Department of Illinois American Legion Public Relations Committee Meeting April 14, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. We started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members present:

Josefina Frances P.R. Rep. 1ST Division

Tom Marciciak Chairman 2ND Division

Gary Granberg P.R. Rep. 3RD Division

Paul Garrett Vice Chairman 4TH Division

Stephen Welty P.R. Rep. 5TH Division Absent

The Public Relations Committee reviewed the Departments list of events to gather photos and videos. The need for more local post event videos was discussed. Topics include American Legion birthday, Tattler Post 973 Year in review, Veterans Day, Membership Caravan stops, Lincoln Pilgrimage, Oratorical contest winner interview, Special Olympics, Poppy day distribution, 100 Cities 100 Memorials and Commander Henderson's year in review.

We will send Public Service Announcements to all Media sources in and around the Springfield area covering the Convention, Hiring Event that will take place.

We discussed the Nationals U.S. World War One Centennial Commission 100 Cities memorials report. Illinois received nine awards. There will be a visitation to each of the 9 monuments in Illinois that won, by Department PR Reps to gather video material.

National Commander Denise Rohan will attend several events in Illinois the week of Armed forces day, May 15th through 20th. We will try to have local Media support at these events.

Each committeeman is responsible for publicity of Legion activities within their division. It was recommended that District public relations committeemen also get involved.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Gary Granberg