



# RISFAC

(Regional Inter-Service Family Assistance Committee)

July 2015

Region 5, Northwest Ohio

<http://homefront.ohio.gov/RISFAC/Region5RISFAC.aspx>

## Warriors First

### (Featured RISFAC Presentations)

Warriors First is a faith-based, tax exempt non-profit organization that focuses on bring rest and restoration to Wounded Warriors, Military Veterans and their Families so that they can experience reengagement with life.

Warriors First understands the battles are not over simply because a warrior has left the battlefield. Therefore, their goal is to continue to assist and equip our military heroes and their families in gaining success and healing in their daily life.

Warriors First does not discriminate against any veteran, wounded warrior, or their family based upon their faith. You are welcomed regardless of your particular religious affiliation or persuasion.

Co-Founder, Scott Johnson, advised that they plan on utilizing Saulisbury Park in Kenton, Ohio as a rehabilitation camp for United States Veterans of the Armed Services. Camp Jacob Parrott will be the location designation, and is named for the Civil War hero and first Congressional Medal of Honor winner.

**Warriors First will provide camping for RV's and tents, as well as Amish-made log cabin lodging.** Camping will be free of charge to wounded warriors, veterans and their families through donations from faith-based organizations,

corporations, grants, veteran organizations, and individual donors.

Mr. Johnson advised that they would like to expand the base of Saulisbury Park and the current camp sites to embrace our wounded warriors and their families. They would like to maintain public camping and fishing, but also open it up for veterans and their families to give them a place to find a kinship and healing. Further, the goal is to have resources available on site to deal with PTSD issues, marital problems.

Unique to the Warriors First FOB will be a fitness gym for PT and **a state of the art "virtual gym" that will unite wounded warriors** and veterans from around the country in workouts via the internet.

In addition to free camping, the long term goal of Camp Jacob Parrott is to also offer excursions to various activities and events that are located within a 2-3 hour radius from Camp Jacob Parrott. These activities will be free or discounted based on donations provided to the organization.

Warriors first is working on the many fundraising activities and events in order to raise the necessary funds to move forward with this project. If you have any questions, would like to donate, or request additional information, please contact Scott Johnson at (571) 420-8758 or [Scott.johnson7579@gmail.com](mailto:Scott.johnson7579@gmail.com).

- Oct 13, 2015 (Mansfield: American Red Cross, 39 N. Park, Mansfield, OH 44902)
- Jan 12, 2016 (Bowling Green: 1245 W. Newton Road, Bowling Green, OH 43402)

Upcoming Meetings

<http://homefront.ohio.gov/RISFAC/Region5RISFAC.aspx>

The RISFAC serves all branches of the Military, Veterans and their families and is sponsored by the Ohio National Guard Family Readiness & Warrior Support Program.

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## ATTENDANCE ROSTER - FINDLAY RISFAC, REGION 5 - JULY 14, 2015

Kelly Borstelman, Unit Volunteer, A Co 1-148 INF  
 SGT Toby Borstelman, A Co 1-148 INF Military Liaison  
 Amy Carles, Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel  
 Steven Cook, Ohio Department of Veterans Services  
 Todd James, American Red Cross  
 Leon Johnson, VFW  
 Scott Johnson, Warriors First  
 SGT Ryan Kornack, HHC 1-148 INF  
 Jennifer Lowinski, Key Volunteer 180th FW  
 Christa Luttmann, Ohio Attorney General  
 SFC Robert Markowski, 486th EN US Army Reserve  
 SFC Loren Pancake, 323 MP Readiness NCO  
 SSG Joshua Park, B Co 1-148 INF Military Liaison  
 Joyce Patrick, Blue Star Mothers of America  
 Kari Pfeifer, VFW  
 Debbie Sampson, American Red Cross Volunteer  
 Charles Smith, Veterans of Foreign Wars  
 Kathy Tracy, Blue Star Mothers of America  
 James Woodward, ESGR  
 Steve Brunn, Survivor Outreach Services Support Coordinator  
 Therese Sadowski, OH Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program  
 Gretchen Magoto, Unit volunteer - 324 MP Co  
 SFC Brian Snow, C Co 1-148 INF  
 Veronna K Drane, Habitat for Humanity (Richland/Crawford)



# Fort Fest 2015 Aug 14-16

### FRIDAY:

- ⇒ Motorcycle and military vehicle motorcade brings in Eyes of Freedom display with American Huey 369 fly over.
- ⇒ Barrels and Brews: Putnam County's Premier Wine and Beer tasting event
- ⇒ Four Dueces Evening Cruise-In Car Show
- ⇒ Twilight 1812 Military Re-enactment
- ⇒ FJ Park Give Away- \$3,000
- ⇒ Nashville Crush- FREE concert

### SATURDAY:

- ⇒ Craft Show 9:30-3:30pm
- ⇒ **Children's Camp 1812**
- ⇒ Tribute to the Unknown Soldiers buried at Fort Site
- ⇒ Military Vehicle Show
- ⇒ Waterball Challenge and Tribute to our Fire and Police
- ⇒ War of 1812 Re-enactment
- ⇒ Vietnam Re-enactment featuring American Huey 369 and Wolf Hound "First Hounds"
- ⇒ **Veteran's Mass/prayer service**
- ⇒ Chicken Dinners (presale only)
- ⇒ Duck Races
- ⇒ Midwest Dueling Pianos- FREE entertainment

### SUNDAY:

Events: To Be Determined

Log on to the website to get more updates on events, register for events, or to answer any additional questions.

<http://fortjenningspark.com/fort-fest.html>

# Announcements & Things to do...

## Family Readiness Outreach Meeting

8 August 2015  
8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.  
(Registration starts at 8:30 a.m.)

Airman and Family Readiness Center  
Area A, Building 2  
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base

Come join your Troop & Family Assistance and Airman & Family Readiness representatives to learn about and connect with resources for military families

\*\*\*A light breakfast will be provided\*\*\*

Finances      Information & Referral  
Employment      Stress  
Relationships      Transition



Registration Deadline: 31 July 2015. Please contact:  
Victor Bailey, Airman & Family Readiness Center  
victor.bailey@us.af.mil or 937-656-0944  
Ashten Houseman, Troop & Family Assistance Center  
ashten.o.houseman.ctr@mail.mil or 614-336-4483



### Calendar of Events:

**Saturday, August 29: MUD DOG CHALLENGE**  
Area heroes and others will battle mud pits, rope walls, stacked tires, balance beams, tunnel slides and more at the Mud Dog Challenge obstacle course. Compete against the Army this year – register as a team as high school or college students, Corporate team, first responder, as a family (or register as just friends). This event is open to anyone from 5 years up. Register on line at [www.muddogchallenge.com](http://www.muddogchallenge.com) or call Julie Earnest at 419 279 2643. For sponsorships contact Heroes in Action – 419 699 3439 or [heroesinaction501@gmail.com](mailto:heroesinaction501@gmail.com).

**Sunday, September 27: AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS RUN**

**Saturday, September 13, Bier Stube Golf Outing**  
The Bier Stube is sponsoring their first charity Golf Outing at Bedford Hills Golf Course, supporting one of our veterans for home repair. Entry fee includes green fee, cart, lunch, steak dinner and raffle! T-time is 1:30 pm (shotgun start). For more information contact Dawn Heisler at Heroes In Action ([heroesinaction501@gmail.com](mailto:heroesinaction501@gmail.com)).

**Friday-Sunday, October 23-25 TENT CITY in downtown Toledo.** Volunteers are needed. This is such a great weekend supporting and providing for our homeless veterans. Contact 1Matters at [news@1matters.org](mailto:news@1matters.org) for more information or to sign up to volunteer for the event!

*If you wish to have your event listed in the RISFAC newsletter, please contact Margret Szymanski at 614-336-4312 or by email at [margret.r.szymanski2.ctr@mail.mil](mailto:margret.r.szymanski2.ctr@mail.mil).*

180TH FIGHTER WING  
PETE RAFFA SCHOLARSHIP  
15th ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

10 AUGUST 2015

1130 LUNCHEON/SIGN-IN/1230 SHOTGUN START  
VALLEYWOOD GOLF COURSE  
(4 MILES WEST OF TOLEDO EXPRESS AIRPORT)  
\$50 PER PERSON  
(1/2 CART /18 HOLES/ LUNCH/SNACK AFTER)  
PRIZES FOR A/B FLIGHTS & PROXIMITIES  
TURN IN RESERVATIONS ASAP 34 TEAMS MAX  
MONEY DUE BY 1 AUGUST

To obtain the sign up sheet and payment information, contact: [Dave.pifer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Dave.pifer@sbcglobal.net)  
(H) 419-877-9106 / (C) 419-344-0067

## 2015 YOUTH & FAMILY EVENTS / OPPORTUNITIES

HERO Camp = One Day Program, ages and venue vary;  
Troop and Family Camp = Weekend Camp for families and those that support them  
Family Day Event = One Day Event for the Entire Family  
Residential Camp = Youth will stay overnight at camp ranging 3-5 days

### Families:

*Our goal for your family is to strengthen ties, create lifelong friendships and build camaraderie with other military families.*

### Youth:

*The goal for our military connected youth is to empower them, build leadership and resilience skills, support their social, emotional and academic needs.*

### Questions? Contact us:

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### OMK CKI Teen Camp: August 10-14 Ages 12-15

Teens from all across Ohio come together to make life long friendships while learning teamwork, leadership, and com-modore in a lakeside camp setting.

[www.regonline.com/TeenOMK15](http://www.regonline.com/TeenOMK15)

### OMK CKI Youth Camp: August 10-14 Ages 9-11

We hand select our counselors to be the best at supporting our military youth at this awesome camp full of building friendships and trying new things!

[www.regonline.com/YouthOMK15](http://www.regonline.com/YouthOMK15)

### *Need a weekend without cooking & FUN!?*

**Come to a Family Camp!  
ALL AGES WELCOME**

### Butler: August 21-23

[www.regonline.com/ButlerFamilyCamp15](http://www.regonline.com/ButlerFamilyCamp15)

### Logan: August 21-23

[www.regonline.com/LoganFamilyCamp15](http://www.regonline.com/LoganFamilyCamp15)

### Erie: August 28-30

[www.regonline.com/ErieFamilyCamp15](http://www.regonline.com/ErieFamilyCamp15)

### Scioto: September 25-27

[www.regonline.com/SeptFamilyCamp15](http://www.regonline.com/SeptFamilyCamp15)





**Sunday,  
October 18, 2015**

Registration opens at **7:30 am**

1k Kids Run starts at **8:45 am**

5k Race/Walk starts at **9:30 am**

Presented by:

**THE ARMS FORCES**

a non-profit organization that embraces men and women of the military/veterans with traumatic brain injury or post traumatic stress disorder

### Event Details

#### COST:

Early 5k Entry Fee: \$25.00  
(through 10/4/15)

Late 5k Entry Fee/Day of Registration  
Fee: \$30.00 (after 10/4/15)

1k Kids Run: \$10.00

Military Price: \$20.00

FREE for Purple Heart Recipients

#### FEATURES:

Chip Timing for 5k Race/Walk  
Dry-blend Shirts (kids get cotton shirts)

#### ROUTE:

3.1 miles course on the runway  
at Toledo Express Airport

#### PARKING:

3357 S Berkey Southern Rd.  
Swanton, OH 43558

#### ARRIVE:

Get there EARLY! Only 1 entry point  
to register and walk to the start line!

#### AWARDS:

Overall, Masters, Achilles  
and Age Group

#### REGISTER:

<http://bit.ly/1CM9Hsc>

- or -

mail registration and check to:  
**The Arms Forces PO Box 981  
Maumee, OH 43537**

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Please contact Pam Hays at  
[hope@thearmsforces.org](mailto:hope@thearmsforces.org)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/STATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_ SEX:  M  F AGE (ON Race Day): \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

SHIRT SIZE:  XS  YM  YL  S  M  L  XL  2XL BRANCH OF SERVICE (IF APPLICABLE): \_\_\_\_\_

ACHILLES/WHEEL CHAIR DIVISION:  YES  NO MILITARY STATUS:  NONE  ACTIVE  VETERAN  RETIRED

PURPLE HEART:  YES  NO

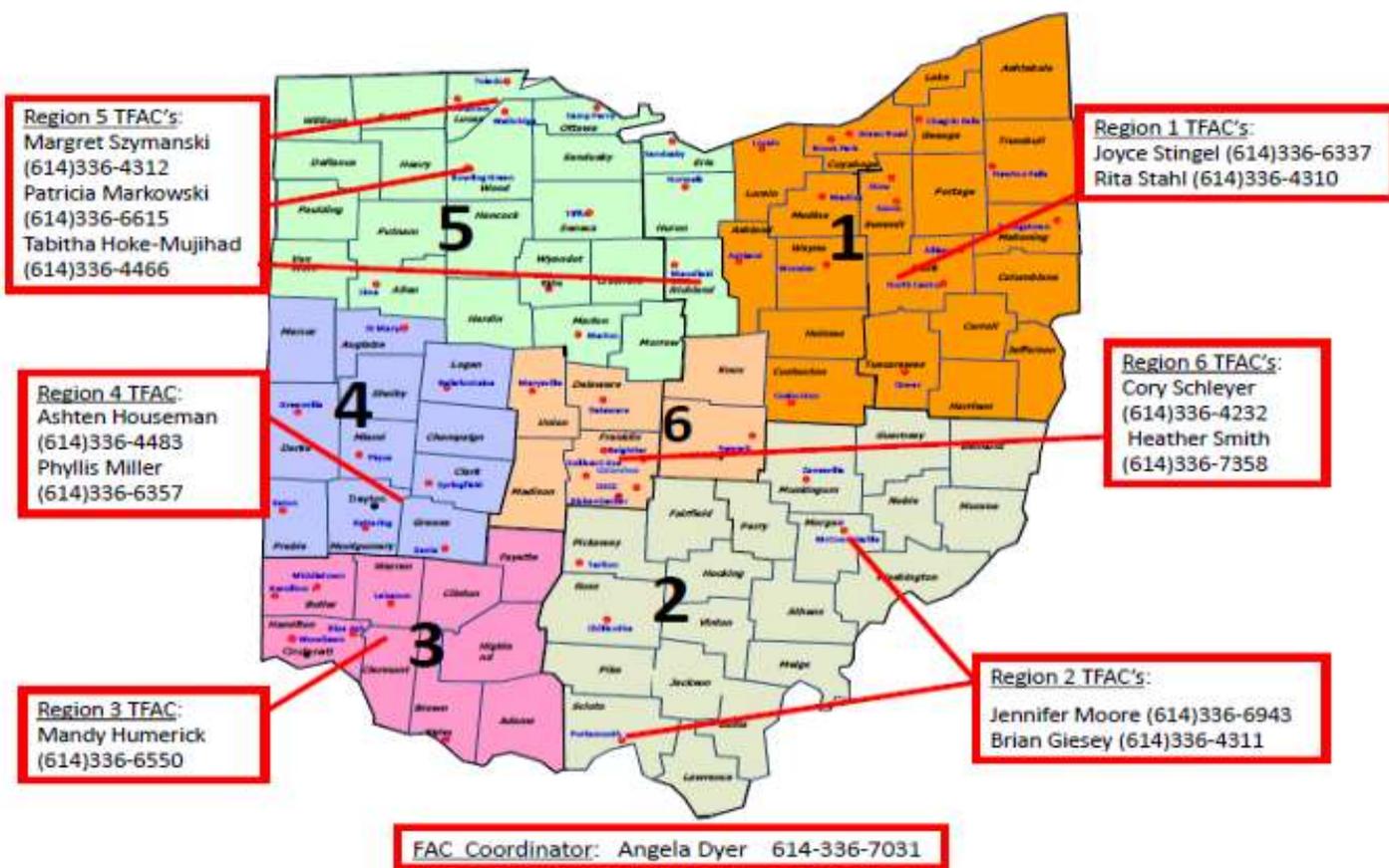
\*\*\*I would like to make a donation to sponsor a veteran(s) in this event # \_\_\_\_\_ x \$20 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

IN CONSIDERATION OF YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF THIS ENTRY, I HEREBY FOR MYSELF, MY HEIRS, EXECUTORS AND ADMINISTRATORS WAIVE AND RELEASE ALL RIGHTS FOR CLAIMS AND DAMAGES I MIGHT HAVE AGAINST THE RACE DIRECTOR, THE TOLEDO LUCAS COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY, THE 180TH ANG, CITY OF TOLEDO, SPONSORS, AND ALL RELATED PARTIES FOR ANY AND ALL INJURY OR DAMAGE RESULTING FROM PARTICIPATING IN THE ABOVE EVENT. I AM IN PROPER PHYSICAL CONDITION TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EVENT.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

## TROOP & FAMILY ASSISTANCE CENTER SPECIALISTS (“TFAC’S”)



24 Hour Joint Operations Center  
1-888-637-9053

Community Outreach  
614-336-7002

ONG Transition Assistance Advisors  
(Michael Magnusson and Terry Dean)  
614-336-7349 or 614-336-4192

Sexual Assault Response Coordinator  
877-751-5628

Tricare Benefits Assistance  
877-874-2273

Military OneSource  
800-342-9647

Ohio Cares  
800-761-0868

American Red Cross  
800-696-3873

### Survivor Outreach Services Coordinators

614-336-4284 (Melissa Wise)  
614-336-8820 (Rita Kreitzer)  
614-336-7375 (Susan Bogan)  
614-336-4138 (Steve Brunn)

### Psychological Health Coordinators

Barbara Herbst 614-336-8999  
Jon Fouts 614-336-4292  
Colin Fowler 614-336-4292

Employer Support of the Guard & Reserve  
(ESGR) 614-336-7444

### Airman & Family Readiness Program Managers

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