BREAKING NEWS!! 10th Annual Mayors’ Veterans Appreciation Day HAS BEEN CANCELLED FOR 2021 DUE TO COVID
We are beginning to plan a “Veterans Resources, Benefits & Jobs Expo” probably in September

NEXT MACV MEETING: Tuesday, MAY 18, 2 to 4 pm
at the Indiana Veterans Center, 777 N. Meridian, 4th floor or via ZOOM.

MACV Proposed Agenda:
MACV officer reports. Round Table Review - Everyone gets 1-2 minutes to introduce themselves and talk about what they and/or their organization brings to the table for our Indianapolis and Marion County Veterans.

During the April MACV meeting we were informed that our Executive Vice-President, Charlie Russel, after winning the Indiana “Volunteer of the Year,” and been nominated an won “National Volunteer of the Year. CONGRATULATIONS CHARLIE! We are proud to be part of your team.

“Charlie is one of the most dedicated volunteers within the Indiana committee. His commitment to serving in military outreach is a passion of his. He makes contact with all of the units in his region on a monthly basis, attends Skype calls, briefings, and other meetings to coordinate all needs. He sends documents to ensure briefings have the appropriate handouts. He has recently presented annual briefings virtually to all of the units in several reserve components. He is well known and respected by the leadership of military units, local community members, and community leaders for his volunteerism.”

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Thank you Jill Fewell!

At the April MACV meeting Jill Fewell was honored for all she had done for MACV, the Veterans Support Council, the Gold Star Families memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Gift book, and many other ways that she has helped Veterans. To the left is a picture of the MACV and VSO Board members and Medal of Honor recipient Sammy Davis presenting Jill with a commemorative plaque.

Gold Star Families Memorial Monument

Also, thanks to the hard work of Jill Fewell, Ponytail and many others, on May 2, 2021 Indiana’s Gold Star Families Memorial Monument was unveiled next to the Indiana Veteran’s Center. The Gold Star Families Memorial Monument will commemorate the valor and sacrifice of all Hoosier service members who have lost their lives while in service to our country and honor the families left behind—known as Gold Star Families.

www.indianawarmemorials.org/2021/05/03/gold-star-families-memorial-monument/

At the April MACV meeting Jill Fewell, Ponytail Paul Cauley and Medal of Honor recipient Sammy Davis presented the book "A Time to Honor.

This is the Indiana Vietnam Veterans Free Gift that the IDVA and Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans created to Honor and Thank our Indiana Vietnam War Veterans. To receive the gift go to www.vetsgift.com to fill out the registration

Also, Vietnam Veterans in Hamilton County have scheduled a presentation on June 10, 10:00-13:00 at the Fishers American Legion. For more info contact Bill Doss at doss@thefreedompt.com

Hot Rods & Heroes annual car show benefitting veterans on Saturday, May 29th.

CHARTER CAR SHOW

Robert E. Kennington
American Legion
Post 34

2210 E. 54th St.
Indianapolis, IN 46220
317-265-8311

UP TO 30 CARS
(MOTORCYCLES TOO)

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT POST 34!

HOSTED BY:
Unit 34 Auxiliary

There is no booth fee, although it is a fund raiser. This event is put on by the American Legion Unit 34 Auxiliary & this year it is benefitting the American Legion Post 34. 

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E-News editor Gunta Irbe

Newsletter deadline for articles: 1st Tuesday of the month. It will be sent electronically by the 2nd Tuesday of the month. MACV meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Please send your reports, news and announcements to: Gunta Irbe at Wright & Associates: gunta@wrightattys.com If you have questions, call me at 317-575-1900.
ROLLING THUNDER® XXXIII
RIDE FOR FREEDOM NATION-WIDE

For over 22 years, Rolling Thunder®, Inc. Indiana Chapter #1 has ridden to Washington D.C. to participate in the Rolling Thunder®, Inc. National Ride for Freedom demonstrations.

After 32 years, the Ride for Freedom demonstration sponsored by Rolling Thunder®, Inc. National will no longer be in Washington D.C, but will be Nation-Wide.

On Sunday May 30, 2021 Rolling Thunder®, Inc Indiana Chapter One will have their inaugural Ride for Freedom in Indiana. We will honor our Indiana Service Members that were Killed in Action (KIA) from all wars, and remember those that still remain unaccounted-for.

Please Preregister for the ride. The Ride Flyer, Registration form, and Schedule can be downloaded @ www.indianarollingthunder.com. Contact Mike Clark @ mike.clark@indianarollingthunder.com or call 317-991-3085 for any questions.

THANK YOU, MILSPOUSES

May is Military Spouse Appreciation Month. Let’s celebrate YOU.

MilLife isn’t easy, but you find a way to rock it. This Military Spouse Appreciation Month, we’re saying thanks with free events, recognition and resources.

www.militaryonesource.mil/like-a-milspouse.

VA.gov site becomes central login for accessing benefits

Veterans and their families may begin accessing their VA benefits and services on the new and user-friendly VA.gov website starting April 30. Users will be able to access information about VA benefits and services through a single site rather than through multiple locations. All benefits-related features previously located in the eBenefits web portal will be available on VA.gov. Veterans are encouraged to start logging into the site using their current Digital Service (DS) Logon or creating a new account using ID.me.