

# DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

## LEXINGTON CHAPTER 1, KENTUCKY

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### COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

We had a great turn out at our February meeting. We had two guests who spoke. One was Kelly Moore who presented a check to our Chapter with a donation exceeding \$2000 from a fund raiser she held for our Chapter. The other speaker was from the Catholic Action Center. She talked about what her organization does and what is needed.

On April 19th the National DAV service van will be at the Leestown VA to help Veterans with claims and other assistance as needed.

Let's keep up the good work. I hope everyone can attend our next meeting at the Lexington Senior Citizens Center, 1530 Nicholasville Rd, Lexington, KY (corner of Alumni Dr and Nicholasville RD), on March 3rd, 2011. We eat at 6:15 and meet at 7:00 pm. If you would like, bring a dish to share.

Questions, comments, Les Mulcahy 859-576-4266 or [lmulk1@insightbb.com](mailto:lmulk1@insightbb.com).

### WORDS FROM THE SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

Our February meeting was very productive. Ginny Ramsey spoke about a new program to provide lodging for homeless veterans. Donations of any kind are welcome, good used furniture, clothing, household goods and of course money. Contact me or the Catholic Action Center about donations and specify they are for the veterans' programs.

Thanks to all who came out in the cold weather for the meeting and to the DAVA for the good food provided.

We continue to welcome new members, so everyone keep up the good work and invite a fellow veteran to our meeting in March. We want to be #1 in Kentucky in New Orleans!

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### FROM THE DESK OF THE ADJUTANT/TREASURER

My fellow Veterans,

I would like to thank all of you who have responded to our last news letter. I still need more info on the quality of care you are receiving at the VA Hospital. "Good or Bad", information I have received so far has been great on both sides. We can not attempt to work with the hospital unless we have all the facts. Email me with your **concerns** or your **praises** about the care you are receiving at present. [nextstopfreedom@insightbb.com](mailto:nextstopfreedom@insightbb.com). If you do not have access to a computer please send me something in the mail at our Chapter mailing address below. We can get things done when we stick together. Remember you have a voice. **VETERANS FOREVER**

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## NOTES FROM THE AUXILIARY

The first meeting of the Auxiliary Unit #1 in 2011 is March 3rd.

Member participation is encouraged. The Unit's Membership quota of 145 must be met by March 30th and we are now at 135. We need 10 New Members. For our members that have forgotten to mail your membership dues, please drop them in the mail by March 15th. Past due membership payments count against our membership quota. If you are not sure of your status, contact information is below and a list of membership status will be available at the meeting. Unit #1 has had a record year to date on fundraising, membership activities and the donations we have made to the Lexington VA medical centers. To not make quota would not allow us to not be eligible for the **Mae Holmes Award** at the state convention.

This award is like winning the Super Bowl and we have the 2010 Title to Defend. Please bring your friends with you to the next meeting and applications will be available. With the New Membership guidelines, almost anyone who has a desire to support our veterans can join the Auxiliary.

Prayers and support to our members that are sick and distressed.

Commander Jeanne Sheckels asked me to write this news letter because she has been by her husband side during his hospitalization at the VA on Cooper Dr. Don is doing well and hopefully able to share his great smile with us on March 3rd. Please bring a favorite dish to share. Thank You

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## CHAPLAINS CORNER

How do we deal with Guilt?

Grueling

Ugly

Incidents

Left undone

Time and time again

Guilt has a way of rearing its ugly head, even after we feel that we have addressed the issues surrounding the circumstances. Why is it that we, as soldiers, seem to return to dates and times that will not let go?

I have found that many times I have tried to block the issues so as not to deal with them. I find guilt to be Grueling, Ugly Incidents Left undone Time and time again. How about you?

The good news, however, is found throughout God's Word. I sometimes find it hard to take such a problem to the LORD and just leave it there. But, He tells us in 1 Pet 5:7-11, "Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you. Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings. And the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will Himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. To Him be the power for ever and ever. Amen."

We have to stand against these feelings and work through them with the LORD's direction. They do not just go away by us trying to forget or by ignoring them. We can have peace and forgiveness. If you'd like to talk to someone who understands give me a call.

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