

NORTHEAST OHIO RISFAC NEWSLETTER

REGIONAL INTER-SERVICE FAMILY ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE



May 2016

April's RISFAC meeting was held at Tri-C Corporate College East in Cleveland.

Bob Wagner from Our Community Salutes (Cleveland) was our first guest speaker. Often times high schools only recognize seniors for scholarships they receive for the college of their choice. Our Community Salutes is a program to recognize high school seniors who are joining the Armed Services. On May 4th, this event was held at Cleveland State University, where over 400 seniors, their parents, high schools counselors, and the Mayors of cities were invited. The event covers 8 counties, 101 cities, and 130 high schools. Local citizens, business and community leaders, and Veterans organizations donate their time and money to support an annual recognition ceremony and reception.

SFC Diane Lewis, 256th CSH Army Reserve from Twinsburg, Ohio was our second guest speaker. SFC Lewis is the RNCO of the 600 soldiers in the battalion. There are about 1,000 service members that drill at the Twinsburg armory over the course of a month. SFC Lewis explained about the different jobs, deployments, and issues that can arise within the Army Reserve.

Thank you to all that attended. Please join us July 28th for the next RISFAC meeting.

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Day of Service for Veterans

June 25th

Aspen Dental dentists and teams are pleased to bring free dental care to veterans nationwide once again on June 25. Nearly 400 Aspen Dental offices in 33 states will open their doors to serve veterans in their local communities as part of the Healthy Mouth Movement, a community giving initiative.

Interested veterans should call 1-844-ASPEN-HMM to find a participating Aspen Dental office and schedule an appointment in advance. During appointments on June 25, volunteer dentists and teams will focus on treating the most urgent need of each veteran by providing free services – including fillings, extractions and basic denture repair – to help get them out of dental pain.

In 2015, nearly 300 Aspen Dental practices were honored to treat more than 3,500 veterans in one single day of care in June, resulting in nearly \$2 million in donated dentistry.

****Call Toll-Free To Make An Appointment: 844-ASPEN-HMM****

AspenDental

<https://www.aspendental.com/about/healthy-mouth-movement>

Northeast Ohio RISFAC Meeting Schedule

July 28, 2016@ 630pm

Summit County Veterans Service Commission

1060 E Waterloo Road

Akron, OH 44306

April 28, 2016@ 630pm

Cleveland

Look for all these flyers and more on the RISFAC website

<http://homefront.ohio.gov/RISFAC/Region1.aspx>

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FAMILY FUN!

Pegasus Farm Family Fun Day

Saturday, June 4, 2016
7490 Edison Street NE
Hartsville, Ohio

Admission: \$20 per vehicle \$10 Individual Go to <http://pegasusfarm.org/> for complete details

Every Wednesday is dedicated to veterans. Because of generous support of organizations and individual donors, Pegasus is able to offer the Veterans Program at NO COST.

Military Appreciation Night with the Columbus Crew

Please join the Columbus Crew Soccer club for Military Appreciation Night on (Saturday, June 25). Your support will help us not only honor current men and women of the armed forces that keep America safe, but help us show our appreciation for military veterans as well.

Thank you for your service and enjoy discounted tickets to our June 25th match and stay for post-match fireworks. \$2 from every ticket sold will go back to the USO. CLICK HERE to order <https://oss.ticketmaster.com/aps/crew/EN/link/promotion/home/54288e3bb32f4efced4affd4ae38ae1caf8180ea>

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Columbus Clippers Military Nights

Starting April 26th, all Tuesday night games will be Military ID Nights with the Columbus Clippers at Huntington Park. Show a valid military ID at the ticket windows and receive up to 4 reserved seat tickets for \$5 each.

Previous purchases excluded, no other offers apply.

Valid dates are:

April 26, May 10 & 24, June 7 and 21, July 5 & 19 and August 2 & 16.

Zoombezi Bay at the Columbus Zoo, together with Kroger and Pepsi, presents Sneak Peek Sunday on May 22, 2016.

Tickets may be picked up at the USO Will Call Table in the pavilion outside of the Columbus Zoo main entrance. Zoombezi Bay is open from 10:30 AM to 7:00 PM each day. The tickets also include admission to the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium.

Please see information about upcoming Military Appreciation at Zoombezi BAY!
Get your tickets by clicking here <https://2016zoombeziday.eventbrite.com>.

The Middleburg Heights Chamber of Commerce Invites You to the Vietnam Traveling Wall Planning Committee

The Traveling Wall Project is scheduled for July 18-24, 2016. We will need individuals to lead committees and volunteers to work on committee projects. If you are interested, please contact Cindy at cmpeck@middleburgheightschamber.org

2016 EQUESTRIAN HERO CAMP

Come join us as OMK teams up with an equestrian farm near Cleveland to make a unique impact on your child. The farm engages the therapeutic power of horses to discover and nurture the special abilities of individuals, families and communities.



WHO: Ohio Military Youth, Ages 6 to 17

WHEN: Saturday, June 4, 2016

COST: \$10.00 per person (lunch provided)

WHERE: Chagrin Falls

ACTIVITIES: Youth will learn about the basic care of horses and how to read their emotions. The event will end with a barn and horse tour!

REGISTRATION: <https://www.regonline.com/chagrinfallshorse2016>

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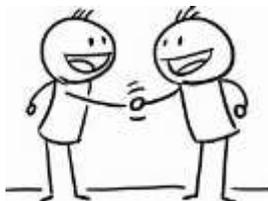
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April 28th RISFAC Meeting Attendees

Daniel Abraham	Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center
William Anderson	Congressman Marcia Fudge
Amy Baab	National Guard Employment Program//Army Guard
Bob Bakaitis	Legal Shield
Kaylyn Bass	Veterans Upward Bound - Tri C
Brian Brandt	PNC Bank
Jim Buccini	American Red Cross
David Buchanan	US Bank
SSG Andy Carson	Education and Incentives//Army Guard
SGT Krystal Christensen	Camp Ravenna//Army Guard
Alaina Foster	Tri-C
John Gereaux	PNC
Rochell Grayer	The Centers for Families & Children
Daniel Hanley	US Bank
James Holbrook	VA
Cassandra Hudak	Apprisen
SGT Patrick James	837th En Co//Army Guard
Dennis Japuncha	ODRC // Air Force Reserve
David Kollar	Ohio Dept of Rehabilitation & Correction
Michael Lavrenchik	TRI C//Veterans Upward Bound
SFC Diane Lewis	256th CSH//Army Reserve
David Marquette	DR&C/TCI
Rudy Moyer	Pegasus Farm
Mick Munoz	Tri - C Veteran Services
Christina Novak	Team RWB
SGT Tiffany Oleksik	C Co 237th BSB//Army Guard
Nelson Patrick	DOL
Lisa Priolisi	ESGR
FRGS Amy Jo Ross	Camp Ravenna//Army Guard
Juan Sanchez	Grafton Correctional
Kathleen Shaver	The Centers for Families & Children
Randy Stevenson	Baldwin Wallace University
Jessica Tischler	American Red Cross
Jaedan Tucker	ODRC
Bob Wagner	Our Community Sallutes
Jennifer Wylie	Tri-C

THANK YOU!!



VETERANS RESOURCE EVENT

ARMED FORCES DAY May 21, 2016 10am-2pm

Get The Answers you need from.....

VA, Veterans Service Commission, Recruiters, Vet Center Counseling, VA Healthcare, Veteran Service Organizations, VA Home Loans, Female Veteran Healthcare, Employment Help



MILITARY DISPLAYS-ENTERTAINMENT-TRACKED WHEELCHAIR-CAPTIONED PHONES

HOSTED by CARNATION CITY MALL
2500 W. STATE St. Alliance, OH 44601



Vet Center Book Club

Stark County Vet Center

601 Cleveland Ave, NW
Canton, OH 44702
330-454-3120

Starts Wednesday, June 1, 2016

Weekly discussion of short stories written by veterans

All era combat veterans are welcome

Registration is required

Call the Vet Center for more details

Wednesday

**Time:
0830-0930**

Call/text and snacks will be provided

Opportunities!

Apprisen Financial Literacy for Military

Learn the basics of responsible money management in this FREE two-part program. For members of the military, veterans, and their families.

Part 1: All About Credit
Take charge of your credit identity. Learn how to access your personal credit report and obtain your credit score, as well as how to use this information to improve your finances.

Part 2: Spending Smart
Identify financial goals and develop a plan to reach them as you track spending and prioritize expenses.

Cuyahoga County Public Library Locations:

Parma Branch on Mondays, June 6th & 13th / 7:00PM

North Olmsted Branch on Tuesdays, July 5th & 12th / 7:00PM

South Euclid-Lyndhurst Branch on Thursdays, July 21st & 28th / 7:00PM

Brook Park Branch on Wednesdays, August 3rd & 10th / 7:00PM



1st LT Ashley White Freedom 5K
June 25, 2016

Maize Valley Winery & Market
6193 Edison Street
Hartville, Ohio

Register at www.rsracingsystems.com

Proceeds from event for 1st LT Ashley White Freedom 5K will be donated to the Ashley White Memorial Scholarship Fund



TRIBUTE TO THE ARMED FORCES May 27 – 30, 2016 • FREE Admission!

Cedar Point and Soak City Salute America's Armed Forces during this Memorial Day Weekend. In appreciation for their service and bravery, any active, retired, or honorably discharged member of the United States Military will receive one free adult admission ticket May 27 – 30. May purchase up to six (6) additional tickets for immediate family members at \$43.00 each at any Cedar Point ticket window. Must show a valid military ID at any Cedar Point ticket window. Valid forms of ID include: active duty ID, retired personnel ID, VA ID or a copy of DD-214 discharge papers and photo ID. Cannot be combined with any other discount offers.

Tickets purchased for this event are non-refundable. Free adult tickets are valid for admission on one of the listed dates only. Tickets must be purchased at the park on the day of your visit. For more details visit cedarpoint.com or call 419.627.2350.



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