



American Legion Post 394

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The **January 9, 2025** meeting was called to order by Commander John Pilc at 7:40 pm, with 22 members present.

Minutes – Dave Madison motioned to accept the December 12, 2024 minutes, seconded by Nate Cianciola. Motion carried.

Finance – Nate Cianciola

Dave Madison motioned to approve the Finance Report, seconded by Dick Baxter. Motion carried. The Bell Jar Report was approved with a motion made by Dave Madison, seconded by Dick Baxter, and carried.

Committee Reports

Membership – Jim Weidner

We're now at 89%. There are 15 outstanding members who need to pay dues.

Fellowship Room – Jim Weidner

Queen of Hearts was won. The payout was around \$6,600. The death benefits account was repaid. Drink prices were increased. New hours: Monday - Thursday 4 – 7 pm; Friday 4 – 8 pm; Saturday 2 – 8 pm; Sunday 3 – 7 pm.

Post Activities – No report

County – John Pilc

County meeting will be at the Post Tuesday, January 14th. Dinner will be at 6:30 pm.

ALR – Mark Sorenson

Christmas food box and toy delivery went well. Mark is going to be the new 7th/8th District State Vice Director for the Riders.

Boy Scouts – No report

Service Officer – Nate Cianciola

Dial 988-1 for Veteran emergencies.

Boys State – No report

Scholarship – No report

Post Property – Tim Huff

- New cleaners started. They are cleaning every week and working out good.
- Ice machine is getting repaired.
- Fire extinguishers have been inspected.
- John Pilc purchased new cameras for inside the Post. They've been installed upstairs and in the bar area.

Cemetery – No report

Colorguard/Firing Squad – Tim Huff

Had a funeral at Young's for Veteran. The firing squad needs more volunteers. Contact Tim if interested. Will meet at the Post for funerals from now on and go to service as a group.

Americanism – No report

Historian – Tim Huff

President Jimmy Carter passed away. Trump is talking about buying the Panama Canal and Canada.

Chaplain/Sick Call – Dean Sheffield

Dean thanked Tim Huff for help delivering fruit baskets.

Unfinished Business

Dave Madison thanked everyone who came to the Christmas party. This year it will be an ugly sweater contest on the first Saturday in December.

If you need a new key card and/or fob, see Wil Harding.

New Business

Williamson/Marion Girl Scout Troop leader Leah Cannon is looking for a place to meet. It would be Mondays, 5:45-6:45 pm. Dave Madison motioned to approve letting them use the Post for their meetings, seconded by Chuck Brust. Motion carried.

An email was received from someone who has been working on a project in Wyoming County with Vietnam Veterans and their family members. He's looking to collect more stories for a book and has an email survey. Contact John or Sue for the link if interested.

A question was asked about keeping "We Stand With Israel" on the sign in front of the Post. It was decided to leave it on.

Jim Weidner will be running meetings while John Pilc is in Florida. John will be available by phone.

Legion Drawing – Wil Harding won \$25.00

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Please take moment to remember our shut ins:

Tony Curatolo, Heathwood Assisted Living at Penfield, 100 Elderwood Ct, Penfield, NY 14526

Emmet Vanderburgh, 5955 State Rte. 21, Williamson, NY 14589

Larry Harrison, 39 Carlton St., Sodus, NY 14551

Don Hoffman, DeMay Living Center, 100 Sunset Dr., Newark, NY 14513



Happy New Year Auxiliary

On January 9th we held our monthly meeting and 13 members were present. Our membership stands at 60 paid members which will give us 100% membership. Great job everyone, and if you have yet to renew, please send your renewal to Denise.

Work continues on both the constitution and by laws update and the scholarship committee.

Mid-Winter will be held in Albany on January 17-18 unfortunately I will not be attending but I am sure I will get feed back to share from county members who will be attending.

Sarah and Braina have reached out to the high school in regards to Empire Girls State.

Department Visitation will be held on January 25th. There will be a luncheon in Marion and dinner will be held at the Newark American Legion. Denise will be representing our unit at the dinner as I will be attending as a county representative.

We will be holding a Meat Raffle. First Place will be a \$200 gift card and Second Place will be a \$75 gift card. Tickets will be \$5.00 or 5 for \$20.00. Presently tickets are being printed so, more details to follow.

The next county meeting will be held on January 21st at our post.

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and experiences a blessed new year.

For God and Country

Sherryl Madison President

Williamson Unit 394 American Legion Auxiliary



Meeting called to order:

1/9/2025 Sons of the American Legion Squadron 394 meeting called to order by Brian Thiel at 7:25 PM

Members in attendance:

Brian Thiel, William McKinstry, Stephen Hyde, Brian Collier, Greg Palis

Officer Reports:

Finance Report: by William Mckinstry. accepted by Greg Palis, second by Steve Hyde.

Other:

SAL Sunday breakfast 12/29/2024 served 99 adult patrons for our last “All You Can Eat Breakfast” of 2024. Next breakfast is 1/26/2025

Membership:

-we have 4 members who have still not paid. Membership letters about dues have been sent out and are now due. To avoid any problems, we suggest paying them sooner than later. While dues are allowed and can be paid up until June 31,2025, if they are not paid before December 31,2024, you can or will lose your years of service as shown on your membership card. We have had some issues with this happening to a couple of our members in the past and apologized to them for it, but this is something beyond our control and is at the state level. In some instances, we can get this reversed, but it takes a lot of messing around to get this done and sometimes we are not able to do so. If you have any questions or have not received your letter to pay your dues, please contact the American Legion and we will get back to you.

New Business:

- Billy McKinstry asked for a donation to give to Bill Clancy, the New York State SAL commander, which includes a donation and the price for two dinners for Billy Mckinstry and Paul Scheuerlein to attend and represent our SAL post. The Donation is to help Bill Clancy to run for National Commander in the coming year. Motion to accept Steve Hyde and seconded by Brian Collier

Old Business:

2025 SAL BREAKFAST DATES

January 26, 2025

February 23, 2025

March 30, 2025

April 27, 2025

Motion to adjourn meeting by Steve Hyde @ 8:05 pm seconded by Greg Palis

Commander:	Paul Scheuerlein
1 st Vice:	Brian Thiel
2 nd Vice:	Bill Pinkerton
3 rd Vice:	Ron Dean
Finance Officer:	William Mckinstry
Seargent at Arms:	Steve Hyde
Adjutant:	Brian Thiel