



AMVETS JAMES T. SLATTERY POST 128
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AMVETS March – April 2018 Newsletter

Dear AMVETS Members and Guest,

Our February post and district meetings were canceled due to the winter weather that hit us. I believe almost everyone got the word of the cancellation?

Our meetings for the next two months are as follows;

Monday, March 19, 2018 at 6PM

The district meeting that was to be held in February has been moved to this night. As a result our post will meet at 6PM (one hour earlier). The district meeting will kick off after our post meeting at 7PM. Note that this month our post meeting is earlier than normal. There will be no other post meeting this month.

Monday, April 30, 2018 at 7PM

We are back on for the last Monday of the month. This is an important one as it is time again for the nomination of post officers. All positions are open and your attendance is critical. Please try to attend.

In January's meeting we discussed our annual fundraiser; the White Clovers. Normally we hold it on the weekend of July 4th. As a result of where that falls this year, the membership picked to hold our **White Clover Fundraiser, Saturday, June 30, 2018**. I have yet to lock in the date with Walmart or Market Place Foods. Our post hopes we can get members to contribute to this fundraiser. Members, should you have other ideas of ways to fundraise, share that at the meetings. More at the meeting.

Upcoming AMVETS, Department of WI Events; (1) State Executive Committee (SEC) Meeting is taking place this March 24, 2018. It is being held in Milwaukee, WI. (2) 2018 AMVETS State Convention is taking place from June 21 – 24, 2018 in Green Bay, WI.

I hope everyone got their AMVETS newspaper; SOUND OFF. There is a lot of information in it. If you did not, please let me know and let's double check that your address is correct.

Everyone might have also received in the mail a yellowish colored post card. AMVETS VERIFICATION OF MEMBER DATA. Calling the number on the card will get your information updated. This is a way AMVETS works on additional money for what they do to help Veterans. This information is going into the 75th Anniversary Membership Directory. There is a cost for it. You do not have to purchase the book if you do not want to. It is up to you to make contact with them.

As many of you know I retired from the Military and have TRICARE. I do use the VA and my wife uses the TRICARE and Express Scripts. We just found out that our legislators in Washington, DC recently made changes to these programs. In the area of Express Scripts they are now charging the user a fee for mailing the prescriptions to you. So, just sharing this with those that use these services. Yes, I called and expressed my concerns! If you want more info, I'll be at the meeting.

This newsletter is for the two months as indicated in the top of the first page. Please mark your calendars accordingly so you can make the meets if possible. Also mark the event of our White Clover Fundraiser as indicated in this newsletter. You'll get more updates on things as I get them. Remember this is also your post and your newsletter. Feel free to send me stuff to put into the newsletter, which can be share with our members. Attend the meetings and speak up. Hope to see you at our upcoming meetings.

Things of Interest:

Armed Forces Vacation Club (AFVC): www.afvclub.com (or call 800-724-9988)

Army Echoes: solderforlife.army.mil/retirement

Honors: www.mccoysarmy.com

myPay: <https://mypay.dfas.mil/mypay.aspx> (or call 1-800-321-1080)

The Senior Citizens League: www.seniorsleague.org

www.VISN23.va.gov

“Stand Up, Hook Up, Check Equipment, Sound Off, Stand in the Door, Go”

Lenny

Leonard “Lenny” Shier
Commander

