



COLUMBUS BASE

MEETING MINUTES

7 May 2022

Call to Order:

1300 – Commander Tim Barker called the May meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag and country following our traditional social hour. Chaplain Walt Fleak offered the invocation.

Twenty members along with five guests attended. Of the guests, Garry Justice became a member at this meeting. Mark Honeck was introduced as a prospective member. The guest list also included Jim Stiller retired USMC, wearing his “The Only Good Marine is a Submarine” ball cap. Sharon introduced niece Brenda Perevosnik who has been helping Sharon with house cleanup and helped in setting up a display of submarine memorabilia Sharon is donating.

The Secretary and Treasurer offered their reports. There was no correspondence to report. (See “Events” below for correspondence relative to Licking County Vietnam War Event.) Treasurer Clutch Koogler reported on his successful efforts to establish electronic dues and donation payment processes. Clutch also offered his recommendation that we continue pressing to vacate the storage facility both due to cost and potential ownership instability issues.

Webmaster Cliff Dodson reported on progress in establishing a viable web presence.

Chaplain Sharon Lloyd reported on the Binnacle List for both April and May:

APRIL CHAPLAIN’S REPORT

Tim France – Has appointment June 2nd to make decision about other knee. He had just returned home following a boat reunion.

Bob McDaniel – Everyone is doing well.

Woody Woodmansee – Takes treatments every 3 weeks. Has trouble talking very much. It makes him cough, thinks it might be a side effect of treatments.

Bernie Kenyon – Had dialysis Friday. Will see doctor on June 14th to check for more tumors. Has received okay to try new kind of treatment soon if its needed.

Rick Freeman – No answer when I called, and mailbox was full so couldn’t leave a message.

MAY CHAPLAIN’S REPORT

Tim France – Will have second knee done June 2nd. He and wife attended reunion for Francis Scott Key recently and had a great time.

Bob McDaniel – Doing well and nothing to report.

Woody Woodmansee – Doing better and feeling pretty good after treatment on Wednesday the 4th. Doctors don't want him to drive yet. He has had four treatments and it might be the last depending on how tests turn out in three weeks.

Bernie Kenyon – On June 14th he is to have a check-up to see if cancer from last surgery is gone. Also on the 18th he is to have surgery to fix droopy eyelid that is impairing his vision. He and daughter are going to Kentucky Derby.

Brian and Elma Farnsworth – Both had surgery yesterday to give Brian a new kidney.

Upcoming Events:

(Just so we're all on the same page to start, it needs to be remembered that the float has been undergoing an extensive overhaul. It is now ready for public display thanks to the efforts of Dave Hamel and Dave Creekmore as well as contributions of other members.)

May 30, 2022 – Worthington Memorial Parade. Our participation has been confirmed. The plan includes leaving the float at the American Legion Hall during their Memorial Day celebration following the parade.

July 4th Upper Arlington Parade. Our application has been submitted. We are awaiting notification of acceptance.

August 6 - Columbus Base Picnic at Buckeye Lake. Details to follow.

August 27 – Licking County Vietnam War Event. Galin Brady reported on the annual “Honor The Service” event held at the Newark-Heath Airport. He is submitting our application. A copy of the flier for this event is attached.

Rick Larson Museum Collection - George Petershagen reported on his efforts to determine how to proceed. Books are being offered as fifty-fifty prizes.

Eagle Scouts - Walt Fleak reported that he is continuing to participate in Knox County Eagle Scout Courts of Honor.

Honor Flight Walt Fleak reported the next scheduled flight is May 12.

Chaplain Walt Fleak gave the benediction as Commander Tim adjourned the meeting at 1420.

The next meeting will be held at 1300 on Saturday, 4 June, at the American Legion Leasure-Blackston Post 239, 700 Morning Street, Worthington following the usual noon social hour.

Respectfully submitted, George Petershagen, Secretary

HONOR THE SERVICE

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VIETNAM WAR EVENT

SAT AUG 27 2022
9:30AM-8PM

Free

Bring the Family







NEWARK-HEATH AIRPORT
530 Heath Road Heath, OH

★ **FLY-IN 9:30AM**

HISTORICAL MILITARY PLANES & AIRCRAFT
STEP ON BOARD & RIDES AVAILABLE

Douglas C-47 (Cost \$6) (Rides \$195)

UH-1H Huey Helicopter (Rides \$99)



B-25 Mitchell (Cost \$5) (Rides \$425)

Fees subject to change.

★ **AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES**

MILITARY VEHICLES • STATIC DISPLAYS • EXHIBITS

MUSICAL PERFORMANCES

Army Reserve Band (To be confirmed)

Granville Christian Academy Children's Choir

Barefoot McCoy, Singer-Songwriter

Blue Steel, Granville High School

★ **OPENING CEREMONY 11:30AM**

THE VIETNAM WAR

- Tributes to Veterans • Placement of 48 Vietnam KIA Flags
- Placement of Wreaths • Missing Man Table Ceremony
- Vietnam Veteran Recognition Field of Honor

★ **CLOSING PROGRAMS**


6:00PM CONCERT

Bryan Lewis, Licking County Singer-Songwriter

7:45PM **CLOSING CANDLELIGHT CEREMONY**

Concludes with a candlelight walk in Honor of the Fallen

FOOD VENDORS ALL DAY

sponsors	Licking County Regional Airport Authority	Licking County Veterans Service Commission	Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 55	Licking 387 Memorial Ed Charity	Revin Cox Mitch Cox Edward Jones	Showcase Lawn & Landscape	Mary Lehman & Bill Kunkler Mid-Ohio Golf Car Inc Granville American Legion Post 398 Draft: Sponsors Incomplete 	Coconis Furniture Doug Pricer, WCLT Jeff & Jane Cox Richard Brown TrueCore Foundation Judge Duke Frost Matesick Distributing Co.
	Friendship Club of Licking County	The City of Heath	State Farm Co Foundation	Park National Bank	The Energy Cooperative	Newark Elks #391		
	Lucinda Prince	Dana and Barron Collier III	Royal Order of Moose #499	Waste Away	Heath Eagles 372S			