

## **AMERICAN LEGION MINUTES** by Daniel Cheever, Judge Advocate.

The American Legion Post #61 of Yellville held its monthly meeting May 14, 2026. Meeting was called to order at 18:00 hours by Pamala Burns, Commander.

Opening prayer was given by David Snow, Chaplain

**ROLL CALL:** Was taken by Pamala Burns, Commander.

**GUESTS:** Oratorical speakers Sofia Ketchum and Cheyenne Barnes.

Commander Pamela Burns presented Oratorical awards to 3<sup>rd</sup> place Cheyenne Barnes , 2<sup>nd</sup> place Sofia Ketchum and 1<sup>st</sup> place to Annabella Offerman, who could not attend. Travis Risley will forward the award to her. Thank you students for participating.

**NEW MEMBER:** Welcome to Post 61 new member Mark Craig.

**SICK CALL:** Anna Rogers

**MINUTES:** For the April 09, 2026 meeting was read by Johnny Rogers, Adjutant. Motion to accept. Motion carried.

**FINANCE REPORT:** Was given by David Hall, Finance Officer. Motion to accept. Motion carried.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**MEMBERSHIP:** Johnny Rogers, Adjutant, reported that 80 members have paid their dues.

Post 61 members are at 103% membership. Still working on the members that have not paid. If you have not paid your dues please see the Adjutant. Any Paid Up For Life applicants need to call National Pat Sacson 317-630-1221.

**DECEASED MEMBER'S LIST:** Is on going. Anyone knowing of a deceased member from Post #61 please tell the Adjutant. Every Memorial Day at our Memorial Day Program we honor our deceased members at a Post Everlasting.

**FREEDOM FLAGS:** Johnny Rogers, Adjutant, reported that he has the brick applications for our namesakes Denis Estes and John W. Williams.

The application for the Bricks are available. The Bricks are for any Veteran living or deceased.

**RENTAL:** Teddy Beaudin, Post Service Officer, reported that The Daughters of the Confederacy made a donation to the Post. There are no rentals for the month of May. If you would like to rent the Hut please contact Teddy Beaudin, Post Service Officer.

**GUN RAFFLE:** Dave Hagan, Historian, reported that tickets for the AR-15 style Rifle has only 15 tickets remaining. The Rifle will be at Gassville in the Park June 06, 2026. Ticket pricing, for the AR15 style rifle. \$25.00 each or 5 tickets for \$100.00. See Dave Hagan, Historian, for tickets for the Rifle Raffle. He also reported that he has the new Generation 2 Ruger .270 bolt action rifle with a Vertex scope hunting rifle for the next Raffle.

**SCHOOL AWARDS:** Johnny Rogers, Adjutant, reported that Pamela Burns, Commander did an excellent job presenting the School Awards. Next year Awards will be donated by Teddy Beaudin, Post Service Officer and Ken Kreger, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander.

**CORN HOLE:** Discussion on the floor to cancel the Corn hole tournament due to unable to get in touch with the League Chairmen. Motion to cancel. Motion carried.

**WEBSITE:** It is up and running.

### **UNFINISHED or OLD BUSINESS:**

**ORATORICAL:** Discussion on the Oratorical speeches done by the students for next year.

Motion to table the discussion until Dave Boyden, 1st Vice Commander, returns. Motion carried.

**PEST CONTROL:** Ken Kreger, 2nd Vice Commander, report on the pest control bid.

Discussion on the floor to do the pest control in house. Motion to accept. Motion carried.

**HUT ENTRY DOOR:** Pamela Burns, Commander, reported that an estimate on the repair for the front door frame is being made.

**ELECTION COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS:** Motion to open Nomination for Officers for 2026 -2027 by Johnny Rogers, Adjutant. Motion to accept. Motion carried.

**ELECTION COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS:**

**HISTORIAN:** Dave Hagan.  
**JUDGE ADVOCATE:** Daniel Cheever  
**SERVICE OFFICER:** Teddy Beaudin.  
**SGT-AT-ARMS:** Bill Henderson  
**CHAPLAIN:** Bobby Hamlin  
**FINANCE OFFICER:** David Hall  
**ADJUTANT:** David Boyden  
**2nd VICE COMMANDER:** Dustin Beals  
**1st VICE COMMANDER:** Ken Kreger  
**COMMANDER:** Pamala Burns

Motion to close nomination until next meeting. Motion carried .

Motion to vote by Acclamation. Motion carried.

Larry Poetz will swear Officers in next meeting.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**MEMORIAL DAY:** The Memorial Day Program begins May 25, 2026 at 10:00 AM.

Flag for the deceased Veterans will be install in the cemeteries by May 23, 2026.

Travis Risley to be the Guest speaker. The JROTC will be the Color Guard.

Deceased Member list will be read by Larry Poetz, Teddy Beaudin, and Johnny Rogers.

John Laubenstein will sing the National Anthem.

**GASSVILLE IN THE PARK:** June 6, 2026. The volunteer sign-up sheet is passed around.

This is also the day for the Hut's Pancake Breakfast that begins at 9:00 AM

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION:**

**COFFEE & DONUTS:** First Saturday of the Month. 9:00 to 11:00 am. Next one June 6, 2026.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** The June 6 coffee & donuts is also the Hut's Pancake Breakfast, which is free for veterans and \$2.00 for non-veterans.

**CONTINUOUS YEAR CERTIFICATES:** Johnny Rogers, Adjutant, reported that Continuous Year Certificates will be awarded at our July 09, 2026 meeting.

**5-Year:** Harold Patterson

**10-Year:** Bill Henderson

**15-Year:** Ken Kreger

**20-Year:** George Lanning and John Moon

**AUXILIARY and LEGION JOINT:**

Carolyn Cheever, President, reported that they will have a booth set up at Walmart, for Memorial Poppies Friday May 22, 2026. 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Closing Prayer by David Snow, Chaplain.

Meeting adjourned 18:55 hours.