

**June 2018**  
**Post Newsletter**  
WesternSpringsVFW.org

**Commander's Stuff**

**By Joe Barker**

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As this is my last column as your Commander, I want to express my thanks:

- To the past Post Commanders, who through their leadership and dedication developed the Post to be the finest formation of veterans assembled.
- To the Post officers, both elected and appointed, who through their leadership continued the call to duty for our fellow veterans.
- To the informal chain of command who provided invaluable guidance and advice during my tenure.
- To our committee chairpersons, who provided leadership on their respective committees, continuing our mission.
- And, most importantly, to every member of the Post – it is through your participation and dedication we are able to help

**Save the Dates**

June 12<sup>th</sup> – 6 p.m. **Post Installation Dinner** at Bohemian Crystal in Westmont  
June 14<sup>th</sup> – Hospital Visit  
June 15<sup>th</sup> – deadline for July newsletter  
July 10<sup>th</sup> – 7:30 p.m. **Post Regular meeting** at Grace Lutheran Church

those veterans most in need.  
Thank you all.

I hope to see everyone at the parade and at our installation dinner – let's continue a strong show of support for Rich and his team as they move the Post onward!

**Quartermaster Report**

**By Mike Winner**

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Statement of funds as of 5/8/18:

Post General Fund	\$18,060.50
Post Relief Fund	452.14
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$18,512.64</b>

Semper Fi!

## **Hospital Chairman Report**

**By Walt Bergenthal**

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On April 18, Hines VA Hospital Volunteer Services had its annual Volunteer Recognition ceremony luncheon at the Brookfield Zoo.

The following members of our Post were in attendance and given a certificate of hours and years of service:

<b>Volunteer</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Years</b>
Seedy Ulrich	2,500	23
Jack Lund	1,046	28
Bruce Harken	1,520	5
Walt Bergenthal	2,976	28

In addition, Seedy received the 2,500 hour pin.

Thanks to all who showed up at the church to support Poppy Days. We appreciate your help. Check the flier later in this newsletter for information about our Post's Installation dinner.

## **Summer Bucket List**

If you've got kids or grandkids to keep entertained over summer vacation (or you're looking for some fun ideas for yourself!), check out these ideas from The Best Ideas for Kids website. View the complete list at [www.thebestideasforkids.com/summer-bucket-list-for-kids/](http://www.thebestideasforkids.com/summer-bucket-list-for-kids/)

- Catch fireflies
- Read at least 10 books
- Make recycled crayons
- Visit a Farmer's Market
- Ride your bike on a trail
- Visit national monuments
- Play flashlight tag
- Stargaze

**INSTALLATION DINNER**

**VFW POST 10778**

**TUESDAY JUNE 12, 2018**

**6:00 – 9:30PM**

**BOHEMIAN CRYSTAL RESTAURANT  
639 N. BLACKHAWK DRIVE  
WESTMONT, ILLINOIS**

**COST: \$20.00 PER PERSON**

**PAYABLE TO: Western Springs Memorial VFW Post 10778**

**Dinner will include the following items:**

**2 meats, Homemade bread and rolls, Sauerkraut, sweet sour cabbage, dumplings.  
Mashed potatoes, fresh vegetable of the day, plus coffee and mixed dessert**

**CASH BAR**

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**Name \_\_\_\_\_**

**# Of guests attending \_\_\_\_\_**

**Paid**

**Cash \_\_\_\_\_**

**Check \_\_\_\_\_**