



American Legion Post 394

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The **April 10, 2025** meeting was called to order by First Vice Jim Weidner at 7:30 pm, with 18 members present.

There was a presentation by the Merrill Lynch representative prior to the meeting.

Minutes - Dave Madison motioned to accept the March 13, 2025 minutes, seconded by Nate Cianciola. Motion carried.

Correspondence - Sue Brennessel

A thank you card from Dept. Commander Keith Koster was read. The Memorial Day Foundation sent a donation request. The IRS sent a letter. A request for donations of mens clothing was received from Tammy's Tree of Life.

Finance - Nate Cianciola

Chuck Brust motioned to approve the finance report, seconded by Dave Madison. Motion carried. Dave Madison motioned to approve the Bell Jar report, seconded by Chuck Brust. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Membership - Jim Weidner

The Post has 138 out of 142 paid members. We are at 97.18%. County wants everyone at 94-95%.

Fellowship Room - Bill Gleichauf

Need business to help support operations.

Post Activities No report

County - Jim Weidner

A new treasurer was appointed. County meetings will be held at our Post on November 18, 2025 and February 10, 2026.

ALR - Jim Weidner

Food box delivery is this Saturday at 8:30 am. Meet at Patton's.

Boy Scouts - Jim Weidner

Recent Eagle Scout requested a reference letter from the Post.

Service Officer - Nate Cianciola

There was an abundance of claims due to the PACT Act and now there's a backlog. To make a claim, start at the County Veterans Service Agency.

Boys State - Dave Madison

Having issues getting into schools. Picked up a boy from Ontario that the Post will be sponsoring. Meeting here on June 23rd. Clearpath will provide transportation. Boys State will be June 28-July 3 at SUNY Morrisville.

Scholarship - Dave Madison
Coordinating with school to get names.

Post Property - Tim Huff

- Stone's will be doing mowing, string trimming and edging
- Going to talk to Grandpa's about more stone for around planters
- Going to clean out the storage room and get rid of items that don't work
- The storage room key keeps going missing. It has been replace and needs to stay where it is.
- Cleaners aren't getting paid in a timely manner because Cole's won't pay bills during tax time
- Ice build up on the roof may be due to a plugged downspout

Cemetery - Tim Huff

Putting up flags the first week of May so they're ready for Memorial Day.

Colorguard/Firing Squad - Tim Huff

- May 17th Apple Blossom
- May 30th Memorial Day
- Have 2 funerals scheduled in June

Americanism No report

Historian No report

Chaplain/Sick Call - Dean Sheffield

Dean had surgeries and received a fruit basket from the Post. He will be stepping down as Chaplain. No sick call.

Unfinished Business

- George Russell and Jason Allen are registered for Legion College.
- Dave Madison volunteered to head up the chicken BBQ on May 17th. He will need help. Going to do 250 chickens and start cooking at noon. Nate Cianciola motioned for the price to be \$15, seconded by Harold Stryker. Motion carried.
- Jim Hoffman and Kim Murphy have sold presale tickets at Breen's in the past. Jim's going to look into selling somewhere else.

New Business

- Jim Hoffman showed the projector and screen set-up purchased by the Williamson Seniors
- Bill Gleichauf motioned to withdraw an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00 from the Merrill Lynch account and transfer it into the Business Account, seconded by Chuck Brust. Motion Carried.
- It was suggested to write to our congressional representative to request a flag that's been flown over the capital.
- There was a discussion about finances. There's been significantly lower revenues from the Fellowship Room. The Queen of Hearts and Legion Loot raffles haven't been as profitable. Need to look at expenses and see if there's any places to save money.
- Should have an audit done with the change in officers.



There will be a baked goods auction at the May meeting.

Legion Drawing \$22.00 won by Jim Hoffman.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 pm.

Please take moment to remember our shut ins:

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 Spring Auxiliary,

On April 10th we held our monthly meeting and 14 members were present. Jason Alexander from Merrill Lynch attended and spoke to us regarding our Merrill Lynch accounts. He expressed that our account was doing well and is expected to continue to do so.

Denise reported that our membership remains at 61 which brings us to our 100% membership goal.

During the meeting I mentioned a date for Spring Conference, yesterday I received some updated information, the conference will be held on May 31st not the 18th.

Our Poppy distribution will be held again in May. Mary Merritt has a schedule of times, if you have some time and wish to help out, please contact her at 315 589-4229.

I am happy to report that our updated Constitution and By-Laws and Standing Rules, have been approved by Department.

Our scholarship committee presented information on the scholarship that we will be giving. Information has been sent to the school and our committee will be selecting the recipient and presentation will be made in June.

The drawing for the Meat Raffle was held winners were 1st Sherry VanGee, 2nd Adam Grevell and 3rd Gretchen Grevell. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this a success. Also, a donation of \$25.00 was received and they asked that we donate to a charity of our choice, it was decided to add it to our donation to Glow Up Girls.

A care package was sent to National Guard members stationed at the prisons during the strike. I attended the 7th District Leadership Conference, topics present were the Importance of Reporting, Mentoring, Conflict Resolution, Auditing and Leadership. These workshops are very informative and if you have the chance, you should attend. Also look at the Department and National Website for information and online learning. I have taken several classes and found them to be very helpful.

April is the Month of the Military Child. April 15th everyone is encouraged to wear purple in support of the Military Child. Did you know that the dandelion is the symbol of the Military child a few reasons why: Dandelions put down roots anywhere, they bloom anywhere the wind takes them, they are hardy and strong. The color purple, because it is a combination of the colors of each branch of Military service.

7th District Homecoming for Commander Dan Zimmer, Auxiliary President Gina Southcott, and Sons Commander Ray Henery will be held on June 21st at Marion Memorial Post 1430 \$10.00 per person rsvp required.

Next Month May 8th a Legion Family Baked Food Auction will be held prior to our meeting. Anyone who would like to donate a baked good, please do so, these can be dropped off at the Legion or brought to the meeting. Last year this was a great time and raised \$400 which was donated to Clear Path.

We will be making nominations for next year officers at the May meeting. Our Chaplin Lilly will be off to college in the fall so, if anyone is interested in being the Chaplin please let me know.

Convention Call will be arriving soon. The dates for this will be July 16-19th and it will be in Syracuse NY.

Our next county meeting will be held in Wolcott with dinner before the meeting.

Thank you for everything you do, our next meeting will be May 8th.

For God and Country

Sherryl Madison, President

Williamson Unit 394 American Legion Auxiliary



Meeting called to order:

4/10/2025 Sons of the American Legion Squadron 394 meeting called to order by Brian Thiel at 7:22 PM

Members in attendance:

Brian Thiel, Stephen Hyde, Greg Palis, Billy Mckinstry, Baxley Boeggeman

Officer Reports:

Finance Report: by Billy Mckinstry. accepted by Baxley Boeggeman, second by Brian Thiel

Other:

- SAL Sunday breakfast 3/30/2025 served 131 patrons. Next breakfast is 4/27/2025

Membership:

-We are officially at 100% in membership. We have a potential new member getting his paperwork together which should be taken care of by the next meeting.

New Business:

-Steve Hyde brought up scholarships for graduating students from high school. The discussion was tabled to see which direction we want to go in.

Old Business:

2025 SAL BREAKFAST DATES

April 27, 2025

Motion to adjourn meeting by Greg Palis @ 7:51 pm seconded by Brian Thiel

Commander: Paul Scheuerlein

2nd Vice: Bill Pinkerton

Finance Officer: William Mckinstry

Adjutant: Brian Thiel

1st Vice: Brian Thiel

3rd Vice: Ron Dean

Seargent at Arms: Steve Hyde