



V.V.A. Clermont County Chapter 649 March NEWSLETTER 2016

HAPPY NATIONAL PEANUT BUTTER DAY - MARCH 1

March 10 - **Guest Speaker** Michael Johnson

Michael is with The Anderson Manufacturing Company.

He will be talking to us about the Anderson Rifle - The world's only No Lube rifle.

April 14 - **VVA Annual Meeting and VVA Elections**

VVA 649 will hold its Annual Meeting and Election on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 7:30 PM in the Union Township Civic Center.

Anyone who wants to run for the Board should contact Ken Williamson, VVA 649 - President (513-260-6501).

Letters of intent to run for the Board or for a specific office should be mailed to ;

Attn. Nominating Committee

VVA Chapter 649, PO Box 426,
Batavia, Ohio 45103,

mail by : April 1st.

Nominations may also be made from the floor on the night of the election.

To run for office and to vote you must be a member in good standing and have a DD-214 on file with the chapter.

April 14 - **VVA Annual Meeting and - AVVA Elections**

AVVA- 649 Will also have their Two Year Term Election of Chapter 649 AVVA Representative

Letters of intent to run for AVVA Representative should be mailed to ;

Attn. AVVA Nominating Committee

VVA Chapter 649, PO Box 426,
Batavia, Ohio 45103,

mail by : March 14th

March 12 - **Buckeye State Council - General Membership Meeting**

The next Buckeye State Meeting will, hosted by Chapter 55,
to be held at the American Legion Post 85 which is located at
85 South 6th Street in Newark Ohio.

Start time is 10AM on Saturday, March 12th. All members welcome to attend.

March 12, Event - Fundraiser - Bringing the Vietnam Memorial Wall to Brown County

Brown County H.E.R.O. Tribute Committee

View Details : http://www.vva649.org/events/03.12.2016_Dinner%20&%20%20Dance.pdf

March 19 - **District 3 Meeting**

Buckeye State Council District 3 Chapters meeting will be held on Saturday March 19th from 9:00 A.M until 12 Noon at the Green County Administration Building in Xenia. Our host is Xenia Chapter 930. Members of the BSC Board will attend and a VSO Service Officer will be present to answer questions about V.A. benefits.

March 30, - **VVA Day**

VVA Chapter 649, will hold a brief ceremony for our *Fallen Comrades*,
at our Veterans Memorial, located at:

Veterans Park Union Township

Clough Pike At Glen Este-Withamsville Rd.

Cincinnati, OH 45245

March 30, 2016 - at 6:00 PM

Public is Welcome and encouraged to attend

OUR NEXT MEETING Thursday MARCH 10

LOCATION

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

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

**April Meeting Date
Thursday - April 14**

AVVA Membership

Associates of Vietnam Veterans
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



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VVA Life Membership Report

VVA National has agreed to permanently reduce the cost of becoming a VVA LIFE MEMBER to \$ 100.00.

As of December 31st, Chapter 649 has a total of 220 VVA Members, 155 of our 220 members, are now life-members who no longer have to be concerned as to when their next membership renewal is due.

January's 2016 roster has not yet been completed, and we expect about 10 other life members to be included.

The 2015 "Fire Sale" was a **Huge Success**, causing a huge membership back-log, of Life Member application to verified, and processed.

Each Chapter of the 44 VVA Chapters in Ohio has chapter elected Delegates who attend the National Convention to vote for Veteran Issues, and VVA National Board of Directors, Officers. The more delegates each chapter is allowed to have, is governed by the Membership count of each chapter.

If you are not already a Life Member, please consider becoming one.

View our website at : http://www.vva649.org/who_can_join/...2016_649_APPLICATION%20FOR%20MEMBERSHIP.pdf and become a Life Member of VVA

Memorial Day Brick Orders

Order your Memorial Day "Commemorative Brick"

Memorial Day and Fathers Day, is soon to be upon us. If you are considering purchasing a commemorative brick, please order now, so we may submit your order and place your purchased brick at our memorial.

Cost: \$ 30.00 You do not have to be a veteran to purchase a brick !

http://www.vva649.org/649_forms/.2016%20Brick%20App.pdf

Golf Outing Fundraiser - Volunteers Needed:

We need hole sponsors and corporate sponsors for our 11th annual golf outing to be held at Elk's Run on September 10th. Flyers and applications are available on our website.

If you have any ideas for corporate sponsors contact ; Michael Newman, Don Sheppard, Ken Williamson, or any member of the golf committee. <http://www.vva649.org/golf/2016/2016golfmenu.htm>

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

03 / 03- Albert Short
03 / 06- Bruce Birkley
03 / 07- George Kinnaird
03 / 09- Ben Joehnk
03 / 09- Fred Suelter
03 / 09- Jack Haigwood

03 / 09- Paul Sims
03 / 10- Butch Bennett
03 / 10- Jim Sullivan
03 / 10- Roger Ramsey
03 / 11- Ed Clay
03 / 16- Charles Vance

03 / 19- Joe Wagner
03 / 20- Gary Nutley
03 / 20- Russ Ruehrwein
03 / 22- Charles Coomer
03 / 22- Harold Ligon

Chapter 649 - Board Of Directors

Ken Williamson President
Michael Newman 1st Vice
Bob Wilms 2nd Vice
Jim Sullivan Secretary
Wayne Gregory Treasurer

Don Sheppard B.O.D.
Steve Tam B.O.D.
Gene Wilt B.O.D.
Bill Barker B.O.D.
Thomas Olenick B.O.D.

Don Sheppard Delegate - 2 Yr. Term
Steve Tam Delegate - 2 Yr. Term
Jim Sullivan Delegate - 2 Yr. Term
Michael Newman Delegate - 2 Yr. Term
Gene Wilt Delegate - 2 Yr. Term