



AMVETS JAMES T. SLATTERY POST 128

1404 Macauley Avenue, Rice Lake, WI 54868

September 2018 AMVETS Newsletter

Dear AMVETS and Guest,

Call to meeting on Monday, September 24, 2018 at 7PM. After this month we'll have one more post meeting before the end of the year. If it's been awhile since you made a meeting, feel free to make this months.

Our last month's meeting information resulted in "no meeting" due to the lack of Post Officers not present. Items for August meeting will be addressed at this meeting.

At our August **AMVETS 1st District Meeting** was well attended. Our post had four (4) members in attendance. Other district post that were present; 25 (Chetek), 127 (Ladysmith), 128 (Rice Lake), 190 (Spoooner), 888 (Barron), 1993 (Danbury) and 1998 (Hayward). Missing was 72 (Connorsville). Food provided by Post 190. Yummy!

The district meeting we heard from some state officers and a guest. If you did not attend, you missed some information that was given out.

AMVETS Membership Renewals of our post is very important and we want to thank all who have turned in their AMVETS Membership Renewal/Dues. If you have not turned in your dues of \$25, please do so. The address for sending your dues in is Lenny Shier, P.O. Box 277, Chetek, WI 54728. Make check payable to AMVETS Post 128 (Please do not sent them to AMVETS Department or AMVETS National). Should have questions give me a call at [715-296-1115](tel:715-296-1115). **Thank you** to all (Annual, Life Time Members, Families, and guest) who continue to support AMVETS Post 128.

The Global War on Terrorism still continues and I hope everyone had the time to reflect on the events of **September 11, 2001** which this month marks this year the **17th Anniversary** of this horrible event. Following that was also the event many of us were aware of that took place on **September 11, 2012**, the **6th Year Anniversary** of the September 11, 2001 Islamic extremist again struck out and attacked the US Embassy at Benghazi, Libya. Loss of life both civilian and military continue to this day and our way of life was forever changed. May we keep the families and those effected from these types of attacked in our thoughts and prayers.



Up Coming Events/Meetings:

Saturday, September 29, 2018: State Executive Committee (SEC) Meeting. Location, Beaver Dam, WI.

Monday, October 29, 2018: AMVETS Post 128 last monthly meeting at 7PM.

Saturday, November 10, 2018: AMVETS Post 128 **Annual Appreciation Dinner**, at the R-Bar. Also inviting the Rice Lake Honor Guard. More at meeting.

Legitimate Veteran Fundraiser or Scam? You be the Judge. This is a picture of a Veteran (from Fairchild, WI) that claimed to be doing a fundraiser with My Local Deals coupon books and



paperwork from My Local Deals (dated 2009 – Is it not 2018?) and AMVETS Post 127 (Ladysmith, WI paperwork). He was observed at Gordy’s in Chetek alongside the VFW Auxiliary that was also doing a fundraiser. He had “no ties” to the VFW. Was he taking money away from the Chetek VFW? When confronted, he gave me “two” different stories about his fundraiser. He told me that he was doing a fundraiser for AMVETS Post 127 out of Ladysmith. Doesn’t AMVETS Post 25 have the city of Chetek? Was he infringing on AMVETS Post 25 (Chetek)? He also claimed that he was doing it for Care Packages for Veterans. Which is it? I have a photos of the AMVETS Post 127 (Ladysmith) flyer and My Local Deals (MLD) paper, which I’ll bring to our meeting. Looking at the ribbons this individual had on the table, one was a Military Ribbon and the other looked like a made up one. I don’t think AMVETS Post 127 (Ladysmith) would want to have

themselves represented this way? 1st AMVETS District Commander Lund got involved as he’s an AMVETS Post 25 (Chetek) member and talked with the MLD representative. Lund was informed that this was legitimate. Really? Lund’s contact with AMVETS Post 127 (Ladysmith) stated that they had nothing to do with this. But I saw paperwork of AMVETS Post 127 (old one). On the second day at Chetek by late morning this individual moved out of Chetek. He was told to go to AMVETS Post 127 area. **WELL, he appeared in Rice Lake!!!** I believe that is AMVETS Post 128 area? Numerous veterans saw him in town that afternoon. Yes! In our territory! It’s not the first time for AMVETS Post 128. I’ve called (my opinion) this partnership (which is still being investigated) a SCAM. The dictionary defines a SCAM; Fraudulent Business Scheme, Swindle, Defraud. Needless to say, I’ve let the 1st AMVETS District Commander Robert Lund know about this infringement into the area of AMVETS Post 128. He is looking into it further. Positive update the investigation on this incident at our meeting.

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

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Leonard “Lenny” Shier
Commander