

Merle Guild American Legion Post 208 121 N. Douglas Street Arlington Heights, IL 60004-6117

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Diana Mikula
Interim Village Manager
Village of Arlington Heights
33 S. Arlington Heights Rd.
Arlington Heights, Illinois 60005

Ms. Mikula,

As Commander of the Merle Guild American Legion Post 208, I am asking the Village Board to waive the bond fee for a progressive raffle to be held at our Post. The winnings from this raffle will be put towards the cost of hosting the 52nd Annual Convention of the Sons of the American Legion in June of 2015. The Commander of this organization is John Jarosz, Jr., a member of our Squadron 208. John will be the Raffle Manager for this event. Money will also be donated to two of his fundraising projects, Fisher House and the Chicago Homeless Sandwich Run. The Fisher House is to the veterans' families as the Ronald McDonald House is to the children. Veterans' families stay at the houses free of charge while their loved ones are being cared for in a V.A. hospital. The Chicago Homeless Sandwich Run is a local charity. Every Sunday, volunteers from the area gather in a Lombard warehouse to make up over 1,000 sandwich bags, individual toiletry kits, and gather clothing for the homeless in Downtown Chicago. It is estimated that 30%-40% of the homeless taken care of are veterans.

Please feel free to contact me at (847)-253-6632, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

George D. Horn, Commander

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