



## **MN DAV COMMITTEES AND APPOINTMENTS 2017-2018**

### **DAV MN Executive Committee**

DEPARTMENT Cmdr: Robert Sadoris # 7  
SR VICE CDR: Rick Jarvis # 12  
1<sup>st</sup> JR VICE CDR: Scott Berndt # 39  
2<sup>nd</sup> JR VICE CDR: Kerry Allison # 28  
3<sup>rd</sup> JR VICE CDR: Ronald Haugen # 10  
4<sup>th</sup> JR VICE CDR: Wayne Patras # 13  
JUDGE ADVOCATE: Van Karg # 37  
CHAPLAIN: Walter James # 7  
TREASURER: John Walker # 2  
PDC: Mick Aguirre # 2  
ADJUTANT (secretary): STEPHEN WHITEHEAD # 10

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### **DAV OF MN FOUNDATION BD OF DIRECTORS Board of Directors**

COMMANDER Robert Sadoris # 7  
TREASURER John Walker # 2

**APPOINTED:** Mark Jaruszewski 3 yr # 1  
Jerold Bjerke 2 yr #38  
David Valtinson Chair – 1yr # 13  
Stephen Whitehead # 10  
Adjutant CEO

**EX-OFFICIO:** Rick Jarvis # 12

**ADVISORS:** Josh Vrtacnik # 20

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### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**The** Department Commander shall appoint a Chairman of the Finance Committee (who shall also serve as Department Treasurer) subject to ratification by the Department Executive Committee. This appointment is for one (1) year or until removed by a majority vote of the Department Executive Committee. The remaining members of the Finance Committee include the Department Commander and three additional appointed members. The Department Senior vice Commander and the Director of Operations shall be ex-officio members of said committee without vote, and the Department Adjutant shall be secretary of said committee without vote.

TREASURER John Walker # 2 chair  
COMMANDER Robert Sadoris # 7

**APPOINTED:** Rob Hartley # 1  
Greg Remus # 38  
Martin Oather # 37 320-583-9011

**ADVISORS:** Heidi Grinbe / Scott Berndt # 39

**EX-OFFICIO:** Josh Vrtacnik Director # 20  
Rick Jarvis Sr Vice # 12

**SECRETARY:** Stephen Whitehead # 10 State Adjutant, CEO

### DAV of MN Volunteerism/VAVS Committee

**The** committee shall be chaired by the 2<sup>nd</sup> junior vice Commander and members shall include MN Department VAVS team, HSCs and LVAP Coordinator, DAVA VAVS representative and DAV community volunteers. **The** focus of the committee is the development and coordination of volunteer programs for VAMCs, CBOCs, Veterans Homes, and communities. Example activities include, but are not limited to: recruitment of VAVS and LVAP volunteers, coordination of volunteer recognition when appropriate (via Department Headquarters) and promoting/engaging in volunteerism (membership, auxiliary, youth, community members, etc.

DAVA VAVS need?????  
All VAVS REPORT TO Kerry

Kerry Allison 2<sup>nd</sup> Jr Vice  
JOHN CARSON LVAP  
Steve CORNETT/ OR Mike O'Donnell ?  
Neil Olson VAVS Fargo # 31  
Lucas Johnson HSC #  
Stephanie Ziemetz HCS # 9  
Dan Welsand HCS # 6

### DAV of MN Organization Vitality Committee

**The** committee shall be chaired by the Senior vice Commander and members shall include 3<sup>rd</sup> Junior Vice Commander, 4<sup>th</sup> Junior Vice Commander, a Department Service Officer (DSO), a National Service Officer (NSO), and three additional appointees. **The** focus of the committee is the development and coordination of an annual Department membership recruitment plan, assist with organization and recruitment for new Chapters, assist with Chapter restructuring and vitality where necessary and coordination of leadership development/education efforts.

### MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE

Rick Jarvis Sr Vice # 12 – CHAIR  
Ronald Haugen 3<sup>rd</sup> Jr Vice # 10  
Wayne Patras 4<sup>th</sup> Jr Vice # 13  
Trent Dilks DSO # 12  
Jon Retzer DAV NSO # 39  
Jerry Uecker # 6  
Thomas Annonson # 7  
Kenneth Olson # 34

### DAV of MN Transportation Committee

**The** committee shall be chaired by the Department Adjutant and members shall include the Department Commander, Department Treasurer, one HSC, one Foundation Board Member, and two additional appointees. **The** focus of the committee is the oversight of all aspects of the DAV MN transportation program to ensure it continually meets the needs of veterans in an efficient manner. The committee is also charged with establishing and maintaining optimal relations with any entities necessary to maintain an effective transportation program.

Stephen Whitehead Adjutant # 10 co- chair  
John Walker #2 Treasurer  
Robert Sadoris Commander # 7  
Dan Welsand # 6  
Lucas Johnson HSC  
Trent Dilks co-chair # 9  
Dan Woods HSC # 31  
Stephanie Ziemetz HSC # 9

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### **MN DAV Outdoors Committee**

**The** committee shall be chaired by the 1<sup>st</sup> Junior vice Commander and members shall include the Department Commander, Adjutant, Event Coordinator, and four additional appointed members to represent the interests of veterans in various regions of Minnesota. The focus of the committee is the development and coordination of therapeutic outdoors recreational events for disabled veterans. The committee is tasked with developing relationships with businesses, outfitters and other organizations involved in outdoor activities to expand and enhance MN DAV Outdoors events.

	Scott Berndt	1 <sup>st</sup> Jr Vice chair # 39
	JOHN CARSON	Event Coordinator # 32
	ROGER WIEBESICK	# 38
	Gary Valtinson	# 13
	Roland Mammenga	# 6
	Dean Ascheman	# 28
	Kerry Allison	# 28
Advisors	Robert Sadoris (DEPT CDR)	#7
	STEPHEN WHITEHEAD (ADJUTANT)	# 10

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### **DAV of MN Time and Place Committee**

**The** committee shall be chaired by the Department Adjutant (or designee) and members shall include the NSO Supervisor, DAV MN Administrative Specialist, Judge Advocate and Chaplain. **The** focus of this committee is the annual review of the upcoming Spring Convention and Fall Conference sites to ensure readiness and capacity. The committee is tasked with solicitation for information, reviews and recommendations of sites for the open dates for future Conventions and Conferences (normally two years in advance).

	STEPHEN WHITEHEAD –CHAIR	#10
	Van Karg	# 37
	Walter James	# 7
<b>ADVISORS:</b>	Gina Lindell	
	Jon Retzer	# 39

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### **Interim and Convention Committees**

**The** DAV of MN Convention Committees will be in session at the annual convention and members will be appointed from the ranks of the attending convention delegates. The core members of these committees are appointed by the Department Commander/Adjutant. Additional members can attend the committee meetings as non-voting members.

INTERIM CONSTITUTION and Bylaws

	VAN KARG Chair	# 37
	Josh Vrtacnik	# 10
	Greg Remus	# 38
	David Valtinson	# 13

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Women Veterans Outreach committee:

Lauri Brooke #31 Chair  
Rochelle Auge # 17  
Deb Grote #15  
Ashley Laganiere # 28  
Kerri Allison # 28  
Mick Aguirre # 2

**V4V TRUST FUND – DAV APPOINTEES:**

DEAN ASCHEMAN – 2 YR # 28  
HANK SADLER – 1YR # 10

Note PSC Greg Remus will attend this coming year 2017 and replace PSC Hank Sadler  
In 2018 new Cmdr would need to appoint PSC Remus  
Plans for PSC Rob Hartley to attend 2018 and replace PSC Dean Ascherman in 2019 need both  
Commander's for 2018 and 2019 to make this work.

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**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

FEDERAL-STATE  
TRENT DILKS # 12

**Additional Committees** - The DAV of MN Department Commander has the authority to appoint any additional interim committees he/she deems necessary.

**MN DAV APPOINTMENTS**

CHIEF OF STAFF  
AIDE TO STATE COMMANDER  
NEWSPAPER EDITOR  
WEBMASTER  
STATE VAVS CHAIR  
MPLS VAVS

Greg Remus # 38  
Gary Valtinson # 13  
ADJUTANT / GINA LINDELL  
JOHN CARSON # 20  
Scott Berndt 1<sup>st</sup> Jr Vice chair # 39  
Chuck LeTourneau #1  
Robert Bowen # 2  
Mark Jaruszewski # 1  
Steve Cornett # 9  
Tom Flaschberger # 6

ST. CLOUD VAVS  
Superior WI VAVS

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VAVS FARGO  
VAVS SIOUX FALLS  
FT. SNELLING NATL CEMETERY  
SERVICEMENS CENTER REP  
COMMANDERS TASKFORCE

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Neil Olson # 31  
Darwin Sietsema # 33  
Ken Gibson # 2 651-592-8409  
Don Nesheim # 1  
COMMANDER Robert Saddoris # 7

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**AMBASSADORS Veterans homes and MN DAV**

MN DVA  
MN DAVA  
MN COUNCIL FOR VETERANS (MAC-V)  
HASTINGS VETERANS HOME  
SILVER BAY VETERANS HOME  
FERGUS FALLS VETERANS HOME

COMMANDER Robert Saddoris # 7  
VAN KARG # 37  
Reggie Worlds # 10/ Bob Conners # 2  
KEN GIBSON # 2 651-592-8409 651 636 3899 H  
GERRY HOLKKO/DAVID VALTINSON 23-13  
RODNEY EVERSILLER # 25

MPLS VETERANS HOME  
LIVERNE VETERANS HOME  
CVSO Association

DICK POWELL / MARK JARUSZEWSKI # 1  
Darwin Sietsema #33  
Jerold Bjerke # 38

**Community Based Outpatient Clinic's VAVS**

Alexandria	Orville Lamb # 9
Albert Lea	Tom O'Rourke # 16
Bemidji	Walter James #7
Brainerd	David Myers # 22
Ely	Author Richter # 3 218-365-3263 # 3 reports Ely to Chapter # 6
Fergus Falls	RODNEY EVERSILLER #25
Grand Forks	Robert Young # 14 218-280-7197
Hibbing	Bonnie Nelson #3 218-262-2563
Mankato	Harlan Michlhop #10
Montevideo	Josh Beninga # 24
Maplewood	Mick Aguirre PSC # 2
Northwest Metro	Scott Berndt #39
Rochester	Chuck Larson # 28 507-208-3874
Shakopee	Mike JARUSZEWSKI # 1
South Central	Deb Grote # 15 (St James)
Superior WI	Frank Flaschbuger # 6

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**NATIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

AIDE TO NATIONAL COMMANDER	Kerri Allison # 28
AIDE TO NATIONAL COMMANDE	Lauri Brooke # 31
NATIONAL DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF	Brad Hardt # 10
NATIONAL DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF	Thomas Annonson # 7

Clinics Hospitals

618	Minneapolis VA Health Care System	One Veterans Drive Minneapolis, MN 55417	612-725-2000
656	St. Cloud VA Health Care System	4801 Veterans Drive St. Cloud, MN 56303	320-252-1670 Or 320-252-1670
618GK	Albert Lea VA Clinic	1665 West Main St. Albert Lea, MN 56007	507-377-6051
656	Alexandria Community Based Outpatient Clinic	515 22nd Avenue East Alexandria, MN 56308	320-759-2640
437GE	Bemidji VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic	705 5th St Nw Suite B Bemidji, MN 56601	218-755-6360
656GA	Brainerd VA Clinic	722 NW 7th Street Brainerd, MN 56401	218-855-1115
618GB	Ely VA Clinic	720 Miners Drive East Ely, MN 55731	218-365-0001
437GC	Fergus Falls VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic	1839 N Park St Fergus Falls, MN 56537	218-739-1400
618GB	Hibbing VA Clinic	990 West 41st Street Suite 5 Hibbing, MN 55746	218-263-1400
618GJ	Lyle C. Pearson VA Clinic	1961 Premier Dr Suite 330 Mankato, MN 56001	507-387-2939
618GD	Maplewood VA Clinic	1725 Legacy Parkway, Suite 100 Maplewood, MN 55109	651-225-5420
656GB	Montevideo VA Clinic	1025 North 13th Street Montevideo, MN 56265	320-269-2222
618GI	Northwest Metro VA Clinic	7545 Veterans Drive Ramsey, MN 55303	612-467-1100
618GG	Rochester VA Clinic	3900 55th Street NW Rochester, MN 55901	507-252-0885
618GJ	Shakopee VA Clinic	1111 Shakopee Town Square Shakopee, MN 55379	952-445-4070
618GA	South Central VA Clinic	1212 Heckman Court St. James, MN 56081	507-375-9670