NC DAV CHAPTER 43 & AUXILIARY



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Sept. 23rd, 2021

DAV ORDER OF BUSINESS

Opening Ceremony Introduction of Visitors Roll Call of Officers Reading Minutes of Last Meeting Treasure's Report (see page 2) Bills against the Chapter Sickness and Distress Application for Membership Introduction of New Members Reading of Communications Reports of Committees Unfinished Business New Business Memorial Ceremony Good of the Order



DAV Mission Statement: We are dedicated to a single purpose: empowering veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity.

DAV CHAPTER #43 OFFICERS:

Commander: George McIntosh Senior vice Commander: Bobby Ledford Junior vice Commander: Jonathan Miller Adjutant: John Widener Treasurer: David Tubergen Chaplain: James Howell Officer of the Day: Vince Capitano Executive Committeeman: Bob Hoyt Building Manager: Ken Bolick

DEPARTMENT OF NC OFFICERS:

<u>Commander:</u> Vertis Richardson III <u>Senior vice Commander:</u> Gerthel Humpheries <u>First Junior Vice Commander:</u> Kelly White <u>Adjutant:</u> Lisa Cornejo <u>Treasurer:</u> Melvean Henry <u>Legislative Chairman:</u> TBD <u>Membership Chairman:</u> TBD

REMINDER

WE ARE ON AN HONOR SYSTEM FOR THE MEAL; PLEASE CONTRIBUTE (\$5.00) ON THE MAIN TABLE FOR YOUR MEAL. FIRST TIME GUESTS ARE FREE OF CHARGE AND FIRST-TIME NEW MEMBER ATTENDANCE IS ALSO <u>FREE</u>. "IF TIMES ARE HARD, SEE THE TREASURER": <u>DAVE TUBERGEN</u>

"BINGO" AT COMMUNITY LIVING CENTER IN OTEEN:

NOV 16, 2021 STARTING AT 1330HRS. NEED VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST SOME OF THE VETS WITH THEIR CARDS, SOME DON'T SEE OR MOVE SO WELL. AUXILIARY – PLEASE ARRANGE FOR SANDWICHES TO TAKE UP. GAME STARTS AT 1330HRS. CHAPTER VAN DEPARTING FROM DAV CHAPTER AT <u>NOON</u>. HELPERS NEEDED. <u>Treasurer's Financial report</u> for Aug 31, 2021: (balance should be 3,000 to 5,000 on average.) Any unsolicited donations out there? Bank Balance: <u>\$8,282.35</u> **Looking Good funds folks. ** Balance for CD Account: <u>\$4,670.33</u>**Looking Good funds folks. **

Number	Date	Description of	C		Debit (-)	Credit (+)			Balance
			F	- २					\$8,696.11
Deposit	8/2/21	Ritchie Sullivan MBR 40 Pmt / Charles Avery MBR 20 Pmt	С			\$	65.00	\$	8,761.11
2220	8/6/21	DAV - Charles Avery MBR pmt	С	\$	20.00			\$	8,741.11
2221	8/6/21	DAV - Ritchie Sullivan MBR Pmt	С	\$	40.00			\$	8,701.11
2222	8/9/21	Security Unlimited, Inc Bldg Security	С	\$	195.00			\$	8,506.11
Auto	8/10/21	Water Bill	С	\$	35.20			\$	8,470.91
Credit Card	8/11/21		С	\$	381.22			\$	8,089.69
Deposit	8/12/21	Ms. Gilbert Norman	С			\$	100.00	\$	8,189.69
Deposit	8/16/21	Larris Franklin 20 / Ritchie Sullivan Mbr 40 Pmt / Chapter Sale 40	С			\$	100.00	\$	8,289.69
Bank	8/23/21	Service Charges	С	\$	4.00			\$	8,285.69
Deposit	8/23/21	DAV Refund for Zopp Overpayment	С			\$	50.00	\$	8,335.69
2223	8/24/21	Ritchie Sullivan - MBR Pmt	С	\$	40.00			\$	8,295.69
Credit Card	8/24/21	Capitol One Van Charges	С	\$	94.39			\$	8,201.30
2224	8/26/21	Security Unlimited, Inc Security Repair	С	\$	135.98			\$	8,065.32
Deposit	8/27/21	Melvin Grimm Hat 40 & 50-50 44				\$	84.00	\$	8,149.32
Deposit	8/30/21	Claude Huffman 300 donation & Ritchie Sullivan Mbr 40 Pmt				\$	340.00	\$	8,489.32
Auto	8/31/21	Electric Bill	С	\$	206.97			\$	8,282.35

Balance of CD Account

Date	Description of	C L R	Debit (-)	Credit (+	·)	Balance \$4,569.22
8/31/2021	Balance of CD Account			\$ 4,670.33	\$	4,670.33

Legislative Report: These representatives are the ones who we write to or call-in hopes of getting support.

Senator Thom Tillis	Senator Richard Burr	Representative Virginia Foxx
185 Dirksen Senate Office Building	217 Russell Senate Office Building	Post Office Box 2676
Washington, DC 20510	Washington, DC 20510	Boone, NC 28607
Phone: (202) 224-6342	Phone: (202) 224-3154	Phone: (828) 263-0093

VA VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION:

<u>http://www.asheville.va.gov</u> Click on "Volunteer or Donate" Go to the "Volunteer Handbook" to read and then at end there are forms to print and sign and a 2- page application to complete and sign. You can give the Signed Forms to Dave for the next trip to Oteen or you can scan the signed items and e-mail the work to Volunteer Services. All done on the computer these days.

JOBS A DAV CHAPTER #43 MEMBER COULD HELP WITH:

Driver Coordinator: A person who will be the central focal point for trips to Oteen and Hickory and schedule Drivers to take the trips as they come up. Riders would call with scheduled appointments with the VA. You verify the appointment and then you are done.

<u>Kitchen Helpers</u>: Second pair of hands can make lighter work. You would need to show up a little bit earlier to assist with this task. Anyone interested see Terri Capitano? You can earn a lot of LVAP credits for this.

Drivers Needed: A person who can transport Veteran's to Oteen and Hickory for their Appointments.

LVAP Hours for July 2021:

Special thanks to **Terri and Vince Capitano, Linda, and George McIntosh,** for last Month's dinner. Thanks to our Building Manager: **Ken Bolick for his outstanding support for building maintenance** and the Auxiliary for your support at the DAV meeting and Saturday coffee call. If you know of a Veteran who needs a spiritual visit please notify **James Howell, 828-448-0182**. An incredibly special **THANK YOU** goes out to **George and Linda McIntosh** for the Saturday donuts and Coffee. Thank you for the service officers **Dave Tubergen, John Widener and Jonathan Miller**. Thanks to the comrades who come in on Saturday Mornings, Salute. Special thanks for *Eight New hard Plastic 8 Foot Tables to replace the ones in the small side*. (A copy of LVAP is available, see Adjutant).

Driving Summary					
Month	Trips	Passengers			
April 2021	09	09			
May 2021	13	14			
June 2021	14	15			
July 2021	31	35			
Aug 2021	20	22			

<u>If you get a moment, please send</u> <u>an encouraging card to:</u>

- John Lefeber, c/o 330 Juniper Street, Morganton, NC 28655
- <u>Frank Moore</u> 2601 Garden Hill Dr. #110 Raleigh NC 27614-6518
- <u>Billy Bryant</u> PO Box 1 Drexel, NC, 28619
- <u>Donald Paff</u> 896 NW Washington Blvd, Hamilton, OH 45013

<u>Chapter/Unsolicited Donations</u>: Items needed: <u>Desperately needing Rolls of forever stamps</u>. 125 New comfortable padded folding Chairs (four at a time) NOTE: * If for whatever reason, whatever the cause, maybe as a memorial for a departed loved one, you can always donate to our chapter by mailing a check made out to "DAV Chapter 43", PO Box 572, Morganton, NC 28680-0572. You will receive recognition in our newsletter (this one) and a thank you letter from the Treasurer should follow quickly unless you ask us not to. We have been working hard improving our infrastructure and shall continue to do so. Give what you can as it all goes to the Chapter expenses. We are wanting to pave the parking lot to make it easier for wheelchairs to come in and out of our Chapter Building.



Chaplain's Corner

DAV CHAPTER 43 PRAYER LIST

John Lefeber; George & Linda McIntosh; Ken Morrison; Everett Carpenter; Ken & Jessie Bolick; Gary Ledford; Don Patterson; Franklin D.R. Moore; John & Karen Widener; James Hutchens, Gene Ray; Bill Buster; John Alspaugh; Billy Bryant; Claude Huffman; Rex Shuping; Martin Braswell; Margaret Saunders; Robert E Miller; Carl Memmel; Champ Ray; Donald Herman; Don Paff; and Erika Glasbrook Dietrich, Bill Smith; Ed Youder, Vince & Tari Capitano Please keep these folks in your daily prayers, it works.

Monthly Devotional

When pride comes, then comes shame; but with the humble is wisdom...The wiseshall inherit glory, but shame shall be the legacy of fools. (Proverbs 11:2; 3:35)

We must walk in humility, rather than in pride, if we are to live by the grace of God. "God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble" (<u>1 Peter 5:5</u>). A healthy relationship with God begins with acknowledging our daily, desperate need for him. Life is only regarded as meaningful if one is not governed by pride (which implies that they are capable of producing a life by themselves). A person who walks with pride ends up with shame. Wisdom comes to those who walk in humility.

Scripture describes those who walk in pride and proclaims their shame for it. "When pride comes, shame follows. Shame goes to fools." An example of this could be how many powerful and privileged people persecute those who are weak and vulnerable. Showing pride is what they're doing. "The wicked in his pride persecutes the poor; Let them be caught in the plots which they have devised" (Psalm 10:2). One of their greatest regrets is that they can become involved in the very plots they have concocted. Another example is how some people behave arrogantly in opposing the people of God. "This they shall have for their pride, because they have reproached and made arrogantthreats against the people of the LORD of hosts" (Zephaniah 2:10). Sodom and Gomorrah faced similar barrenness to their shame. "Therefore, as I live,' says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, 'Surely Moab shall be like Sodom, and the people of Ammon like Gomorrah-overrun with weeds and saltpits, and a perpetual desolation" (Zephaniah 2:9).

Shame and burden (and resulting glory) make the proud utterly miserable. The humble find comfort in their wisdom. A humble man will always be wise, and the wise will inherit glory. The infallible word of the Lord contains godly wisdom for those who approach Him humbly. "The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple" (Psalm 19:7). Honour is bestowed on humble devoted to God's wisdom and who live according to it. "A man's pride will bring him low, but the humble in spirit will retain honor" (Proverbs 29:23). In contrast to pride, whose wretched and ignoble end follows these humble ones, this honor is for the humble. *By Chaplain John Widener*



Donald Eugene Thomas

February 23, 1945 - September 8, 2021

Donald Eugene Thomas, 76, of Morganton, entered into Heaven's Gates Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2021, at his home, 2645 NC 126 in Morganton.

Donald Eugene Thomas was born Feb. 23, 1945, in Burke County, He was a member of DAV Chapter 43 for 30 years.

Auxiliary Unit #43 Morganton

DAVA Officers:

Commander:	Mary Murphy
Sr Vice Comm:	Patricia Branch
Jr. Vice Comm:	Maxine Carroll
Treasurer:	Cheryl Yoder
Adjutant:	Dorothy Whisnant
Chaplain:	Karen Widener



Pictured with The Purple Heart Mary Murphy, Patricia Branch, Tommy And George McIntosh

Note from: DAVA Commander Mary Murphy

Thank you to everyone that helped make our Purple Heart recognition ceremony a Success. It was a beautiful and hopefully everyone enjoyed it. We are having our POW/MIA program at the chapter on Saturday, September 18th at 11:00. We will be having a special speaker, refreshments afterwards, so bring your family and come join us. Remember to bring your coupons to send to our veterans. We also need to bring items to take to our veterans at the Asheville VA Hospital.

Project report:

Coupons collected Total Value 655 \$1,089.00

Veterans report that 60% of the savings helps pay other bills and 25% goes towards a child's education. Most families save between \$25 and \$50 per month.



Upcoming DAVA Programs...

Gold Star Families Forget-Me-Not Drive Membership

October October October



Pictured above is our 2 New Jr member Cordova and Ian Woodie Clipping coupons. Also pictured. Bobby and Shelby Ledford, George McIntosh and Mary Murphy.

For Planning Purposes:

Oct. 15 & 16; 22- & 23-Yard Sale at the DAV Chapter Oct. 28, 2021: DAV Chapter #43: 1700 Social–1800 Dinner–1900 Meeting–2000 Going Home Nov 07, 2021: Daylight Saving Time Ends Nov 11, 2021: Veterans Day Nov 28, 2021: Thanksgiving Dec 07, 2021: Pearl Harbor Day (1941) Dec 11, 2021: Christmas party at the Chapter starting at 6pm Dec 25, 2020: Christmas Day

Important Contact Information:

DAV43 Chapter Commander George MacIntosh: 704-470-5759 DAV43 Chapter Senior Vice Commander- Bobby Ledford: 828-443-3646 DAV43 Chapter Junior Vice Commander- Jonathan Miller: 828-544-5142 DAV43 Chapter Adjutant John Widener: 828-640-5605 or 828-368-0155 DAV43 Chapter Chaplain James Howell: 828-448-0182 NC Department Headquarters: 919-833-5567 or 1-888-432-8838 National Service Officer: 336-631-5481 or fax: 336-724-2101 DAV Service Officer - Asheville (828) 298-7911 or (800) 932-6408, Ext. 5349 – Vacant NC State Veterans Home, 62 Lake Eden Road, Black Mtn., Phone: 828-257-6800 Change Your Appointment: 828-298-7911 (option 3) 1-800-932-6408 Pharmacy Refill: 828-298-7911 (option 2) 1-800-932-6408 VA Benefits Office at Winston-Salem NC: (800) 827-1000 Primary Care 1 @ CGVAMC: 828-298-7911 ext. 4442 DAV Office at Winston Salem NC (336) 631-5481





NEXT DAV & AUX. MEETING:

Oct. 28, 2021, at the "Chapter #43 Service Center. Social hour starts at 1700hrs; Dinner will be served at 1800hrs; and with meetings to follow, about 1900hrs, meeting generally over by 2000hrs, and home by 2030hrs." If you cannot drive at night; come at least for a great dinner.





DAV: John Tubergen 9/23; Tommy Branch 9/29; Roy Chapman 10/28; Richard Duckworth 10/29 DAVA: Ann Gurowski 10/25; Patsy Perland 10/29; Michele Snyder 10/09