tent Space at the Lakeland Community "First Friday Festival" on the downtown streets of Lakeland. Volunteers of the Post manned the booth handing out wrist bands, flags, etc., along with Member Applications for membership not only in the Post Veteran Organization, but also the Ladies Auxiliary, Sons, and Riders Organizations. These membership drives have resulted in increasing the Membership of each organization, especially the Veterans.

Our Second Vice, Dick Rae, has done an excellent job in collecting data and inputting to the State reporting system in a timely manner. His diligent work has put our Post at a YTD Valuation of over \$500,000.

Our Trustees, Frank Mazarik, Jim Fletcher and Head Trustee, Jim Atwood have done an excellent job with renovation and general repairs of both interior and exterior of the post. The "Above and Beyond" work done by Jim Atwood resulted in him receiving the Post 32 "AMVET OF THE YEAR" award. Congratulations to Jim Atwood.

I want to take this opportunity to remember and honor the loss of a long-time friend of the Post, Ricky Lominack. He lost a long battle with an illness in December. He was a long-time member of Sons, Chapter 32. A quiet and humble individual that, when asked, would offer his advice on arranging fundraisers and organizing bus trips to other Amvets Posts. He would spend most evenings sitting on the same bar stool, next to his wife of 52 years, Sandra, our Canteen Manager. R.I.P. Ricky as you will be sadly missed by all who knew you.

Thank you,

**MAX CARROLL, Commander**



*Way-White House Memorial*  
**AMVETS Post 35, Inc.**  
**105 John King Rd**  
**Crestview, FL**  
**32539**

9 February 2026

Post 35 Membership is at 570 members, 473 life members and 97 annual members.

Our programs reported \$576,480.45 for the year 2025. Making reporting slips readily available for the members to fill out has led to an increase in reporting.

We held a schnitzel dinner to celebrate our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of being an AMVETS Post. On 14 January 1986 Post 35 became an officially Charter AMVETS Post. The last living Charter member, Glenn Rhynes was honored. The Mayor of Crestview, Veteran J. B. Whitten, Department Executive Director Richard McKern and numerous long-time members were in attendance.

Post 35 was the host for the 2025 Veterans Day parade and Ceremony in Crestview and will also be the host for the Memorial Day Ceremony this year.

The Chair of the Board of Trustees, Brandon Adams, started a pool tournament on alternate Sundays to raise funds for various causes, such as building a wheelchair ramp for an individual battling cancer and donating to One Hopeful Place shelter. They have raised over \$2,500 in the 2 months of holding the Tournament. He has also provided advice to another Post on how they can do their charity tournament.

Our annual Meals For A Cause, aka Meals on Wheels, was a record year for meals served. The Post provides meals, free of charge, on Thanksgiving and Christmas days. This year approximately 820 meals were prepared for Thanksgiving and 495 meals for Christmas, totaling approximately 1315 meals, delivered, picked up and for our members. This involved a host of volunteers planning, preparing the food, and delivering the meals to make this such a success.

Our canteen manager organized a children's Christmas party. The children had a great time doing activities, painting Christmas ornaments and was a great success.

The Ladies Auxiliary has been highly active. They held a pulled pork dinner fundraiser for St Judes.

The Son's have also been active in helping with the post. When we need something done, they are right there helping, whether it's cooking, or cleaning up after events.

Virgil L. Talbott, Commander  
AMVETS Post 35



AMVETS Post 44  
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October 2025

AMVETS Post 44 Floor Report

Commander,

Post 44 continues to be active in the community and with our veterans. The membership continues to move forward, and we are excited about the way our post is headed.

Since our last Floor report, we have actively been supporting the community and veterans causes:

We have had numerous fundraisers that have been extremely successful:

- We have increased our membership exponentially over the last few months and continue to bring in new members daily, not only for the Amvets, but for the Ladies and Sons as well.
- Amvets Post 44 hosted their 5<sup>th</sup> annual Punch Bowl Ceremony for Veterans Day in November.
- We completed our annual Toys for Tots Ride in December. With this, we collected over 1000+ toys and raised over \$5000 dollars to go towards Toys for Tots
- Amvets post 44 is assisting to spearhead the task of working with the Veterans Park of Hillsborough County to get a Women's Veterans Monument placed in the Veterans Park. We are hoping to have this venture completed by Women Veterans Day 2027 (Jun 12 2027), in which we have already raised over \$3000 towards the purchase of the monument. More to follow as we continue this endeavor.
- The post has multiple fundraising events coming up in the near future. We have our 13<sup>th</sup> annual golf tournament on March 20<sup>th</sup>, our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Final Tour of Duty poker run on April 11<sup>th</sup>, and we are also doing our monthly Commanders Bartending Day to raise funds for veterans charities and other community causes as well. The Riders currently have their quarterly raffle and all the proceeds for that will go to the Women's Veterans Monument at Veterans Park in Hillsborough County.

We are also very proud of the activity and support the Ladies Auxiliary, Sons of AMVETS and the Riders of Post 44 provide daily to support our Veterans and the community. Post 44, as a family, continues to focus on the mission and will continue assisting veterans and the community going forward.

So, as you can see, we have been and will continue to stay busy at Post 44!!

V/R

Eric J Cobb  
Commander AMVETS Post 44  
Plant City, FL 33567  
813-756-6944



## AMVETS Post 47

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Suite 14  
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### SEC Floor Report 02/20/2026

#### Membership

We have 174 current members representing 96% of our 2026 membership goal.

#### Programs

In 2025, the post reported \$78,129.50 to programs. In January this year, we reported \$3,200.00.

#### Post activities

The Post was represented at the SEC in Orlando last October.

The Post was represented at the Wreaths Across America ceremony held by Kent Forest Funeral Home in Panama City.

The Post held a ceremony and luncheon for Veterans' Day.

The Post held a huge Thanksgiving dinner.

The LAUX had a Christmas Angel tree for donations given to local rehabilitation organizations.

We continue to support: the Wounded Warriors Project; Salvation Army; Special Olympics; the Panama City Rescue Mission; Humble House Ministries; the Thomas Drive Volunteer Fire Department; the Memorial Day Foundation; and Wreaths Across America.

#### Community activities

The post is an active member of the Bay County Veterans Council.

The post has responded to the needs of our community with physical support by maintaining wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, etc to be loaned out on a temporary basis. We direct veterans to resources that can help them with their issues, such as a VA representative.

Report submitted by: *Mark Wunder*  
Mark Wunder, Commander



Amvets Post 50  
2705 Garden Street  
North Fort Myers, FL 33917  
239-997-1148

Dear Commander Richards,

We at Post 50 are excited for the February SEC and welcome All guests today.

Membership is holding fairly steady with 50 annual members and 105 Lifetime Members. We are looking at membership drive ideas with our 1<sup>st</sup> Vice at this time. He has some great ideas.

This fall we adopted 10 family's for Thanksgiving and 5 family's with gifts for the kids for Christmas Both with full meals to help feed their families. We also held a Toys For Tots drive and was able to fill 2 boxes of toys for them.

We threw a big party for New Years Eve for our Vets and closed it down at 9 Pm with a Balloon Drop full of prizes, and that way we get people home safely Before Midnight or to their next party if they so choose, not at the Post still drinking and taking a chance with our Liquor License. We thought this was a smart Idea 2 years ago when we started this tradition.

Our Veterans love our Veterans Day Ceremony, and I see a few tears were shed as usual. We will be doing this again this spring for the Vietnam Veterans Day as well. Another New Ceremony we brought back was our Flag Retirement Ceremony this fall and what an honor it was to do that with the 81 Honor Guard as well as their Sons. Our Sons put on quite a moving show for that one.

We lost a Marine this quarter, Chris Kopp was a current Amvet Officer and we held a Celebration of Life the same day we did the Flag Retirement Ceremony with Honor Guard Colors and Rifle Salute to send him off. He will be Sorely missed by so many at our post. Our Judge Advocate is in the Hospital this month as well so Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Dawns Closet is picking up the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month for us as our members get the word out to those in need. It is a pantry set up for toiletry items as well as pet needs to get people by until Payday. It is Anonymous for their protection and ran by our Auxiliary.

For those that do Not already know, our 1<sup>st</sup> Vice is a great woodworker. He makes Wooden American Flags and is donating a 3' x 5' to each Post in Our District this year. If you haven't seen one, make sure you go to our Facebook page AmVets Ladies Aux 50/Post 50 members Page and look them up. We try to post them quite often. He also is selling them in a variety of sizes and donating the Money to our Charity account which donates \$600 monthly to 2 local charities to help our community.

Commander Judy Elias



AMVETS POST 60  
(AMERICAN VETERANS)  
2846 SW US HIGHWAY 17  
ARCADIA FL 34266

DATE: 02/13/2026

SUBJECT: FLOOR REPORT

FROM: CDR Steve A. Rickard

Good morning, Commander and fellow AMVETS:

Since the October SEC, Post 60 has been busy within the community. We have since participated in the Veterans Day Parade, while in the same week the post hosted a Veteran's dinner, where we partnered with the organization Folds of Glory to give two deserving Veterans a quilt. First week in December we once again participated in the county's Christmas Parade. We also have been working with our local habitat for humanity organization. We provided help to demolish a veteran's home to get it rebuilt with help from Florida rebuild. As of 19 February he was slated to move in his new home before the end of the month. We also participated in building two ramps, replacing a roof of a Veteran, not to mention we donated two electric scooters, and one walker to deserving Veteran's and their families. March 29<sup>th</sup> on National Vietnam, POW/MIA day post 60 will be hosting a dinner for our Veterans, and once again in conjunction with Folds of Glory we will be giving two deserving Veterans a quilt. The post is thriving moving in an upward direction

Yours in service

STEVE A RICKARD  
(SFC) RET  
AMVETS POST 60



AMVETS POST 78  
910 Valastics Rd  
Valparaiso FL 32580

Commander,

Our current membership is currently at 730 total members. Our current programs are 15 for a total number of hours at 1,628 and total program value of \$53,513. We are planning our Annual AMVETS for Autism Poker Run which will be held in April. The Autism Spectrum on the Emerald Coast is an organization dedicated to lasting, positive change in lives of individuals along the Emerald Coast. In addition, we are planning a ceremony to recognize local Vietnam Veterans to be conducted in March. May God Bless AMVETS and the United States of America!



AMVETS Post 81

1910 Tamiami Trail

North Ft Myers, FL 33903

Commander Richards,

AMVETS Post 81 continues to rebound after rebuilding due to Hurricane Ian damage. Our membership growth has reached 355 veteran members. 133 Annual Members / 221 Life Members. We proudly report that we achieved 82% renewal rate for 2026.

Programs Reporting for 2025 is \$196,102.52 Total Program Value. Post 81 Leadership is committed to raising that value for this upcoming year. We are dedicated to Veterans and their families support programs.

Post 81 is looking forward to upcoming fundraising events for a TikiHut located behind our building. Our local Home Depot has graciously donated time and materials towards improvements, and we look forward to working with them for future projects.

This holiday season among our regular community contributions we proudly made local news helping one of our own veteran members, after him and his wife were robbed while leaving a bank. The fundraiser for him was an Amvets Family collective effort with overwhelming support.

Yours in Service,

Derrell Johnson

Post Commander

AMVETS Post 81



Amvets Post 92  
747 NE Dixie Hwy  
Jensen Beach, FL 34957  
Commander's Report



Despite the economy and being a small Post, we at Post 92 are doing very well.

As of October 2024, we have 173 members,  
82 life members, 91 annual members and 7 new members.

Our seasonal members should be back soon and will hopefully bring in more new members.

For community service, we do the following:

- Amvets bread run every Friday, open to the public.
- 200.00 to the Florida food bank monthly
- 100.00 to the USO monthly
- 1000.00 was given to a fellow member and veteran in need

Over the past year we have done three cookouts at the Post, always free and open to the public with a great turnout.

Charles M. Sisson  
Commander  
Post 92

**AMVETS POST 98**  
**4629 Bartelt Road**  
**Holiday, FL 34690**

**February 08, 2026      FLOOR REPORT**

**AMVETS 98 continues to grow and give back to the local community, we're pleased to announce.**

**We've been extremely busy this quarter, our many maintenance projects at the Post continue. We've finished the fence along the back of our property and installed a new storage shed, updated our kitchen with brand new 6 burner stove and a separate convention oven. Installed new siding and soffit outside. There are many more projects in the queue.**

**We've adopted 10 families through the VA social worker to provide meals for the Christmas holiday. We donated over \$10,000 to the following organizations. Honor Flight W.C.F, Kiddi Up Ranch, Warrior Wellness, Tunnel 2 Towers, Metropolitan Ministries, NCOA, Dog Rescue. It's been a team effort with the Auxiliary, Sons and the Riders.**

**I have a great team behind me and I'm looking forward to seeing what we can do in the future.**

**Jonathan D. Jones**

**Commander Post 98**

We have continued our support for:

1. vets needing transportation to doctor visits.
2. We help widows of vets.
3. Work with vets helping vets and Marion county veterans park.
4. Meat raffle fundraisers and member recruitment.
5. Support VFW POST 4209 for letting us meet at their post.
6. Worked with Scouts on Eagles projects
7. Worked with Marion County Veterans court to help vets
8. Worked with VFW post and Aux 4209 on community work projects and veteran recognition.
9. Red Shirt Friday given a high priority.
10. Conducted memorials for fallen Amvet brothers and sisters.
11. Members work with Marion County Honor Guard for funerals of vets.
12. Currently planning White Clover event.

respectfully submitted,  
Robert Woodrow, Commander  
Post 99

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**Bob Woodrow ( Woody )**

Commander  
(407) 810-1112  
Amvets Post 99  
Ocala, FL



To: AMVETS Department of Florida

Subject: AMVETS Post 422 February SEC Floor Report

Commander,

The AMVETS at Post 422 are happy to report that we are continuing to support our community and our Veterans. During the Holiday Season, our Auxiliary sponsored an Angel Tree that provided presents to over 82 kids thanks to the generosity of our Members donating approximately \$20,000! Also, during this time, food donations allowed for the distribution of 50 food baskets that provided a full holiday meal for those in need. Our Auxiliary also put on a Christmas Party for the Angel Tree kids, where they were given the opportunity to “shop” for their family members (at NO COST to the families).

Our Post currently has membership at 166 AMVETS. We are at approximately 81% of the renewal rate over those listed on our National Roster. Our 1<sup>st</sup> Vice is working on ways to bring that to 100%. Our volunteer efforts are showing in the numbers that we have logged hours of activity saving approximately \$35,000 for the AMVETS National to report. We are working on ways to get the word out to AMVETS for these to improve.

We continue with the local Veterans Service Officers to assist homeless Veterans as they become known. We are working towards getting a count on the number of Veterans that are homeless in our area. In addition, we are working on a way to get a Mobile Medical Unit (MMU) from the VA to provide medical services in the outlying areas.

**FOREVER MOVING FORWARD!!!**

Scot Lane

Post 422 Commander



## AMVETS POST 444 WILLISTON, FL

2/10/2026

Floor Report

Commander and Dept of FL AMVETS

Membership is rising; we have been reaching out to members that have not yet renewed and brought in new members. We currently have 129 members.

We are currently helping one of our lifetime members that has fallen on hard times and has been living in a shed with no electricity or water. We worked with a local apartment that is based off income; they had one come open up that was fully furnished. We paid his deposits to get him in and purchased everything else needed to make it a home. This has taken some time for this Veteran to accept the help. He spent 52 days in mental health at the VA. He has the means to pay the rent but not enough to get in on his own. We are working with the Homeless Veterans Taskforce to get him a monthly stipend until his claim is processed.

We are working with another of our lifetime members, a Vietnam Vet whose home is becoming unlivable. We have packed items up to put into storage and are looking for a camper for him to live in.

We have made numerous donations since October SEC, including our community. The local high school culinary program, the Historical Society, youth program to purchase basketball hoops, and many more. We raised \$7000 for X-22 Adventures, the Commanders project. We have donated to many Veterans organizations.

We hold several membership drives throughout the year, and special events at the post to bring new people in to visit. We will be holding the district fundraiser event at our post in May, with everything benefitting Mission 22.

Yours in Service

Dave Houska  
Commander Post 444 Williston, FL



**AMVETS Post 447**  
**405 Hwy 40 E, Inglis, FL**  
***SEC Floor Report 20-22 Feb 2026***



Dear Dept. of Florida Commander, Officers, and Fellow AMVETS,

It is both an honor and a privilege to present to you AMVETS Post 447 Floor Report for SEC Feb 2026. Our Post is doing extremely well: 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Membership - Exciting growth in new membership, and membership renewals. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Programs – 89 programs, 918 Volunteers, \$215,908.70 Total Cost of Programs.

The Post 447 AMVETS family (Veterans, Ladies Auxiliary, Sons, and Riders) have been working diligently together side by side to support Veterans, families, and community. Post members, and the Post kitchen worked together to provide Taco Tuesday Dinner for all veterans on Veterans Day. The Post and kitchen prepared and served Thanksgiving to Veterans and families in need at the Post. We Donated several turkeys, lbs of potatoes, cans of vegetables, stuffing, and cranberry sauce to local Veterans Homeless Shelter to feed all the residents and staff a Thanksgiving Dinner. We did the same for Christmas Dinner: Fed Veterans and families at the Post. We again donated turkeys and ham to the local Veterans Homeless shelter. Additionally, The Post 447 AMVETS Family all worked together in creating Float for the Town / Community Christmas Parade. The Post on several occasions has set up membership tables at various community events (ie: Seafood Festival, Mullet Toss, etc.). The tables were manned / represented by all facets of our AMVETS Family (Vets, Ladies, Sons, and Riders).

The Post has installed an A/C Split unit in the kitchen. The Post has replaced the ice machine. Additionally, the Post's AMVETS family worked together on beautifying the inside. Painted all the walls. Added a chair rail on all the walls. Removed and replaced the baseboards. We are in the process of upgrading the Post's technology: replaced the Post's computers, we are waiting for the installation of a new internet service that will offer much stronger wi-fi. We are waiting for the installation of a new POS that will enable the use of credit cards for purchases, as well as better inventory tracking. We have upgraded our security cameras that now include voice recording as well as video recording. Most recently we have changed our entrance door looks.

Fundraising: AMVETS Post 447 has live entertainment on Fridays and Sundays. The Post hosts Bingo on Wednesdays, and Show-Me-The-Money on Monday evenings. Additionally, we have Queen of Hearts on Sundays. Canteen is open 7 days a week, Kitchen is open 7 days a week. The Post just completed our annual Superbowl Fundraising Event.

V/R,

David Jacobs-Pratt, Commander

AMVETS Post 447, Inglis, FL

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Subject Floor Report: February 2026

Commander,

AmVets Post 911 has made dramatic strides into its community presence. With the combined teamwork of our Auxiliary and Sons, we have sponsored numerous events and charitable donations to worthy causes.

Since the October 2025 meeting, we have held many holiday luncheons/ dinners at no cost to anyone that entered the post. These great events were supported by our great team of officers & volunteers from across all three entities (Vets, Sons and Auxiliary) for Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas and another community blood drive. This does not include our branch birthday celebrations. We, also, have sponsored a Super Bowl party and a Valentines Day Brunch at the post.

With the assistance of the Home Depot Foundation, we have upgraded all of our window coverings and soon we will be upgrading the shelving system in our Liquor room. Thanks to generous donations from our members, the Post, Auxiliary and our Sons, all of our canteen tables have been wrapped with military/ patriotic designs. They look clean, fresh and absolutely awesome.

Donations and fundraising events have allowed us (the Post, Auxiliary or Sons) to support our local veterans in need and some community charities, such as, Pop Smoke K9, Fix-it-Forward, Barracks of Hope, Port Orange Historical Society and several others.

We are continuing our "Hands across Veterans Organizations" where we work together to assist veteran and their families in need through consolidated effort with our Service Officers from AmVets, the American Legion and the VFW. We are accomplishing all of this through concerted efforts from the AmVets 911 family. I could not be prouder of our post and the teamwork and fundraising efforts by all entities of AMVETS Post 911.

Our Post 911 TEAM (Together Everyone Accomplishes More), is a strong, cohesive unit working to enhance our visible presence throughout the local civilian and veteran community with increasing support of veterans and/or their families that are in need.

Yours in Service,

*Michael C. Syfert*

Michael C. Syfert  
Commander,  
AmVets Post 911



Paula Burgin, Commander  
AMVETS 1208, District VIII  
February 2, 2026

#### 2026 Floor Report

Our Post had a successful year of serving our veterans and community with various fundraisers and community events. The two activities that I am most proud of are the development of our Scholarship Program and our Rhet Cooper's Miracle Fundraiser.

Due to our limited volunteers and resources, we have coordinated our efforts with the AMVETS, Sons of AMVETS and AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary for most of our activities.

We developed a high school scholarship program; created guidelines, application process, and fundraising. Our Valentine's Day Dinner Fundraising Event raised \$7,500 last year and we were able to fund three, \$2,000 scholarships for qualified graduates at our local high school. This was a coordinated effort that took months of planning and preparation, marketing, countless volunteers, and donors. Our 2nd Annual Fundraising event will be February 14th and we are completing preparations for the event.

We raised \$5,100 for Rhet Cooper's Miracle. This is a local charity that donates wagons with care items for children who are receiving chemotherapy at UF Health Gainesville. Each wagon costs \$250 to fund and we were able to purchase 21 wagons. They called it the '21 Wagon Salute' and we will proudly make this one of our annual fundraising events.

I attribute our success to the support and efforts of our members; I am humbled and most appreciative.

Sincerely,

Paula Burgin, Commander  
AMVETS Post 1208, District VIII  
Salt Springs, Florida



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Floor Report for AMVETS Post 1776  
Spring 2026 SEC

AMVETS Post 1776 is a small Post in Tallahassee. We were chartered in 2009. We are a small Post, but we like to think of ourselves as a small Post doing big things. With respect to the SEC, we hereby submit a brief chronology of our big and small initiatives this past year:

AMVETS Tallahassee Post 1776, Inc. initiatives FY 2024-2025:

- 1) We focus on serving local veterans and other Veteran Service Organizations in our Tallahassee community in need.
- 2) Continuing current project called "Military Heritage Trail Program" an education program, endorsed by our School Superintendent that focuses on youth groups to share/promote Tallahassee and surrounding area's military memorials/monuments.
- 3) Our Post maintains approximately 50 members. Due to large number of other VSO's in Tallahassee area, we all struggle for new members. We are currently meeting at our Elks Lodge with 10 to 15 members attending regularly on the first Thursday of the month.
- 4) We continue to maintain a professional website at [www.amvets1776.org](http://www.amvets1776.org) and concurrently have created a "AMVETS Post 1776 Cyber Newsletter" that we post on our site along with emailing it to our Post members, our friends and neighbors.
- 5) We had a very successful Fifteenth Annual Golf Tournament (now dedicated and renamed the "Annual Ray House Golf Tournament" for our founding Post Commander that started our Golf Tournament). Our annual fundraising event this year was held on April 28, 2025, and we have been able to donate several thousands of dollars to our local Homeless coalitions including our Veterans Village; we donated several hundred dollars in blankets and clothing to Veteran Homeless shelters at Christmas; and several thousand more dollars to a Veterans Legal Collaborative that provides a legal clinic once a week for veterans in need, to a private nonprofit Florida Cares that does work building and ramps for veterans.
- 6) This November we held our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Turkey Shoot a relatively new fund-raising event in partnership with a local Tallahassee Rifle and Pistol Club. We partnered with Mission Bar-B-Que to serve lunch and distributed 14 Turkeys and other door prizes.

Respectfully Submitted, Gordon Lightfoot, Post Commander

## **Floor Report Amvets Post 2000, Warm Mineral Springs, Florida**

Amvets Post 2000 is growing by leaps and bounds! Our membership is growing through all entities - Amvets, Sons squadron and Ladies Auxiliary.

We had received a donation from Mike Austin of Austin's Restaurant in North Port of the Statue of Liberty to our post. On September 11, 2025 we had a ceremony of gracing it in front of our post. Newly painted and wired to light up. It stands 8 ft tall and weighs about 200 lbs. Her torch lights up at night! We had a beautiful ceremony, and we were featured in the local paper!

We recently repaved our parking lot and painted our building. We added new light up signage out front so we can be seen better. We also put up solar lights for nighttime so our patrons can get to their car safely. We invested in our kitchen with new electrical rewiring. We got a new flag disposal box donated by the King Logie Foundation. We got a new AED monitor for the post as well. We are in process of relocating our flag poles.

We are looking forward to a Healthy and Prosperous 2026!!

Thank you!

Commander Steven R Allie

Amvets Post 2000 Florida

February S.E.C. Floor Report

Commander Richards & Fellow AMVETS

Since our last floor report Post 2006 continues to thrive in our effort to provide support for the veterans and the local community. business has picked up again upon the return of our snow bird family that have returned for the winter months. membership is currently standing at 879 members with several that have not been renewed. As of this writing efforts are under way to contact all members that have not renewed and encourage them to do so.

we continue to support the homeless veterans task force with monies collected from the 50/50 every Tues evening and the disaster relief fund with a bottle raffle which are run in conjunction with our queen drawing

We have several things on the calendar every month such as the riders bike night every third Saturday of the month, and an all you can eat pancake breakfast run by the homeless veterans task force the second Saturday of every month. future projects include a car, truck, and bike show april 4th 2026 to support the homeless vets. with pinstriping. food truck. music, patch sewing and other events such as slow drag competition. 50/50 chinese auction and trophies to be awarded.

as always we welcome all AMVET members to come to the post and partake in the camaraderie whenever you are in this area

I move my report be accepted at the proper time

Ronne McLarrin  
post commander post 2006



AMVETS Post 2298 5510 E. Highway 22  
Callaway, FL 32404



February 21, 2026

To: Amvets Department of Florida

Subject: Amvets Post 2298 Floor Report

Post 2298 experienced a busy final quarter of 2025, marked by active engagement and community support.

Membership closed the year at 658. Recruitment efforts focused on active-duty members, with ongoing participation in the monthly "Newcomers" briefing at Tyndall Air Force Base.

The value of our programs continues to grow under the leadership of our second Vice Commander. In November, the post participated in the City of Callaway Veterans Day Parade. In December, members joined the Panama City Christmas Parade—our first time, but certainly not the last. The enthusiastic support from spectators, including cheers and expressions of gratitude such as "Thank You for Your Service," was inspiring

In December, the post supported both the Bay County Veterans Council and the Military Welcome Center at Northwest Florida International Airport. Members provided breakfast sandwiches for soldiers from Fort Rucker, serving over 200 trainees as they awaited flights home for the holidays. Additionally, on January 4, post members assisted with the deployment of the 153<sup>rd</sup> Cavalry Regiment of the Army National Guard by providing food and beverages for more than 500 troops and their families.

The Ladies Auxiliary continued its tradition of holiday giving by donating 85 Thanksgiving baskets to veterans in need. They hosted a children's Christmas party and provided Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners for post members.

The Riders maintained their popular "Wing Night," continuing to bring members together for camaraderie and good food.

The Women's Veterans group organized a "make a Christmas Card for Sims" night, ensuring that all residents of Sims Veterans Home received a card for Christmas.

Yours in service,

Mike Lozon, Commander

AMVETS Post 2298



**AMVETS Post 2415  
686 West Ave  
Port St. John, FL 32927**

AMVETS Post 2415 Floor Report, February 2026

Commander,

Post 2415 continues to proudly serve our veterans and community. We had the opportunity to participate in the Port St. John Christmas Parade and were able to connect with several veterans and families in the community.

Our current statistics are as follows:

Membership: 63 annual, 46 lifetime

Program reporting: \$10,633.38

We continue to have our Bingo Sundays, we have re-started Queen of Hearts on Mondays, along with Show-me-the-Money on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

Our Bike Days are 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month starting at 2pm.

Post 2415 has made the decision to change our operating hours effective on 1 February. Instead of opening at 10am, we are now open from noon-10pm daily.

As always, thank you to all our Department officers for your guidance and leadership. I wish all a very good and productive SEC, and safe travels.

Yours in Service,

Larry Lonneville, Commander  
AMVETS Post 2415 Port St. John, Florida

<b>AMVETS DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA ATTENDANCE ROSTER</b>			
<b>Title and Name</b>	<b>11/1/25 (Saturday)</b>		<b>11/2/25 (Sunday)</b>
<b>Headquarters and Elected Officers</b>	Present		Present
Commander - Dean Richards	Present		Present
Executive Director - Richard McKern	Present		Present
Adjutant - Ruth Richards	Present		Present
Vice Commander for Membership - Kevin Butwill	Present		Present
Vice Commander for Programs - David Baca	Present		Present
Judge Advocate - Sharon Davis	Present		Present
Finance Officer - Dr. Jondexter Toombs	Present		Present
Provost Marshall - Andre Hardy	Present		Present
National Executive Committeeman - PDC A.J. John	Present		Present
Alt National Executive Committeeman - PDC Eddie Bullock	Present		Present
<b>Past National Commanders</b>			
PNC Joe Piening	Present		Present
PNC/PDC Larry Via	Excused		Excused
PNC Horance Johnson	Excused		Excused
<b>Past Department Commanders</b>			
PDC King D Beckham	Absent		Absent
PDC Manny Sylvia	Absent		Absent
PDC Larry Arnett	Absent		Absent
PDC/PNC Larry Via	Absent		Absent
PDC A.J. John	Present		Present
PDC Allen Baggett	Absent		Absent
PDC/PNC Horace Johnson	Excused		Excused
PDC Terry Corson	Present		Present
PDC Tom Payton	Absent		Absent
PCD Eddie Bullock	Present		Present
PDC Doug Ferguson	Present		Present
<b>Finance Committee</b>			
Committee Chair - Dr. Jondexter Toombs	Present		Present
Member 3 year - PDC Terry Corson	Present		Present
Member 1 year - Brenda Binegar	Working		Present
Member 2 year - Beth Endrick	Absent		Absent
<b>Service Foundation</b>			
Trustee 3 year President - PDC Terry Corson	Present		Present
Trustee 1 year Parliamentarian - PNC Joe Piening	Present		Present
Trustee 1 year Treasurer - Jodi Wood	Present		Present
Trustee 2 year Vice President - PDC A.J. John	Present		Present
Trustee 2 year Secretary - PDC Doug Ferguson	Present		Present
Consultant Don Rhindress	Absent		Absent
<b>Appointed Committee Positions</b>			
Chaplain - Tom Dixon	Present		Excused

## AMVETS DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA ATTENDANCE ROSTER

Title and Name	11/1/25 (Saturday)		11/2/25 (Sunday)
Assistant Chaplain - Paul Maldonado	Present		Absent
Public Relations/Webmaster -Cliff Gordon	Present		Present
JR AMVETS Coordinator - Tina Petrie	Present		Present
Assistant JR AMVETS Coordinator - Cyndi Hancock	Present		Present
Legislative Officer/FL Veterans Council - Richard McKern	Present		Present
Department Quartermaster - Arlene Frisk	Present		Present
Assistant Quartermaster - TBD			
National Guard Liason Officer - Terry Corson	Present		Present
AADAA Committee - Tanya Marheine	Present		Present
Americanism Committee - Tanya Marheine	Present		Present
Womens Veterans Advisory Chairperson - Nayda Kahlbaugh	Present		Present
Sons of AMVETS Cooridator - Rick Beaulieu	Working		Present
Department Convention Chairperson - Jim Varner	Present		Present
American Gold Star Mothers - Frank Sabo	Present		Absent
ROTC Chairperson - Lanny Boothe	Present		Present
<b>Credentials Committee Chairperson - Doris Dixon</b>	Working		Excused
Member - Brenda Binegar	Working		Present
Member - Penny Lozon	Working		Present
Honors & Awards Committee Chairperson - Doug Ferguson	Present		Present
Alternate Provost Marshall - Pat Tully	Present		Present
Deputy Provost Marshall - Eric Cornick	Present		Excused
Deputy Provost Marshall - Rhonda Smith	Present		Present
Deputy Provost Marshall - Larry Lonneville	Excused		Excused
Inspector General - Terry Betts	Present		Excused
Deputy Inspector General North FL - Brad Smith	Absent		Absent
Membership Committee - Kevin Butwill	Present		Present
Programs Committee - David Baca	Present		Present
<b>Personnel Committee - Dean Richards</b>	Present		Present
Member - David Baca	Present		Present
Member - Kevin Butwill	Present		Present
Member - Mike Brown	Present		Absent
Member - Andre Hardy	Present		Present
<b>Policy Update Committee - Dean Richards</b>	Present		Present
Member - Sharon Davis	Present		Present
Member - Joseph Taylor	Absent		Absent
Member - Robert Buckridge	Absent		Absent
<b>Constitution and Bylaws Committee Chair - Sharon Davis</b>	Present		Present
Member - Inetta Bullock	Present		Present
Member - Mike Brown	Present		Absent
Member - John Wood	Present		Present
Member - Brian Malcolm	Excused		Excused

## AMVETS DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA ATTENDANCE ROSTER

Title and Name	11/1/25 (Saturday)		11/2/25 (Sunday)
<b>Grievance Committee Chair - PCD A.J. John</b>	Present		Present
Member - Tom Dixon	Present		Excused
Member - Geoff Earle	Absent		Absent
Member - Randy Hurlburt	Absent		Absent
Member Ian Norris	Present		Present
<b>General Scholarship Committee - Sharon Davis</b>	Present		Present
Member - Les Moreland	Excused		Excused
<b>Homeless Veterans Task Force/POW-MIA Committee Chair - Pat Tully</b>	Present		Present
Member - Steve Cantelli	Present		Present
Member - Justin Dee	Excused		Excused
Member - Nayd Kahlbaugh	Present		Present
Honor Guard Committee Chairperson - Ron Fox	Present		Present
Member - Kevin Butwill	Present		Present
Member - TBD			
Member - Kenneth Gordon	Present		Present
Member - TBD			
<b>State Vet Nursing Homes</b>			
Baldomero Lopez Nursing Home Rep - Gabriell Maddaloni	Absent		Absent
Clyde Lassen Nursing Home Rep - Williard Day	Absent		Absent
Douglas T Jacobson Nursing Home Rep - TBD			
Robert Jenkins Assisted Living Homre Rep - Mac Bevans	Absent		Absent
Sims State Veterans Nursing Home Rep - Al Schmidt	Absent		Absent
Emery L. Bennett Veterans Memorial Nursing Home - TBD			
VAVS Committee Coordinator and Chair - Walter Ahmad	Present		Present
Bay Pines Rep - TBD			
Bay Pines Deputy Rep - TBD			
Bay Pines Deputy Rep - TBD			
Gainesville VAMC Rep - TBD			
Gainesville Deputy Rep - TBD			
Lake City VAMC Home Rep - TBD			
Lake City VAMC Home Associate Rep - TBD			
James A Haley Rep - Inetta Bullock	Present		Present
Pensacola VAOPC Rep - TBD			
Biloxi VAMC Rep - Ellen Ramos	Absent		Absent
Miami VAMC Rep - TBD			
Orlando VAMC Rep - TBD			
Orlando VAMC Deputy Rep - TBD			
West Palm Beach VAMC Rep - Walter Ahmad	Present		Present
<b>Cemetery Representatives</b>			
Bay Pines National Cemetery Rep - Jack Rafferty	Excused		Excused
Bushnell National Cemetery Rep - Bob Benderman	Present		Present

## AMVETS DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA ATTENDANCE ROSTER

Title and Name	11/1/25 (Saturday)		11/2/25 (Sunday)
St Augustine National Cemetery Rep - Williard Day	Absent		Absent
Sarasota National Cemetery Rep - Barbara McGann	Absent		Absent
South Florida National Cemetery Rep - Doris Stanczyk	Absent		Absent
Barrancas National Cemetery Rep - Frank Youtzy	Absent		Absent
Tallahassee National Cemetery Rep - Gordon Lightfoot	Absent		Absent
Jacksonville National Cemetery Rep - John Givens	Present		Present
Cape Canaveral National Cemetery Rep - Robert Lariviere	Absent		Absent
<b>Districts</b>			
I	Absent		Absent
II	Present		Present
III	Present		Present
IV	Present		Present
V	Absent		Absent
VI	Present		Present
VII	Absent		Absent
VIII	Present		Present
IX	Present		Present
X	Present		Present
XI	Present		Present
XII	Absent		Absent
<b>Posts</b>			
1 - St Petersburg	Present		Present
2 - Edgewater/New Smyrna	Present		Present
4 - Tampa	Present		Present
7 - Chipley	Absent		Absent
8 - St Petersburg	Present		Present
9 - Odessa	Present		Present
12 - Pensacola	Absent		Absent
13 - Deland	Absent		Absent
14 - Hobe Sound	Absent		Absent
15 - Fort Pierce	Absent		Absent
17 - Sanford	Absent		Absent
19 - Ft. McCoy	Absent		Absent
21 - Sebring	Absent		Absent
23 - Naples	Present		Present
26 -Dover	Present		Present
29 -Destin	Absent		Absent
30 -Orlando	Present		Present
32 - Lakeland	Present		Present
33 -St Cloud	Present		Present
34 -Palm Bay	Absent		Absent

## AMVETS DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA ATTENDANCE ROSTER

Title and Name	11/1/25 (Saturday)	11/2/25 (Sunday)
35 - Crestview	Present	Present
40 - Key Largo	Absent	Absent
42 - Fanning Springs	Present	Present
44 - Plant City	Present	Present
45 - St Augustine	Present	Present
47 - Panama City Beach	Present	Present
50 - North Fort Myers	Present	Present
60 - Arcadia	Present	Present
67 - Clearwater	Present	Present
78 - Valparaiso	Present	Present
81 - North Fort Myers	Present	Present
86 - Keystone Heights	Present	Present
88 - Bronson	Present	Present
89 - Holder/Beverly Hills	Present	Present
92 - Jensen Beach	Absent	Absent
98 - Holiday	Absent	Absent
99 - Ocala	Absent	Absent
113 - Bunnell	Present	Present
178 - DeFuniak Springs	Absent	Absent
194 - Largo	Absent	Absent
200 - Okeechobee	Absent	Absent
231 - Fountain	Absent	Absent
292 - Pensacola	Absent	Absent
312 - North Port	Present	Present
420 - Cantonment	Present	Present
422 - Fanning Springs	Present	Present
444 - Williston	Present	Present
447 - Inglis	Present	Present
550 - Zephyrhills	Present	Present
777 - Englewood	Present	Present
893 - Rockledge	Present	Present
911 - Port Orange	Present	Present
1208 - Salt Springs	Absent	Absent
1292 - Milton	Absent	Absent
1776 - Tallahassee	Absent	Absent
1992 - Mount Dora	Present	Present
2000 - North Port	Present	Present
2001 - Okeechobee	Absent	Absent
2006 - Leesburg	Present	Present
2216 - Lake City	Absent	Absent
2298 - Callaway	Present	Present

**AMVETS DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA ATTENDANCE ROSTER**

<b>Title and Name</b>	<b>11/1/25 (Saturday)</b>		<b>11/2/25 (Sunday)</b>
2415 - Cocoa	Present		Present
7467 - Pinellas Park	Absent		Absent

# October SEC 1<sup>st</sup> Business Meeting November 1, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 0800, on Saturday November 1, 2025. Invocation was given by Champlain Tom Dixon, AMVETS Honor Guard Post 32 presented the colors. The preamble was read by Adjutant Ruth Richards. Roll Call was completed by Adjutant Richards. (see attached attendance form for the results).

Adjutant Richards made a motion to approve the June minutes as received in the book. The motion was properly seconded and with no discussion, the motion carried.

Commander Richards, before we start, the officers' reports. Post 420 stand up. This is one of our newest posts. They're all the way up into almost Alabama, I believe, and they made it all the way down here for the October SEC. We have a lot to do this morning, because we have awards coming out. When you come up to give your report, if you didn't put it in the book don't take it out on us by spending a lot of time describing everything that you've done in your post, give us a short synopsis of what you've done, and let's keep the flow going.

## **1<sup>st</sup> Vice Report – Kevin Butwill**

As of this morning, our membership number is 15,512 as Thursday's numbers, we had 2896 annual members. 11,438 lifetime members. Our percentages are renewed by 53.8% that still leaves us with 3074 members from 2025 that have not renewed. So hopefully you can get them back into your post. Reach out to them. Training will be today in this ballroom at 1300 hours, we're going to discuss cleaning up rosters, retention, recruitment, and processing of new members. The 1<sup>st</sup> Vice report was properly moved and seconded, and with no discussion, the motion carried.

Kevin, I would like to make a motion that we accept all reports at the proper time. was properly moved and seconded, and with no discussion, the motion carried.

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Report – Dave Baca**

My report is on page 12. I want to give the numbers I have posted. They're on page 13, but I want to explain that those numbers are the AMVETS and the Riders combined, come February, I will make sure that I exclude the Riders numbers for this. Programs training is at noon today in this room, Grand Ball Room. I move my report.

## **Finance Officer – Dr. Jondexter Toombs**

Finance officer Jondexter Toombs, good morning. My financial report is on page 14, and the updated record budget is located on page 16. I move my report.

## **Judge Advocate – Sharon Davis**

Good morning, AMVETS, my report is on page 24 and you all know you received an extra book with eight draft amendments that we're going to be discussing in my CBL committee. If you take a look at those, take them back to your post. Also, I'm going to have grievance processing training in this room today at three o'clock. I move my report.

### **Executive Director – Rick McKern**

Legislative report on page number 14.

Welcome everybody to the SEC and thank all the first timers that came if you were at the opening ceremony yesterday. I applaud you for that. Thank you. One of the things we're going to be talking about under new business is extending our hotel contract. So you know, I'll throw out some little statistics when we get to that point. Also, under my legislative report, I'll talk about some of the house bills that you may be interested in. Matter of fact, I'm pretty sure a lot of you will be interested in, along with some gaming information. You know, we always have issues with parking, right? Seems like every time we come, they rearranged something the next time we come, it's going to be different again. Okay, so I will be getting with Dominic, which is one of the managers out there this morning and try to iron some things out. Sort of get ahead of the game on what's coming. They're doing some automation. Not quite sure how that's going to work, but anyway, I'll find out the training, and I'm sure the commander is going to be talking about this. You know, we have a lot of different training sessions. Please attend those today. Mezzanine. I was out there this morning. Look pretty good. But then again, they'd already been out there and cleaned everything up. I don't know what it looked like after last night, but they look pretty good when I was out there. Thank you very much for that. And again, do not take glass out there on mezzanine or coolers. Lastly, 990s so when we did our validation back in May, actually, yeah, May, June, a lot of people did not have their 990s now they had 8868 which is fine. You know that's your six-month extension. However, at some point in time you must do that 990 so a lot of your posts out there still owe me your 990s, email it to me. Don't mail it to me. Only need to really see the first page and acknowledgement that the IRS has accepted that. Move my report.

### **NEC – PDC AJ John**

NEC report, any PDC agent? Good morning, family. My Report is on page 10, and I move for this adoption at the proper time.

### **Commander – Dean Richards**

Welcome to the October SEC first timers. If this is your first time here. Please stand up. All right, look at that. My Report is on page eight of the book, and I'd like to take a little time to read it, because I think it tells a story that a lot of us can relate to. We all do this for a reason. I want to address a couple things about training. We have some good training today. We also have some zip drives. They're going to go out to the district commanders, and we're going to hold you responsible for getting them to your post. And the way we're going to do that is when the post gets it, they're going to send me an email saying they got it. This zip drive has everything that you could ever need. It has nationals by laws, states bylaws. It has sample bylaws for you. It has sample SOPs for you. It has membership training programs, training, Judge Advocate, training, anything you can need. Now I want to thank the service foundation and PDC Terry Corson for getting us all those zip drives, and my adjutant for putting them all together. And I would also like to say that you need to pay attention to the training, and I want you to have a good time and learn something. Take it back to your post, because all these bylaws and SOPs are not there to make you follow the rules. They're there to guide our organization and have everybody on the same sheet of music. Those bylaws protect AMVETS, the organization, and they protect you, because if you're doing everything by the bylaws, nobody can come and say you're doing something wrong, having said that, I'll move my report on the officer's report. The officers' report were properly moved and seconded, and with no discussion, the motion carried. The Commanders report was properly moved and seconded, and with no discussion, the motion carried.

Okay, post commanders, if you would line up the microphone like I said, if you fail to put your report in the book, keep it short and sweet. Now, when you are putting reports in the book, let's try and limit it to

one page, because we can only print out so many pages at a time. Other than that, we have to go to two books, and that gets expensive. I there's motion on the floor to accept the reports proper time.

Post reports are listed in the book.

District commanders' reports are listed in the book.

The posts & district commanders report were properly moved and seconded, and with no discussion, the motion carried.

Inspector General report page 30 in the book.

I make a motion we approve all these committee reports at the proper time. There's a motion on the floor and a second any discussion hearing, none.

JROTC, Report, Lanny Booth

Sharon Davis, the scholarship report is on page 31 I just want to remind everybody to take it back to your post and let your members know that AMVETS does offer scholarships to Junior ROTC seniors coming out of high school and first, second, third and fourth. Year college, college students, as well as the service foundations, scholarship, we try to give out as many as we can. Make sure you get the word out there and let them know that the cut off is April 30. I move my report. Oh, yes, please. Because of the situation with the service foundation and their grants, we're still accepting donations. You can donate to the scholarship fund as much as you want and just give the money to the finance officer in our name, we're looking good from last year. I think we still have \$10,000 from last year. The more we get, the more we can give away.

Gold Star Mothers. Frank Sabo, this year for both our mothers, remember we had 14,300 this is probably Monday, the last year that we're doing remote start lunch, we have decided that the commitment we must try to turn our attention to gold stars, houses and.

Finance committee report. Dr John Dexter, good morning again. First of all, could the finance committee please stand? I would like to thank every one of these members for assisting with everything in reference to the budget and also the finance Thank you. The finance committee met Thursday, October 30, 2025, at 630, in Salon nine, the finance committee convened to evaluate proposed budget adjustments and review current financial policies. Key actions and discussions included budget reallocations, the quartermaster inventory line item was reclassified under investments to better reflect its financial nature. Hotel and travel expenses were separated into distinct categories for improved transparency and tracking. Fee adjustment, there was a discussion to increase registration fees by five, thought by \$5 for all state executive committee meetings and conventions. Expense analysis, the committee emphasized the need for a detailed cost analysis for intensive, anticipated expenses to be reported during the February SEC potential implications of updated RS mileage reimbursement rates were discussed with attention to compliance and budgeting impact, policy clarification and reviews the reimbursement policies for the junior coordinator was class was clarified to ensure consistency and proper documentation. Review of the quartermaster's account was deferred and tabled for further examination at a future meeting, and the meeting was concluded. I move my report.

Convention committee report. Jim Varner. Convention Chair meeting started at 2 Friday afternoon, we had six people in attendance. The Executive Director says we had \$1,000 when the gaming machines went towards banquet dinner. Ticket price will remain at \$35, the theme is 40's, we will have prizes for best male and female. June convention, we had two machines in the hospitality. We planned on having

a couple here again, but due to equipment issues. We could not do that, but they will be here again in February and also June. All the proceeds from that is going to go toward the June convention. Now, even though they cannot get the machines here for this SEC they donated \$1,000. We are raffling off an M1 Garande for \$10 a ticket. That's a good deal there. See if your post, your entities will buy 10 tickets. They win it, think about that raffle for your post that brings in a lot of money for your post.

Service, foundation, report, PDC Terry Corso. Good morning, everyone. It's a great day. Hope you all had fun last night, and don't forget, we get to turn the clocks back tonight, so you get an extra hour of sleep. First thing, I'd like to introduce the board of directors, PDC, AJ, John. AJ, John is the vice president. He's our NEC, and he's a member of the National Finance Committee. PNC, Joe Piening, okay, in the back there, he's our parliamentarian and a member of the National Service foundation. PDC, Doug Ferguson, he's our secretary, and he's the national district three, second vice commander. Jody wood is our treasurer and the chairman of the National Credentials Committee. And myself, Terry Corso, the president of the foundation and the chairman of the National CBL committee. So you can see that the state of Florida is getting a lot of people at the national headquarters in the right places. So we can kind of watch what's going on and get better reports. We're having a tremendous hurricane season. Thus far, some very, very serious storms have gone through. Haven't touched the state of Florida. Hope we can get through the month of November the same way. This will give us a great opportunity to build up our Larry Arnett Disaster Relief Fund to 300,000 we're at 265,000 right now. The secret of that is we're at a pay level three, which is a maximum payout of \$2,000 per successful applicant. If we get to 300,000 the payout goes to 2500, that 2500 makes a big difference. We've paid out three donations so far, three grant donations this far, a member of post, 2415 received \$1,000 hardship grant. A Joseph L key scholarship for \$1,000.02, \$135 for thumb drives, technology, you bet. And the grants that are still outstanding, that were yet to pay 7500 for the department, and the way we have it broken down in the service foundation is 2500 to general scholarship, 2500 to the JROTC scholarships, and 2500 to JROTC medals and mailing. We have 2500 to the department Ladies Auxiliary, 2500 to the department Sons. And that's pretty well ate up our grant fund, the National Service Foundation, has paid us \$12,860 over the past three years, we would have normally gotten \$240,000 so that's why the grants are so tight, And I understand that they're still under now a decree, I'll call it, they owe one of the departments \$1.5 million and they've agreed to pay them \$500,000 a year for three years, so I don't see us getting any money for the next three years. My Report is on page 32 and I would like to add some information at our meeting yesterday, with the board members present and one guest, we agreed to acquire a golf cart to be raffled off ticket drawn at the national convention 2026 which is here in Orlando, and we're also Working with Ian Norris to acquire some new generators that we plan on raffling off? So that's in the wind, but the generators, from what I understand, are brand new. Haven't been used. They're not your normal five kW generators. They're little big, bigger generators and run wheels, so that will help us bring some money back in, and hopefully. Yeah, we can get back to helping the department out with their grant request. Commander, I present this as my service Foundation report and move acceptance at the proper time.

Commander Richards, Terry spoke of those flash drives. They have everything on it that you need to know. Technology is here. You're going to have to start using it. You shouldn't be using snail mail unless it's for your certified mail products. Email is the quickest way everybody checks. Should be checking their email a couple times a day. It's how information gets passed nowadays.

Legislative report Rick McKern. I am part of the legislative committee, meeting myself and I with the Florida Veterans Council. Here's some of the bills. I'm not going to read each one of them, because it'll take me like 20 minutes, but just give you an idea of the bills that are going we're going to be going through the 100 and 19th Congress, the HR 1815, is the VA Home Loan Program Reform Act, and the objective of this is to prevent veterans homes from being foreclosed. It's going to be an important bill, so you may want to look that up. HR 1815, HR 1969, no wrong door for veterans. Act had that has to

do with suicide prevention. HR 1228, prioritizing the veterans' survivors Act, I'm just going to read all these if you're interested in it. I recommend that you go up, go up on the website, and they'll have a more in-depth information on these. HR 1364, automotive support services for improving safe transportation act. HR, 1912 veteran fraud reimbursement. HR, 1147, veterans' accountability Advisory Committee. Act. HR, 2201 approval. VA, training for military sexual trauma. HR, 1823, VA, budget shortfall Accountability Act. HR, 530, the ACES act that has to do with the cancer study, Vietnam veterans, liver fluke cancer study. HR, and that's HR, 586, HR, 695, middle Water Act. HR, 1286, simplifying forms for veterans claims. HR, 1039, clear communications for veterans claims, just a couple more. HR or 877 deliver for veterans. Act HR 970 fairness for service members and their families. HR, 981 the vet. Act Montgomery. HR 983, Montgomery GI Bill selected reserves, tuition, Fairness Act and HR 2170 naming the outpatient clinic in Toms River, in New Jersey, the Leonard C bud lane. Those are the bills that are going to be in 100/19 Congress. Gaming also seems to be, well, it always has been a big issue, right? Every time they're in session, the ball gets kicked down the road, and the reason why that keeps getting kicked back or kicked down the road is because they do not have specific language in their bills to protect us as veterans or. Organizations, right? I'm sure some of you posts out there have probably had business from the Gaming Commission to come in look at the machines that you have. I know there's not really a veteran's post, but it was another nonprofit down in Okeechobee. They went in there and took their machines out of there. They're going around, checking, all the different organizations. Their target is all these illegal machines that they put in gas stations, coffee shops, stuff of that nature. And the objective was the bill is to get it from a misdemeanor to a felony, right? That's why the bill keeps getting kicked down the road because we want specific language in these bills to protect us. In February, we're going to be meeting at the Capitol with our legislators, and all the different veterans' organizations, American Legion, VFW, AMVETS, etc., and we're going to be the voice in Tallahassee in February. Move my report

Juniors Tina Petry. Morning commander, our junior AMVETS are excited and looking forward to attending the February sec, our junior AMVETS president, Janelle Master has chosen to support the K Foundation, Holly's significant EDC foundation for his department, Junior MS Project, We will be raising funds all year, but especially when we attend the February sec and June convention. Also, we would like to thank the following for their generous donations. Department of Florida, sons \$100 SONS OF AMVETT\ Squadron 447, \$300 department of Florida, Ladies auxiliary.

Clifford, To reiterate what he just said was, if you have something going on, send it up to the webmaster and get it on the page up there. We had an issue reported with the website yesterday, right? And the issue was so when you go on this individual went on the website for honors and awards, and they're still showing all the stuff from PDC. Eddie Bullock, I saw it because I was just on there and printed the stuff out for PDC. Doug Ferguson, so probably what it is they have an older website that's cashed into their computer, you know, and you will probably verify this morning. If that happens to you, refresh the screen, or just go type in, retype in the URL, [WWW.DOTAMVETSFL.ORG](http://WWW.DOTAMVETSFL.ORG)

PDC. Doug Ferguson Honors & Awards. My report is on PAGE 29 I would like to add all packages went out by email by our executive director, if you have not received it, then there is a problem with your contact, and I would advise you to get a hold of our executive director. It's also on the website at under Resources and nomination forms there, we've received none. We should have received some. Let's make it great this year.

Commander Richards states you heard what PDC Ferguson was saying, each post can get a green hat award. All you have to do is put in for it. There's no reason not to. You've got one individual in your post that deserves it. They go above and beyond.

Any other reports? The committee reports were properly moved and seconded, and with no discussion, the motion carried.

**We will take a break before we get into awards. I got 916 How about 931**

Commander Richards, we are going to go through passing out the awards from June Convention. PDC Commander Ferguson will be passing out these awards.

We make a short pause on the awards because we have a special guest coming in.

Madam President Thank you, Good morning. I'll try to keep this brief. Thank you, Commander, for having me on your floor. For any that we're not here last night opening, my project, and one that department commander has graciously offered to also support with me. In conjunction with his is the Northeast Florida women's veterans. They have multiple programs, but there are two in particular that I'm supporting. The first one is first base. They do homeless female veterans, housing women and their children. The second part of the project with northeast living veterans that are supporting is called Operation hand up. They do lots of things within operation hand up. They do basic emergency financial assistance. They do food pantry. The reason I am also supporting that I'm a sexual assault trauma survivor. I know how under reported that is in the civilian world. The sad part is for the veteran sisters that have undergone military sexual trauma, it's hardly ever recorded at all. This program has two full time licensed medical clinical social workers dedicated fully to the female veterans, and they specialize in military sexual trauma. It was very important to me, this program is comprehensive. We give them a place to rebuild and restructure, a place to be safe with their kids. We take care of their physical and emotional needs. We treat them cohesively to help them transition back to the is a big deal to me, so I just wanted to get that out there. I absolutely appreciate department Commander sharing with me on this, and I brought a model today for a men's Invicta aviator watch does all the fancy stuff \$200 value Raffle tickets are \$5 a piece. All, all the funds raised from this purely go to project. So department commander wanted her to show it around. Thank you for having me to your floor.

Our commander will be back in a few minutes. We're going to continue with the awards.

Before I entertain a motion to recess, I'd like to remind everyone about the training this afternoon and also the committee. So please attend those I'm glad to have you up there in those meetings. I met someone make a motion to recess. We got a motion and a second on the floor. Any discussion? All in favor? Say, aye. All right. Reconvene 8 am tomorrow.

Heavenly Father, be gracious unto us, oh God and bless us. As we depart from this place, stretch forth thy hands and protect and guard our country that we being devoted to thy service, may we ever defend be defended by that power? Provost marshal, meeting ended at 10:22am.

**OCTOBER SEC  
2<sup>ND</sup> BUSINESS SESSION  
NOVEMBER 2, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 0800, on Sunday November 2, 2025. Invocation was given by Assistant Champlain Inetta Bullock; Roll Call was completed by Adjutant Richards. (see attached attendance form for the results).

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice Report – Kevin Butwill**

Membership, training report, as of this morning, we have 15,515 members in good standings. Yesterday, we had training in the ballroom here. We had 31 members in attendance. I just want to let all first vices know, and commanders are welcome on it. We're going to be doing training on web

meetings. I'm not sure if anyone's familiar with Microsoft team, but I'll send an invite out this week. It'll probably be around November 17. I'm looking for a first meeting if the first vices aren't available, if they can pass it on to the commanders, or if the commanders can contact me, I'll send them an invite. Also, that's my report. Report was properly moved & seconded.

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Report – Dave Baca**

Program training took place yesterday in ballroom. We had 21 members in attendance. We reviewed the training PowerPoint and engaged in open discussion. Several topics were covered, however, the main discussion focused on post Second Vice commanders not having full access or control over the programming hours individually entered by their members. It was noted that both second vice commanders should have the ability to conduct audits and make corrections when necessary. Several potential solutions were discussed, and I have noted them to bring forward to our national leadership. Report was properly moved & seconded.

**Juniors' coordinator Tina Petry.** Good morning. I have with me today an application. An application for a junior's charter from post 78 the commander has signed it, as his adjutant. I would like to present it to you today for your signature. Bring it forward. More than happy too. Report was properly moved & seconded.

#### **District Commanders Meeting– Rick McKern**

We met in salon, 10 yesterday at noon. Lasted about an hour and a half. Every seat in that room was filled. We had approximately 40 people, 16 commanders and six district commanders. Thank you for showing up. We had a pretty good discussion. Talked about this amendment. You all got the amendment, and it was agreed that we got a little bit more work to do and postpone this until February, move my report. There's a motion on the floor and a second any discussion. The resolution will be withdrawn and then resubmitted later. Report was properly moved & seconded

**Homeless veterans Task Force-Pat Tully & Steve Cantelli.** Yesterday, we met for training in salon 4 from one to two o'clock. We are so proud to announce we had 30 members in attendance. Donations, \$250 check from the \$150 check from the most fun and Shelly Young from AMVETS Post 444. We're going to start today. From now until February, we're going to go ahead and do the socks, T shirts and underwear. We are working on nearly 18 homeless veterans that we have got off the streets and into some type of housing last week, and we're proud to help. Steve got to Citrus County, and we were very lucky to get together with the 12 people. They covered 19 counties, and this has been a real challenge, trying to get them together, trying to work with us. We are now recognized as an organization without badge. What the process is for veterans, homeless veterans that are coming into your post, you need to have whoever it is designated. We get them registered with the VA, then we get them connected. We are now a major portion of this. We should be getting more and more involved. This is on behalf of post 86 I'd like to present a check for \$500. Post 2006 in Leesburg, Florida. Donate to the Homeless Veterans task force in the amount of \$2,000. There will be another check coming later, and I don't think he's here yet, so there'll be another check coming in from post 98 they raised money over the last year for \$1,500. Report was properly moved & seconded. One thing Pat forgot to mention, when she said about the socks, underwear, and T-shirts. Please remember our women veterans.

I want you to welcome Bob Oliveri, President of the riders. Good morning. First of all I thank you and thank you for your service. Thank you for everything that you've done for us. Thank you. The Rider's had a great year. We were first in membership. We had 820 members here. I have two checks to hand out. McRoy has another one to hand out. First one goes to the Larry Arnett Disaster Relief, the Riders are presenting a check for \$5,000. Second check for \$2,500 for the Commanders project X-22 Adventures. Give it up for our riders.

Today, I'm also president of our chapter 81 but we were able to raise 500.

Our next guest is Kim Audrey National Saddest. I don't want you giving me any praise now. He's the saddest. I think he stole the Pink chicken last night. Yeah, I didn't take it. It's not me, so don't blame me. I just want you to know I've had the worst time here. You guys have all been really rude to me. It's been awful. I really hope I don't have to come back here again, because I had the most terrible time. Now, on the right note, I have had the best time of my life. You guys have all been honorable. You have been great to me. I've never had a group of people that I mean all the way across that have I've enjoyed so much. And your commander, thank you very much. Yes, I'm on legionnaire. No way I get that chicken on my airplane. I just want to thank you so much everybody. It was a great time. Thank you. I do really hate you all though.

**Americanism/AADA, Tanya Maharni.** We had our training in salon five from three to four. Unfortunately, I'm a little discouraged. We had one person attend the meeting, just like the other committees. Americanism/AADA are just as important. I would like to get a better turnout, hopefully in February, because our young kids are our future. I understand we have other things, but we must think about getting out there and remember our young adults that are going to one day take our places. If you can, please share. I know Sergeant Kay. I gave her a bunch of fresh shirts and packets. If you can, please get out to your first vices. I mean, excuse me, second vices, our program in February will be doing our judging for the ones to go to national. So please, that's all I have to pass for Americanism and AA, I request my require. Report, there's motion on the floor. And second, any discussion, I have a little discussion. Every one of our programs that we do, we need some support on them. We get tremendous support for homeless veterans and the women's veterans' group. We need more for this. This was big programs for the elementary schools, and when the elementary schools do the little drawings and then they send them to the post, the post can put them on the wall. That's a lot of program hours. And your vets that you post really appreciate those cards that the kids write and the colors and the essays. So some of y'all step up and join Tanya on that committee. Report was properly moved & seconded

**Quartermaster Arlene Frisk.** FY 2024-2025 compared to FY 2025-2026. Nationals \$25,332.5 to \$32,893.50. OCT SEC \$9525 to \$13409.25. FEB SEC \$13910. Convention \$17690.50. Pops Online \$24376.05 so far this year \$7072.10. October SEC we did \$3,984 more than last year. And it consisted of 227 transactions for an average purchase of \$59 and it was 29% more than last year. So that was really good. For the last four months, we've done \$53,374.85. I'm going to emphasize this, the gross profit, is 17% for fiscal year, 24/25 okay, our target is another 10 so we are performing over what our target is. And I just want to mention too, the Quartermaster is not really designed to make profit. It is to get you out of what you need. So just keep that in mind. When you start rolling these numbers around in your head, so if we are making a profit, that's just a bonus. Brenda, I really thank you. Recognize that we are the Nationals. We were so slammed, and she jumped in. She's never worked POS. She jumped in and like, it was seamless. She helped us because we needed help. I want to thank my post, 26 auxiliary sons, riders, and our AMVETS. I mean, I can't do this job without the support I get at my post. Support I get at my post and, of course, my children. Report was properly moved & seconded.

**Honors and awards. PDC. Doug Ferguson,** Good morning, the honors and awards committee met at 12 noon, along with The district managers, everybody we had the same number. And we already have one, I think it was up. We already have one as somebody and. And again, I'll say we are number one in the nation, and we can prove it with the awards. We're not awarding our post members. Every post has a green hat award. Report was properly moved & seconded.

**VAVS Council Report-Walter Ahmad,** Report was properly moved & seconded.

**Women's veterans committee report. Nadya Kahlbaugh Sergeant Kay,** Good morning. The women Veterans Council met in salon 10 at 2pm there was a present and a post present. I made that distinction because a lot of the times one post brings two or three and it seems like we have a lot of people present, but it's only one or two posts. This time we had eight present and eight different posts. It's a sad showing. Since yesterday, we had so many posts present, but we understand we discussed the work in promoting women veterans at each post individually. The same thing that I've been saying for the past few years, we need to promote women veterans. There. They are out there. Okay? They need to know that you are there. So whenever you do your recruiting, make sure you have a female vet present. Make sure that there are promoted within the post, so that your people know that they can talk to another female say, hey, we have female vets in our post. You're welcome to join us. And for the females, I want to be nice, okay, you need to stand up, stand out and speak up. That's a Florida matter. Okay? I think Florida is the only in the. State that actually has a model that's actually promoting female vets. At national we were not able to network, although there were a lot of female vets present, but there was so much else going on, we really did not have the time. Use that as a networking and as a recruiting tool. So just having one female or two in your post is not an excuse. Madam President took up our project, which was actually not this year, the new Madam President brought us a project which was women veterans ignited. We discussed it. We even loved how the Ignited part means starting a fire, lighting a fire, and that's what we want to do. The women veterans ignited not only takes care of women vets, but their children, which has been something that has been lacking in every place we've been. If a female vet is homeless, they're usually in their car with their children, because there is no place that can take a mom and their children. We discussed and we talked about trying to do fundraisers, since we don't have any money, so we try to find fundraisers and talk about families so we can donate. I would like a point of contact so that if your post gets called, they have the number or some email at the post that can answer their questions instead of trying to tell them how I really don't know anything about that. Put it by wherever your canteen phone is, because that's who usually answers your post phone, I did have a lady that was a little on the edge, and it was in Lake City, and somebody over there at the VA gave them my number. She called me, and she said, Can you help me? So of course, I took her information and said, 30 minutes, I'll get back with you. And I started calling someone. I did the phone call for her, trying to find somebody near her. We don't know where that female might have been or what she might have done. If you guys call me, then I'll take the ball when you guys are the point of contact that they're going to be calling us. Report was properly moved & seconded.

Yesterday morning, at the opening of this meeting or business session, I had a male veteran come to me. We're having a conversation like, so you're going into the meeting? Yeah, I'm going into the men's meeting. No, that's not the men's meeting.

This is not a men's meeting. I'm sorry with that language also, as far as the money goes, your committee, if all these posts out there donating, just like they do for the homeless Task Force, you'd be able to raise a lot more money and do some more work on this. And I believe in national they did have meetings for the women veteran Task Force.

**Homeless veterans Task Force-Pat Tully & Steve Cantelli.** Steve and I work together, we got to go to one of the most interesting houses I've ever seen in my life. 11,000 plus. This lady, she gave us her whole closet. I have already spoken with Sergeant K, and Sergeant K and I are going to take the remaining clothes. The women's clothes are very good, very nice, very new, never worn, and we're going to bring those to Ashley House, and we're also going to bring it to the women's enlightenment housing, we're going to bring the Extra close to those two Women's housing. Report was properly moved & seconded.

**Sons' coordinator, Rick Beaulieu.** Yesterday I attended the sons' meeting, and they're doing very well. They have a total of 4000 members. They've given away scooters, six of them so far this year, keeping up with that. And also, they're leading the nation, as always, in program reporting. So they're on. Little over 50% of what the nation is doing, they're doing well, and they're falling in line. Report was properly moved & seconded.

**Executive Director– Rick McKern**

We have extra books. So if y'all want to take books back with you. I know there's been some issues with the online registration, just bear with us. We're working it out. Report was properly moved & seconded.

Commander Richards, As you know, a lot of these veterans coming back from Iraq and Afghanistan are suffering a lot of these TBI, and the VA is really not doing a lot. So we have a gentleman who has proposed a committee for helping veterans with TBI, and I'd like for him to describe his program.

**Tim Sorady,** Firstly, AM, praise, in my work with Freddy's part, what I found is I was getting calls from veterans who were getting a lot of time for them to get properly diagnosed. The following VA and proper procedures. The proper procedures are not available. To give you a few numbers that I've learned ever on. There, 7 million veterans in Florida. Based on that number, we have approximately 924,000 veterans with at least one TDI. My thoughts and my purpose is to address the challenge that those of us with us aren't related. Help that out. In doing this, I'd like to do some awareness and outreach, you know, connect these veterans, which places this as brand-new report. One veteran I work with, we eventually got her into, it took her five years to get properly diagnosed, and she's only just 10 years later started getting treatment. I located support groups. One of the things when I had my brain injury was people sent my wife somewhere to get help for me. We have a list of 63 supporters in the state of Florida, we have over 35 primary places we can refer people to help get the necessary help that they need. We also wanted to help within the military, TBI are very, you know, My goal is within department Florida, and this is the state first one in the country is to come up with a veterans, Brain injury assistance. And I'm holding the mission for today. We're going to be first in country to do this, and I hope that through my knowledge and getting our AMVETS family involved, we can go ahead and move forward with this. With that, I want to thank you. I give the commander my plan, and thank you, Commander for supporting these plans. Eventually, my goal is to get a law in place that this is funded permanently. Would you please put a resolution together so that we can vote on this during Convention and make it a program. Report was properly moved & seconded.

On behalf of chapter 98 riders, we would like to present the Homeless Veterans task force with a check for \$1600.

**Commander-Dean Richards**

We had commanders training yesterday, and we had 34 people in attendance. We discussed the constitution and bylaws and how it protects the organization, and it protects the officers that they're not just rules that somebody made up. These are the things we have to follow. I let the commanders know that they'd be receiving their zip drive. The zip drives went out through the district commanders with the instructions once they get them to them, not later than two weeks that the commanders, once they receive them, to email me back so I know that they received it, so there's no more of this. Given information out and people saying we didn't get it all right, I move my report. Report was properly moved & seconded.

**Judge Advocate Sharon Davis,** The CBL committee met yesterday at 12 o'clock in salon nine. We had 16 present, four members and 12 guests, we went over the amendments that are in the handout that you received with your booklet. And starting with the first 26-01 is change department of Florida by

laws, Article four, Section Five. The source is the department Finance Committee, and it's the resolve states. Be it resolved that article four, Section five, be changed to read starting September 1, 2026 the revenue of this department shall be derived from the membership fees and dues of the members of the posts in the department and such other sources, consistent with the provisions of the national constitution and bylaws. AMVETS dues, annual membership in any post within the Florida AMVETS shall be \$45 of which \$15 shall be forwarded to the national organization. \$15 remain with this department, and \$15 stays at the post MAL dues shall be \$45 of which \$15 shall be forwarded to the national organization, \$5 placed in an advertisement fund for the department, and the remaining \$25 remains with this department. In the case of life membership, the minimum rate shall be established by the national constitution and bylaw. Be it further resolved that Article Five, Section five, be changed to read starting September 1, 2027 the revenue of this department shall be derived from the membership fees and dues of the members of the posts in The Department and such other sources consistent with the provisions of the national constitution and bylaws. AMVETS dues Annual membership in any post within the Florida AMVETS shall be \$50 of which \$15 shall be forwarded to the national organization. \$20 remain with this department, and \$15 stays at the post. MAL dues shall be \$50 of which \$15 shall be forwarded to the national organization, \$5 placed in advertisement fund for the department, and the remaining \$30 remains with this department. In the case of life membership, the minimum rate shall be established by the National Constitution and bylaws. The committee recommends that we adopt, okay. CBL committee recommended adopt. The finance committee submitted it, so they recommend adopt. The membership committee recommended adopt. And the policy update committee recommended adopt, was a motion on the floor and a second any discussion.

This is we know the finances need to be held, but luckily, I got an email copy of the book, and for some reason, the finance officer's report was shortened down, but there's some key information the membership is missing on it. Let me fill out a couple points from 23 to 25 our payroll tax increased 327% professional services increased by 459% meaning go to 2014 \$1,000 we got check expenditures increase. With numerous large, undetailed, rented actions, this FY commanding your discretionary login has already had \$2,500 spent 2000 per year, 64 posts here, and you're asked to post who the only ones get members to pay higher dues. Prior to this, department used FBM socially used to get us members. We don't have that anymore. So, when you're asking for the votes to raise more money for a department that's increasing its debt, providing anything to the membership other than we need more money, so we vote to adopt this. You're pretty much selling your votes that we need to be paid for this. We don't really have the checks and balances at department to make sure the money we deal with now, very careful, and I would always recommend this is such an important vote that the majority of our membership. And Graham, let me address the comment you made here, that 25 \$2,600 that you're talking about. That's a carryover from last year's commander's budget. I have not spent a single dime. John Dexter, can you come up here? Yeah, that's correct. About the discretionary fund for the commander. That is a rollover from past department commander Ferguson, so And of that, and just to speak on some additional issues that you did bring up in reference to payroll taxes and other things as well. The last Executive Director, I believe he was mostly paid with checks. This Executive Director, his payroll comes directly out of QuickBooks. So there is accountability, there will be a discrepancy there. When you look at both of those payroll and as well as taxes, there has been, and it has been for some time, we have operated more in the negative. Okay, it is true that expenses are exceeding revenue, and I will say, you know, on an average of probably about \$4,000 per month. Okay, granted, we do have investment funds that we can tap into, however, that's something that we really do not want to do if we continue the way we are going, even if we try to implement a lot of cutbacks at some point, at some point, we will deplete our general checking account. It was Policy Committee and the membership committee, as well as the finance and the CBL committee the policy number two, the policy committee that what is that is present is our commander yourself, Dean Richards and member Aaron James. Your members of those committees. Therefore, number two, the Personnel Committee did not have the programs committee is only made up of our second question, Amy, who also would not

have a would not have A vote programs did not vote on it. Okay? Voted? You said, when the support was given, we address, okay, I'll address those. Uh, we checked with credentials, and no, none of the other policy members were on or were here present. So, I temporarily took these he with the E boards approval, deleted them. I was ex officio. It was the judge advocate and three first vices for membership and three district commanders for policy. No, they weren't. They are not recognized. Well, I have checked my day on that they were all present. So, they are present among their posts. However, if you utilize them for a can you show me where that is so I know for future records. Excuse me. We will pass that information. We can follow me. This is all stuff that was supposed to be addressed afterwards, which is that why this was addressed to move this amendment forward. It was addressed at 730 this morning. Excuse me. First Vice Sean from 2415, Sherri Velten from 444, and Curtis, where you at, from post 50, District Commander, Joe Torres, district 11, Tanya, district 10, Jane Abel. And that's on the policy. Okay, okay, so, can we proceed? There's a motion on the floor. Any discussion here, you need a microphone.

If you look at the National bylaws, it actually says the national gets \$15 and the market only gets two. It is the ability to adjust your dues to whatever level you want to save for the post, they can adjust their dues to whatever level they want. You can literally adjust your lifetime dues over nationals, we as a department, been including nonprofit laws that our dues are \$35 with 15 going to national, 10 to department, 10 to posts, we are now a position where we can adjust our department, whatever level that we want. The membership approves, but there is no requirement that we have to back national it's already written in the national bylaws. PDC, Ferguson, you'd like to say something. What comes from our natural our new what they want and feel they want at the department level, if they are considered not what is indicated by there's a motion on the floor and a second, we have call for the vote. Excuse me, we have call for the vote. Call for the vote. No more discussion. There's a motion on the floor and a second all those in favor say, Aye. All those opposed, same sign, all right, Provost, we're going to do a count. Motion, rejected.

All right, moving on draft CBL amendment 26-02 subject Add the duties and authorization of the Inspector General to Article Two. The source being the Department Executive Committee. Be it resolved a new section be added to AMVETS department of Florida by laws. Article Two, numbered section 16, which reads, state inspector general. The State Inspector General shall be the investigating officer of the AMVETS department of Florida. By direction of the state commander or the state executive committee. The State Inspector General shall make any necessary investigations pertaining to grievances, disciplinary cases, fraud or dishonesty within the organization, and charges of conduct, unbecoming an AMVET, and shall be empowered to have access to all records, financial and otherwise, of all districts, post, district and or post officers or members when necessary For the discharge of the state inspector general duties. In making such investigations, the state inspector general shall report to the state commander, who shall, in turn, review the findings with the state judge advocate, and if warranted, report to the State Executive Committee. And, the section following this edition be renumbered accordingly. The CBL Committee voted to adopt, Commander I make a motion to approve this amendment. There's a motion on the floor and a second any discussion hearing, none all those in favor say, Aye, All those opposed. Same sign motion carries. Motion adopted.

Draft CBL, amendment 26-03 has been withdrawn. That is the one concerning the redistricting. And when the same goes with the draft CBL amendment 26-04 it's also been withdrawn. It refers to district commanders.

Moving on to 26-05 subject, delete the five-year requirement for convention bids. Source is the AMVETS department of Florida executive board. Resolved that Article Three, section two, be changed to read: the convention and SEC sites may be selected in advance and must be submitted by the commander at a department convention or SEC. The CBL Committee voted to adopt, Commander I

make a motion that we adopt this amendment. There's a motion on the floor and a second any discussion hearing, none. All those in favor say, Aye, All those opposed. Same time. Motion adopted.

Draft department CBL amendment 26-06 subject is election, voting rules. The source is the AMVETS Department of Florida, executive board. Resolved that Article Three, Section six be changed to read all duly registered AMVETS members shall have one vote each for the elective officers of the department. The department commander must cast his or her vote in the event of a tie. The CBL committee recommended that we adopt this amendment, Commander, I make a motion that we adopt. CBL, 26-06 there's motion on the floor and a second any discussion hearing, none all those in favor say, Aye, All those opposed. Same sign. Motion adopted.

Draft department CBL, amendment 26-07 subject establish new article two, section 1 L convention, Rules Committee, the sources, department e board. Resolved that a new article two, section 1 L be added to the Department of Florida bylaws stating Article Two section 1 L the department commander shall appoint a convention rules committee consisting of three members, a member from each of the following, a member of the Credentials Committee, a member of the constitution and bylaws committee, and the alternate provost marshal. The constitution and bylaws member will chair the committee. The CBL committee recommended that we adopt this amendment, Commander I make a motion that we adopt, motion on the floor and second any discussion hearing, none all those in favor say, Aye. All opposed. Same sign motion adopted.

CBL 26-08 was also withdrawn. So that's it for the CBL committee minutes. I did want to mention that I think it might have been the executive director or maybe PDC Corso talked about updates to the CBL. Once those updates are done, I will be updating the generic CBL on the website, and I'm going to request that all our posts submit their updated CBLs and SOPs to me by the February convention, pending those changes being made. That was my CBL committee report, and I move that it be accepted. Report was properly moved & seconded.

**Sharon Davis** I had grievance processing training here in ballroom A yesterday, at three o'clock, we had 27 in attendance, and I think it was very well received. For those of you that couldn't attend the training, it's on the flash drive that you got, but it's also on the website, along with the narrative that I that I read from if anybody's here, I've got a couple of other books, a couple of books left over. If anybody here wants one that didn't attend the training. Feel free. I'll be more than happy to give you one. I plan on doing another training in February, depending on what the commander requests, but that information will be put out as soon as I get it from him, Commander. I move my report. Report was properly moved & seconded.

Commander Richards, How many people were at national this year? I'm sorry I didn't make it because of my knee. National is trying to raise dues. They didn't, but they're trying to. Now, I will just let you know this, if national raises dues before we do, we are not going to see hardly anything out of it. It would be impossible for us to raise up above them. Just keep that in mind. Is there any unfinished business. New business. New business. Okay, good of the AMVETS. Terry Betts went to the hospital last night. He'll be released two o'clock to go to his own cardiologist. Andre if you'll help Mrs. Betts get loaded up. Any other good of the AMVETS? Ron Sims fell out on the deck last night, and Rhonda, where you at? Rhonda and Madam President attended to him till the paramedics got here. I think they deserve a round of applause. Now, having said that if you're post commander, District Commander, whatever, when your people come up on that second-floor desk, they can't get hammered. They can have a good time, but they can't get hammered because it's like last night. I'm sure the hotel is like, damn. You know that's a direct reflection on us. So just when you bring people to convention, just monitor them, make sure they're not slamming them. All right?

AJ John, good morning, everyone. I have to inform everybody that National Commander Johnson should be going into hospice Monday. Keep him and his family in your prayers. Please. Some of y'all don't understand, this is very good friend. We came in this organization together.

Commander Richards, At this time, I'd like everybody to stand have a moment of science silence and prayer for National Commander Horace Johnson, keep commander Johnson and his family in your prayers. He's one of the greatest men that I've ever met in this organization, and he will live on through, forever, all right, go ahead and be seated.

Any other good of the AMVETS? I'll entertain a motion to adjourn. Motion on the floor, and second All in favor say aye. Motion carries.

Chaplain Inetta Bullock leads the prayer.

Adjourned 0942

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Title and Name	2/21/26 (Saturday)		2/22/26 (Sunday)
<b>Headquarters and Elected Officers</b>			
Commander - Dean Richards			
Executive Director - Richard McKern			
Adjutant - Ruth Richards			
Vice Commander for Membership - Kevin Butwill			
Vice Commander for Programs - David Baca			
Judge Advocate - Sharon Davis			
Finance Officer - Dr. Jondexter Toombs			
Provost Marshall - Andre Hardy			
National Executive Committeeman - PDC A.J. John			
Alt National Executive Committeeman - PDC Eddie Bullock			
<b>Past National Commanders</b>			
PNC Joe Piening			
PNC/PDC Larry Via			
<b>Past Department Commanders</b>			
PDC King D Beckham			
PDC Manny Sylvia			
PDC Larry Arnett			
PDC/PNC Larry Via			
PDC A.J. John			
PDC Allen Baggett			
PDC Terry Corson			
PDC Tom Payton			
PDC Eddie Bullock			
PDC Doug Ferguson			
<b>Finance Committee</b>			
Committee Chair - Dr. Jondexter Toombs			
Member 3 year - PDC Terry Corson			
Member 1 year - Brenda Binegar			
Member 2 year - Beth Endrick			
<b>Service Foundation</b>			
Trustee 3 year President - PDC Terry Corson			
Trustee 1 year Parliamentarian - PNC Joe Piening			
Trustee 1 year Treasurer - Jodi Wood			
Trustee 2 year Vice President - PDC A.J. John			
Trustee 2 year Secretary - PDC Doug Ferguson			
Consultant Don Rhindress			
<b>Appointed Committee Positions</b>			
Chaplain - Tom Dixon			
Assistant Chaplain - Paul Maldonado			
Public Relations/Webmaster -Cliff Gordon			

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JR AMVETS Coordinator - Tina Petrie			
Assistant JR AMVETS Coordinator - Cyndi Hancock			
Legislative Officer/FL Veterans Council - Richard McKern			
Department Quartermaster - Arlene Frisk			
Assistant Quartermaster - TBD			
National Guard Liason Officer - Terry Corson			
AADAA Committee - Tanya Marheine			
Americanism Committee - Tanya Marheine			
Womens Veterans Advisory Chairperson - Nayda Kahlbaugh			
Sons of AMVETS Cooridator - Rick Beaulieu			
Department Convention Chairperson - Jim Varner			
American Gold Star Mothers - Frank Sabo			
ROTC Chairperson - Lanny Boothe			
<b>Credentials Committee Chairperson - Doris Dixon</b>			
Member - Brenda Binegar			
Member - Penny Lozon			
Honors & Awards Committee Chairperson - Doug Ferguson			
Alternate Provost Marshall - Pat Tully			
Deputy Provost Marshall - Eric Cornick			
Deputy Provost Marshall - Rhonda Smith			
Deputy Provost Marshall - Larry Lonneville			
Inspector General - Terry Betts			
Deputy Inspector General North FL - Brad Smith			
Membership Committee - Kevin Butwill			
Programs Committee - David Baca			
<b>Personnel Committee - Dean Richards</b>			
Member - David Baca			
Member - Kevin Butwill			
Member - Mike Brown			
Member - Andre Hardy			
<b>Policy Update Committee - Dean Richards</b>			
Member - Sharon Davis			
Member - Joseph Taylor			
Member - Robert Buckridge			
<b>Constitution and Bylaws Committee Chair - Sharon Davis</b>			
Member - Inetta Bullock			
Member - Mike Brown			
Member - John Wood			
Member - Brian Malcolm			
<b>Grievance Committee Chair - PCD A.J. John</b>			
Member - Tom Dixon			

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Member - Geoff Earle			
Member - Randy Hurlburt			
Member Ian Norris			
<b>General Scholarhp Committee - Sharon Davis</b>			
Member - Les Moreland			
<b>Homeless Veterans Task Force/POW-MIA Committee Chair - Pat Tully</b>			
Member - Steve Cantelli			
Member - Justin Dee			
Member - Nayd Kahlbaugh			
Honor Guard Committee Chairperson - Ron Fox			
Member - Kevin Butwill			
Member - TBD			
Member - Kenneth Gordon			
Member - TBD			
<b>State Vet Nursing Homes</b>			
Baldomero Lopez Nursing Home Rep - Gabriell Maddaloni			
Clyde Lassen Nursing Home Rep - Williard Day			
Douglas T Jacobson Nursing Home Rep - TBD			
Robert Jenkins Assisted Living Homre Rep - Mac Bevans			
Sims State Veterans Nursing Home Rep - Al Schmidt			
Emery L. Bennett Veterans Memorial Nursing Home - TBD			
VAVS Committee Coordinator and Chair - Walter Ahmad			
Bay Pines Rep - TBD			
Bay Pines Deputy Rep - TBD			
Bay Pines Deputy Rep - TBD			
Gainesville VAMC Rep - TBD			
Gainesville Deputy Rep - TBD			
Lake City VAMC Home Rep - TBD			
Lake City VAMC Home Associate Rep - TBD			
James A Haley Rep - Inetta Bullock			
Pensacola VAOPC Rep - TBD			
Biloxi VAMC Rep - Ellen Ramos			
Miami VAMC Rep - TBD			
Orlando VAMC Rep - TBD			
Orlando VAMC Deputy Rep - TBD			
West Palm Beach VAMC Rep - Walter Ahmad			
<b>Cemetery Representatives</b>			
Bay Pines National Cemetery Rep - Jack Rafferty			
Bushnell National Cemetery Rep - Bob Benderman			
St Augustine National Cemetery Rep - Williard Day			
Sarasota National Cemetery Rep - Barbara McGann			

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South Florida National Cemetery Rep - Doris Stanczyk			
Barrancas National Cemetery Rep - Frank Youtzy			
Tallahassee National Cemetery Rep - Gordon Lightfoot			
Jacksonville National Cemetery Rep - John Givens			
Cape Canaveral National Cemetery Rep - Robert Lariviere			
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2 - Edgewater/New Smyrna			
4 - Tampa			
7 - Chipley			
8 - St Petersburg			
9 - Odessa			
12 - Pensacola			
13 - Deland			
14 - Hobe Sound			
15 - Fort Pierce			
17 - Sanford			
19 - Ft. McCoy			
21 - Sebring			
23 - Naples			
26 -Dover			
29 -Destin			
30 -Orlando			
32 - Lakeland			
33 -St Cloud			
34 -Palm Bay			
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45 - St Augustine			
47 - Panama City Beach			
50 -North Fort Myers			
60 - Arcadia			
67 - Clearwater			
78 - Valparaiso			
81 - North Fort Myers			
86 - Keystone Heights			
88 - Bronson			
89 - Holder/Beverly Hills			
92 - Jensen Beach			
98 - Holiday			
99 - Ocala			
113 - Bunnell			
178 - DeFuniak Springs			
194 - Largo			
200 - Okeechobee			
231 - Fountain			
292 - Pensacola			
312 - North Port			
420 - Cantonment			
422 - Fanning Springs			
444 -Williston			
447 - Inglis			
550 - Zephyrhills			
777 - Englewood			
893 - Rockledge			
911 - Port Orange			
1208- Salt Springs			
1292 - Milton			
1776 - Tallahassee			
1992 - Mount Dora			
2000 - North Port			
2001 - Okeechobee			
2006 - Leesburg			
2216 - Lake City			
2298 - Callaway			
2415 - Cocoa			
7467 - Pinellas Park			

