

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 1, Wheeling
Meeting Date/Time: 04/07/2026 @ 7 PM

April 2026 Meeting Notes

Meeting called to order by President Michelle Powell
Prayer led by President Michelle Powell
Pledge of Allegiance, Preamble and Mission statement recited by all members.

Roll Call of Officers:	PRESENT	NOT PRESENT
President- Michelle Powell	X	
1 st Vice- Melissa Stegman	X	
2 nd Vice- Sandra Koontz		X
Secretary- Courtney Clark	X	
Treasurer- Diana Mey	X	
Chaplain Denise Abell		X
Sgt at Arms- Marcia Bolner		X
Historian- Lois Sine-Hoffman	X	

Other Members Present: Marilyn Collins, Sharon Ebbert, Marie Farnsworth, Amanda Miller

Total Present: 9; Total Voting Members: 8

SECRETARY:

Minutes from the March 2026 meeting were read by Secretary Courtney Clark. Motion made by Melissa Stegman to accept minutes. Motion seconded by Marie Farnsworth. Discussion: None. In favor 7, Against 0, Motion carried.

TREASURER:

Treasurer report provided by President Powell.

General Fund → Starting balance \$3,975.73, Ending balance \$3,718.23

Check paid for Michelle Powell for \$257.50 for purchase for Night at the Races

Poppy Fund → Starting balance \$548.50, Ending balance \$548.50

Finance report will be on file for audit.

SICK CALL & RELIEF

Dona Shook's husband passed away. Powell passed a card around for members to sign.

Audrey Foster, past secretary, passed away.

Tom Hicks, past Department Commander, passed away.

Margaret Erickson had a procedure done.

Prayer provided by Diana Mey.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Powell passed out a membership recipe and Hershey chocolate bar to all members in attendance as a thank you for renewing their membership. Unit 1 has met membership goals for the past two years. This year Unit 1 has 38 current members or 135%.

OLD BUSINESS

National American Legion Commander Dan Wiley

- Held March 10, 2026 and Dan liked his gift.

Night at the Races

- Held March 14, 2026 and event made \$3800.

Spring Craft Show by KC Productions LLC

- Held March 27-29, 2026 at Highlands Sports Complex
- Powell attended and collected \$61.00 for Poppy Fund

NEW BUSINESS

2026-2027 Officers

- Powell advised members she will remain president for another year but may not have many more years left.
- Officers who will keep their position are Melissa Stegman- 1st Vice, Courtney Clark- Secretary, Diana Mey- Treasurer
- Officers who were not present to notify unit if they want to keep their position were Sandy Koontz- 2nd Vice.
- Officers who declined to keep their position were Denise Abell- Chaplain
- Lois Sine-Hoffman will think about taking Chaplain or Sgt at Arms. Marie Farnsworth will think about taking Sgt at Arms.

Chair Covers

- Powell advised unit that Sandy Koontz took the chair covers from the Commander dinner and washed them. She took them to Glo Tone to be pressed. The dry cleaner did not advise Sandy that the covers needed to be washed and then pressed. Glo Tone charged Sandy \$400.
 - o Motion made by Lois Sine-Hoffman for unit to reimburse Sandy \$200 for the dry-cleaning bill. Motion seconded by Marilyn Collins. Discussion: None. In favor 8, Against 0, Motion carried.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Post 1 Bingo

- Will be held first Sunday of month; test run held 03/22/26; first game 04/12/26
- If there are 40 attendees, \$1000 will be minimum pay out

Legion Riders Pancake Breakfast

- April 12, 2026; 8AM to 1 PM
- Cost is by donation

Post 1 Family Steak Fry

- Scheduled April 18, 2026
- Volunteers are needed to work at the event
- Tickets are \$30; 200 will be sold
- Auxiliary members were asked to bring desserts.
- Set up 04/17/26 @ 6 PM

1st District Meeting

- April 25, 2026, in Chester, WV

Quarter Auction

- June 6, 2026
- Doors open at 11 AM; Auction will start at 12 PM
- \$5.00 per ticket

CORRESPONDENCE- None

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ALA

First Aid Kit

- Powell requested ALA purchase a first aid kit for the building. She researched what the Poppy funds could be used for the she believes the money can be used to purchase the kit.
 - o Motion made by Melissa Stegman to purchase the first aid kit. Motion seconded by Marie Farnsworth. Discussion: None. In favor 8, Against 0, Motion carried.

America's 250th Anniversary

- Marie asked if the Post/Unit would be doing anything for the celebration.
- Powell requested members bring ideas to the next meeting of how to celebrate.

UPCOMING EVENTS

First Friday- 05/01/26 @ 6 PM

Next Meeting- 05/05/26 @ 7 PM

Closing Prayer/Benediction: President Michelle Powell

Adjourned by President Michelle Powell at 7:51 PM

Quarter Drill for (has not been determined)

Notes Taken: 04/07/26

Typed: 04/08/26

Courtney L Clark
Auxiliary Unit 1, Wheeling
Secretary

Michelle Powell
Auxiliary Unit 1, Wheeling
President