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Next Meeting:

Sat Feb 22, 2014 9:00 am Breakfast 10:00 am Meeting

American Legion Post 639 2660 South Scenic Ave (South Scenic, north of Battlefield, south of Sunshine)

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Presidents Report (Dan Igou)

We lost a friend this month in Wil Dailey! Not only was he a friend to many, but he was the first President of our VVA Chapter. He was also our Service Officer for many years here in Springfield before he moved to St. Louis and took over that office and helped many veterans attain their benefits. And that is the real story, it's the thousands of vets he had helped over many years, including myself, here in Springfield, helping them get on disability, buying them a tank of gas, paying their utilities, their groceries, toys at Christmas, all coming from our "Veterans in Need Fund" that he established, and it continues today to do the same thing, helping others!

A job well done, Wil Dailey, you will be missed!

VVA SERVICE OFFICER: 417-862-8387

Contact our Service Officer, <u>Sam Hudson</u>, to ask a question about Veterans Benefits. He can also schedule an appointment with a Service Officer to file a claim.

War of 1812 (1812-1815)

Total U.S. Service members	286,730
Battle Deaths	2,260
Non-mortal Wounds	4,505

Indian Wars (approx. 1817-1898)

Total U.S. Service members (VA estimate)	106,000
Battle Deaths (VA estimate)	1,000

MEMBERSHIP AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (**MAC**) MONTHLY REPORT January 2014

Membership Totals by Classification

<u>VVA</u>		AVVA	New Mem	bers in January	L
Individual	25016	Assoc Individual	4449	VVA	339
Life Member	44005	Assoc Life Member	3393	AVVA	135
Life Member Time pmt	248	Assoc Life Time pmt	62		
Incarcerated Veteran	2173	Assoc Incarcerated	281		
Permanently					
Hospitalized	270			Deceased Men	nbers
				Reported in Ja	anuary
				VVA	63
				AVVA	7
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<u>TOTAL</u>	71712	<u>TOTAL</u>	8185		
Includes 1,064					
Woman Veterans					





2014 VVA Calendar of Events

22-Feb-2014	VVA Meeting (9am breakfast, 10am meeting)
1-Mar-2014	VVA State Council Meeting, Columbia MO, 10:00am
29-Mar-2014	VVA Meeting (9am breakfast, 10am meeting) Elect & Install Officers
26-Apr-2014	VVA Meeting (9am breakfast, 10am meeting)
17-May-2014	Armed Forces Day (American Legion Remembrance Day Festivities)
31-May-2014	VVA Meeting (9am breakfast, 10am meeting)
28-Jun-2014	VVA Meeting (9am breakfast, 10am meeting)
4-Jul-2014	Independence Day
26-Jul-2014	VVA Meeting (9am breakfast, 10am meeting)
23-Aug-2014	VVA Meeting (9am breakfast, 10am meeting)
27-Sep-2014	VVA Meeting (9am breakfast, 10am meeting)
25-Oct-2014	VVA Meeting (9am breakfast, 10am meeting)
11-Nov-2014	Veterans Day (VVA in Branson Week)
22-Nov-2014	VVA Meeting (9am breakfast, 10am meeting)
Dec-2014	No Meeting, Christmas Party tba

IF YOU DON'T STAND BEHIND OUR TROOPS, PLEASE, FEEL FREE TO STAND IN FRONT OF THEM !!! "Freedom is not free . . . but the U.S. Military will pay most of your share."



A Veteran is someone who once wrote a blank check payable to the USA for an amount of up to and including his or her life. That is honor, and there are too many who don't understand that!

-anonymous-

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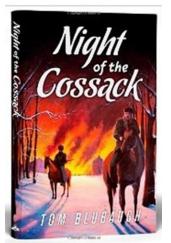
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College of the Ozarks® Commemorative Calendar 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War

2014

TBA—Spring Convocation "Teach-in"

Event description: Educational presentation on the service and sacrifices made by the men and women of the United States military who served in the Vietnam War

September 2014—Patriotic Education Travel to Vietnam for Commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of Vietnam War

Event description: A group of College of the Ozarks students and Vietnam Veterans will go on a Patriotic Education Trip to Vietnam. Details will be forthcoming.