

POST 149 MEETING MINUTES – December 9, 2025

Called to Order: Commander **Kevin Regan** called at **1900** hours. Members' Present: **10**

Minutes: Meeting minutes for October were previously distributed via email prior to tonight's meeting, and there was no November meeting. Motion to accept by **Jim Sabel** seconded by **Frank Sterzen**, approved by all.

Financials – Spreadsheet for October & November Financials were previously distributed via email and **Chuck Stelzner** reported. Motion to accept by **Denice Wierman**, seconded by **Mike Hinz** and approved by all.

Scholarships: (**Ray Schmidt/Jim Sabel**) No changes for the 25-26 scholarship; May 13 recognition night

Membership: Chairman **Dan Riviers** (920-912-2000), Currently **85** active members of which **6** are paid up for life. Members can renew on-line at the cost of \$40, or mail/bring into to the Post. **10** Members have not paid their 2025-26 dues. **Dan Riviers** has new membership cards, please renew online at [Renew your membership online | The American Legion](#). New transfers in & New members get 1st year paid by Post.

Home Bound: The following members would appreciate buddy check phone calls keeping them up to date on what is happening with the post. **Dick Wachter** (920-449-1975); **Jerry Herriges** (920-467-4856); **Cliff Otte** (920-226-2860) in assisted living and would like visitors (Lakehouse on Eisner Ave); **William Krauter** (920-243-8160) in assisted living. **Karl Zore** is having bypass surgery Tuesday 12/9 at St. Luke's

House/Apartment: (**Frank Sterzen, Ken Wilhite** backup)
Gutter clean-out complete, Blacktop repair complete. A duplicate shed key has been made. **Frank Sterzen** will request that the website be adjusted to include the verbiage that a check is required at the time that a hall rental application is submitted. Contact **Frank Sterzen** (920-207-0247) Prior to reserving for post rentals or track chair usage. Also check website for calendar to make sure of availability.

Post 149 News Archives – Sheboygan Falls American Legion Post 149 (wipost149.org)

New Facebook Page, American Legion Post 149, Sheboygan Falls – All members please follow

Camp American Legion **Jim Sabel** will obtain a bid for a metal sign facing the lake. Opening May 11-13, 2026. **Jim Sabel** leads the team, contact him at 920-453-8988 for any questions. Register for camp: <https://wilegion.org/camp-american-legion> by March 1, 2026 – vet and family welcome.

Honor Guard: (**Jim Willfahrt**) Have had 5 funerals so far in fiscal 2025-2026. Main Street Christmas Parade on December 6th was led successfully by **Ken Wilhite**.

Service Officer: (**Ken Wilhite**) If you have any issues with the VA please call (920-207-4347) or email (sellorojo@wi.rr.com).

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Unfinished Business:

1. Veteran's Day dinner was successful, led by **Larry Ter Maat**
2. Veterans Day programs 11/11: Falls Middle School honor guard, Howards Grove Middle School honor guard with speaker **Shauna Firmiss**
3. Falls Independence Day Parade – Ken Wilhite has spoken with the Sheboygan Falls Mayor and will arrange a date for meeting to discuss. The date currently being discussed is August 2nd, which coincides with the signing of the Declaration of Independence. **Ken Wilhite, Chuck Stelzner & Shauna Firmiss** will lead this effort.
4. Sheboygan Falls River Park Fountain – check was dropped off by **Jim Willfahrt &** requested month of June 2026

New Business:

- The Post has reserved and will man a 10' x 10' tent/booth at Ducktona 7/5/26 in Sheboygan Falls. May look into having small American flags to give out to children
- Badger Boys State: Motion made by **Charles Stelzner**, seconded by **Jim Sabel** and approved by all to support 1 boy from Sheboygan Falls (paid by Post, \$400) & 1 for Howard's Grove (paid by donation).
- Two veterans turning 100 in 2026, **John Brown** from the Post in September as well as another in the community. We'd like to host a gathering to celebrate, invite their families, provide cake. Talked about combining with Steak Fry, but that is mostly for members, whereas this event would include quite a bit of family. **Chuck Stelzner** will look into obtaining Quilts of Valor.
- There are free urns available for veterans through any funeral home
- There are State American Legion raffle tickets available for \$20/ea, grand prize \$15,000
- On March 2, 2026 **Ken Wilhite** will be doing a presentation on flag protocol to the Ozaukee 4H (about 30 members) and invites other Legionnaires to join

Correspondence/Communication

Kevin Regan read communications, including thanks for multiple donations

Anything Else for the Good of the American Legion: (Kevin Regan):

Adjourned: Motion by **Jim Sabel** second by **Denice Wierman** to close meeting at 1945 hours approved by acclamation.

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Next 2026 Meetings: JANUARY 13, 2026; FEBRUARY 10; MARCH 10; APRIL 14