

AMERICAN LEGION MINUTES by Daniel Cheever, Judge Advocate.

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

OPENING PRAYER: was given by Teddy Beaudin, Acting Chaplain.

ROLL CALL: Was taken by Pamala Burns, Commander.

GUEST: Lisa Gunther, 2nd District Commander, Jim Gates new member, Sandy Evans and Heather, Marion County Rotary, Cindy Hamlin, President Crooked Creek Quilt Guild.

SICK CALL: Anna Rogers and Bobby Hamlin.

GUEST PRESENTATIONS:

QUILT: Cindy Hamlin, President Crooked Creek Quilt Guild, reported that their Guild will be donating a quilt to the Post. A motion was made to raffle the quilt off. Motion to accept. Motion carried.

TURKEY CALLING CONTEST: Sandy Evans and Heather, Marion County Rotary members reported that the Turkey Calling Contest will be September 26, 2026. 10 am to 2 pm. At the Hut. This contest is to qualify for the National. Food will be served. Arvest Bank will furnish the grill. The Post will need members to cook and wrap the food. See the sign up sheet.

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

FINANCE REPORT: Was given by David Hall, Finance Officer. Motion to accept. Motion carried. Also the 2nd District dues was given to Lisa Gunther, 2nd District Commander.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP: Johnny Rogers, Acting Adjutant reported that 2026/ 2027 dues are now due. If you have not paid your dues please see the Adjutant or mail to the Post. 20 members have paid their dues.

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

RENTAL: There are rentals for the Hut. September 26, 2026 Turkey Calling. If you would like to rent the Hut please contact Teddy Beaudin, Post Service Officer.

GUN RAFFLE: Dave Hagan, Historian, reported that there has been 2 tickets sold for the new Generation 2 Ruger 270 bolt action rifle with a 4×9 scope is up for raffle. \$25.00 each or 5 tickets for \$100.00. See Dave Hagan, Historian for tickets for the Rifle Raffle.

SCHOOL AWARDS: Johnny Rogers, Acting Adjutant reported, The Awards are done for this year.

UNFINISHED or OLD BUSINESS:

TURKEY TROT BREAKFAST: Discussion about the Turkey Trot Breakfast to give Teddy Beaudin, Breakfast Chairman / Post Service Officer to purchase supplies. Motion to accept. Motion carried. Members see sign up sheets for the Breakfast and for the Booth. The Breakfast will be Friday October 9, 2026. 6:00 to 10:00 am. And Saturday 10, 2026. 6:00 to 9:00 am. Adult \$8.00 and children 12 years and under \$4.00.

CORRESPONDENCE: Johnny Rogers, Acting Adjutant, read a letter from Pamala Pometoy ask the Post 61 for help. Her husband and a member of The Post needs help getting to Doctor appointments. Ken Kreger, 1st Vice Commander said that he will give her a call to get the help that she needs.

NEW BUSINESS:

PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Saturday, September 05, 2026, 9:00 to 11:00 am. Hut clean up to follow.

DISCUSSION:

- getting the ROTC and spouses of the Legion Members more involved with Legion Meetings. Calling them the Legion Patriots. They could help with dinners, booths and any other functions.
- Turkey Trot Tee Shirts.
- Getting a sign for the post. Tabled until Dave Boyden gets back.

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT: Lisa Gunther, 2nd District Commander reported that October 1, 2026. 11:00am to 3:00pm membership recruitment from the Post 1000 list. January 10, 2027. Mid winter conference. She also presented the Commander, the 1st Vice Commander and the Adjutant / Membership recruiter, the 100 % Membership Pins. Only two Posts in the 2nd District were able to claim this feat.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION:

COFFEE & DONUTS: first Saturday of the Month, 9:00 to 11:00 am

AUXILIARY and LEGION JOINT: Nothing to report

Meeting adjourned 19:15 hours.