

# Disabled American Veterans



## Minneapolis Chapter #1

PO Box 17037 Minneapolis, MN 55417

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*Disabled American Veterans Mission Statement: Made up exclusively of men and women disabled in our nation's defense, the Disabled American Veterans is dedicated to one, single purpose:: building better lives for all of our nation's disabled veterans and their families.*

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### Commander's Column

I consider myself very fortunate to be your Commander elect for Minneapolis Chapter #1. I am confident I will be able to contribute progressive leadership to our organization, especially with my own unique sense of humor at our meeting. I will always strive for ethical integrity, high moral values and non-judgmental professional behavior, as long as I am Commander.

There are many volunteer opportunities within our Chapter and I encourage you to participate and contribute your many special talents and ideas.

The Mid Winter Legislative Conference is fast approaching. This is your chance to personally make a difference in our crucial veteran's issues and concerns. Consider joining me in Washington, DC. The Conference is March 2 to March 5, 2008 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott, Arlington, VA.

I hope to see all of you members at our next Chapter Meeting. And to those who desire Chapter #1, I encourage you to come to the next meeting Scheduled for Tuesday, March 4, 2008 at The Fort Snelling Club.

*Commander*

*Yvonne Bradford*

## Adjutant's Column

We sure are having beautiful weather now. If it would only stay this way until May and then warm up. I hope everyone had a good Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I want to thank the members who helped with the Christmas Party at the VA Medical Center on Christmas morning. We passed out \$10 bills to all hospitalized veterans. We gave to 105 patients equaling \$1050. Thanks to the veterans who helped, Richard Turpen and wife Becky, Dean Ascherman and his wife, two of Chief Pyle's sons, Ray Collins, Yvonne Bradford, Jerald Bottcher (Chapter #1 Commander), Wayne Blue and Ken Wofford

The Chapter held its election of officers on January 8, 2008. The installing officer was Department Commander Bill Wroolie. Officers elected are:

Commander.....Yvonne Bradford  
Sr. Vice Commander.....John Austin  
Jr. Vice Commander.....Anthony Stone  
Chaplin.....Theodore Hansom  
Past Commander.....Elizabeth Brandt  
Treasurer (1yr remaining).....Richard Turpen  
Trustees (1 year).....Dick Haan  
Ray Collins  
(2 years).....Henry Fisher  
Judge Advocate.....Robert Dahlberg  
Adjutant.....Wayne Blue

On Saturday March 15, 2008, we are sponsoring a veteran's information seminar at the Fort Snelling Club.

It will be presented by the National Service Officers. It will run from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

March 2-5 is the National Fall Conference in Washington DC. If you are interested in attending, please contact our office at 612-7269591.

Chapter #1 operates a pulltab booth at the Fort Snelling Club. If you are looking for good food, stop by the Club, have dinner and play some pulltabs. The proceeds from the sale of pulltabs can only be used to make donations to our veterans.

Chapter #1 office is open three days a week form 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. If you are planning on coming to the office, please call first to make sure someone is there. Phone number is 612-726-9591. If there is a change of address or a loved one who is a member, has passed on, please let us know by calling the office or Wayne Blue at 612-703-8879.

The Chapter will be making a monthly donation of \$25 in memory of each deceased member of Chapter #1 to The Fort Snelling National Cemetery Volunteer Committee. A Sympathy card will be sent to the family of the deceased to inform them of this donation.

The turnout at our Chapter meetings is improving. Thanks to all of you who attend. Those who have not been attending, the meeting is held the first Tuesday after the first Monday of each month, see **Dates & Time to Remember**. Free buffet starts at 5:45 pm and the meeting begins at 6:30 pm at the Fort Snelling Club. Please try to attend.

*Adjutant Wayne Blue*

## *Dates & Times to Remember*

*\*Guest Speakers*

### February

4	5:30p.m.	Finance Meeting at the Office
4	6:30p.m.	Board Meeting at the Office
5	5:45p.m.	Dinner - Fort Snelling Club
5	6:30p.m.	Chapter Meeting*
13	7:00p.m.	6-5-4 at VAMC
24	1:00p.m.	VAMC Sunday Visitation

### March

3	5:30p.m.	Finance Meeting at the Office
3	6:30p.m.	Board Meeting at the Office
4	5:45p.m.	Dinner - Fort Snelling Club
4	6:30p.m.	Chapter Meeting*
12	7:00p.m.	6-5-4 at VAMC
1:00p.m.	VAMC Sunday Visitation	<b>Easter Sunday</b>

### April

7	5:30p.m.	Finance Meeting at the Office
7	6:30p.m.	Board Meeting at the Office
8	5:45p.m.	Dinner - Fort Snelling Club
8	6:30p.m.	Chapter Meeting*
9	7:00p.m.	6-5-4 at VAMC
27	1:00p.m.	VAMC Sunday Visitation

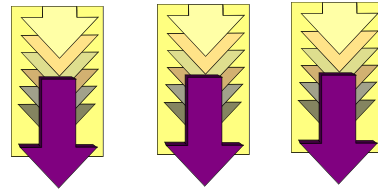
### May

5	5:30p.m.	Finance Meeting at the Office
5	6:30p.m.	Board Meeting at the Office
6	5:45p.m.	Dinner - Fort Snelling Club
6	6:30p.m.	Chapter Meeting*
14	7:00p.m.	6-5-4 at VAMC
25	1:00p.m.	VAMC Sunday Visitation
26		<b>Memorial Day</b>

**Remember: All DAV meetings are open to all veterans. Only members in good standing may vote during meetings.**

**Note: If a Committee is meeting, only those appointed to the committee may vote.**

# PULLTABS



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“ Veteran Is someone who, at one point in his life, wrote a blank check made payable to ‘The United States of America’, for an amount of up to and including his life.”