

# V.V.A. Clermont County Chapter 649

## APRIL NEWLETTER 2014



### \*\*\* Sick-Bay : Report — Bob Gustin - Update

Bob is improving each new day, But it's taking longer than expected, Bob has a Dr's visit on the 31st of March. Hope he gets a good report. Thank every one for the email's, Cards, and phone Call's... Also Bob said he wished to get back on his feet soon..... THANKS EVERY ONE..... .. *Judie*

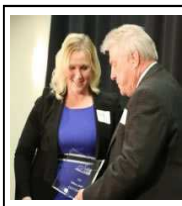
### \*\*\* April BIRTHDAYS

04 / 02 James Crump	04 / 12 John Parsons	04 / 27 Elaine Riley avva
04 / 06 Bernardo Rusconi avva	04 / 22 John Melvin	04 / 27 Oakley Noe
04 / 06 James Berryhill	04 / 23 Don South	04 / 28 Mike Tarter
04 / 09 Gail Moore avva	04 / 24 Gary Zorb	
04 / 10 George Beltz	04 / 26 Ed Cole	

### \*\*\* Guest Speaker :

Due to Chapter Elections being held there will be no Guest Speaker

### \*\*\* March 11 – Salute to Leaders



Clermont Chamber Of Commerce held their annual Salute To Leaders Awards recognizing persons within each townships of Clermont County for their "Above and Beyond" efforts of a person or group, put forth to better their community.

The Award Banquet was held at the Oasis Golf Club with over 550 supporters filling the banquet hall.

In 2014 the chamber added a new category for the "Veteran" award. Nominations were accepted from all Clermont County residence .

Person within each township were ask to submitted a nomination explaining why their choice for this nominee deserved such an award within the "Veteran" category.

The recipient for the 2014 Veteran Award is . . . Chapter 649 Clifford Riley.  
(Award Presented By Julia Woods)

Cliff received 16 separate nominations for this award, and when the award recipient was announced , the entire room of 550 + showed their approval by providing a standing ovation . Congratulation Cliff Riley

### \* Chapter 649 Volunteer's

At the beginning of 2014, when I wrote in our monthly newsletter that the chapter needed volunteers for upcoming events, both Michael Newman, & wife Joyce put on their working shoes and came knocking on the chapter door.

With the State Convention right around the corner ( May 8, 9, 10, & 11) Cliff Riley did his home-work, and learned that out of 7,000 + Veterans who reside in Clermont county, only 2,800 veterans belong to a Veteran Organization.

Whether it be, MDW, VVA, DAV, VFW, Am. Legion, or Purple Heart, if they served, Cliff found their mailing address.

Mike & Joyce stepped up and volunteered to fold fliers of the up-coming May VVA State election, placing return address labels, plus address labels, and a first class stamp, upon each folded flier, then snail-mail all 2,800 notifications in less than 48 hours.

Michael Joined the U.S. Navy in 1956 and served for 25 yrs.

Mike and Joyce married in 2013, two weeks prior to becoming; VVA & AVVA members with chapter 649.

After licking that many stamps, it will take a month to get the taste of stamp-glue, out of their mouth !

These are two hard-working, dedicated, Volunteers !



**NEXT MEETING**  
**Thursday April 10**

**LOCATION**  
**Union Twp. Civic Center**  
**4350 Aicholtz Road**  
**Clermont County, Ohio**  
**Food @ 7:00 PM**  
**Business @ 7:30**

**Guest Speaker immediately**  
**after the pledge of allegiance**

**May Meeting Date**  
**Thursday - May 8**

### AVVA Membership

Associates of Vietnam Veterans of Am. Members actively participate and work in supporting VVA .  
If you have a friend or relative who is not eligible to join VVA, talk to them about joining AVVA.

For a \$20.00 annual dues fee you can become a member, and help further VVA programs.  
Applications are available on Chapter 649 website



**APRIL**

**\*\*\* Chapter 649 - Elections - Officers / Board / Delegates**

When - - April 10

Where - - Union Twp. Civic Center

Time - - - Food Served @ 7:00 Pm / Meeting Starts @ 7:30 p.m.



**Note :** An Election for AVVA Liaison, will also be held.

Only AVVA members will be permitted to seek election or vote for this position.

**MAY**

**\*\*\* V. V. A. OHIO - 2014 STATE CONVENTION**

Friday, May 9, 2014 -

Break-Out Sessions Provided By, V V A National Personal

Saturday, May 10, 2014

Opening Ceremony: - Election Day / Break-Outs / Banquet

Sunday, May 11, 2014

Town Hall Meeting : - Agent Orange "The Faces Of Agent Orange"

( what's effecting our children & grandchildren )

Where - - Holiday Inn - East Gate - Clermont County

Note : All State Council Officer Positions are Open.

*"I strongly encourage all attending members to reserve your Room and Banquet seats early !*

*We have 40 chapters within the state of Ohio attending, and only a limited number of room available"*

*( Convention Hosted By; Chapters: 649- Batavia, Ohio / Chapter 10- Reading, Ohio*

**\*\*\* Chapter 649 - Meet & Greet**

Chapter 649 will hold its Spring *Meet & Greet*, making all local veterans, and their families, aware of the veteran benefits entitled to them.

When - - May 10, and May 11,

Where - - Sam's Club - East-Gate (Clermont County)

Time - - 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

**\*\*\* Chapter 649 Brick Application Locations**

The Businesses shown below have Commemorative Brick Forms available for you, if you desire to buy a brick.

Memorial Day will be upon us soon. Order you brick now, beat the rush !

<p><b>Amelia</b></p> <p>Amelia Florist Wine &amp; Gift 1401 Ohio Pike</p>	<p><b>Milford</b></p> <p>Total Quality Logistics 701 Edison Dr</p>	<p><b>Amelia</b></p> <p>Campbell's Barn 1852 State Route 125</p>	<p><b>Amelia</b></p> <p>Joe Kidd Automotive 1065 Ohio Pike</p>
<p><b>Milford</b></p> <p>Recreations Outlet 885 St. Rt. 28, 513.383.7837</p>	<p><b>Milford</b></p> <p>Olde Milford Barber Shoppe 726 Lila Ave. 513.248.8223</p>	<p><b>Goshen</b></p> <p>LCNB National Bank 6726 Dick Flynn Rd.</p>	<p><b>Goshen</b></p> <p>Skyline Chili 1877 State Rt. 28</p>
<p><b>Batavia</b></p> <p>Clermont Co. Veterans Service Office 3rd Floor 76 Riverside Dr..</p>	<p><b>Union Twp. Civic Center</b></p> <p>4350 Aicholtz Road Suite 220 East- Gate Area</p>	<p><b>Day Heights</b> Milford</p> <p>Cliff Riley / Am. Heritage Ins. 1120 St. Rt. 131</p>	<p><b>East - Gate Area</b></p> <p>Harley Davidson Of East- Gate 699 Old St. Rt. 74</p>
<p><b>Batavia</b></p> <p>Everything Bagels 792 Eastgate S. Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45245</p>	<p><b>Old Milford</b></p> <p>Ms. Cheri's Donuts &amp; More 223 Main St. Milford, Ohio</p>	<p><b>Grammas Pizza</b></p> <p>944 Ohio Pike Withamsville, Ohio 45245 513.753.7499</p>	<p><b>Grammas Pizza</b></p> <p>626 Old St. Rt. 74 Mt. Carmel, Ohio 45245 513.528.3015</p>



**New Members - Welcome Home**

Daniel Schulte - U. S. Army  
Edward Von Strohe - U. S. Army

**Renewal Of Membership - Welcome Home**

Danny Miller - U. S. Army

*Thank you to those Chapter Members who recruited our new members.*

*Please note : If you have renewed or joined Chapter 649 by sending your-own application to National, your name will not appear upon the above list of monthly renewals, due to the fact that Chapter 649 did not submit your application, and is not aware of your submission.*

**UPCOMING CHAPTER 649 EVENTS**

**APRIL**

- April 10 - Election Of Chapter 649 Officers - Union Township Civic Center - 7:00 PM
- April 26 - District 3, Directors Meeting - Holiday Inn East Gate - 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

**MAY**

- May 9, 10, 11 - V V A State Convention - East Gate - Holiday Inn
- May 10 / 11 - MEET & GREET - Sam's Club - East Gate - 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM
- May 26 - Memorial Day - Union Township Park - Remembering Our Fallen

**JUNE**

- June 8 - Flag Retirement Ceremony - Union Township Civic Center
- June 25 - V A Hospital - Cincinnati - Bingo Night

**SEPTEMBER**

- SEPTEMBER 6 - Golf Outing - Fundraiser - Elk's Run Golf Club - Batavia