

V.V.A. Clermont County Chapter 649

AUGUST NEWLETTER 2014



Sick-Bay:

We have received no updates for Phil Tussey, nor Lenny Cooper, this month.
Please remember to keep Phil and Lenny and their family members in your prayers.

* * * AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

08 / 01 - Kenneth Patchell	08 / 08 - Patrick Coburn	08 / 18 - Mark Brandon
08 / 03 - Cathy Tam	08 / 08 - Stephen Hahn	08 / 19 - Darlene Sheap
08 / 04 - Garrett Fuson	08 / 09 - Dennis Elchlinger	08 / 22 - James Tonkin
08 / 07 - Mike Luedcke	08 / 10 - Rodney Myers	08 / 22 - Robert Colbert Jr
08 / 07 - Sidney Toney	08 / 13 - Charlie Nause	08 / 25 - Leon Moore
08 / 08 - Frank Black	08 / 13 - Jimmy Arnold	08 / 28 - Ken Williamson
08 / 08 - Ivan Adams Sr	08 / 13 - D. Beckstedt Avva	

Guest Speaker: Tom Callinan

Tom is a Vietnam Veteran who recently went back to Vietnam and wrote about his experiences in an article for the Enquirer.

July 19

Buckeye State Council held their monthly Board Of Directors Meeting in Columbus, Ohio, Informing all council members who will be attending the Leadership Conference held in Wichita, Kansas, of any changes in the schedule, plus other State Council issues at hand.

First Vice President, John Stoner presided over the meeting, while President Cliff Riley attended an Veterans Service Officer meeting, also being held at a different location within Columbus.

Other chapter 649 members attending the BOD meeting were; Ohio State Council, Second Vice: Ray Autenreib, Ohio State Council, District Three Director; Ken Williamson, Ohio State Council, Webmaster; Wayne Gregory.

JULY 20 - 26

Clermont County Fair

Chapter 649 provided a booth at the Clermont County Fair.

Information about Veteran benefits was relayed to visitors of our booth, membership applications for VVA & AVVA membership were also supplied to those who wished to become chapter 649 members, more than 300 small USA flags were passed-out to parents with children.

Although photos were also taken during the fair, all photos were destroyed during the transfer from camera to computer, during a thunder & lightning storm during fair week.

While using the "cut and paste" technique, moving photos from my camera, I gave the command to cut, but before I could paste, I lost house - electric for a brief two seconds due to the storm.

Two seconds later the electric was back on but no photos could found to be pasted ! I hate it when that happens !

Chapter 649 wishes to Thank,

- . C.C.A.S. (Shirley Gibbons / Jerry Bridges) for the new location of VVA Fair Booth
- . Pizza booth next booth to us, for storing our water cooler in their trailer each night.
- . All chapter 649 members who volunteered to work our booth.
- . Our neighboring booth vendors who chanted, **Marco, Polo, . . . Can I get a Whoop !**

We all had a fun time. Hope to see you again in 2015

NEXT MEETING
Thursday August 14

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

September Meeting Date
Thursday - September 11

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 or see Joann at the meeting.

WELCOME HOME



September 6th - Golf Fundraiser

Just a reminder to all our 649 newsletter readers, September 6th is our annual Golf Outing Fundraiser. We still have openings for Teams to play, and Sponsors who wish to Sponsor a Hole. If you would like to present a team for playing, please contact: Ken Williamson 513. 260. 6501. The deadline for sign-ups is drawing near. Help support Chapter 649, so Chapter 649 may help support other veterans in need, within Clermont county.

AVTT - American Veteran Traveling Tribute

If you haven't already heard, Hillsboro, Ohio is bringing back **The Wall** in May of 2015. More information is available upon our website <http://www.vva649.org/newsletters/2015/2015.htm>

* Looking for Home Movie Film Collections

Brad Hoffman
Administrator
VVA Buckeye State Council
OIF 08 & OEF 11

Dear friends,

I am a producer with Lou Reda Productions, the documentary film production company behind National Geographic's Vietnam special "BROTHERS IN WAR" and the History Channel mini-series "VIETNAM IN HD"

. (<http://www.redafilms.com/>)

We are currently beginning work on another Vietnam program and I am looking for home movie film collections to use in it.

If you have color films that you shot at home or in Vietnam and you are interested in sharing them for a very worthwhile project, please write me back at this email address (vietnam@louredaproductions.com).

In exchange for granting Lou Reda Productions permission to use your home movies, we will transfer your films (8mm, super8 or 16mm) for free. We will clean your original film, put it through a high-resolution film scanner, and then return your original films and a DVD copy to you to keep.

If you do not have any films, but know someone who does, please pass along my contact information to anyone within your group.

Thank you for your help.

Liz Reph

[email- vietnam@louredaproductions.com](mailto:email-vietnam@louredaproductions.com)

Newsletter Information

If you have articles of interest or Public Service Announcements you wish to place within our newsletter, or P.S.A. web-page, please contact Wayne Gregory 513. 722. 3318



UPCOMING CHAPTER 649 EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- **SEPTEMBER 6 - Golf Outing - Fundraiser - Elk's Run Golf Club - Batavia**
- **SEPTEMBER - Caravan To Kokomo - Veterans Reunion**
More Information as Date Draws Closer

OCTOBER

- **October 2 - 5 - Pumpkin Run - Clermont Co Fairgrounds - Man Booth At Fairgrounds**
Meet & Greet - Providing V A Benefits Information To Other Veterans

NOVEMBER

- **November 11 - Veterans Day - Ceremony At Our Memorial**
- **November ? - Date TBA - Veterans Speak At Local Area Schools**
- **November 11 - Veterans Day Parade Time & Place TBA**

DECEMBER

- **DECEMBER - Food Drive For "Vets In Need"**
- **DECEMBER 2 - Chapter 649 - Bingo Night- V A Hospital**
- **DECEMBER - Chapter 649 Christmas Dinner - Dates & Time TBA**