

**Sons of the American Legion  
Detachment of Michigan  
DEC-1 Charlotte June 7, 2016**

Salute to the Flag

Roll Call

**Elected Officers:**

**Commander** Carvin Chapman, pres

**1<sup>st</sup> Zone Commander** Victor Fisher, pres

**2<sup>nd</sup> Zone Commander** John VanHavel, pres

**3<sup>rd</sup> Zone Commander** Louis Scott Jr., pres

**4<sup>th</sup> Zone Commander** John P. Brown, pres

**5<sup>th</sup> Zone Commander** George Maciejewski Jr., pres

**Finance** Earl Ruttkofsky, pres

**Chaplain** Jack Helminski, pres

**Historian** Andre Svacha, pres

**Assistant Historian** vacant

**SGT at Arms** Dan Tyack, pres

**AssT SGT at Arms** Joe Lipman, exc

**Asst SGT at Arms** Danny Gleason, exc

**NEC** Rodney Tolbert, pres

**ALT NEC** Mike Boughner, pres

**PDC 1** Fred Ruttkofsky, pres

**PDC 2** Harley (Butch Maxwell), pres

**PDC 3** Mike Boughner, pres

**Appointed Officers:**

**Adjutant** Zack Pendell, pres

**Asst Adjutant** Mike McDonnell, pres

**Judge Advocate** Skip Townes, pres

**Americanism** Keith Tyler, pres

**Budget Chairman** Chris Dohnal, pres

**VA & R** Earl Ruttkofsky, pres

**Membership** Patrick Pustay, pres

**Service Officer** vacant

**Legislative** David Mennel, pres

**Constitution and By Laws** Greg Price, pres

**Public Relations** Dominic Merlington, pres

**Boys State / Youth Career Law Enforcement** Mike Holley, abs

**Child Welfare Foundation** John Kailunas, pres

**Make A Wish** John Brown, pres  
**MIAP** Greg Price, pres  
**Homeland Security** Mike Boughner, pres  
**Homeless Vets** Rodney Tolbert pres  
**N.E.F. Chairman** Sandy Lipman, pres  
**Emergency Relief Fund** Jack Helminski, pres  
**Education and Leadership** Ray Moore, pres  
**Legionaire Editor/Publications** Sandy Lipman, pres  
**Son of the Year** Victor Fisher, pres  
**American Legion Rider Chairman** Tom Howard, pres  
**Reconnect** Jack Helminski, pres  
**Awards and Trophies** Dominic Merlington, pres  
**Pin Sales** Russell Bayliss, exc  
**Upper Peninsula Membership** Bill Germain pres  
**Upper Peninsula Chairman** vacant  
**Wilwin Chairman** Harley (Butch) Maxwell  
**SAL Dept. Liaison** Ray Moore, pres  
**Past National Commander** Earl Ruttkofsky, pres  
**Past Department Commander** Ray Moore, pres  
**Past National American Legion Commanders:** Tom Cadumes, exc  
**Past National Commanders:** Earl Ruttkofsky  
**Past Detachment Commanders:** Jack Helminski 1968-69 1969-70 pres, Lou Scott 1971-73 pres, 1983-84 pres, Earl Ruttkofsky 1995-96 pres, Skip Townes 1996-97 pres, Sanford Lipman 1998-99 pres, John Kailunas 1999-2000 pres, Dennis Larson 2000-01 abs, Roger Rockhold 2001-02 exc, Roger Dees 2002-03 exc, Dan Tyack 2003-04 pres, Ron Wyatt 2004-05 pres, Randy Jackson 2006-07 pres, Andre Svacha 2007-08 pres, Greg Price 2008-09 pres, Pat Pustay 2009-10 pres, Dave Mennel 2010-11 pres, Rodney Tolbert 2012-2013 pres, Mike Boughner 2013-14 pres, Harley (Butch) Maxwell 2014-15 pres, Fred Ruttkofsky 2015-2016

**Guests:** Michael Lawler, National Chaplin and his wife Janice, Sue Svacha and Mackenzie Towns.

Ray Moore installed the newly elected NEC and the newly elected Alt. NEC.

Adjutant Pendell asked all the newly elected and appointed officers to fill out the eligibility forms and either mail or hand them to him by the Department Convention.

Commander Chapman appointed his Budget Committee, Chairman Chris Dohnal, Zack Pendell, Fred Ruttkofsky, Earl Ruttkofsky, Butch Maxwell, Mike Boughner, Dominic Merlington and Carvin Chapman. Budget Committee will meet at the Department Convention Friday June 24 at 1:00 pm. Chris Dohnal stated that all vouchers and receipts must be turned in by the close of Department Convention. All officers and chairman have to turn in a report in order to get paid.

Commander Chaplin made changes to his appointments. Americanism Chairman will be Keith Tyler and the Awards and Trophies Chairman will be Dominic Merlington

Motion by Pat Pustay to accept the appointment changes, support Fred Ruttkofsky, **motion carried**

National Chaplin Michael Lawler passed out his business card packet with Legion family applications in it.

Budget Chairman Chris Dohnal requested an extra days stay so he can attend the Legion Finance Committee Meeting, request approved.

All officers and chairman that travel more than 400 miles round trip will receive an additional nights lodging.

No further business

Benediction given by Chaplin Jack Helminski

**Meeting Adjourned**