

JEWISH WAR VETERANS of the USA
MINUTES of the DEPARTMENT of MICHIGAN
ANNUAL CONVENTION 22 JUNE 2025

- CALL TO ORDER was done by DC Weiss at 1106. Meeting was held at The Zekelman Holocaust Center.
- OPENING OF ALTAR was done by OOD Garbeil.
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by DC Weiss in honors to the Nation.
- OPENING PRAYER read by Chaplain Gross.
- MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING were approved.
- QUARTERMASTER REPORT: Report given by QM Segel. We are solvent. He had given out written report previously. The Budget Committee has met twice to update the 2025-26 budget and will meet again soon.
- PROGRAMMING: SrVC Glogower updated us. The Shooting Range and BBQ Activity will be held on June 29, 2025, between 1100-1400 at the Island Lake Shooting Range, 13,600 Grand River Rd., Brighton, 866-647-4668. Check with Mark Segel for further details. Independence Day Oak Park parade: Route will be same as in previous years. Meet at parking lot of O'Reilly's Auto Parts, (?) 9:45am. Parade departure (?) 1105. PC will give specific times in e-mail before. BEWARE of ROAD CONSTRUCTION at several locations. Program for Department Meeting July 20th-TBD. Rabbi Dan Horvith from Jewish National to speak on August 17th. No Department Meeting in September. DC Weiss reminded us that the National JWV Convention is in August and can be attended virtually.
- MEMBERSHIP & PUBLIC RELATIONS: Al Muskovitz is working on several articles for future DJN publications.
- JWVMHA REPORT: DC Weiss noted that the home association is in the process of dissolving.
- JWA AUXILIARY REPORT: no report.
- REPORTS FROM POSTS:
 - 1. Post 135: Good turnout. Post is solvent.
 - 2. Post 474: Good turnout. New Budget approved.
 - 3. Post 510: Good turnout: We are solvent.
- OLD BUSINESS:
 - 1. Flagging Graves-summary: We had MANY JWV-Mi members volunteer to plant flags at the several cemeteries before Mother's Day.
 - 2. Memorial Day Weekend-summary: Good but not fantastic turnout for activities. Freeway closure may be contributing. We may move our Parade venue from Royal Oak to North West Suburbs next year.
 - 3. Flag Day (Disposal)-summary: Our old Flags were delivered to the VFW Post in Southgate and burned in a crematorium near there. Services are held on the Sunday before Flag Day each year before the burning. We will see if there is a crematorium closer to us to use in the future.

4. J WV Michigan-Charles Kaye Scholarship-summary/status: The Articles of Incorporation are done. We are awaiting a tax exempt determination. We plan to request more donations around Veterans Day. The Scholarships are planned to be offered to Jewish War Veterans and their descendants from the State of Michigan. We hope to hand out the first Scholarships at this time next year. Sid Lichter would like to be on the nominating committee.
- NEW BUSINESS:
 1. July 4th Oak Park parade-status: See above notes.
 2. Future Meeting (August, not September): See above notes.
 3. Election of Department Officers: DC Weiss, SrVC Glogower, and JrVC Schenk were reelected unanimously. CONGRATULATIONS to our Officers!
 4. Reading of members deceased this past year: Adjutant Adler read the list of those we have lost.
 5. Awards: A Plaque will be awarded to SrVC Emeritus Art Fishman for his many contributions to the J WV-Mi in the near future.
 6. Installation of 2025-2026 Department Officers: Former J WV-Mi DC and NEC Representative Lawrence Berry oversaw the program. DC Weiss summarized some of the Highlights of the past year. A special THANK YOU to Al Muskovitz for spotlighting our activities to the public!
 - Open Discussion:
 1. Several members inquired about the benefits of using Zoom in our meetings (we have used it in the past). It may be utilized again, sometime in the future.
 2. We are still hoping to install a new Post in Ann Arbor (it requires seven members).
 - CLOSING PRAYER led by Chaplain Gross.
 - CLOSING OF ALTAR led by OOD Garbeil.
 - SALUTE TO THE NATION led by DC Weiss. DC Weiss adjourned meeting at 1216.
FOR THE COMMANDER
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Adjutant