

Your Committee was appointed to investigate and report to the Post the feasibility of continued ownership of the present Legion building. We have considered this problem and herewith submit our report.

PROBLEM - The Post is confronted with the burden of constantly advancing additional funds to maintain our building. It is difficult to find regular tenants who will pay a rent which is sufficient to offset the cost of operating the building.

PROBLEM - We find that our building has an average gross income of \$1200.00 per year. The cost of operating the premises is approximately \$1500.00 per year. This leaves an operating deficit of \$300.00 a year minimum. All this deficit must be covered by the Post in addition to the annual rent which we already pay. These figures do not reflect any allowance for capital expenses or major repairs and decorating to the premises. If we were to amortize these expenses over the years it is clear that the annual deficit is at least \$500.00 per year. Nor do these figures reflect the value of free service donated by our members in grass cutting, painting and repairs. It would be a conservative estimate that all factors considered our Post is paying approximately \$1200.00 per year to maintain our meeting place. This figures down to \$50.00 per meeting. A price which other organizations are reluctant to pay.

POSSIBLE SOLUTION - Your Committee has considered three possible solutions. (1) Continuing to operate as at present; (2) Sale of the premises; (3) Rental of these premises to a tenant for storage or other purposes.



We are in agreement that it is not economical to continue to operate the building as at present. That we must plan for the future by reducing the expense of our meeting place. This problem will become increasingly acute as the income of the Post from paper drives drops. It is our opinion that the gross revenue from the building from new tenants cannot be materially increased. Most organizations and individuals will not pay our actual costs of operation. In event we lower the rents to the point where we can obtain more tenants we feel we are just subsidizing them with below cost meeting facilities.

We do not feel that our situation can be improved by installing a bar. This will put us in competition with local business. We will have to incur a large increase in our insurance rates for dram shop insurance. Such a bar could never hope to be profitable on a part time basis. We will have to employ a bar tender with the attendant problem of supervision to keep his fingers out of the till. Those of us who have talked to other organizations which maintain bar have discovered that in nearly all instances they have proved to be more of a burden than a help.

Your Committee is generally agreed that the <sup>second</sup> solution is the best for our Post. We should now seriously consider selling the premises. At present we are under no urgency financially and can take the time to obtain the very best price.

In considering the possibility of sale your Committee has been advised that vacant property along Northwest Highway should be valued at figures from \$150.00 per front foot and up.



Since our property is ideally located and we can take the time we should be able to obtain the top price. Your Committee has purposely refrained from placing a value on the property because we do not feel this is our province.

Assuming our Post does sell its property your Committee has given thought to the problems which we must face at that time. We will need a new meeting place. However, we feel this can be solved by arranging for space like other local organizations. We feel that we could obtain a meeting place for a nominal charge at the Ten Pin. We would have catering and liquor facilities available for those who want them. As a matter of fact we feel that the Post could probably afford to furnish coffee and sandwiches. If we were to assume that the Post had a fund of \$40,000.00 invested we would receive about \$1200.00 per year. This income coupled with the annual dues available to the Post would mean that we have approximately \$1500.00 per year to spend on the Post and its activities. Sufficient safeguards could be adopted into the By-Laws to insure the principal could only be expended by a sizeable vote of the membership.

We feel that it is to the best advantage of the Post that we do not list the property for sale but that we appoint a member to whom all inquiries can be referred. He can report to the Post periodically and in event that an offer is made it can be referred to the Post for consideration. This will provide a means of procedure and a person to start it into operation if a good offer is made. At the same time we will not be involved in listing with a broker or be in the position of



peddling our property.

We have considered the possibility of the front portion of the property being sold and the present building be retained. It is conceivable this could be done under favorable conditions. Certainly we would not receive top value on such a sale because the reduction in size would destroy part of its value. It is hard to believe this is other than a remote possibility. We would still be saddled with the same expense of operation with less capital to invest and less income from investments.

The Committee feels the third solution is not too practical. If the premises are rented to a tenant we would have the same problem of finding a new meeting place and using the rentals from the building to apply on the expense of operating the Post. If the rent were large enough this might be done.

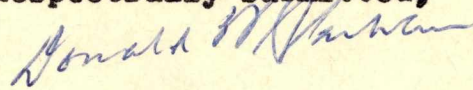
RECOMMENDATIONS - Your Committee makes the following recommendations:

- (1) That the Post determine that it will sell or rent the present premises provided that a satisfactory purchase price or rent is offered.
- (2) That at this time no figure for sale or rental be fixed by the Post.
- (3) That Roy Klepper be appointed as the sole representative to whom all inquiries regarding sale or rental be referred.
- (4) That he report periodically at least semi-annually on any activities.
- (5) That any bonafide offers to purchase or rent be reported to the Post for its action.



- (6) That in event of sale the By-Laws be amended to insure that only the income from investments be used for normal Post operations.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Donald W. Staehlin", written over the typed name.

Donald W. Staehlin



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 7/6/61 1961

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: TIME: \_\_\_\_\_  
OFFICERS 4 CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_  
MEMBERS 8 ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_  
TOTAL 12

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, American Legion was formally opened by Commander Wilson at 8 P.M., July 6, 1961. The minutes of the June 15 meeting were read and approved as read.

Finance Officer Roy W. Klepper read the financial report for the months of May and June, which also were accepted as read and are a part of these minutes.

A motion was made by Roy W. Klepper, seconded by Paul Cameron, that we withdraw \$244.35 from our account with the First Federal Savings and Loan, and deposit it into our checking account. This is due to the fact that our recent paper drives have brought in so little revenue and currently there is little or no hope of continuing paper drives.

A motion was made by Roy Klepper, seconded by Perry Conrad to pay our rent to the Memorial Building association for the months of April, May and June 1961. On the payment of this \$25.00 will be deducted, since this amount was paid by our Post for the cutting of the grass and other expenses connected with this work.

A motion was made by Burton Wendt, seconded by Paul Cameron authorizing Commander Wilson to write a letter to our members, asking for contributions to help carry our Post through this lean period.

Sick call. Ed. Homuth has been reported to have been sick. It also was reported that Mrs. Prow, wife of our Junior Vice Commander is in the hospital.

Paul Cameron suggested that our Post withdraw from participating in the scholarship fund with the Lions Club., since our income has dwindled so much because of the low prices received from the paper drives. In that direction, Ray Wichman and Paul Cameron will act as a committee.

Resepctfully submitted,

*Geo M Dittrich*

George M. Dittrich, Adj.



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich from notes MINUTES OF  
of Comm. W. W. <sup>ADJUTANT</sup> Wilson

DATE 7/20/61 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

## THE AMERICAN LEGION

An informal meeting of Barrington Post 158, American Legion was called to order by Commander Wilson at 8 P.M. on Thursday July 20, 1961. The minutes of the July 6 meeting were read and approved as read.

The nominating committee presented the following slate of officers for the ensuing year.

Commander  
Sr. Vice Commander  
Jr. Vice Commander  
Chaplain  
Seargent at arms  
Service officer  
Finance officer  
Quartermaster

Alfred C. Houser  
James L. Prow Jr.  
Burton F. Weat  
William W. Wilson  
Earl Kirk

Roy W. Klepper  
Bernard Potter

A motion was made by Gilbert Hayes that a unanimous ballot be cast for these men, which was seconded by Charles Gilly. Carried.

The incoming commander is a veteran of World War 1. He was in the field artillery and was commissioned a First Lieutenant at Camp Taylor Ky., where he was an instructor in gunnery. He was a former member of Highland Park Post 145, American Legion. There he served on the Building Committee and also was chairman of public relations.

Respectfully submitted,

*George M. Dittrich*  
George M. Dittrich, Adj.



BARRINGTON POST #158  
FINANCE OFFICER'S REPORT  
July 1, 1961

Balance forward May 1, 1961

\$ 2.23

Receipts:

Dues	\$20.00	
Paper	125.88	145.88
		<u>\$148.11</u>

Disbursements:

American Cancer Society - Memorial	\$10.00	
R.E. Willmering - Grave Flags	4.05	
1st Nat'l Bank - Box Rental	5.50	
Snetsinger's - Plant H. Grebe Serv.	5.00	
Premier Boys State - Fee D. Bremer	35.00	
Amer. Legion - Dept. of Illinois		
per capita 7 @ \$2.75	19.25	
10th Dist. - Amer. Legion		
per capita 7 @ 15¢	1.05	
Wm. Altman Sr. - Transportation		
Great Lakes Drum & Bugle Corps.	5.00	
Harry Lindberg - Grass cutting		
(to apply on rental)	25.00	
James Prow Jr. - Memorial Day		
Breakfast	11.54	
G.M.O. Railway - Transportation		
Boys State	6.00	
		<u>127.39</u>

Balance in Checking Account July 1, 1961

\$ 20.72


Investment - First Federal Savings & Loan Assoc.

544.35

Total Deposits July 1, 1961

\$565.07

Respectfully submitted,

  
Roy W. Klepper  
Finance Officer



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 8/17/61

19

APPROVED BY

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE:

TIME:

OFFICERS

CONVENED

MEMBERS

ADJOURNED

TOTAL

The installation of our 1961-1962 officers took place at the Legion Home on August 17, 1961. Tenth District officers Oliver Cromwell, John Schultz, Robert Maxwell, Elbert Wayne and Harold Blackwell officiated.

Prior to the installation of the Post officers, the new officers of our Auxiliary were installed by their respective officers of the Tenth District.

After these two ceremonies cake and coffee were enjoyed by all who were present.

Respectfully submitted,

*Geo M. Dittrich*

George M. Dittrich, Adjutant



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich  
ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 9/7/61 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: TIME:  
OFFICERS 5 CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_  
MEMBERS 15 ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_  
TOTAL 20

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, American Legion was formally opened by our new Commander Alfred C. Houser at 8:15 P.M., on Thursday Sept. 7, 1961. The minutes of the August 17th. meeting were read and approved as read. Roy W. Klepper, the finance officer read the financial report of July, which also was accepted as read and are a part of these minutes.

After reading the financial report, Roy W. Klepper suggested that an audit of our finances be made. Consequently a motion was made by Roy E. Willmering, seconded by Jim Prow Jr., authorizing Paul Cameron to do the auditing. Carried.

A motion was made by Roy Klepper, seconded by Harry Coffman, authorizing our finance officer to transfer the \$300.00 investment in the First Federal Savings and Loan Association to the Checking Account, Carried.

Commander Houser suggested his plans of holding one business meeting each month, but Roy Klepper suggested that his plan be brought up at the meeting of September 21.

Sick call. Paul Cameron, after a short illness is up and out again. Legionnaires Hartley and Sanford Rieke are at Hines hospital.

A letter composed by Commander Houser asking a donation of \$2.00 or more to help tide our Post over the current financial difficulties was endorsed by the majority of members present. This letter is to be enclosed with the annual dues statement.

A brief monthly letter mimeographed on a post card to all members of our Post was suggested by our commander. After some discussion pro and con, and that mainly because of our low finances, it was decided that this plan should be tried for two or three months. To help defray the expense for the first edition, a collection was taken of the members present which netted \$7.75

A motion was made by Roy Willmering, seconded by Wilson, that a book be passed around each meeting for all those in attendance to sign. Carried. The book for this purpose has been donated by Roy Willmering.

A motion was made by Wilson, seconded by Willmering requesting the adjutant to ~~study~~ ascertain whose signatures are to appear on the papers, in the event of a sale of the Post's real estate.

A motion was made by Willmering, seconded by Lindberg, requesting the adjutant to instruct Paul Cameron that the Post is withdrawing its financial support from the John Babb Memorial Scholarship fund after all current funds are expended.

Commander Houser appointed Ed. Langendorf as chairman for all social functions for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

*George M. Dittrich*  
George M. Dittrich, Adjutant.



BARRINGTON POST #158  
FINANCE OFFICER'S REPORT  
August 1, 1961

Balance forward July 1, 1961		\$ 20.72
Receipts:		
Dues	\$ 20.00	
Special Donation	5.00	
Refund from V.F.W.	5.77	
Transfer from Investment Account	244.35	
		<u>275.12</u>
		\$295.84
Disbursements:		
Memorial Bldg. Assoc. - rent thru June	\$155.00	
10th Dist. - per capita 1 @ 15¢	.15	
Amer. Region, Dept. of Ill. per cap. 1	2.75	
		<u>157.90</u>
Balance in checking account August 1, 1961		\$137.94
Investment - First Fed. Sav. & Loan Assoc.		300.00
Total deposits August 1, 1961		<u>\$437.94</u>

Respectfully submitted,

  
Roy W. Klepper, Finance Officer

July & Aug rent due -



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 9/21/61 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: TIME:

OFFICERS 8 CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS 26 ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL 34

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, The American Legion, was formally opened by Commander Houser at 8:15 P.M., on Thursday September 21, 1961. The minutes of the September 7th. meeting were read and approved as read.

Sick Call. John Matysik is at Downey Hospital again and Sanford Rieke is at Hines Hospital.

A motion was made by Roy Klepper, seconded by Roy Willmering, recommending that the first regular meeting of the month, which is the first Thursday, be a social meeting, while the second meeting of the month, which is scheduled for the third Thursday of the month, be a business meeting. Carried. But if something of an important nature should arise, this should be worked out by the executive committee.

A. motion was made by Perry Conrad that the Commander of Barrington Post 158, the American Legion, be authorized to solicit offers for the purchase or lease of the real estate located at Lions Drive and Northwest Highway.

Perry Conrad further moved that the Commander of Barrington Post 158, the American Legion, be authorized to spend a reasonable sum of money, as approved by the Finance Officer of Post 158, for advertising the solicitation of such offers.

He further moved that any offers of purchase or lease of the premises at Lions Drive and Northwest Highway, received by the Commander, shall be referred to the Board Of Directors of Barrington Post 158, the American Legion Memorial Building Association, for further action.

By vote of raised hands the ayes had it by 24 votes plus 11 proxies. There were 3 votes against, hence carried.

Commander Houser outlined a series of social events to take place during the current season. On Veterans Day a pot luck dinner will be served. The Post will supply the ham, while the ladies Auxiliary will provide various dishes plus their work. Admission for adults will be a dollar, children under twelve fifty cents. The proceeds are to be divided between the Post and the Auxiliary. For the event Ed. Langendorf is to solicit the merchants for door prizes. In Mid-january a card party with more door prizes. In Mid-march, which is close to the Legion anniversary, another party for the entertainment of all. Max Hembrey volunteered two door prizes. To carry out the above a motion was made by Rothwell B Back, seconded by Perry Conrad. Carried.

Roy Willmering is still seeking men to sell flags, likewise he is also in search for a man to put the flags out in the business district on specified days under the advisement of the Commander.

A motion was made by Don Staehlin, seconded by Rothwell Back to include Paul Cameron, Perry Conrad and Ed. Langendorf on the executive committee in addition to the elected and appointed Officers of the Post. Carried.

A motion was made by Ed. Langendorf, seconded by Klepper, appointing the following as delegates to the tenth district. Perry Conrad and James L. Prow Jr. Alternates, Harry Lindberg, Burton F. Wendt, Roy E. Willmering, and William W. Wilson. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
*George M. Dittrich*  
George M. Dittrich, Adj.



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 11/16/61 19

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS 3 CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS 9 ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL 12

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, The American Legion was held on November 16, 1961. The minutes of the September 21st meeting were read and approved as read.

The Veterans' Day dinner netted the Post \$5.80 after all costs of food and catering were paid. The Auxiliary received the same amount. This is the first time that we enjoyed this "get-together" with a dinner without incurring a cost either to the post or the Auxiliary.

A motion was made by Perry Conrad, seconded by Harry Coffman expressing the Post's appreciation to Tom Roche Jr. and Marshall Stayner for their splendid showing of travel films on Veterans' Day. The Adjutant will convey the Post's gratitude to both of them. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Harry Coffman, seconded by Ed. Langendorf that we accept the membership of John Reakes, Forrest Freeland and Tom Roach Jr. Motion Carried.

Sick call: Cecil E. Paxton is at Sherman Hospital again due to another heart attack. Directors of Barrington Post 158 are visiting John Matysik, long a member of Barrington Post died October 27, 1961. Burial was at Evergreen Cemetery.

Commander Houser appointed Ed. Langendorf and Harry Coffman as a committee to investigate the proper size "For Sale" sign and the cost for erecting same on the Legion property. This cost is to include the painting and lettering.

Perry Conrad reported on the "Welcome Party" for newly naturalized citizens which was given at Highland Park. He stated that there was a good turn out of legionnaires and that many Posts displayed their flags. He was accompanied to this affair by Earl Kirk, Burton Wendt and Commander Houser.

Respectfully submitted,

George M. Dittrich, Adjutant



COMPILED BY Al Houser

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE Dec. 7, 1961

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: TIME:

OFFICERS: \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

At the request of Service Officer, Roy Willmering, the Post's regular monthly Open House Hospitality Evening of December 7 was called into session by Commander Al Houser, for the purpose of transacting emergency business. Eighteen members were present.

Roy pointed out that in order to legalize the proposed sale of the Post's building and real estate, the proposition would have to be submitted to all members of the Post at a regular meeting, acting as stockholders of the building corporation. On motion of Harry Coffman and a second by Gilbert Hayes December 21 was unanimously set as the date for such meeting. Only paid up members (1961) are eligible to vote, Service Officer Wilmering pointed out.

At the suggestion of Harry Coffman, a Smoker was proposed to raise money to help meet current Post operating expenses. On a motion by Tom Roche and a second by Bill Wilson and a unanimous vote, January 5th was set as the date. Burton Wendt was named as Chairman of the Smoker arrangements committee. The following members volunteered to assist him: Perry Conrad, Charles Gilly, Ed Langendorf and Bill Wilson.

The membership application of Tom Roche Jr. was submitted by Commander Houser and unanimously approved. Arrangements for Tom's formal induction were deferred until a later date.

Roy Willmering informed the members present that the Post has a \$65 interest in a portable typewriter, purchased for him several years ago to carry out his work as service officer. Roy had paid \$15 of the original cost. Desiring to own the machine outright Roy proposed to reimburse the Post in the amount of \$65. His proposal was approved by acclamation and following adjournment he wrote a check for the amount, received by Al Houser to be delivered to Adjutant Dittrich.

Harry Coffman submitted a bill of \$15.60 for flowers billed to him for the Matyissick funeral. Cash donations equalling this amount were made by members present and the proceeds given to Harry, liquidating the obligation in full.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Al Houser

Secretary, Ex Officio

in the absence of Adjutant George Dittrich



COMPILED BY Bill Wilson  
ADJUTANT  
APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
COMMANDER

MINUTES OF  
POST NO. \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTMENT OF \_\_\_\_\_  
**THE AMERICAN LEGION**

DATE 12/21/61 19\_\_\_\_  
ATTENDANCE: TIME: \_\_\_\_\_  
OFFICERS 10 CONVENEED \_\_\_\_\_  
MEMBERS 5 ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_  
TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, The American Legion was formally opened by Commander Houser at 8:10 P.M.

It was reported that although John Reakes was voted in as a member at the meeting of November 10, 1961, he has not as yet paid his dues. The minutes of the meeting of November 10 are hereby corrected to eliminate Reakes until his dues are paid.

Service Officer Willmering reports that the widow of Comrade Zelsdorf has been taken care of as to burial allowance, headstone, etc. An Honor Guard consisting of Comrades Dittrich, Lindberg, Wilson, Conrad, Wendt, and Prow stood guard for Comrade Zelsdorf the night before his burial. Commander Houser, Willmering, and Coffman also were present at the funeral home.

Comrade Willmering reports he is donating space for 4 graves for children of any war veteran, regardless of race, creed, or color; the same rules will apply to these graves as apply to those in the Veteran's Memorial section. Comrade Roy makes this generous offer because of his (and his late wife's) love of children. A motion was made by Roy Klepper to accept this donation for the Post, seconded by Conrad, carried unanimously. A plat of the graves was submitted and is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Comrade Conrad reports that the 10th District contributed \$150.00 to help carry on our annual Elgin Hospital party. The Adjutant is directed to write a letter to the 10th District expressing our Post's gratitude. Comrade Conrad reports further that 10th District does not have the names of our alternate delegates. The Adjutant is directed to furnish the 10th District with the names of our alternates.

Comrade Willmering reports he took stamps to Elgin Hospital for use of vets who do not have money to buy same to mail Christmas cards.

Jr. Vice Cmdr Wendt reports arrangements for Smoker to be held on Jan. 5 are progressing. The food is lined up, but he has been unable to locate a source of free beer. He urges all members to get out and sell tickets. Also mentioned a card party to be held in the near future, with our Auxiliary, and suggested that we look forward to holding it in such a way as to "keep the ladies out of the kitchen". Over the years the ladies have been untiring in their efforts at such affairs, and he thinks we should show our appreciation by working for them.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M., to re-convene as the Building Corp.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Wilson  
Chaplain



COMPILED BY Al. Houser Commander

MINUTES OF

DATE 1/18/62 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_  
OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_  
MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_  
TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

Weather Extremely Cold. Adjutant George Dittrich absent.

Burton Wendt, Junior Vice Commander, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, reported the results of the smoker held at the Legion Home January 15. Net profit from the affair, he stated were \$111.50. He turned in, for delivery to the adjutant, a check for this amount.

Burton reported plans for further affairs: among them a card party, Saturday evening February 10, at which the Post will share sponsorship with the Ladies Auxilliary.

March 16, by voice vote, was set as the date for the next Smoker. Committee on arrangements. Burton Wendt, Chairman, Perry Conrad, Ed. Langendorf, Charles Tilly, *Albert* Charles Hayes and Fred Jacobson.

Service Officer Roy Willmering reported all legal details of his gift to the Post of a child's burial lot in Evergreen Cemetery. had been completed. The conveyance document was given to the adjutant, to be made a part of the Post's permanent records.

Roy also reported his performance record as Service Officer for the year 1961. It is as follows:

Photostats of discharge papers	47
Burial allowance secured	7
Discharge records secured	10
Death certificates secured	6
Marriage licenses traced	4
Divorce decrees recorded	1
Lost discharges recovered	2
Sent to hospital	2
Flags sold	4
Veterans' pensions secured	7
Grave markers secured	7

Commander Houser reported an invitation to the Post to attend a Hospitality Evening, received from Commander Ben Graber of VFW Barrington Post, Thursday evening February 15. By a motion and second and unanimous vote, invitation was accepted. Out Post's regular February 15 business meeting was changed to February 1.

At the request of Perry Conrad, the adjutant was requested to send a letter of thanks to Tenth District Commander John Schultz for the \$150.00 contribution to our Elgin Hospital Veterans' fund.

In the absence of Adjutant Dittrich Commander Houser agreed to write this letter. Also letters of thanks to Village Liquors, Ten Pin, and Manager Rafferty of the Barrington Jewell store for donations for the January 15 smoker.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned to February 1, 1962

Respectfully submitted

Al Houser for Adjutant Dittrich



COMPILED BY Al Houser  
for ADJUTANT

# MINUTES OF

DATE 2/1/62 19

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

## THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS 10 ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

No committee reports other than that of Burton Wendt, entertainment chairman, who announced date of second smoker as March 16th.

News of Ed. Fisher's death was received and Bill Wilson was appointed to handle funeral ceremonies.

Invitation from V. F. W. to be their guests on February 15th was accepted and resolution adopted canceling Legion Business meeting of that date.

Al Houser for Adjutant.



COMPILED BY \_\_\_\_\_

ADJUTANT

## MINUTES OF

DATE Mar. 15 1962

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Ill.

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

## THE AMERICAN LEGION

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, The American Legion was formally opened by Commander Hauser at 8 P.M. on Thursday, March 15, 1962.

The minutes of the two previous meetings were read and approved.

Burton Wendt reported on the card party of Saturday, February 10th. Twenty-eight were present and there were more pies than the guests were able to eat. These were sold. Net proceeds for this venture were \$41.00.

Roy Klepper read the financial report which was approved and is a part of these minutes.

Burton Wendt also gave a report of replies received for the smoker to be held on March 16th. Thus far 18 replies were received in answer to letters mailed out.

William A. Showere and ~~Robert~~ Glenn Robert Neal were presented to the Post for membership. A motion was made by Roy Klepper and seconded by Gilbert Hayes that they be accepted. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Perry Conrad and seconded by Gilbert Hayes that the Post renew the subscriptions to the Legion magazine for the Hough Street School, the High School, and St. Anne's School. Motion Carried.

Commander Houser brought before the membership the Legion's idea of ringing the bells on April 19th, 1962. The idea behind this is to advertise our freedom to the world and the day selected is the anniversary of Paul Revere's famous ride which was partially responsible for the birth of our freedom. To carry out this program Ray Wichman volunteered to see the various ministers and others who have bells to ring. Commander Hauser will contact Mayor Blanke and ask him if he will issue the suggested proclamation.

Langendorf gave an ~~expl~~ explanation of the Boy Scouts distribution of paper bags for THE GOOD WILL. The boys will later collect them. Through Mrs. Winston McAdoo, Mr. Langendorf was asked if these collected bags could be stored in the Legion Home until the truck picked them up. A motion was made by Ed. Langendorf and seconded by Ray Wichman to grant permission for the use of the Legion Home. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Geo M. Lattuch*



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich  
ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 4/5/62 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENE \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, the American Legion was formally opened by Commander Houser at 8:15 P.M. The minutes of the March 15th meeting were read and approved as read.

Our Post was honored by a visit from the Tenth District officers, Joe Schultz, Jack Zanin and Ed Kukla, all of whom spoke briefly relative to their interests in the Legion. Joe Schultz spoke about the current agenda of the Legion, naming the ringing of bells on April 19th, the anniversary of the famous ride of Paul Revere, which helped give birth to our ancestors' fight for freedom. Our Post was complimented for the effort in that direction.

Ed. Kukla spoke on membership and urged all to bring our Post's membership to 100 percent.

Jack Zanin reminded the members present of the next district meeting which is being held in Wauconda, which is not too far distant. Poppy Day was also part of his address, and he stated that in order to win the poppy war members must contact the early commuters to Chicago on the morning of May 24th.

Burton Wendt, who so successfully ran the last smoker on March 16th, promises another good success try on Friday May 4th.

The adjutant read a letter received from Jane Staehlin of the Auxiliary, in which our Post was invited to join the auxiliary in a chicken supper on May 5th. The members present agreed with the plan and agreed to join in the venture. The price of tickets for dinner will be \$1.50 for adults and \$.75 for children. The proceeds realized are to be divided between our Post and the Auxiliary.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Geo M. Dittrich*



Barrington Post #158  
Finance Officer's Report  
March 1, 1962

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Balance on deposit February 1, 1962 \$732.94

Receipts: none

Disbursements:

Sec. of State - Corp. Filing 1.00

Balance on deposit March 1, 1962 \$731.94

Respectfully submitted,

  
Roy W. Klepper, Finance Officer



## THE AMERICAN LEGION

The meeting of Barrington Post was formally opened by Commander Houser, on May 17, 1962, at 8:15 P.M. The minutes of the April 5th meeting were read and approved as read. In the absence of finance officer Roy W. Klepper the adjutant read the financial report for the month of April, which was also approved as read.

The admission of Marion Adams of 640 Exmoor Avenue was presented to the Post, and consequently a motion was made by Perry Conrad and seconded by Roy Willmering that he be accepted. Motion carried.

Burton Wendt reported on the smoker of May fourth. It was not as successful as the one held earlier in the year but the coffers of the Post were enriched by \$59.00 plus two additional dollars from a check mailed to the adjutant by Ray DeBolt.

The financial as well as the social success of the creamed chicken dinner given by the Auxiliary and the Post was discussed by the members present. The net proceeds amounted to \$191.00. Because the ladies, as at other affairs, have carried the brunt of the work a motion was made by Burton Wendt and seconded by Roy Willmering to allow the Auxiliary to retain all the profits. Motion carried. Commander Houser will notify President Mrs. Bauman of this action.

Roy Willmering questioned the members present as to what has been done about our obligations in supporting Cub Pack 200, which we have sponsored in the past. Because so little is presently known about it now, Burton Wendt volunteered to chick into this matter and report at a later date.

Roy Willmering also reported that more vandalism has been done at the Evergreen Cemetery, one of the more recent acts being the cutting of the halyard on the Veteran's monument. He also is offering a \$25.00 reward for the apprehension and conviction of the guilty party or parties.

Roy Willmering reported that Kim Wood has been chosen to represent our Post at Boys' State June 24th to 30th.

Tomorrow night, <sup>May</sup> March 18th, our annual party at the Elgin Hospital will take place. Roy Willmering has purchased all the prizes and necessities which go with this affair.

Memorial Day Program is as follows: Breakfast at 8 A.M. at the Legion Home. Ceremonies at 8 A.M. at the White Cemetery, 8:30 at St. Paul's Cemetery and at 9 o'clock at Barrington Center Cemetery. Parade to begin at 10:30 for Evergreen Cemetery. Our Post will furnish the firing squad this year.

Roy Willmering urged the members to write their congressman about the reinstatement of World War II insurance which is Bill H.R. 11268.

The Post was advised that Mrs. Kirchman donated the flag which draped the casket of Frank C. Kirchman to the Post, which, in turn, has donated it to the Park Board. A letter advising Mrs. Kirchman of this action will be sent to her.

A motion was made by George Dittrich and seconded by Roy Willmering authorizing Roy Klepper to enter the Post's vault box together with either the Adjutant or the Commander



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich  
ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 6/7/62 19

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
COMMANDER

POST NO 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_  
OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_  
MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_  
TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, The American Legion was formally opened by Commander Houser on June 7, 1962 at 8:15 P.M. Because this was a special meeting, and the minutes of the May 17th., meeting were not prepared, the reading of the minutes were dispensed with and will be read at the regular meeting of June 21, 1962.

Roy Kleppre the finance officer read the financial report for the month of May, which were approved, and are a part of these minutes.

A motion was made by Roy Willmering, seconded by Gilbert Hayes, approving the Post's vote for Edward Kukla of the Mundelein, as District Commander for the coming year.

Roy Willmering spoke at length about the depredations which have been occurring recently quite frequently at the Evergreen cemetery. Items, such as the mortars and cannon, which have graced the Civil War monument, have been taken, halyards to the flag poles have been cut or broken, and other desecrations have been committed. As a result Mr. Willmering wishes the moral support of the Post. Therefore a motion was made by Gilbert Hayes, seconded by Perry Conrad, that the Post lend all the assistance and support which the Post is able to give. Carried. In this matter, Roy Willmering assured the Post that this will not cause the Post any financial burdens.

The School awards for this year were and are being presented as follows:

North Barrington School June 6, 9:30 A.M.

Thomas Edward Krueger And Nancy Ann Newgent

St. Ann's School June 6, 8:30 P.M.

David P. McGee And Linda L. Lauer

Hough, Street School Jeffrey G. Kling and Kathleen L. Heinemann  
June 8, 1962

Countryside School, June 13, 9:30 A.M.

John G. Walker and Sara E. Pope

Through Roy Willmering, Carl George Haahr, proprietor of the Haar's Standard Service Station, located at 120 S. Northwest Highway, offered the Post a possible chance to earn a little income. In order to understand the deal more thoroughly, it was suggested that Mr. Haahr appear before the Post personally to explain the deal.

Respectfully submitted

*George M. Dittrich*  
George M. Dittrich, Adj.



Barrington Post #158  
Finance Officer's Report  
June 1, 1962

Balance on deposit May 1, 1962		\$547.39
Receipts:		
Dues		<u>24.00</u>
		\$572.39
Disbursements:		
Amer. Legion Dept. of Ill. - 12 members @ \$2.75	\$33.00	
10th Dist. Amer. Legion - 12 members @ 15¢	<u>1.80</u>	<u>34.80</u>
Balance on deposit June 1, 1962		<u>\$537.59</u>

Respectfully submitted,

  
Roy W. Klepper, Finance Officer



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 6/21/62 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS: \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, The American Legion was formally opened by Commander Houser at 8:15 P.M. on June 21, 1962. The minutes of the May 17th., and the June 7th., meetings were read and approved as read.

The admission of George Haar, of 120 S. Northwest Highway was presented to the Post. A motion was made by Gilbert Hayes, seconded by Charles Gilly, that he be admitted to our membership. Carried.

Roy Willmering requested that the adjutant write a letter of appreciation to the Reverend William Kirk and the Reverend Arthur Knudsen for giving the address and reading the invocation at the Evergreen Cemetery on Memorial day.

Roy Willmering informed us that the reward for the apprehension and conviction of those who have been desecrating the hallowed grounds of Evergreen cemetery has been increased to \$75.00.

Roy Willmering regretfully informed the members present, that he is resigning from his duties in organizing the Memorial Day Parade, and the services at the cemeteries. He explained that many other Posts are beginning to abandon the parades and are only holding the services at the cemetery. He further told us that in 1920, the Civil War Veterans asked the Legion to take over the responsibilities of appropriate Memorial Day ceremonies. Hence a motion was made by Paul Cameron, seconded by Gilbert Hayes, affirming the withdrawal of the Legion parades. Carried.

Commander Houser appointed the following men to appoint a slate of officers for the ensuing year. They are: Perry Conrad, Charles Gilly and Roy Willmering.

Respectfully submitted,

*George M. Dittrich*  
George M. Dittrich, Adjutant

COMPILED BY E. J. Langendorf  
ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 7/5/72 19

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: TIME:

OFFICERS: CONVENED:

MEMBERS: ADJOURNED:

TOTAL:

Notes on minutes of Legion meeting held Thursday July 5, 1962

Meeting opened at 8:05 P.M. by Commander Al Houser.  
Minutes of meeting held June 21, 1962 read and approved on motion  
by Roy Klepper, seconded by James Prow and carried unanimously.

Commander Houser called for a report of the nominating committee  
and Perry Conrad presented the following slate of officers for  
the ensuing year:

Commander, , , , , James Prow Jr.  
Sr. Vice Commander, , , , Burton Wendt.  
Jr. Vice Commander, , , , Charles Gilly  
Finance Officer, , , , Roy W. Klepper  
Judge Advocate, , , , Donald W. Staehlin  
Seargent at Arms, , , , Ray OOOOville- Wm. Wilson  
Chaplain, , , , Perry Contad.

Commander Houser asked for further nominations from the floor for  
any of the offices named and there being no further nominations,  
motion was made by Roy Klepper, seconded by Harry Coffman, that  
nominations be closed and the adjutant be instructed to cast a  
unanimous ballot electing the above named officers for the  
post indicated. Motion carried unanimously and ballot so cast.

Finance Officer Roy Klepper presented a financial report dated  
June 30th showing a balance on hand in the amount of \$613.88.  
Motion made by Charles Gilly, seconded by James Prow that this  
report be accepted, approve and place on file. Motion  
carried unanimously.

Commander Houser read a letter from the 10th District inviting  
our Post to participate in the presentation of Certificates of  
Citizenship to a number of new citizens at the Highland Park  
American Legion Post on June July 12, 1962 at 8 P.M. Perry  
Conrad and several other members volunteered to take the Post  
Colors to this meeting and represent Barrington Post.

Commander Houser announced that arrangements had been completed  
for a joint installation of officers with the Barrington Post  
American Legion Auxilliary to be held August 16, 1962. At-  
Barrington Post Home)

Discussion of other business included the suggested removal and  
sale of excess property stored in the attic of the Legion  
Building, volunteers to repaint the outside of the building  
building, paint cannon, cut the grass and possibility of re-  
moving some of the posts in the Legion rooms if the buioding is  
retained by the Post.

E. J. Langendorf (For adjutant)



Barrington Post #158  
Finance Officer's Report  
July 1, 1962

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Balance on deposit June 1, 1962 \$537.59

Receipts:

Dues	\$40.00	
May Smoker Profit	61.00	
		101.00
		\$638.59

Disbursements:

Gulf, Mobile R.R.	\$ 6.27	
R. E. Willmering	2.85	
R. E. Willmering	3.75	
10th Dist. Amer. Legion	.15	
Amer. Legion - Dept. of Ill	12.75	
Perry Conrad	8.94	
		24.71

Balance on deposit July 1, 1962 \$613.88

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Respectfully submitted,

  
Roy W. Klepper, Finance Officer

COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 7/19/62 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS: \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, The American Legion was formally opened on July 19, 1962 at 8:15 P.M. The minutes of the July 5th., meeting were read and approved with corrections on motion by Jim Prow, seconded by Earl Kirk. Carried.

Roy Willmering reported that he is about completing the processing of six cases, such as Pensions, burial allowances and procuring head stones.

Perry Conrad reported that he, Roy Willmering and Tom Roche attended the Welcoming of 132 new citizens, who received their Certificates of Citizenship at the Highland Park Post.

Paul Cameron requested information he will need in making a budget for the coming year. Most of that information was and will be furnished to him by Roy Klepper.

Commander Houser feels that he is able to closely match the materials and imprints on the Past Commanders board of this Post. Therefore the members present authorized him to spend the maximum of two dollars per name, so that the board can be brought up to date.

Burton Wendt, who with Charles Gilly, has been faithful this past year in procuring refreshments at the meetings suggested that in the coming year this responsibility be more divided with other volunteers. Therefore a motion was made by Earl Kirk, seconded by Roy W. Klepper, that a refreshment committee be selected for each meeting.

A motion was made by Roy Willmering, seconded by Paul Cameron, that in the future new members will be admitted into the Post for the last two months of the year by just paying the Department and District dues, which presently is \$2.90. Carried.

A motion was made by Jim Prow, seconded by Wendt, that the Building Association appoint one man to dispose the merchandise which is stored in the upper part of the building. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*George M. Dittrich*

George M. Dittrich, Adjutant

THE AMERICAN LEGION



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich  
ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 8/16/62 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENE \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

The installation of the officers of the Barrington Post 158, the American Legion, took place at the Legion Home on Thursday night of August 16, 1962. After the auxilliary officers had been installed, the following Legionnaires were installed as the officers of the year.

Commander	James L. Prow Jr.
Sr. Vice Commander	<del>Charles H. Gilly</del> Burton Wendt
Jr. Vice Commander	Charles H. Gilly
Finance Officer	Roy W. Klepper
Sergeant at Arms	William W. Wilson
Chaplain	Perry Conrad
Service Officer	Roy W. Willmering
Adjutant	George M. Dittrich

The installing team was lead by the incoming District Commander Ed. Kukla.

Respectfully submitted

*Geo M. Dittrich*  
George M. Dittrich Adj.

BARRINGTON POST #158  
Finance Officers' Report  
August 1, 1962

Balance on Deposit July 1, 1962

\$613.88

Receipts: None

Disbursements:

Snetsinger's Florists - Brandt Services	\$3.00	
Ray Diehl Chairman Child Welfare - Donation	2.00	
Graham Radio & TV - Speaker for Memorial Day	3.00	
American Legion - Dept. of Illinois - 5 members	13.75	
10th Dist. American Legion - 5 members	.75	22.50
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Balance on Deposit August 1, 1962

\$591.38

Respectfully submitted,



Roy W. Klepper - Finance Officer



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 9/6/62 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS: \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, the American Legion was formally opened by Commander James L. Prow Jr. , at 8 P.M., on Thursday September 6, 1962. The minutes of the August 6th meeting were read and approved as read.

Roy Willmering informed us that the evergreen shrubs, which are to grace the veterans monument at Evergreen Cemetery, have been purchased and will be planted soon. Words of appreciation for the preliminary work in this connection go to Ed. Homuth, George C. Dietrich, Al Bauer and Roy E. Willmering.

Roy Willmering's first picture, entitled "NEVER SO FEW" will be shown on Saturday night of September 22.

Junior Vice Commander, Charles H. Gilly reported that he is working on the season's first smoker which is to be on October 5th. He is welcoming any offers for prizes which are to be distributed that evening, plus volunteers who are willing to donate sandwiches for refreshments. The tickets are printed and are for sale.

Sunday September 23rd. has been set aside as paint and picnic for our Post. It is hoped to paint the Legion Home in the morning and have a picnic in the afternoon.

Two new members, introduced by Roy E. Willmering were admitted into the Post. John Speck, on motion by Perry Conrad, seconded by Gilbert Hayes. George Toltim, on motion by Gilbert Hayes, seconded by Charles H. Gilly. Both motions carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Perry Conrad, seconded by Roy E. Willmering authorizing the Post to reimburse Burton Wendt for the five dollars he spent on refreshments for the installation night. Carried.

A motion was made by Roy E. Willmering, seconded by Gilbert Hayes, authorizing the adjutant to purchase envelopes. Carried.

Senior Vice Commander innaugurated his new system for greater attendance at the meetings. It was the drawing of a paid up members name, who if in attendance, would receive a crisp five dollar bill. If not present at the meeting, he will receive a courteous note, informing him of our sorrow for his loss. The name drawn at this meeting was that of Blaun Erickson. Because of his absence, he will receive a "VERY VERY SOLLY NOTE.

At the close of the meeting, words of thanks were expressed to both the Junior and Senior Vice Commander for the cabinet they have made, in which some of the paraphernalia of the Post can be stored. Meeting adjourned at 9 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

*George M. Dittrich*  
George M. Dittrich, adjutant



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich

MINUTES OF

DATE 9/20/62 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

ADJUTANT

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_

TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_

CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_

ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, the American Legion was formally opened by Commander Prow at 8 P.M. on Thursday Sept. 20th 1963 at 8 P.M. The minutes of the September 6th. meeting were read and approved as read.

In the absence of the Finance Officer, the adjutant read the financial report for the Month of August. A Motion was made by Burton Wendt, seconded by Harry Coffman that the report be accepted. Carried.

The application for membership of Charles M. Altenburg, who was presented by Roy E. Willmering, was brought before the membership of the Post. Consequently a motion was made by Ed. Langendorf, seconded by Ed. Homuth the he be accepted. Motion carried.

Sick Call. Harold McKenzie is scheduled to report to the Veterans' research Hospital for a serious throat operation, due to cancer. Bill Dunn is reported to have been hospitalized, but is home again. Veteran Felix Kilbride, a non-member passed away this past week and Roy Willmering is offering his serviced to the widow. A former member of this Post, Frank Diehl, is hospitalized at Faith Hospital at Faith South Dakota, due to a heart attack. Past Commander Al Houser is reported to be home from the Hospital after undergoing as operation.

Plans for an initiation for this meeting have not materialized, hence another attempt for this ceremony will be made for the second meeting in October, which will be the 18th.

Sunday Sept. 23rd, is paint and picnic day for our Post. In the morning as many volunteers as possible are to show up with paint brushes and sundry tools to help repair the outside of our building and repaint it. Ywo gallons of paint for this purpose have been donated by Marion Adams and Fred Schumaker. The thanks of our Post go to these two generous members.

The attendance drawing this time went to Georbe Dieder of Round Lake. Since he was absent he will receive a "sorry" note from our Senior Vice Commander.

Respectfully submitted,

*George M. Dittrich*  
George M. Dittrich, Adjutant.

P. S. Joseph Soltyr has made a podium for our chaplain Perry Conrad, for which both the Post and our Chaplain are grateful



BARRINGTON POST #158  
FINANCE OFFICER'S REPORT

SEPTEMBER 1, 1962

Balance on Deposit August 1, 1962 \$ 591.38

Receipts:

Dues	\$ 120.00	
Refund from VFW for Memorial Day Breakfast	<u>4.47</u>	<u>124.47</u>
		\$ 715.85

Disbursements:

Geo. M. Dittrich - Adjustant's Salary	\$ 100.00	
Geo. M. Dittrich - Postage - 1961 - 1962	52.72	
Cub Pack #200 -- Registration Fee	25.00	
Roy's Custom Caretaking - Mowing	20.00	
Memorial Building Association - Rent	220.00	
American Legion - Dept. of Illinois - 1 member	2.75	
10th District - American Legion - 1 member	.15	
Helander's Inc. - Name Strips	<u>6.99</u>	<u>427.61</u>

Balance on Deposit September 1, 1962 \$ 288.24

Respectfully submitted,

  
Roy W. Klepper  
Finance Officer

COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich

ADJUTANT

## MINUTES OF

DATE 10/4/62 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

## THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS: \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, The American Legion, was formally opened by Commander Prow at 8 P.M. on Thursday October 4, 1962. The minutes of the September 20th. meeting were read and approved as read.

Commander Prow reported that Hager Co., Inc. donated one gallon of paint which was used on the ~~building~~ building.

Our Commander placed before the meeting the applications of four veterans, two new, and two reinstatements, who desired admission to our Post. They are Edward Heineman and William C. Sommerfield for reinstatement, Charles Smith and Arthur Wagner, new members. A motion was made by Gilbert Hayes, seconded by Ed. Homuth, that they be accepted. Carried.

On the sick list it was reported that Harold McKenzie has not yet been operated. Past Commander Al Houser has been reported to have returned to work.

The audit of the financial affairs of Post 158, submitted by Paul Cameron, were read by the adjutant and approved. This audit covered the period from August 1960 through August 1962. With the audit, Paul Cameron submitted a budget estimate for the coming year which also was approved.

A motion was made by Burton Wendt, seconded by Ed. Homuth, asking an increase of \$25.00 in rent to the Carpenter's Union. Roy Willmering by a motion added and amendment increasing the rental to \$30.00/. The motion for amendment was seconded by Gilbert Hayes and carried. To accomplish this Ed. Langendorf and Gilbert Hayes have been delegated by the Commander to approach the Union through Dale Magill.

Appreciation of the Post and words of thanks go to the following who were instrumental in applying the first coat of paint on our building: Jim Prow Jr. Roy Willmering Burton Wendt Charled Gilly Ed. Homuth Harry Coffman Marion adams George Dittrich Joseph Soltyr and George Toltin. Honorable mention must also be made to Harry Lindberg and Hoseph Suchy, who were willing to lend a hand by arrived when all was completed.

Burton Wendt reported that a good dinner was had by those who remained at the Legion Home after the painting party. The attendance numbered about 25 people.

The thanks and appreciation of our Post go especially to Harry Coffman for applying the second coat of paint to the Legion home.

The attendance prize for the evening went to Leslie Paddock. But because of his absence, burton Wendt must write another letter in place of passing out three dollars or possibly a five spot.

Respectfully submitted,

George M. Dittrich, Adjutant



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 10/18/62 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, The American Legion was formally opened by Commander Prow at 8 P.M. on Thursday October 18, 1962. The minutes of the October fourth meeting were read and approved as read.

Four new members, two new and two reinstatements were acted upon. The two new members are Emil Reuter and Frank Pederson, the reinstatements are Harold Hutchinson and John E. Palm. A motion to accept these men as members of our Post was made by Ray Wichman, seconded by Gilbert Hayes. Carried.

William Wilson read a proposed contract, which Roy E. Willmering has drawn up, which would sell and service our Country's flag for the business district of our Village. By this contract members of our Post would sell flags to those merchants who now do not own one, and on specified days, when the flags should be displayed, members would put them out in the morning and take them down in the evening, or during the day when it is raining. The Contract also calls for the installation of the proper facilities for holding the flag. In this direction a motion was made by Burton Wendt, seconded by Gilbert Hayes, that we initiate this plan. Carried.

Roy E. Willmering suggested that the cutting of odd and poorly shaped trees near the lot line of our property. By so doing the property would appear to be much larger, since these trees are several feet inside the lot line. Roy Willmering mentioned that Gilbert Murdock and his brother are willing to cut them down, but will need help in removing the wood and bramble. A motion was made by Burton Wendt, seconded by Gilbert Hayes that this be done. Carried. In this connection Burton Wendt is to confer with Roy Klepper of the Memorial Building Association relative to this proposition.

No report is available as to the increase in rent to the Carpenter's union. However a motion was made by William Wilson, seconded by Ed. Homuth, requesting that the Memorial Building Association contact the Carpenter's union, and request them to leave the premises as clean as they have found them. Carried.

Prow reported that he had visited the cemetery to inspect the planting of evergreens at the veterans monument. He reported that the work was well done, and wishes to thank Roy Willmering, Ed Homuth, George Dietrich and Al Bauer.

The smoker held the early part of October was not too well attended. Gross receipts were \$82.00

Expenses \$35.20 Net \$ 46.80

The attendance drawing this time was for only those present at this meeting. William Wilson was the fortunate one.

Respectfully submitted,

*George M. Dittrich*  
George M. Dittrich, Adjutant.

September 19, 1962

Mr. James Prow, Commander,  
American Legion Post #158,  
Lion's Drive,  
Barrington, Illinois

Dear Commander:

This is to notify you that I have completed an audit of the Barrington Post funds for the 2-year period from August of 1960 through August of 1962 and have determined the following to be its current cash position:

Cash Balance, August 1, 1960 . . . . .	\$ 45.72
Plus receipts, 8/1/60 thru 9/15/62 . . . .	3,058.03
Plus transfers from savings	544.35
	<u>3,648.10</u>
Less Authorized Disbursements	3,372.96
Cash Balance, September 15, 1962	<u>\$ 275.14</u>
Bank Balance, September 1, 1962	313.39
Plus Deposit of 9/8/62	105.00
	<u>418.39</u>
Less Outstanding Checks	143.25
Bank Balance as of 9/15/62	<u>275.14</u>

The post finance officer's records were found to be in very good order. As near as I could determine, there were no disbursements or receipts that had not been accounted for.

At the time of our last audit of post funds which was as of August 1, 1960, our cash position was determined to be \$568.94 which included some \$544.35 in savings. During the past 2-year audit period it was found necessary to transfer the savings to the post checking account in order to meet current obligations.

In other words the Post's cash position has declined from \$568.94 to \$275.14 during the period just audited. This fact stresses the importance of a stepped-up program for acquiring additional income during the current year.

Attached you will find a proposed budget for the year 1962-3. You will notice this budget is based on a break-even basis. Of course any possible additional income that can be derived from Smokers or other social activities over and above that budgeted will serve to improve our cash position.

Sincerely yours,

  
Paul E. Cameron



AMERICAN LEGION POST #158  
Proposed Budget  
1962-63

INCOME

Dues (based on 170 members) . . . . .	.\$ 850.00
Special Donations . . . . .	175.00
Smokers . . . . .	412.00
Miscellaneous Parties . . . . .	45.00
	<u>1,482.00</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Department of Illinois. . . . .	467.50
10th District . . . . .	25.50
School Awards . . . . .	26.00
Boy's State . . . . .	45.00
Child Welfare . . . . .	3.00
Memorial Day Breakfast. . . . .	5.00

COMPILED BY Ed. J. Langendorf

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 11/1/62 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

Notes for minutes of Legion meeting held Nov. 1, 1962

Minutes of meeting held Oct 18, 1962 read and approved.

Langendorf reported that letter had been written to Carpenter's Union, advising them of increase in rent to \$15.00 per meeting.

Commander Prow advised that 2 gallons of paint were left after painting building and motion made by Gilly, seconded by Coffman that this be returned for credit. Motion carried unanimously.

Applications for membership were presented for Keith Melvin Pedersen and Walter J. Ehrhardt. Motion to approve applications and welcome these ex-servicemen as members of this Post, made by Perry Conrad, seconded by Charles Gilly and carried unanimously.

Sick call indicated the following were ill: Verne Richter, Cecil Paxton and Harold McKenzie. Call for blood donations for Paxton was answered by Earl Etters, John Puffer and Jim Prow, who each gave for this worthy cause.

Discussion of entertainment for Veterans Day Dinner brought forth motion by Burton Wendt, seconded by Gilbert Hayes that Chairman Charles Gilly be authorized to spend up to \$25.00 for this purpose. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance Officer Roy Klepper read and presented his report to November 1, 1962.

Burton Wendt reported on his attendance at the District meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 P.M.

Ed. J. Langendorf

THE AMERICAN LEGION



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich  
ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 11/15/62 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_  
OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_  
MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_  
TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

Notes for minutes of Legion meeting held November 15, 1962

Meeting formally opened by Commander Prow. The minutes of the November 1, meeting were read and approved as read.

A short initiation ceremony was held in the early part of the meeting. Those initiated were William Showers, Glenn Neal and John Reakes.

Roy Willmering reported that he brought nineteen decks of playing cards to the veterans of the Elgin Hospital and he also stated that clothing will no longer be accepted.

Lavern Rehberg, a world war two veteran applied for admission into our Post. Motion made by Perry Conrad, seconded by Ray Wichman. Carried.

On the sick list it was reported that Harold McKenzie now can come home on week end passes.

Past Commander Cecil Paxton passed away November 3, 1962. Buried at Evergreen cemetery November 6th. It should also be noted that he at one time was Commander of District nine.

Roy Willmering is asking for help to repair the Christmas Wells, which will be place in the local business establishments prior to Christmas. Funds derived in these wells is used to purchase Christmas gifts for veterans in the hospitals.

A motion was made by Coffman, seconded by Willmering that cards be mailed once a month to local members, advising them of the coming month's activities.

Willmering informed us that flags cannot be stored in the firehouse. Therefor a motion was made by Burton Wendt, seconded by Charles Gilly, that an appropriate room be build above the Legion home for that purpose.

A word of appreciation goes to Ed. Langendorf, the author of the table to be found at the Vice Commander's spot.

Langendorf also promises to put something other than Newspapers, in front of the windows, Roy Willmering feels that the windows can also use some sort of insulation to keep out the drafts. For this Gilbert Hayes promises to bring some plastic sheeting.

The smoker held earlier this month brought in	\$124.25
Expenses	56.55
Net.	67.70

Charles Gilly also would like to have a man to help with the raffle wheel at the smokers and also a man in the kitchen.

Respectfully submitted,

*George M. Dittrich*

BARRINGTON POST #158  
FINANCE OFFICER'S REPORT  
November 1, 1962

Balance on deposit October 1, 1962		\$355.84
Receipts:		
Dues		<u>215.00</u>
		\$570.84
Disbursements:		
American Legion-Dept. of Illinois		
43 members	\$118.25	
10th District-American Legion		
43 members	<u>6.45</u>	<u>124.70</u>
Balance on deposit November 1, 1962		<u><u>\$466.14</u></u>

Respectfully submitted,

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Roy W. Klepper  
Finance Officer



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 12/6/62 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS: \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENE: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes of the December 6, 1962 meeting.

The meeting was formally opened by Commander Prow at 8 P.M. The minutes of the November 15 meeting were read and approved.

Three more new members applied for membership. They are Ernest W. Rice, Robert Clark and Roscoe H. Rowland. Two members applied for re-instatement. They are Robert L. Connor and Mathew M. Thomas. A motion was made by Charles Gilly, seconded by Gilbert Hayes to accept these veterans. Carried.

Sick call. Ed. Homuth is reported to have fallen on a stairway, but is well again.

Relative to putting the flags out on specified days, it is now suggested that this be done by the Boy Scouts, and that any remuneration therefor be paid to the troupe to which the boy belongs. Roy Willmering is meeting with Troupe 221 to make final arrangements.

Roy Willmering reported that in the coming Congressional session, a bill raising the burial allowance for veterans is to be raised from \$250.00 to \$350.00. It is well for all legionnaires to watch for this and at the proper time to write to our respective representatives in Congress.

Perry Conrad reported his attendance at the recent welcoming ceremony of the newly naturalized citizens. With him at this ceremony were Burton Wendt and Roy Willmering.

Commander Prow expressed his appreciation to Burton Wendt and Roy Willmering for their efforts in the obtaining 100% membership in our post.

A move is on to organize a baseball team to represent our Post in the American Legion. In this John Reakes, Glenn Neal and Ray Wichman are most interested. Consequently a motion was made by Burton Wendt, seconded by Hayes, appointing a committee consisting of Wichman and Reakes, to get all the pertinent details and costs about sponsoring a team. Carried. They are to report to the Post at an early date.

Smoker tomorrow night. Door prize will be a clock radio.

Respectfully submitted.

*Geo M. Dittrich*



COMPILED BY E. J. Langendorf for Adjutant

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 12/20/62 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

Notes of minutes of Legion meeting held December 20, 1962 (18 members present)

Minutes of December 6, 1962 meeting approved.

Commander Prow advised that Legion Aux. Will furnish and pay for paint to redecorate legion hall.

Applications for membership were presented and read for Thomas English, 312 Grove Ave. and Don Tolton, Carry, Ill. Motion made by Ray Wichman, seconded by Roy Klepper that applications be approved and these men welcomed to membership in the Post. Motion carried unanimously.

Commander Prow advised that By-laws and Constitution Committee appointed by him and consisting of C. W. Staehlin, Roy Klepper and Paul Cameron were ready to report after considerable study of changes suggested recently. D.W.Staehlin, speaking for the committee recommended that fiscal year of Post be changed from beginning September 1st and ending August 31st each-- ~~to~~ year -to a year that begins August 1st and ends July 31st each year. He also recommended that annual dues be increased to \$6.00 per year to offset National Dues increase this year.

Motion made by D.W.Staehlin, seconded by Roy Klepper that these proposed amendments to Constitution and By-laws be submitted to Post members at a regular Post meeting to be held Feb. 21st for consideration and approval. Motion Carried

Notice of this meeting to be mailed at once and this notice to also include the notice of the annual meeting of the Barrington Post 158 Memorial Bldg. Ass'n.

Treasurer Roy Klepper presented and read his financial report to November 30, 1962 showing a balance on hand at that time in the amount of \$555.59. Motion made by Burton Wendt, seconded by Charles Gilly that this report be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Roy Klepper, seconded by D.W.Staehlin that Post request 10th district to present Roy Willmering and Burton Wendt with pin awards for securing over 25 members for current year. Motion carried.

Sr. Vice Comdr. Burton Wendt reports membership over 100% with total of 176.

Ray Wichman reported on Legion Baseball.

The following members were initiated with regular ceremony conducted by Commander Prow and Chaplain Perry Conrad: Robert Clark Robert Conner Walter Erhardt Laverne Rahberg.

Charles Gilly suggested a return party for members of Local V.F.W. Post and it was agreed this should be held on February 7, 1963.

Charles Gilly, Jr. Vice Comdr., reported profit on last smoker to be \$28.60. Next smoker to be January 4, 1963. Tickets now available.

Motion by Roy Klepper, seconded by Harry Coffman that a supply of Legion #Get Will and Legion Sumpathy" cards be purchased. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:25 P.M.

By Ed. J. Langendorf



BARRINGTON POST #158  
Finance Officer's Report  
December 1, 1962

Balance on Deposit November 1, 1962		\$446.14
Receipts:		
Dues	\$170.00	
Smoker - October	<u>46.80</u>	<u>216.80</u>
		\$662.94
Disbursements:		
American Legion, Dept. of Illinois - 34 Members	\$93.50	
10th District, American Legion - 34 Members	5.10	
Wichman Insurance - Bond	<u>8.75</u>	<u>107.35</u>
Balance on Deposit December 1, 1962		<u>\$555.59</u>

Respectfully submitted,

  
Roy W. Klepper

COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 1/3/63

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APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE:

TIME:

OFFICERS:

CONVENED:

MEMBERS:

ADJOURNED:

TOTAL:

Minutes of meeting of Barrington Post 158 held January 3, 1963

Minutes of December 20th read and approved.

Ray Wichman reported that the approximate cost to start a Legion baseball team will amount to \$130.00. However Burton Wendt reminded the baseball committee that more definite costs must be given and determine where they are to be obtained, prior to final commitment to sponsor a team.

A motion was made by Ray Wichman, seconded by Hayes, that we accept \$5.00 dues from those who are mailing in their dues until such time when the dues have been legally increased.

*MOTION CARRIED*

Junior Vice Commander Charles Gilly reported that he has some very attractive prizes for tomorrow night's smoker. The most attractive being a Remington Electric Shaver. He also reminded us that unless a better turnout will show up, he will be forced to discontinue the smokers, since too much work is required for so little revenue.

Respectfully submitted,

*George M. Dittrich*

George M. Dittrich, Adjutant

*WINNERS OF DRAWING*

THE AMERICAN LEGION

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich  
ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 1/17/63 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENE \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes of Legion meeting held January 17, 1963

Meeting opened at 8:05 P.M. by Commander James Prow. Jr. 16 members present.

Commander Prow initiated Legion members Ed. Heineman, Art Wagner and Charles Altenburg with appropriate ceremonies being conducted by Commander Prow, Chaplain Perry Conrad and First Vice Commander Burton Wendt.

Minutes of meeting held January 3rd. read and approved unanimously.

Motion made by Burton Wendt, seconded by Roy Willmering that manes of winners of each drawing held at each meeting be included in the minutes of that meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

John Reakes reported that he had attended a meeting of the Babe Ruth Leagus in comnection with contemplated Legion Legue team and reported that a question ca me up at the meeting as to why call this a Legion team if others are to raise the money for same. The age group for this team is 16 to 19 years. He secured a price of \$12.95 per uniform from Darkens. Discussion of this brought forth a motion by Burton Wendt, seconded by Gilbert Hayes that the Legion Base Ball Committee be authorized to conduct a smoker to raise funds for this team and also be authorized to sponsor such a team. Motion carried unanimously.

Commander Prow appointed Comrade John Reakes as chairman of this committee and Comrade Glenn Neal as a member of same.

Each of the following Comrades announced they would donate \$10.00 a piece towards this undertaking: Gilbert Hayes, John Reakes and Glenn Neal. All other members were invited to contribute what they saw fit by Commander Prow.

Purchase of uniforms brought forth a question of exemption from sales tax by veteran organizations and it was pointed out that this was possible if proper exemption certificates were available. Motion made by Roy Willmering, seconded by John Reakes that Adjutant write to the Illinois Dept. of Revenue, Springfield and request a supply of Merchandise Exemption Certificates and have them available at his office for use when needed. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance Officer Roy Klepper read his finance report to January 1, 1963 showing a balance on hand at that time of \$625.49. Copy placed on file in minute book.

Junior Vice Commander Charles Gilly reported a net profit from January smoker of \$76.90, with an attendance of 41 persons.

Roy Willmering reported that Bob Overhue has been admitted into the Illinois Veterans Research Hospital, that a total amount of each of \$103.26 had been collected thru the Xmas wells, along with club memberships to the Xmas Gifts to hospitalized War Veterans in the amounts of 12-\$5.00 and 1-\$10.00 cards, thus making a total cash amount of \$173.26 for 1962 in this fund.

Following is Service Officer Roy Willmering's Annual Report for the period from January 1, 1962 to December 31, 1962:

Burial Flags 6 Head Markers 8 Discharges recoreds 19  
Pensions secured - Vets, Widows and Children 11  
Hospitalization 2 Marriage licenses secured 5

Finance Officer's Report  
January 1, 1963

Balance on deposit December 1, 1962

\$555.59

## Receipts:

Dues

\$55.00

Smoker

67.70 122.70

\$678.29

## Disbursements:

American Legion - Dept. of Ill. - 17 members

\$46.75

10th District - American Legion - 17 members

2.55

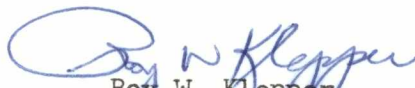
Snetsingers - Flowers for Paxton Service

3.50 52.80

Balance on Deposit January 1, 1963

\$625.49

Respectfully submitted,

  
Roy W. Klepper  
Finance Officer



COMPILED BY \_\_\_\_\_

ADJUTANT

## MINUTES OF

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTMENT OF \_\_\_\_\_

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS: \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

## THE AMERICAN LEGION

Minutes of meeting held January 17 continued

Photostats processed for discharges, marriage licensed, birth and death certificates 93 Birth certificates 8 Death certificates 11  
 Certificates in lieu of discharges which have been lost 6  
 Veterans Administration income forms 7 Insurance 1  
 Burial allowances 12 State Korean bonuses 3  
 State allowances for setting grave markers 10

Upon hearing this impressive report of Service Officer Roy Willmering and the usual load of activities carried on by him, motion made by Roy Klepper, seconded by Burton Wendt that Comrade Roy be commended for his excellent job and that a rising vote of thanks be extended to him This was done along with a resounding applause for the fine job he has done during another year.

Commander Prow announced that the Poppy Day Collections would be held on either Thursday, Friday or Saturday this year, through agreement with all posts in the Tenth District and that the Barrington Legion Auxiliary members would prefer the Thursday collection day. Considerable discussion on this.

Commander Prow announced that a District meeting would be held Friday the 18th in Waukegan and invited all interested members to accompany the officers who were planning to attend. He also reminded members that March 15 is the American Legion Birthday date and suggested that all members keep this date in mind and plan some celebration for same. Also reminded all that we have been contemplating a joint Auxiliary and Post card party for the very near future. Valentines Day was suggested as an appropriate day for this.

Roy Willmering urged the removal of the remaining five posts from the hall, suggesting that this be done before any painting was begun to avoid cleaning the new post paint job after raising dust while removing the posts.

Senior Vice Commander Burton Wendt Reported a total membership of 181 to date.

Motion made by Perry Conrad, seconded by Burton Wendt that Adjutant write letters of appreciation to the following non-members who without solicitation have aided our recent smokers by selling more than tickets each for these events: Kermit Smiddy and Harvey Conn, neither of whom are eligible for membership but are setting an example for the rest of us.

Commander Prow reminded all that Friday the 18th is Movie nite and February 1st is date of next smoker. Also that Legion Base Ball smoker will be held on Friday <sup>5th</sup> 1st, sponsored and conducted by their committee with the help of all possible members of the post.

Commander Prow presented membership awards as follows: To Roy Willmering, Bronze Star, Silver Star, Gold Star, Red Key and certificate.  
 To Burton Wendt: Bronze Star, Silver Star and Red Key. Accepting for himself the Bronze Star and Red Key.

Winner of drawing; First name drawn was Rothwell Bach who was absent.  
 Drawing continued until member present Charles Altenburg's name was drawn.  
 No Cap.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 P.M.

E. J. Langendorf (For Adjutant)



COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 2/7/63 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENE \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes of meeting held on February 7, 1963

Meeting formally opened by Commander Prow at 8 P.M. The minutes of the January 17th meeting were read and corrected.

On the sick list, Bob Overhue is reported to be out of the hospital, but due to varicose veins in his legs, his condition is not too encouraging.

Roy Willmering, reading from a report in one of our daily papers, feels that the State of Illinois will possibly assess a tax on Legion homes, due to the fact that the words "patriotic organizations" has been omitted in the wording of the law. Should such a law be passed by our state Legislature, many, if not all Posts in our state will find themselves hard pressed financially. This matter should be brought on the floor at the District meeting and all members are urged to write to their State representatives.

Senior Vice Commander Burton Wendt reported that a joint card party with our Auxiliary will be held on March 2, 1963. He also spoke about having a Post Commanders dinner party sometime in the future, if possible.

It was also announced that our annual party for Veterans of the Elgin State Hospital will be held on March 8th.

Junior Vice Commander Charles Gilly reported on the smoker held February 1st. 32 men were present.

Gross income	\$97.50
Expenses	32.80
Profit	64.70

The first name drawn for attendance was that of J. W. Langdale. After a number of subsequent drawings, the name of George M. Dittrich was drawn.

Respectfully submitted,

*George M. Dittrich*  
George M. Dittrich, Adjutant



## Finance Officer's Report

February 1, 1963

Balance on Deposit January 1, 1963

\$625.49

## Receipts:

Dues

\$ 45.00

Smoker

105.50150.50

\$775.99

## Disbursements:

American Legion-Dept of Illinois-3 members

\$ 8.25

10th District-American Legion-3 members

.45

Secretary of State-Corporate Filing

1.009.70

Balance on Deposit February 1, 1963

\$766.29

Respectfully submitted,

  
Roy W. Klepper  
Finance Officer

COMPILED BY George M. Dittrich

ADJUTANT

MINUTES OF

DATE 2/21/63 19\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_

COMMANDER

POST NO. 158 DEPARTMENT OF Illinois

THE AMERICAN LEGION

ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICERS: \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

The meeting of Barrington Post 158, The American Legion was formally opened by Commander Prow at 8 P.M. on Thursday February 21, 1963. The minutes of the February 7th meeting were read and approved as read.

Commander Prow read the financial report made by Finance Officer Roy Klepper, showing a balance of \$766.29 on hand, which also was approved, and is a part of these minutes.

Sick call. Perry Conrad reported that Francis B. Kennedy has a heart condition, and that it also was discovered that he also has an Ulcer.

Motion was made by Perry Conrad, seconded by Lindberg, authorizing the renewal of The American Legion Magazine subscriptions for the Barrington High School, the Hough Street elementary school and St. Ann's school. Carried.

A motion was made by Don Staehlin, seconded by Roy Klepper, authorizing the following changes in the Bylaws of our constitution:

RESOLVED that Article IV of the Constitution of Barrington Post 158, The American Legion, Department of Illinois, entitled "Fiscal year" be amended to read as follows: The fiscal year of this post shall be from August 1st to July 31st of each year, both dates inclusive.

BE IT RESOLVED that Section 1 of Article III of the Bylaws of Barrington Post No. 158, The American Legion, Department of Illinois, entitled "Dues" be amended to read as follows: There shall be no initiation fee. The annual dues shall be Six Dollars (\$6.00), which shall be divided as follows: Three Dollars and twenty-five cents (\$3.25) to the State and National Departments; fifteen cents (15)cents to the Tenth District American Legion, Department of Illinois; and Two dollars and sixty cents (\$2.60) for post activities. New members may be admitted during the last two months of the fiscal year, June and July by paying the State and National Department and District dues only.

Carried. Glenn Neal reported that he is having a meeting relative to a Legion baseball team at his home on Thursday February 28th. The purpose of the meeting is to investigate several possible fund raising possibilities.

Roy Willmering, as a Good Will Ambassador, informed us that he is showing a picture, TRAIL OF CAPTAIN COOK at the following:

St. Ann's School	March 11th
Masonic Temple	March 12th
Hough Street School	Cancelled

With publicity such as this, we trust that Our Post will soon get more support from some of our inactive members, and also from some non-members.



COMPILED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
ADJUTANT  
APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
COMMANDER

MINUTES OF  
POST NO. \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTMENT OF \_\_\_\_\_  
THE AMERICAN LEGION

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_  
ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_  
OFFICERS \_\_\_\_\_ CONVENED \_\_\_\_\_  
MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ ADJOURNED \_\_\_\_\_  
TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Vice Commander Burton Wendt urged the attendance of our membership at the joint card party to be held on March 2nd., There will be table prizes and a door prize. To give the auxiliary a bit of competition, he also solicited the donation of pies for refreshments.

Commander Prow reported that the percentage increase of our 1963 membership to be the highest in the tenth district. Credit for that increase is mainly due to Roy Willmering, Burton Wendt and Commander Prow.

A motion was made by Roy Willmering, seconded by Tom Roshe Sr. authorizing an expenditure to pay for the cutting of stencils etc, for our membership roster.

Marshall  
The first attendance drawing went to N. ~~Marshall~~ Seeburg who was absent. After several subsequent drawings, the name of Donald W. Staehlin was drawn, who generously donated his winnings to the March 1st smoker.

Respectfully submitted,

*George M. Dittrich*

George M. Dittrich, Adjutant