



# Agenda

# DAV, DEPT OF MD Department Executive Committee Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter

1/19/2013

Omaha Beach, chapter #7  
8205 Laurel Bowie Road  
Bowie, MD 20715

Officer Call(Staff, PDC, Committee Chairs: 11:00 AM  
Meeting 12:00 PM  
Lunch will follow DEC Meeting

**Meeting called by:**

Article 3, Section 3.5 of the Department Constitution and By-Laws  
Dated: May 30, 2009

**Type of meeting:**

Department Executive Committee (2nd Quarter)

**Facilitator:**

Department Commander, Robert L. Wilcoxon

**Note taker:**

Department Adjutant, Joseph S. Cuocci

**Timekeeper:**

Department Adjutant, Joseph S. Cuocci

**Attendees:**

Delegates, Alternates and Guests of the DAV, Department & Chapters

**Please read:**

2nd Quarter DEC Packet

## Agenda topics

Call to Order

Dept. Commander, PDC  
Robert L. Wilcoxon

Opening Prayer

Dept. Chaplain, Alfreda  
M. Alexander

Pledge of Allegiance

Dept. Sr. Vice  
Commander, Lamarr  
Couser

Roll Call of Officers and Chapters

Dept. Adjutant, Joseph S.  
Cuocci

Introduction of PDC's Dept. Commander,  
Robert L. Wilcoxon

Introduction of Guests Dept. Commander,  
Robert L. Wilcoxon

Installment of New D.E.C. Members Dept. Commander,  
Robert L. Wilcoxon

Reading of the Last D.E.C. Minutes Dept. Adjutant, Joseph S.  
(1st DEC dated October 06, 2012) Cuocci

**THE FOLLOWING REPORTS MUST BE  
ACCEPTED INDIVIDUALLY:**

Treasurer's Report Dept. Treasurer, Billie L.  
Miles

Finance Commission's Report PDC Raymond Chatary,  
Chairman

**THE FOLLOWING REPORTS DO NOT  
REQUIRE INDIVIDUAL ACCEPTANCE:**

1 Maryland Service Foundation PDC Howard L. Simons  
Jr., President

2 Commander's Report Dept. Commander,  
Robert L. Wilcoxon

3 Adjutant's Report Dept. Adjutant, Joseph S.  
Cuocci

4 Senior Vice Commander's Report Dept. Sr. Vice  
Commander, Lamarr  
Couser

5 1<sup>st</sup> Junior Vice Cmdr's Report Dept. 1<sup>st</sup> JVC, Harold E.  
Webster

6 2<sup>nd</sup> Junior Vice Cmdr's Report Dept. 2<sup>nd</sup> JVC,  
LaVaughn Price

7 3<sup>rd</sup> Junior Vice Cmdr's Report Dept. 3<sup>rd</sup> JVC, John  
Patterson

8 4<sup>th</sup> Junior Vice Cmdr's Report Dept. 4<sup>th</sup> JVC – Annette  
E. Mann

9 \*no report Dept. Chaplain Report Dept. Chaplain, Alfreda  
M. Alexander

10	Dept. Historian Report	Dept. Historian Michael Higgs
11 * No Report	Dept. Inspector General Report	Dept. IG, Billie Miles
12	Dept. Judge Advocate Report	Dept. Judge Advocate, Gerard F. Devlin
13	69th Annual State Convention/Conv. Book	Dept. Commander Robert L. Wilcoxon, Co-Chair
14	Americanism Report	Dept. Sr. Vice Commander, Lamarr Couser, Chair
15	Auxiliary Liaison Report	Betty Brown, Chair
16	Citations and Awards Report	Comrade, Raymond D. Davis, Chair
17 *Nothing to report	Constitution & By-Laws Committee Report.	Dept. Commander, Robert L. Wilcoxon
18	Convention Time & Place Committee Report	Dept. Commander, Robert L. Wilcoxon
19*Nothing to report	Credential Committee Report	Dept. Commander Robert L. Wilcoxon
20	Department Fund Raising Committee Rpt.	Dept. Adjutant, Joseph S. Cuocci, Chair
21	DAV, Dept. of MD – Veteran of the Year Committee Report	PDC Mike Sater, Chair
22	Forget-Me-Not Report	Comrade Robert Noren, Chair
23	Golden Corral Committee	PDC Ernie Law, Chair
24 * No Report	Homeless Veteran's Committee	Dept. OFD Maurice Alexander, Chair
25	Hosp & Rehab Commission Report (All VAMC's and Clinics)	Comrade, Tommie Hawkins, Chair
26	Charlotte Hall Veterans Home	PDC Richard E. Bamberger

27	Charlotte Hall Veterans Clinic	Comrade, Marie M. Halter
28	HSC – Baltimore VAMC	Comrade, Rosaria Thompson
29	HSC – Lock Raven (BRECC)	Comrade, Reggie Frazier
30	HSC – Fort Howard	Comrade, Johnny M. Adams
31	HSC – Glen Burnie	Comrade, Tommie Hawkins
32	HSC – Perry Point	Comrade, Greg Kopatch
33	Joint Veterans Committee Report	Dept. Commander, Robert L. Wilcoxon, Chair
34	Legislative Committee Report	PDC, Glynn E. Parker, Co-Chair
35	Membership Committee Report	Dept. Sr. Vice Commander, Lamarr Couser Chair
36	National Guard Service Committee Report	Dept. Sr. Vice Commander, Lamarr Couser, Chair
37	<b>*Nothing to report need new chair assigned</b> Nominating Committee Report	Chair
38	NSO – Baltimore Report	Comrade, Phil Surace, NSO Supvr.
39	NSO – Washington, DC Report	NSO Supvr. (DC)
40	Public Relations Committee Report	Dept. Adjutant, Joseph S. Cuocci, Chair
41	State Service Officer, Vol. So. MD	PDC Richard E. Bamberger

42	Training & Member Development Report	Dept. Commander, Robert L. Wilcoxon, Chair
43	Transportation Committee Report	Comrade, Tommie Hawkins, Chair
44	<b>Vacancy</b>	Vacancy
45	Transportation, Southern, MD Report	
46	Transportation, Eastern Shore	Comrade Cleveland Hicks
47	VAVS State Report	PDC Glynn E. Parker, Chair
48	Women's Veterans Committee	JoAnn Fisher, Chair
	List of Departed Comrades (List done by Department Admin Asst)	Dept. Admin Chaplain, Alfreda M. Alexander
	Unfinished Business	Floor
	New Business	Floor
	Good of the Order	Floor/Guests
	Special Announcements	Floor
	Return to Good of the Order	Dept. Commander, Robert L. Wilcoxon
	Salute to the Flag	Dept. Sr. Vice Commander Lamarr Couser
	Closing Prayer	Dept. Chaplain, Alfreda M. Alexander
	Adjournment until 3rd D.E.C. in April 2013 (date, location, time will be announced)	Dept. Cmdr. Robert L. Wilcoxon

**Department Executive Committee Minutes**  
**First Quarter 2012-2013**  
**Chapter #18 VFW Post #9083**  
**Business Session Minutes**  
**October 6, 2012**

**DEC Meeting :**

- **Meeting opened at 12:01 PM on 6 October 2012**
- **Call to Order:** Dept. Cmdr. Robert Wilcoxen
- **Opening Prayer:** Chaplain: Alfreda M. Alexander
- **Pledge of Allegiance:** SVC Lamarr Couser

**Roll call of Officers and Chapters:** Dept. Adjutant Joseph S. Cuocci

- All Staff present at meeting except for Historian Michael Higgs who was absent. There is a vacancy 4<sup>th</sup> JVC position.
- The PDC's that was present: Richard Bamberger, Raymond Chatary, Gerard F. Devlin, Ernest Law, Charles Myers, Glynn Parker, Michael Sater, Howard Simons, and Robert Wilcoxen.
- Chapters 1, 4, 5, 7, 13, 16, 18, 21, 22, 26, 30, 33, 34, and 36, were present. Chapters 3, 9, 12, 14, 15, 17, and 28 were absent  
Adjutant announced to the Commander we have a quorum.
- *Commander asked all PDC to stand and be recognized.*

**Commander Wilcoxen**

- Introduction of Guests: Robert Noren chapter 16
- All DEC Members present were installed for year 2012-2013

**Reading of Last DEC Minutes from 3<sup>rd</sup> DEC (2011-2012) dated April 14, 2012**

There was a motion made by PDC Ray Chatary, Chapter #7 to accept minutes as written, it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by PDC Howard Simons, Commander Wilcoxen asked if there were any discussion, hearing none, the motion was passed by the body.

**Commander Wilcoxen mentioned that the following reports must be accepted individually.**

**Treasurer Report:**

**Comrade Billie L. Miles**

Treasurer Billie Miles motioned that his report be accepted, it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by PDC Ray Chatary Commander asked if there was any discussion. PDC Howard Simons comment out of curiosity regarding Civic and Charity (6030) expense listed as \$9,200.00, Billie explained that went to several places, the majority went out to 6<sup>th</sup> district at the National Convention. Commander Wilcoxon said it is a required money for whatever district is the NEC to take care of their money, in this case the 6<sup>th</sup> district which is Maryland term as NEC we had that money and it had to be cared for. Howard understood this explanation. Howard stated as next question under Contingency (7060) \$14,799.00, Billie stated we bought a van (Commanders van), we paid for it under budgeted funds. PDC Simons mentioned that the Finance Committee can make a line item for that and they have the power to approve that Line Item for budgeting rather than using contingency line item. Commander asked if there were any other questions or further discussion, hearing none the Report was passed by the body.

**Finance Commission Report:**

**PDC Ray Chatary, Chairman**

PDC Ray Chatary, Chairman of DFC, motioned to accept his report as written, PDC Gerard Devlin 2<sup>nd</sup> motion; Commander asked for discussion. PDC Chatary mentioned that the 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph it mentions that line 3900 regarding the 6<sup>th</sup> District the District, what happened the Districts are not allowed to have a checking account. At the National Convention, the 6<sup>th</sup> District passed a motion that the money will be handled by the NEC (Glynn E. Parker) from the State Territory. Are there any questions on that?

PDC Chatary then mentioned a letter received from National regarding our budgeted funds? National wants that the MSF and Dept. moneys are combined that sets everything out of kilter. The MSF and Department are 2 separate entities. There was a meeting held between Department, DFC and MSF, a committee was formed to come up with a plan and present it at convention, hopefully in January we can make an interim report. What we plan to do is ask the Department to do a resolution to note that the foundation is not included in that 3 times rule, they are a separate corporations, and we file 2 separate tax reports. National has them together which puts us over that rule. Are there any questions on that? PDC Simons made a comment about talking to the auditor about needing an income line restricted and an outgoing line restricted. PDC Chatary asked on 3900, Howard said yes. The DFC report was accepted by the Body.

**Commander Wilcoxon stated that the remainders of reports need not to be accepted individually. He read down report numbers, there were comments on Reports # 16 #34, #36 and #43.**

PDC Howard Simons motioned that all reports be accepted unless they have comments or questions, Dept. Adjutant Joseph Cuocci 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion, Commander asked if there were any discussion hearing none, the motion was carried by body.

Report # 16 Citation and Awards Report – Comment by Commander Wilcoxon.

He commented that at the Convention the Forget-Me-Not Awards were not handed out because some way or another they were neglected. So I would like to take this moment now to hand out those awards.

1001 Members and over – went to Chapter 17 for year 2011-2012

501 to 1000 Members – went to Chapter 7 for year 2011-2012.

251 to 500 Members - went to Chapter 26 for year 2011-2012

001 up to 250 Members - went to Chapter 28 for year 2011-2012 – they are not here at this meeting

Report #34 – Legislative Report – Comment by PDC Gerard Devlin

There was a couple of things I would like to report. When the Prince Georges Gambling Bill was passed, veterans working with veterans we were able to add an amendment on the house floor allowing slot machines to be placed on posts of Veteran Organizations, especially Chapter 7 the only chapter home we have. PDC Ray Chatary has been talking with Lottery Commission and the post is allowed to have 5 slot machines. He and the State Lottery Commission are working out the details, so I can make a report at next DEC meeting. Also the Legislature passed a bill submitted by Delegate Emmitt Burns, Baltimore and Delegate Geraldine Valentino-Smith in Price Georges County a task force looking to setting up a special veteran's court; that is a court dealing with unusual problems that veterans face may come up, this has worked very well in Buffalo, NY. He mention Secretary Chow said he was sending in his name as a potential Member. He said he will report that back to you next year. It has not been a great year for veterans but hopefully it will get better.01:00:42

Report #36 – National Guard Report – Comment by Lamarr Couser

My report tells you how the Maryland National Guard members make their transition to civilian life, it actually has links for videos that you can use to find jobs. The Maryland National Guard civilian employment assistance is trying to use technology to help veterans to get jobs.

Report #43 – Transportation Report – Comment by Tommie Hawkins

Tommie Hawkins – Transportation Coordination

**Unfinished Business** - There was none.



## **New Business**

Howard Simons stated the need for nominations to the MSF. Commander stated the we need nominations today from this Body to be passed on the MSF, we have a need to replace (2) on the board, one is deceased (Mr. Crofoot) and the other is himself because you can't serve in both places, so he asked for nominations from the floor. Chaplain Alfreda Alexander asked to explain what the MSF does. Commander turned over the question to PDC Howard Simons, President of Maryland Service Foundation. He gave a detailed explanation of what the MSF is and does, and what is expected of its members.

Commander opened the floor for nominations.

PDC Richard Bamberger, chapter 36 nominated Ms. Joan Sabree, she is Commander from chapter 36. Also nominated from the Department Staff were Mr. Lamarr Couser, chapter 18 and Mr. LaVaugh Price, chapter 34. Howard requested a letter from the Department be sent to him and he stated that since there are (3) nominees and only 2 positions to fill, he asked of all nominees to send him a 1 or 2 paragraph summary of their interest in the foundation and how their abilities would be best appreciated. He asked if they could do this ASAP because November the 4<sup>th</sup> we will be voting on this we will have some knowledge of each individual. Commander asked each nominee to do as requested by PDC Simons. Charles Linton, chapter 1 asked a question are they accepted and placed automatically, or do they have to accept their nominations. So Commander asked each one individually, if they would accept this nomination, all three accepted their nomination to the MSF. PDC Simons stated that elected members of the (DFC) Department Finance Committee cannot server as elected members on the (MSF) Maryland Service Foundation.

PDC Glynn E. Parker motioned that the DEC presents a resolution to the National Headquarters that would separate the Maryland Service Foundation from the Department. PDC Simons stated that this needs to be done. Commander Wilcoxon stated we have a motion on the floor. PDC Simons 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, motion was approved by the Body. Commander Wilcoxon said this will be carried forward; we will make up a resolution to be taken to National.

## **Good of the Order**

John Markowski, chapter 30 – He mentioned that we have a fund Raiser for Perry Point VAMC, we have a lot of P38 (military can opener) for sale here to benefit Perry Point VAMC.

Commander brought up the 6<sup>th</sup> District Meeting (which Maryland is a member of) is scheduled November 30 till December 2, 2012 at the Holiday Inn, Tanglewood Roanoke, VA. Online there is information for the Hotel Reservation and pre-registration for the 6<sup>th</sup> District Executive Committee Meeting. The fee is \$12.00 if you register early, late registration is \$15.00. The price for the Banquet is \$36.00. Commander asked if the NEC (PDC Glynn E. Parker) would like to add anything. PDC Parker said he hope to have a large attendance from Maryland. He knows he will have them from Virginia and District of Columbia. He said they hold 4 meeting a year. The first thing they hope to do this year is to decide what States get what committees at the National

Convention. Each committee has a State Delegate or Alternation which the State will nominate. That is the most important thing that we will do at that meeting. We want to have a meeting where you will learn something. We want to have some training, and we want to have a women's committee there to support the women veterans. He stated that he has some forms for the 6<sup>th</sup> District here and would like everyone to take one to bring back to your chapters. He thanked everyone who support him as NEC 6<sup>th</sup> District. He said since he has been the NEC, He has learned a lot and wants to share that information with you

Commander stated that wherever he has been this year throughout Maryland and at National, the Maryland DAV has been well represented. They have been selected on various committees and served them well. For the Good of the Order, Maryland DAV is active and respected throughout National and the State. Other States are drawing on things that the State of Maryland has instituted such as the vehicle donation program.

Department Adjutant Joseph Cuocci mentioned that the War Memorial Building will be closed for Columbus Day, so the DAV, Dept. Office will be closed, but you can call and leave messages on the phones of Admin, Commander Adjutant or Assistant Adjutant and we will get back with you ASAP.

PDC Gerard Devlin said he has season tickets this afternoon for the University of Maryland and Lake Forest game. Tony Begenwald and I are going but 3 people had to back out, so if anyone wants to go see me at end of meeting. It starts at 3:30PM.

PDC Sater mentioned upcoming 6<sup>th</sup> District Meeting, that you need to make your reservations because Hotels are filling up fast. He also mentioned the vehicle donation program which has brought in a lot of money for the DAV, Department of MD, but your help is needed also, and preservation of the War Memorial Building and other veteran's monuments and cemeteries across the state. He said the War Memorial is not protected from abuse by homeless people, vandalism & theft after hours, etc. The building is owned by the City and State. Any repairs have been done by the Veteran Organizations in the Building (DAV, VFW and A.L.) or the State, the City doesn't do anything but staff Commissions Office to take care of building during working hours and bring in other Maintenance personnel when needed. He mentioned this year that the DAV paid good money to clean the 2 horse monuments in front of building. It has been noted that others in the city have been given keys to the building so it can be use after hours, the homeless and others can come in and hide till the building is closed. There are various groups that use the War Memorial Building, so it is not protected. City and the Policy have been notified of break-in cases and artifacts stolen. Commander said the city has money allotted to fence in building but they don't have the permits to do it, and if it is not done they will lose the money allotted for it. It was mentioned by PDC Howard Simons to go to city council meeting and express concern. Adjutant Cuocci said to contact news people and get a crew to film and place on TV, maybe then something will be done. Adjutant and Assist Adjutant have approached the city commission and State regarding this matter.

Commander turned DEC meeting over to SVC Lamarr Couser – He asked everyone to rise and give a moment of silence for the POW's and MIA's.

**Salute to the Flag**

**SVC Lamarr Couser**

**Closing Prayer:**

**Chaplain, Alfreda M. Alexander**

**Adjournment: Meeting adjourned till the next DEC Meeting to be held at Charlotte Hall Veteran Home on January 19<sup>th</sup> 2012.**

**50/50 winner Mrs. Barbara Sater - \$44.00**

**Note: Comrade, LaVaughn Price who was elected as Department 4<sup>th</sup> JVC at the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter DEC meeting on 10/16/11 was sworn into office on 10/21/11 at 12:30 PM at the American Legion Post 64 in Salisbury by Dept. Commander Sater and Chapter 34 Commander Elder.**

Treasurer Report  
2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter DEC  
January 2013

Treasurers Report for the January 2013 DEC

January 4, 2013

This report is for the period 1 July 2012 thru December 31, 2012:

Adjusted Beginning Balance 1 July:	\$ 179,047.66
Plus Budgeted Income:	38,203.18
Sub Total:	<u>\$217,250.84</u>
Minus Expenses:	(112,381.50)
Ending Balance:	<u>\$ 104,869.34</u>

BILLIE L MILES  
Department Treasurer

	Jul - Dec 12	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
3225 · Chap and other Donations				
.02 · Refunds	311.00			
.04 · Bequests	5,000.00			
.05 · Vehicle Donations	15,680.00			
3225 · Chap and other Donations - Other	1,029.19	25,000.00	-23,970.81	4.12%
<b>Total 3225 · Chap and other Donations</b>	<b>22,020.19</b>	<b>25,000.00</b>	<b>-2,979.81</b>	<b>88.08%</b>
3230 - DAV Transportation Ntwk	2,500.00	31,000.00	-28,500.00	8.07%
<b>3320 - Interest</b>				
.01 - M&T Bank	81.24			
3320 - Interest - Other	0.00	20,000.00	-20,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total 3320 - Interest</b>	<b>81.24</b>	<b>20,000.00</b>	<b>-19,918.76</b>	<b>0.41%</b>
3325 - National Fund Raising	0.00	60,000.00	-60,000.00	0.0%
3326 · Vehicle Donations	1,000.00	30,000.00	-29,000.00	3.33%
3430 - Membership	0.00	80,000.00	-80,000.00	0.0%
3440 - DEC Meeting Income	0.00	1,080.00	-1,080.00	0.0%
3455 - MSF	0.00	100,000.00	-100,000.00	0.0%
<b>3610 - Convention Income</b>				
.03 Chapter's Fees	30.00			
3610 - Convention Income - Other	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total 3610 - Convention Income</b>	<b>30.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>-4,970.00</b>	<b>0.6%</b>
3800 - Women Veterans Service	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
<b>3900 - Other</b>				
3900-01 · NEC 6th District	12,571.75			
3900 - Other - Other	0.00	52,720.00	-52,720.00	0.0%
<b>Total 3900 - Other</b>	<b>12,571.75</b>	<b>52,720.00</b>	<b>-40,148.25</b>	<b>23.85%</b>
<b>4100 · Dept Incentive Income</b>				
4100 · Dept Incentive Income - Other	0.00	30,000.00	-30,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total 4100 · Dept Incentive Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>	<b>-30,000.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>38,203.18</b>	<b>434,800.00</b>	<b>-396,596.82</b>	<b>8.79%</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
5128 · Repair & Maintenance	0.00	2,500.00	-2,500.00	0.0%
<b>5300 · DEC Meeting Expenses</b>				
5300 · DEC Meeting Expenses - Other	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total 5300 · DEC Meeting Expenses</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>-3,000.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
5500-01 · Depreciation	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
6005 · Women Veterans	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
6020 · Chaplain Expense	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
<b>6030 · Civic/Charitable</b>				
6030-01 · NEC 6th Dist Distributions	9,593.08			
6030 · Civic/Charitable - Other	4,300.00	10,000.00	-5,700.00	43.0%

Total 6030 · Civic/Charitable	13,893.08	10,000.00	3,893.08	138.93%
6040 · Hospital & Rehab	400.00	16,000.00	-15,600.00	2.5%

Expense (Continued)

6100 · Asst for Needy Veterans	880.62	10,000.00	-9,119.38	8.81%
6200 · McVet Training & Ed Cent	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.0%
6300 · Dept of MD Auxiliary	1,000.00	2,500.00	-1,500.00	40.0%
6510 · Dept. Convention	0.00	7,000.00	-7,000.00	0.0%
6800 · Legal Expense	55.00	4,000.00	-3,945.00	1.38%
6900 · VAWS	7,369.50	10,000.00	-2,630.50	73.7%
7010 · Accounting				
7010 · Accounting - Other	19,500.00	10,000.00	9,500.00	195.0%
Total 7010 · Accounting	19,500.00	10,000.00	9,500.00	195.0%
7030 · Auto Maintenance	140.00	6,000.00	-5,860.00	2.33%
7040 · Citations & Awards	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00	0.0%
7050 · Constitution & Bylaws	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0.0%
7060 · Contingencies	0.00	165,000.00	-165,000.00	0.0%
7070 · DEC Reserve	0.00	4,000.00	-4,000.00	0.0%
7090 · Dept. Historian	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
7120 · Legislative	0.00	250.00	-250.00	0.0%
7130 · Patient Transportation	6,837.07	15,000.00	-8,162.93	45.58%
7150 · Membership	590.00	4,000.00	-3,410.00	14.75%
7180 · Office Expenses				
.01 Dept Adm Aid	25,549.47			
7180 · Office Expenses - Other	9,306.95	70,000.00	-60,693.05	13.3%
Total 7180 · Office Expenses	34,856.42	70,000.00	-35,143.58	49.8%
7190 · Postage	1,118.35	3,000.00	-1,881.65	37.28%
7210 · Americanism	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
7220 · Telephone	1,645.07	5,000.00	-3,354.93	32.9%
7240 · Training	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00	0.0%
7250 · Travel Cmdr/Adjutant				
.01 Adj	3,749.34			
.2 · Asst Adjutant	5,057.95			
7250 · Travel Cmdr/Adjutant - Other	6,315.45	18,000.00	-11,684.55	35.09%
Total 7250 · Travel Cmdr/Adjutant	15,122.74	18,000.00	-2,877.26	84.02%
7260 · Travel Other-Vice Cmdr				
7260 · Travel Other-Vice Cmdr - Other	2,043.74	12,000.00	-9,956.26	17.03%
Total 7260 · Travel Other-Vice Cmdr	2,043.74	12,000.00	-9,956.26	17.03%
7300 · Policies				
7300 · Policies - Other	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00	0.0%
Total 7300 · Policies	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00	0.0%
7310 · Insurance	5,184.00	7,000.00	-1,816.00	74.06%
7400 · Public Relations	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
7405 · Dept Incentive Expense	0.00	10,000.00	-10,000.00	0.0%
7410 · Office Equipment	1,745.91	10,000.00	-8,254.09	17.46%
Total Expense	112,381.50	434,800.00	-322,418.50	25.85%

**DEPARTMENT FINANCE COMMISSION REPORT FOR THE  
2ND QUARTER DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
JANUARY 19, 2013**

The Audit meeting was held in the offices of Bormel, Grice & Huyett, Associates in Laurel, Maryland on Wednesday, October 24, 2012. Mr. Larry Bormel, Ms. Edie Manney and Mr. John Watkins conducted the meeting and went over the Audit in detail. Copies of the Audit were distributed to those DFC/MSF members present. The DFC members who were not present at this meeting will be given copies of the Audit.

Those present from the DFC were: Commander Wilcoxon, Treasurer Miles, and Adjutant Cuocci. Those present from the Maryland Service Foundation were MSF President Simons. Due to other commitments DFC Chair Chatary and Assistant Adjutant Sater were unable to attend.

The Financial Statement was sent to DAV National and all the other required reports were sent to the State of Maryland and to the IRS.

There were no DFC meetings held since the last DEC. A DFC meeting will be convened in the very near future to start preparations for a proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2013-14 for submission at the 3rd Quarter DEC.

A proposed Resolution will be presented under New Business to Amend Section 18.2 of the National Bylaws which will address the accumulation of funds. If approved by the DEC this will be brought up on the floor and voted on at the 2013 DAV State Convention. If approved, the Resolution will be sent to DAV National for action at their 2013 National Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. CHATARY  
Chairman

**Maryland Service Foundation  
2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter DEC Report  
January 2013**

Submitted by Howard Simons, Jr

The Foundation held a meeting on October 27, 2012. At this meeting the Board approved a request from the Department for \$25,000.00 dealing with transportation of veterans to hospitals and clinics. We also went of the meeting with the auditor deal with our last fiscal year's audit and tax filing.

At this meeting the Board elected to new members for the remaining terms of George Crofoot and the dual membership on the Board of Commander Wilcoxon. The Board elected Joan Sabree and Lamarr Couser to fill those terms

After the close of the meeting the Board heard from our Money Manager William McClean.

The MSF will have its next meeting coming up in the next two months.

Yours in Comradeship

Howard Simons  
President



**COMMANDER'S REPORT**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER DEC**  
**JANUARY 19, 2013**

I want to start off by saying that I hope everyone had a great Christmas and I wish each and every one of you a healthy, happy and prosperous New Year.

Below is a sampling of some of the things I have participated in/at since the DEC in October.

- 3 Oct. Toured new CBOC at Ft. Detrick, MD
- 3 Oct. Attended Chapter 26 Meeting, California, MD
- 6 Oct. Dept. of MD DEC at Chapter 18, Towson, MD
- 11 Oct. Worked at Dept. Office
- 16 Oct. VSO Commissioners Meeting, Crownsville, MD
- 16 Oct. Attended Chapter 22 Meeting as Dept. Commander, Westminster, MD
- 17 Oct. Joint Veterans Committee Meeting as Dept. Commander, Bowie, MD
- 18 Oct. Attended Chapter 9 as Dept. Commander, Centerville, MD
- 19 -21 Oct. Stand Down with Chapter 34 Salisbury, MD
- 24 Oct. Work at Dept. Office and Attended Audit & Finance Report from Audit Committee from Auditors, Laurel, MD
- 26 Oct. Maryland Service Foundation Tele-Conference
- 3 Nov. Veterans Appreciation Day Luncheon, Ft. Meade, MD
- 7 Nov. Guest Speaker at Chapter 26 Veterans and Dependents Information Seminar California, MD
- 9 Nov. Invited and Attended Service Organization Appreciation Day at McVets in Baltimore, MD
- 13 Nov. Attended Chapter 7 Meeting as Dept. Commander, Bowie, MD
- 14 Nov. Attended Chapter 4 Meeting as Dept. Commander, Silver Springs, MD
- 16 Nov. Attended Marine Corps Birthday Celebration, Bowie, MD
- 22 Nov. Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery with MOPH on Thanksgiving Day
- 27 Nov. Attended Chapter 17 Meeting as Dept. Commander, Camp Springs, MD
- 28 Nov. Joint Veterans Committee as Dept. Commander, Bowie, MD
- 29 Nov. – 2 Dec. Attended 6<sup>th</sup> District National Executive Committee Meeting, Roanoke, VA
- 3 Dec. Attended Tri-County Council for Southern MD Meeting as Dept. Commander, Hughesville, MD
- 3 Dec. Invited and Attended Chapter/Unit 3 Christmas Party, Annapolis, MD
- 4 Dec. Worked at Dept. Office; Invited and Attended Chapter/Unit 17 Christmas Party, Camp Springs, MD
- 5 Dec. Invited and Attended Chapter/Unit 26 Christmas Party, California, MD
- 6 Dec. Invited and Attended Chapter/Unit 13 Christmas Party, Glen Burnie, MD

12 Dec. Attended VISN5 meeting, Linthicum, MD  
12 Dec. Invited and Attended Chapter 4 Christmas Party, Silver Springs, MD  
13 Dec. Invited and Attended Chapter/Unit 1 Christmas Party, Baltimore, MD  
18 Nov. Invited and Attended Chapter/Unit 22 Christmas Party, Westminster, MD  
19 Dec. Hosted the DAV Dept. of MD Christmas Party, Baltimore, MD  
19 Dec. Joint Veterans Committee Meeting/Christmas Party as Dept. Commander, Bowie, MD  
20 Dec. Invited and Attended Chapter 36 Meeting/Christmas Party, Waldorf, MD  
25 Dec. Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery with MOPH on Christmas Day  
28 Dec. Meeting with Mike Farr at Charlotte Hall for 2<sup>nd</sup> DEC

We will make an attempt to visit those chapters that have not been visited by the Department staff/personnel before. My plans are to continue to visit and or attend as many functions as possible. If you have a special request for a Department line officer to do your upcoming installation, please notify the Department Office as soon as possible so we can set up a schedule.

In the past seven months I have travelled over 10,000 miles. I expect to travel more over the next 5 months in addition to the regular chapter visits. I spend anywhere from one to two days a week at the Department Office in Baltimore to ensure we are doing what we need to do for our veterans and for the day-to-day operation of the office.

I encourage Chapter Commanders and PDC's to start looking now for those special members who are qualified and are willing to assume and accept the challenge of a position at the Department level.

Yours in Comradeship,

Robert L. Wilcoxon, Commander  
Department of Maryland, Inc

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**ADJUTANTS REPORT**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> QUARTER DEC**  
**JANUARY 19, 2013**

We have just returned from the NEC conference in Roanoke VA. Chairman Parker and the VA Commander put together a useful and informative meeting. We have good start for presentation to the National Convention. The women's committee gave a power point slide show that was very detailed. They are progressing well and we all hope that all will assist them in their endeavor.

Please help with the car donation cards. Word of mouth and placing the cards on vehicles that are for sale for a long time or what seems to be abandon generates results.

I have been working on updates in the Department's policy for the HSC program. All HSC's were sent the revised policy. The Department has to change from time to time due to budget constraints.

There is no problem that does not have resolution. Please let us know if there is anything we can help with. Communication is the key. Simple problems explode when frustration lends people to tell others who tell others and the problem changes from one to another.

I hope all had a wonderful holiday. While we tend to maximize DAV time, remember your family. Hope you gave them all what they want and that is your time.

I and members of our Auxiliary regularly go to Loch Raven to help our Vets. The need for volunteers is endless. To be able to talk to someone that cares can increase their hopes and their recovery. Remember our mission is "Serving those by we who served".

Respectfully submitted,

**Joseph S. Cuocci**

Dept. Adjutant

**SENIOR VICE COMMANNER REPORT**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER DEC**  
**JANUARY 19, 2013**

During these past few months I have enjoyed visiting all the chapters throughout the state. I noticed that even though there may be nothing more than a quorum at times we still go out to way to service our veterans.

Our department is only as strong as our weakest link so I will continue to ask you to reach out to our younger veterans and provide them with information about our organization

If you need information our resources to provide to your local military bases or hospital please notify the department and we will do our best to satisfy your needs.

Hope you had a safe a pleasant holiday.

Lamarr Couser Senior Vice

**1<sup>st</sup> Jr. Vice Commander's Report**  
**Second Quarter Department Executive Committee**  
**January 19, 2013**

My fellow Comrades,

Greetings!

I am continuously assisting veterans and their families with various issues, primarily with their claims. Since losing our chapter most knowledgeable Service Officer, the commander has asks me to handle incoming veterans request for claim support. I try to resolve their claim as quickly as possible in order to let them know that I will not stand by and let our veterans and their families down. We must remember that we are still at war in Afghanistan. Our young men and women are still being wounded and killed from our enemies. We must continue to provide services for our disabled veterans and their families at home.

Since my last report, I have completed all of my scheduled chapter visits and I'm presently making out a chapter visit schedule to re-visit these same chapters that will start in January 2013. As I mention in my last three reports, we have chapters that need support from the Department, Past Department Commanders, Certified Service Officers, and other veterans that will volunteer their support/time to help those chapters regain their loss membership. During my chapter visits, I found out that the primary cause of membership loss was because the members present where not hearing what they wanted to hear which created a lack of interest. I plan to continue supporting my assigned chapters by providing them the kind of information they are lacking plus information that will enhance their chapter.

I attended a forum hosted by the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) on October 16<sup>th</sup> 2012 at Crownsville, Md. The forum was sponsored by Maryland Veterans Service Organizations and all five MDVA commissions. I attended the Department Executive Committee sponsored by Maryland Chapter #18 at VFW Post 9083 in Baltimore, Maryland on October 6, 2012. I also attended a program sponsored by MCVET (Maryland Center for Veterans Education & Training) on November 9<sup>th</sup> 2012 in Baltimore, Maryland.

Yours in Comradeship,  
Harold Webster, 1<sup>st</sup> Jr. Vice Commander

**2<sup>nd</sup> Junior Vice Commander's Report**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter DEC**  
**January 19, 2013**

We bring greeting to the commander, officers, members, and staff of the Department of Maryland; well since the holiday season is behind us and most of the chapters will be having elections of officers for the ensuring year, please make selections individuals for offices that will support the aims and goals of the Disabled American Veterans.

We have completed all of our visitations of the chapters which are under the jurisdiction of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Jr. Vice Commander. We again wish to thank the officers and members of the chapter which I visited during the first part of the year and look forward to seeing everyone again after the January Department Executive Committee meeting at Charlotte Hall. We attended the Department Executive Committee in Baltimore, two Joint Veterans Committee meeting in Bowie, the 6<sup>th</sup> District Conference meeting in Roanoke, Virginia and Department Christmas Luncheon. This has been a busy first half of the administrative year and we look forward serving this department during the second half of the year.

As your Department Vice Commander, we thank all the new friends and acquaintances meant during my travel throughout the Department this year. During the second half of the administrative year, we are planning to have a joint meeting with these chapters: L.L. Merrill Sr. Chapter # 3, Rockville Chapter # 12, Paul L. Thompson Chapter Memorial Chapter # 1, Freestate Chapter # 16 and R.S. Taggs Chapter # 14 the time and place to be announced at a later date. Thank you again for your support and may God continue to bless all of you and your families.

2<sup>nd</sup> Jr. Vice Commander  
LaVaughn W. Price, Sr.

**3<sup>RD</sup> JR. VICE COMMANDER REPORT**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> Quarter DEC**  
**January 19, 2013**

Greetings Comrades,

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL. I hope you and your family had a Merry Christmas and a safe Holiday.

Prior to the 1st Department Executive Committee (DEC), I completed all my Chapter visits for 2012; however I have been busy attending other Veterans events and activities. Since my last Commander's report I have attended or participated in the following events:

- a. Participated in the DAV John C. De Marr Chapter 36 supported Golden Corral Veterans appreciation in Waldorf, MD.
- b. Attended the Veterans Appreciation Day at the Maryland Center For Veterans Education and Training, Baltimore, MD. The Secretary Maryland Veterans Affairs, Mr. Edward N. Chow was the Keynote speaker. Also in attendance were the DAV Department of Maryland Commander, Robert L. Wilcoxon and his Office Staff; Department Adjutant Joseph S. Cuocci and Assistant Adjutant (PDC) Mike "Maddog" Sater. Additional DAV attendees were the Commander of DAV Chapter 1, Herbert J. Wilson, DAV Past Department Commander, Glynn E. Parker; DAV 1<sup>st</sup> Jr. Vice Commander Harold E. Webster.
- c. Visited the DAV Department of Maryland Office on November 9, 2012.
- d. Attended the following Joint Veterans Committee meetings: October 17, 2012; November 28, 2012 and December 19, 2012.
- e. Attended the National Veteran's Day Observance on November 11, 2012 at the Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA. The Presidential Wreath Laying Ceremony took place at the "Tomb of the Unknown".
- f. Attended the Maryland Veteran's Memorial Museum Committee meeting on November 14, 2012 in La Plata, MD.
- g. Visited Charlotte Hall Veterans Home on November 28, 2012 and met Staff members and subsequently was provided a tour of the facility.

- h. Visited The Oaks Homeless Veterans and Family Center, Lexington Park, Maryland on November 28, 2012 and met with the Staff.

John B. Patterson  
3<sup>rd</sup> Jr. Vice Commander  
DAV Department of Maryland



**4<sup>th</sup> JVC Report**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter DEC**  
**January 4, 2013**

Greeting to my DAV family, I want to thank each and every person for giving me the chance to represent this organization. Mad Dog, I thank you for pushing me forward. This road is new, but this journey has been up-lifting, and a blessing to give back to other. My interactions with and mentoring from Senior DAV's commanders, and vice president was rewarding. It was a marvelous experience. Being here made me respect this organization more than before because the passion I saw in others inspired me to do more. The backing I received is heartfelt. The military enlisted/officers love and appreciate the support that we give.

In 2012-2013 Annette Mann was appointed as the 4<sup>TH</sup> Junior Vice Commander of Area #4, Department of Maryland Disabled American Veterans Alignment of Vice-Commanders. Ms. Mann is assigned five chapters and will visit each, at least once. Thus far in 2012, she visited Chapter #7 in July, Chapter #15 and 30 in October, and Chapter #36 in December. She looks forward to visiting Chapters #18 the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in January 2013. Currently, Ms. Mann's time is enjoyably expended in the Forget Me Not campaign, which is in its last week. This year they raised \$12,000. In addition to the previously stated, in September Ms. Mann, with Commander Robert L. Wilxoer and others, participated in an event at Perry Point. There, two new vehicles were given to the Veterans Administration (VA), one for Baltimore and one for Glen Burnie. Ms. Mann also helped out at Ft. Meade with the Wounded Warrior Program. Ms. Mann is dedicated to helping ACS retirees' with paper work for DAV. She organizes them so they can be taken to the claim's office located on post.

Annette Mann was recently appointed Senior Vice President of Disabled American Veterans – Chapter #33. She has the responsibility of performing duties as set forth in the official DAV Rituals. Ms. Mann has always served as chair for new members, and during 2010 and 2011 she served as Junior Vice President. Great joy comes from her commitment to the Forget Me Not Campaign. Ms. Mann received a Volunteer of the Year award in 2011, Chapter#33.

Ms. Mann is a native of Darlington, Maryland and currently resides in Towson, Maryland, after 27 years of service with the Maryland Army National Guard, she retired November 2011 as a disabled veteran. She began her military career in 1978 where she attended basic training at Fort Benjamin Harris and became a Personnel Administrative Specialist after completing the Advanced Individual Training. During her military career, Ms. Mann received accolades, recommendations for awards, and several certificates of appreciation for selfless services, exceptional professionalism, organizational skills, and initiatives.

**HISTORIAN REPORT  
2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER DEC  
JANUARY 19, 2013**

Please send collected photos and documentation of your chapter's involvements  
I will compile them to show what DAV MD is doing with and for veterans.  
[michaelhiggs@comcast.net](mailto:michaelhiggs@comcast.net)

sincerely, Michael Higgs  
Historian, DAV MD

**THE JUDGE ADVOCATE REPORT**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter DEC**  
**January 19, 2013**

Comrades,

I am happy to report that there have been no crises during the reporting period requiring any action by this office. a couple of questions of a fairly routine nature but that has been all so far.

I might point out that I also serve as National Parliamentarian for the Marine Corps League and in this capacity I have given classes at both the Departments of MA and PA MCL Convention on parliamentary procedure. I am willing to do this for any interested chapters. E-Mail me at [gerarddevlin@aol.com](mailto:gerarddevlin@aol.com) if you are interested.

In September I was elected Chairman of the MD Joint Veterans Committee succeeding none other than Commander Wilcoxon. Bob, by the way, has been chosen Veteran of the Year by the JVC. He will be honored at a dinner on 16 March at the Bowie Elks Lodge. Tickets are available from Adjutant Joe Cuocci and PDC Mad Dog. We would like a large DAV contingent present to honor one of our own. Make plans to attend.

Yours in Comradeship

Gerard F.Devlin  
Department, Judge Advocate

**69<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION BOOK COMMITTEE  
2<sup>ND</sup> DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – 2013**

The Convention Book Committee is asking for photos for the convention book; we will be putting together camera ready copies for the printer.

We will also be meeting with the printer to determine all the needs for this year. All chapters are encouraged to submit photos for the book and to place ads as well. Digital images will work best and the committee is willing to assist you with this.

Yours in Comradeship,

Robert L. Wilcoxon  
Committee Chairman

**Americanism Report**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter DEC**  
**January 19, 2013**

I would like to use this report to challenge everyone to volunteer in January and February!! You will find this so rewarding and it doesn't cost you anything. There are many ways to volunteer. There are many veterans that will not be with their families for the holidays and just by stopping by and helping them build and puzzle, feeding them, providing them with some essential sundries' could make all the difference. If you need a list of volunteer facilities for you and your family please contact the department.  
Happy 237 Birthday Marine Corp!!

For God and Country,

Lamarr Couser

**Auxiliary Liason Report**  
**DEC Meeting**  
**January 2013**

Please allow me to take a few minutes and introduce myself. I am Betty Brown serving at the pleasure of Commander Wilcoxon, as the Liaison between the DAV and DAVA. As the Liaison I will ensure that concerns of the DAVA are brought to the attention of the Commander and I will work diligently to resolve any outstanding issues or concerns in a timely manner and fashion. I will also work with the DAVA Commander and Adjutant to highlight areas that require assistance and special attention.

Currently a grave concern of mine and the DAVA is membership. Our DAVA is approximately 1300 members and the membership population for our DAV is approximately 13000 plus. This means that the DAVA is approximately one tenth of the population of the DAV. As the Liaison I am joining forces with the DAVA to solicit membership.

The DAVA's mission is to make the difference for DAV members and their families. A look at Maryland's DAVA statistics is a clear indication that we are not living up to our commitment. There are several DAVA Chapters that are functioning at very low levels and several are in danger of or have become defunct. I am concerned that the very core and the backbone of the DAVA is not making good on our commitment to the DAV. Our mission cannot and will not be accomplished if our DAVA Chapters remain inactive or dormant. Please let's raise the bar and get the ball rolling by each of us doing our part to raise the productivity and membership of our State's entire DAVA.

Each DAV members is encouraged to ask your spouse, children, parent, and/or significant other to do their part and join the Maryland DAVA. Active DAVA Chapter Commanders and members are encouraged to contact past DAVA Commanders and former DAVA members to return and do the great work that is set before us. Please note DAV members are eligible to join and participate in the DAVA.

Another desire of mine, as the Liaison, is to assist those DAV/DAVA members in need or who have fallen on hard times. At this time of the year where giving is paramount, many of us have items, such as clothing, small appliances, furniture and that the like, that are worthy of being received by those that are less fortunate. The DAVA would like to receive those items but have no place to store until distribution can be made. Therefore we are seeking storage space that will accommodate received items and allow workers to prepare these items for pickup. If you can help in any way and have suggestions or recommendations, please feel free to contact me at anytime on 301 877-3155 or email [betty.brown.2006@comcast.net](mailto:betty.brown.2006@comcast.net).

Thanks for your attention and future action in this endeavor.

**CITATION & AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> QUARTER DEC**  
**January 19, 2013**

Now is the time we should be thinking of those members in our chapters and units that are deserving of recognition for their volunteer service and accomplishments. The Department Awards Program is a great way for all of us to express our appreciation to those whom are working in our Chapters/Units serving the interest of Veterans, their families and Community.

The Department Awards Program provides chapters the opportunity not only to recommend an honoree for their service, but to concurrently recommend the award in memory & honor of a former deceased member of the Chapter or other past members that were in other chapters or Units in the State of Maryland.

Nomination for Department Awards should be submitted to the Department Awards Committee no earlier than March 16, 2013 and no later than April 18, 2013. Award recommendation may be sent direct to the Committee at 7534 Old Battle Grove Road, Baltimore, MD 21222-3505 or email to [m1rl@verizon.net](mailto:m1rl@verizon.net).

We suggest recommendations be submitted as follows:

Example: In memory and in honor of Mr. John Doe (deceased) member Ch/Unit)  
Mr. John Smith, Ch. \_\_\_\_ is recommended for the DAV, Dept. of Md. \_\_\_\_\_ Award.

Provide detailed description of Mr. Smith's accomplishments involving service primarily during the current membership year.

- (1) Subject to availability of funds recipient of an authorized award will receive a monetary grant for current membership year. Fixed amount of the grant (\$250.00) was approved by the Department Convention several years ago as an added incentive to encourage the recipient to attend the Department Convention for due recognition and help offset expenses. This policy applies only to the six (6) awards authorized by Department By-Laws.
- (2) Department Membership Award: Employees of the DAV. Are required to recruit a minimum of thirty (30) new members. Volunteer members are required to recruit ten (10) new members. Should an individual of either category attain the required goal the committee may allow an award for each for Current membership year.

Attached are Guideline and requirements for DAV Dept. of MD Awards

Yours in Comradeship,

Raymond L. Davis  
Chair

Guidelines and requirements of nominees for Disabled American Veterans (DAV), Department of Maryland awards authorized by Department By-Laws.

**Department of Maryland Legislative Award**

This award is provided in recognition of outstanding service. Consideration is given to the nominee who was involved in veterans' legislation during current membership year, at either Local, State or National levels.

**Department of Maryland Service Award**

This award is provided in recognition of outstanding service. Consideration is given to the nominee who, during current membership year, provided unselfish service to Chapter, Department, or National in serving the veteran community and promoting the day.

**Department of Maryland Transportation Community Award**

This award is provided in recognition of distinguish service. Consideration is to be given to the nominee who, during current membership year, unselfishly aided veterans and their families in their community, providing transportation to veterans, and especially those handicapped or disabled.

**Department of Maryland Community Activity Award**

This award is provided in recognition of distinguished service. Consideration is to be given to the nominee who, during current membership year, was involved in community activities for veterans and their families. (DAV Auxiliary ("DAVA") unit members are also eligible to receive this award.)

**Department of Maryland Membership Award**

This award is provided to the Top membership recruiter in the DAV Department of Maryland. For the purposes of this award only, the current membership year begins July 1 and ends April 30. Recruitment data and figures used to determine the winner will be taken solely from the official DAV Membership Department recruiting report. To be eligible for this award, and individual must recruit a minimum of ten new members.

Revised April 6, 2008



## **Department of Maryland Patriotic and Americanism Award**

This award is provided in recognition of outstanding service. Consideration is to be given to the nominee who, during current membership year, was involved in Americanism activities, patriotic programs, Loyalty Day projects and organizing and participating in Memorial Day Activities.

### **Additional Guidelines And Requirements:**

1. A Nominee is defined as a member of the DAV or DAVA as defined in Article 11, Section 11.1 of the National Constitution and By-Laws.
2. Members of chapters or units in good standing may recommend a nominee.
3. Incumbent DAV and DAVA Commanders and members of the Citations and Awards committee are not eligible for the above stated awards.

### **Optional**

For added incentive and recognition of the selectee, we suggest the chapter and or unit consider providing a monetary award for a recipient from their chapter and or unit.

Revised April 6, 2008

**TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – 2013**

The Time and Place Committee will meet at the Princess Royale Hotel in Ocean City, Maryland on January 4, 2013 to go over next year's Convention. Details will be forthcoming at the DEC in January 2013.

Yours in Comradeship,

Robert L. Wilcoxon  
Committee Chairman

## **Fund Raising Committee Report DEC Meeting 2013**

We hope all had received and read the notice on blanket insurance. No chapter has to purchase a policy on their own. You can obtain a copy for your chapter to show upon request to the store you wish to locate your table. Contact the office if you have not gotten the information. Thanks to you all for the help in car donations. Keep putting out those cards wherever you can. Remember they do accept lawn tractors, power scooters and the like.

The Golden Coral was very successful this year. Many chapters have gained thousands of dollars for their veteran programs. It is a very demanding event when only a few decide to help. Start from your September meetings to enlist as many volunteers for this event.

The Department will try direct mailings to Maryland companies to try to boost donations. We will start this process in January 2013.

We are always looking for ways to add to donations. We might have another venue coming up. If you have an idea, please contact the Department.

Respectfully Submitted

Joseph S. Cuocci

**Veteran of the Year Report  
2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter DEC  
January 19, 2013**

Happy New Years to all.

I hope your holidays were safe and enjoyable. May the New Year bring you peace and prosperity?

All chapters should have sent in there veteran of the year nomination. The deadline has passed and we will be announcing the veteran of the year as soon as we contact that person.  
Thanks to all committee members.

Veteran of the Year  
Chairperson Assistant Adjutant

Mike "Maddog" Sater

## **Forget-Me-Not Article**

**2<sup>nd</sup> DEC**

The final Forget-Me-Not reports all came in a timely manner. The results were all very good. Some Chapters had very large funds donated because of the many members who volunteered so many hours in some highly trafficked areas. One Chapter, as mentioned earlier, even held a Golf Tournament, necessitating good connections, which not everybody has. Good for them! It helps to be well organized.

The moneys collected will benefit many Veterans with much needed prosthetics such as wheelchairs, walkers, and canes, to name a few. Surely all the recipients of helps will be very thankful to all of us who participated in the drive. It certainly feels great to be able to aid the less fortunate.

All that can be said is that we can look forward to a year with new challenges, as well as rewards. I'd like to thank everyone who gave sacrificially of their own private time to enable this endeavor. I can only hope that the next season will be just as rewarding to all, especially the Veterans who benefit from our program.

Wishing everyone a great 2013!

Robert Noren  
Committee Chair

Chapter #	# of Members who worked	Hours Worked	Funds Donated	Remark
4	8	30	\$ 3,100.00	
13	13	107	\$ 4,245.00	
16	N/A	N/A	\$ 25.00	Chapter Donation
17	15	150	\$ 2,085.00	
21	N/A	N/A	\$ 38.50	Chapter Donation
26	19	355.5	\$ 7,664.16	
28	4	48	\$ 2,425.20	
30	6	53.5	\$ 871.72	
33	16	110	12,244	
Total	81	854	\$ 32,698.58	

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**Golden Corral Committee Report**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter DEC**  
**January 19, 2013**

Greetings to all and a very happy and rich New Year, Having said that, our first Golden Corral Military Appreciation Campaign/Dinner Report will be a short one. Short, because i have only received one Chapter report from Bel Air Chapter 30 of 1312 Wiley Oak Drive in Jarrettsville, MD 21084-1954.

Commander John M. Markowski reported that Chapter 30 raised "\$3,334.37, during the weeks of November 1 to 12, 2012". The \$3,334.37 was raised using 155.25 hours of volunteer time provided by Chapter 30 Members, Unit 30 Members, Chapter 15 Member and the Jarrettsville Young Marines. Commander Markowski also stated the "per Chapter Policy some of the donations to the organizations that supplied the volunteer hours proportional to their contributions.

There is more to the Chapter 30 report; however, I will leave the remaining report information out. But I must say that the plan for the use of the donated funds is well structured. I commend chapter 30, Unit 30, Chapter 15 and the Jarrettsville Marines for and outstanding Job.

This is a partial report, with the complete report to follow. It is my pleasure to thank all the Chapters Units and other volunteers for their hard work.

YOURS IN COMRADESHIP

ERNEST E. LAW, CHAIR

**DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS  
DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND  
HOSPITAL AND REHABILITATION COMMISSION  
QUARTERLY REPORT  
December 31, 2012**

1. The current Hospital and Rehabilitation Commission (HRC) is made up of the following Department supported facilities:

<u>FACILITY</u>	<u>COMMISSIONER</u>	
Baltimore VAMC	PDC Ernest Law (Co-Chair) -	Ch#21
Charlotte Hall Veterans Home	PDC Richard E. Bamberger -	Ch#36
Charlotte Hall Clinic	Marie M. Halter -	Ch#36
Cumberland & Hagerstown Clinic	Vacant	
Fort Howard Clinic	Johnny M. Adams -	
Glen Burnie Clinic	Tommie L. Hawkins (Chair) -Ch#13	
Lock Raven Clinic	John H. Alexander -	Ch#18
Perry Point VAMC	Harry Korch -	Ch#15
Pocomoke Clinic	Barry J. Abell -	Ch#34
Washington, D.C. VAMC	Dan Lane -	Ch#04

2. The responsibility of the Hospital and Rehabilitation Commission (HRC) is to coordinate and supervise the expenditures of allocated funds and direct the operation of the Hospital and Rehabilitation Program of the Department and for each Department supported facility. For the fiscal year of 2013, the HRC account (6040) was allocated a budget of \$16,000.00.
2. The HRC has approved the request from PDC Richard E. Bamberger, dated 9/21/12, to donate \$200.00 for the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home Carnival.
3. The HRC has approved the request from PDC Richard E. Bamberger, dated 11/29/12, to donate \$200.00 for the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home Christmas Ice Cream Social.
4. Each Department supported facility is encouraged to submit a written request to the Department Adjutant when there is a requirement to support veterans. This requirement may include anything from office material and/or equipment used by doctors and nurses in their treatment of veterans. A request may also include the support of veterans participating in any of the following events:

The National Golden Age Games,  
The Winter Sports Clinic,  
The Welcome Home Event,  
Veterans Across America

Yours in Comradeship,

*Tommie L. Hawkins*  
Tommie L. Hawkins  
Co-Chairman, Hospital and Rehabilitation Commission



**HOSPITAL AND REHAB COMMISSION REPORT  
DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND  
FORT HOWARD VA OUTPATIENT CLINIC – 19566  
December 31, 2012**

- A. The Fort Howard VA Outpatient Clinic hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 7:30AM to 4:30PM daily (except holidays). To make an appointment for any of the below listed clinics call 410-477-1800.
- B. The Fort Howard Outpatient Clinic currently offers the following clinics:
- |                                  |                                 |
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| <b>a. Primary Care</b>           | <b>e. Mental Health</b>         |
| <b>b. Anticoagulation Clinic</b> | <b>f. Medication Management</b> |
| <b>c. Women's Clinic</b>         | <b>g. Podiatry</b>              |
| <b>d. Outpatient Lab</b>         | <b>h. Nursing Clinic</b>        |
- C. The **Rheumatology Clinic** is available every Tuesday from 9:00AM to 11:30AM.
- D. The **Pulmonary Clinic** is available every Wednesday from 7:30AM to 4:30PM.
- E. The **Managing Overweight/Obesity in Veterans Everywhere (MOVE) Program** is available every Thursday from 9:00AM to 11:00AM.
- F. **Social Worker** is available daily by appointment only.
- G. The expanded capability of specialty clinics has increased the number of patients that are serviced by the Fort Howard Clinic.
- H. The clinic is in need of bottled water which includes the purchase of water and cups.
- I. A soda and snack machine are available and have been provided by the V.A.

Yours in Comradeship,

*Johnny M. Adams*  
Johnny M. Adams  
HRC/Fort Howard VA Outpatient Clinic

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**HOSPITAL AND REHAB COMMISSION REPORT  
DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND  
GLEN BURNIE VA OUTPATIENT CLINIC – 19512A  
December 31, 2012**

- C. The Glen Burnie VA Outpatient Clinic hours of operation are 7:30AM to 4:30PM daily (except holidays). To make an appointment for any of the below listed clinics call the call center at 410-605-7333.
- D. The Glen Burnie Outpatient Clinic currently offers the following clinics:
- |                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| <b>a. Mental Health</b>  | <b>g. Anticoaguation Clinic (A/C)</b>        |
| <b>b. Audiology</b>      | <b>h. Nutrition (Monday and Friday)</b>      |
| <b>c. Primary Care</b>   | <b>i. Podiatry (Tuesday PM only)</b>         |
| <b>d. Nursing Clinic</b> | <b>j. Women's Care</b>                       |
| <b>e. Outpatient Lab</b> | <b>k. Dermatology (3 Tuesdays per month)</b> |
| <b>f. Optometry</b>      |  |
- J. A **Smoking Cessation** class begins the 2nd Tuesday of every other month from 1:00PM to 2:15PM. Each session is six (6) weeks in duration.
- K. **Social Worker** is available daily by appointment only.
- L. The **Managing Overweight/Obesity in Veterans Everywhere (MOVE) Program - Orientation** is the first Monday of each month.
- M. The **Audiology Clinic** provides walk-in service every Tuesday 1:00PM to 2:30PM.
- N. A **Diabetic Clinic** is available when scheduled by the VA Clinic.
- O. The expanded capability of specialty clinics has increased the number of patients that are serviced by the Glen Burnie Clinic.
- P. The V.A. will continue using bottled water at this clinic. The water and cups are donated by D.A.V. Chapter 13.
- Q. A soda and snack machine are available and have been provided by the V.A.

Yours in Comradeship,

*Tommie L. Hawkins*  
Tommie L. Hawkins  
HRC/Glen Burnie Outpatient Clinic



## ***DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS***



Charlotte Hall Veterans home  
Second Quarter Report  
2013

**Sharon Mattia, Director  
Veterans Home Program**

### **Census**

The highest census for CHVH, 422, residents, occurred in October 2012. Overall this year the total census numbers were slightly lower. The female population, veterans and spouses, increased this year from a January census of 29 (including 14 spouses) to 40, (including 20 spouses). The female census, overall, increased by 38%.

The first three quarters of 'percent capacity filled' is reported below with the most current available census information included:

March 2012	Total Census – 411 - 90% capacity
May 2012	Total Census – 413 - 91% capacity
September 2012	Total Census – 416 - 92% capacity
Current 12/19	Total Census – 410 - 90% capacity

- Current 261 Skilled Nursing - 91% capacity
- Current 149 Assisted Living - 89% capacity

### **Staff Development**

The staff development team has made rigorous strides in bringing required staff development training into compliance with regulations during 2012. Examples include dementia training, nursing skills fairs, and renewals of mandatory annual training topics.

### **Behavioral Health Initiative**

A behavioral health committee consisting of a full spectrum of staff members was formed in 2012 to look at ways to prepare for the anticipated behavioral challenges of our future residents from the Korean, Vietnam, and Middle East eras as well as how to prepare for the increasing prevalence of dementia in our older resident population. The most common theme arising from these meetings is the need for purposeful education and training of personnel and effective mentoring to actually apply the new knowledge gained in the clinical setting.

### **Dept of MD American Legion, Sons of the American Legion (SOAL) & American Legion Auxiliaries Bus Donation**

On Sunday, July 22, 2012 Past SOLA Commander Buddy Mastin presented a new 2012 Ford Starcraft 18 passenger transport bus to CHVH. The American Legion Riders provided a motorcycle escort from the Waldorf post to CHVH where 250 people had gathered for the ceremony. Commander Mastin raised over \$90,000 to support this bus project.

### **Emergency Generator Grant Funding**

March 5<sup>th</sup> VA Secretary Shinseki approved the grant application request for the expansion/replacement of the emergency generators. The grant amount awarded is \$3,765,184, which equals 65% of the total project cost. Expected completion March 2013.

### **Tri-County Veterans Advisory Committee**

Director Mattia continues to attend meetings every other month. The Committee is very interested in the CBOC and veterans issues and services in the Southern Maryland area.

### **Annual Volunteer Appreciation**

The Annual Volunteer Appreciation Banquet was held on April 18<sup>th</sup>. About 120 people attended. Secretary Chow served as Guest Speaker for the event. Individuals and groups were recognized during the program. This year CHVH has been blessed with over 11,500 hours of volunteer services.

### **Culture Change**

Cultural Change is a long term care initiative that will deinstitutionalize long term care. The effort is to enhance facility conditions and projects so that residents feel more at home. Upgrades continue with C1 and C2 painting as the most recent areas being addressed. Also this year we were able to install a kitchen in the A.L. Activities office that regularly serves prepared snacks. Plans are to install a similar kitchen in the skilled nursing activities area.

### **CHVH Annual Open House**

Open House was held on Nov. 3. This year's attendance exceeded 110 visitors. Most visitors did request tours and the Admissions department received numerous inquiries.

### **CHVH Veterans Day Celebrations**

This was the third year that CHVH residents participated in the Veterans Day Parade in Leonardtown, MD. Secretary Chow spoke and presented the Governor's Proclamation. In addition, special remembrances and a celebration meal were conducted at the facility.

### **Projects Completed in 2012**

- Facilities Master Plan
- Roadway and Parking Lot Lighting Upgrade
- Replacement of 41 Resident Room Heat Pumps
- Air Duct Cleaning
- Enlargement of the A.L. Managers Office
- Created Dining Spaces on B1, B2, B3 and A3
- Upgraded Water Softener Operations
- Installed Door Window Kits in office Spaces and Stairwell Doors
- Installed a Resident Wandering Protection system
- Installed Kitchenette in A.L. Activities' Office
- Enlarged Director's Office, State offices
- Replaced Roof on CBOC building
- Installed Salt Spreader on Maintenance Truck
- Multi-Purpose Rooms, Removed Carpet and Installed Wood Floors
- Installed Punch-Key Pads on Remaining Stairway Doors

### **Projects in Progress or Development**

- Replacement/Upgrade of Emergency Generators – In Progress
- Grease Trap, Core Kitchen – In Progress
- Expand Assisted Living Dining Room – Bid Phase
- Replacement of Metal Roofing on Core, 'A' Wing and 'B' Wing – Scope Development and Engineering Design

Yours in Comradeship,

PDC Richard E. Bamberger

**Charlotte Hall Veterans Clinic  
2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr. DEC Report  
January 19, 2013**

Chartlotte Hall Veterans Clinic

Marie Halter, Commissioner 301-932-7653 [dandm2halters4u@aol.com](mailto:dandm2halters4u@aol.com)

Veteran patients continue to be satisfied with their care at the Clinic, although they will be happier with a larger facility (coming soon) that offers more services such as Vision, hearing, X-rays, etc. My personal experience as a patient gives the staff an A+ for service and courtesy to its patients.

Chaplain DAV Chapter 36, 301-932-7653 [dandm2halters4u@aol.com](mailto:dandm2halters4u@aol.com)

We pray for all of our Veterans both here and those in Military Service that their recovery from wounds or battle be swift and that all hostilities cease and the Veterans be reunited with their Loved Ones soon. Bless all families awaiting their return and grant peace and comfort to all.

Marie Halter

**HOSPITAL SERVICE COORDINATOR REPORT  
DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND  
BALTIMORE VA MEDICAL CENTER – 19512  
December 31, 2012**

**PERIOD OF REPORT FISCAL YEAR:** 07/01/2012 – 12/31/2012  
**TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER DRIVERS:** Twelve (12) Certified  
**TOTAL MILES DRIVEN TRANSPORTING VETS:** 13,288  
**TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS:** 2,784  
**TOTAL VETS TRANSPORTED:** 1,270

**PERIOD OF REPORT SECOND QUARTER:** 10/01/2012 – 12/31/2012  
**TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER DRIVERS:** Twelve (12) Certified  
**TOTAL MILES DRIVEN TRANSPORTING VETS:** 6,723  
**TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS:** 1,458  
**TOTAL VETS TRANSPORTED:** 648

**REMARKS:**

- A. The Baltimore VA Medical Center provides transportation for veterans in Baltimore City and Baltimore County. We will be coordinating with the Loch Raven DAV Transportation Office. We have four vehicles which are up to date on maintenance. Our success is attributable to many people. However, without the continued commitment of our dedicated volunteer drivers who work long hours, we would be unable to provide this service which veterans so desperately need.
- B. We thank the following volunteer drivers for the service they provide our veterans and for a job well done.

<b>Mitchell Asch</b>	<b>Nick Attias</b>
<b>Frederico Dickens</b>	<b>Judith Droege</b>
<b>Tom Farren</b>	<b>Carol Hall</b>
<b>Ralph Jandorf</b>	<b>Robert Jackson</b>
<b>Bob Kirshman</b>	<b>Charles Morgan</b>
<b>Art Thompson</b>	<b>Robert Thomsen</b>

Yours in Comradeship,

*Rosarie Thompson*  
Rosarie Thompson  
HSC/Baltimore VA Medical Center

**HOSPITAL SERVICE COORDINATOR REPORT  
DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND  
LOCH RAVEN VA OUTPATIENT CLINIC – 19512C  
December 31, 2012**

**PERIOD OF REPORT FISCAL YEAR:** 07//01/2012 – 12/31/2012  
**TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER DRIVERS:** Three (3) Certified  
**TOTAL MILES DRIVEN TRANSPORTING VETS:** 1,452  
**TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS:** 607  
**TOTAL VETS TRANSPORTED:** 115

**PERIOD OF REPORT SECOND QUARTER:** 10//01/2012 – 12/31/2012  
**TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER DRIVERS:** Three (3) Certified  
**TOTAL MILES DRIVEN TRANSPORTING VETS:** 348  
**TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS:** 286  
**TOTAL VETS TRANSPORTED:** 51

**REMARKS:**

- A. The Loch Raven VA Outpatient Clinic has been in operation since September 2010. We will be coordinating with the Baltimore DAV Transportation Office. We only have one van and maintenance on the van is up to date. We cover portions of Baltimore City, Carroll, Howard, and Harford Counties. Our success is attributable to many people. However, without the continued commitment of our dedicated volunteer drivers who work long hours, we would be unable to provide this service which veterans so desperately need.
- B. We thank the following volunteer drivers for the service they provide our veterans and for a job well done.

**Sotero Arce**

**Alex Ranniar**

Yours in Comradeship,

*Reginald W. Frazier*

Reginald W. Frazier

HSC/Loch Raven VA Outpatient Clinic



**HOSPITAL SERVICE COORDINATOR REPORT  
DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND  
FORT HOWARD VA OUTPATIENT CLINIC - 19566  
December 31, 2012**

<b>PERIOD OF REPORT FISCAL YEAR:</b>	<b>07/01/2012 – 12/31/2012</b>
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER DRIVERS:</b>	<b>Seven (7) Certified</b>
<b>TOTAL MILES DRIVEN TRANSPORTING VETS:</b>	<b>10,503</b>
<b>TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS:</b>	<b>1,309</b>
<b>TOTAL VETS TRANSPORTED:</b>	<b>654</b>

<b>PERIOD OF REPORT SECOND QUARTER:</b>	<b>10/01/2012 – 12/31/2012</b>
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER DRIVERS:</b>	<b>Seven (7) Certified</b>
<b>TOTAL MILES DRIVEN TRANSPORTING VETS:</b>	<b>4,581</b>
<b>TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS:</b>	<b>650</b>
<b>TOTAL VETS TRANSPORTED:</b>	<b>293</b>

**REMARKS:**

- A. The Fort Howard VA Outpatient Clinic covers the eastern part of Baltimore County and Baltimore City. The success of this vital DAV Transportation Network Program at the Fort Howard VA Clinic is attributable to many people. However, without the continued commitment of our dedicated volunteer drivers who work long hours, we would be unable to provide this service which veterans so desperately need.
- B. We thank the following volunteer drivers for the service they provide our veterans and for a job well done.

**Bob Button  
Bob Lingenfelder  
Ernie Law  
Greg Tessier**

**Gerald Dunavant  
Chuck LaHatte  
Lew Schaffner**

Yours in Comradeship,

*Johnny M. Adams*  
Johnny M. Adams  
HSC/Fort Howard Outpatient Clinic

**HOSPITAL SERVICE COORDINATOR REPORT  
DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND  
GLENBURNIE VA OUTPATIENT CLINIC CENTER – 19512A  
December 31, 2012**

<b>PERIOD OF REPORT FISCAL YEAR:</b>	<b>07/01/2012 – 12/31/2012</b>
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER DRIVERS:</b>	<b>Nineteen (19) Certified</b>
<b>TOTAL MILES DRIVEN TRANSPORTING VETS:</b>	<b>32,448</b>
<b>TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS:</b>	<b>2,978</b>
<b>TOTAL VETS TRANSPORTED:</b>	<b>1,988</b>

<b>PERIOD OF REPORT SECOND QUARTER:</b>	<b>10/01/2012 – 12/31/2012</b>
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER DRIVERS:</b>	<b>Nineteen (19) Certified</b>
<b>TOTAL MILES DRIVEN TRANSPORTING VETS:</b>	<b>15,651</b>
<b>TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS:</b>	<b>1,445</b>
<b>TOTAL VETS TRANSPORTED:</b>	<b>934</b>

**REMARKS:**

- A. The success of this vital DAV Transportation Network Program at the Glen Burnie VA Clinic is attributable to many people. However, without the continued commitment of our dedicated volunteer drivers who work long hours, we would be unable to provide this service which veterans so desperately need
  
- B. We thank the following volunteer drivers for the service they provide our veterans and for a job well done.

<b>Terri Asken</b>	<b>Fred Barnhardt</b>
<b>Clyde Bollino</b>	<b>Carl Bonner</b>
<b>Rose Mary Burke</b>	<b>Bill Canoles</b>
<b>Bob Cianelli</b>	<b>Jan Holland</b>
<b>Fred Kaminski</b>	<b>Rickey Lanchart</b>
<b>Jeff Marshall</b>	<b>Claude Misher</b>
<b>Lou Reymann</b>	<b>Joe Rihel</b>
<b>William Rudd</b>	<b>Ed Robinson</b>
<b>Larry Snyder</b>	<b>Cliff Stretmater</b>
<b>Joe Swientek</b>	

Yours in Comradeship,

Tommie L. Hawkins  
HSC/Glen Burnie Outpatient Clinic

**HOSPITAL SERVICE COORDINATOR REPORT  
DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND  
PERRY POINT VA MEDICAL CENTER – 19641  
December 31, 2012**

<b>PERIOD OF REPORT FISCAL YEAR:</b>	<b>07/01/2012 – 12/31/2012</b>
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER DRIVERS:</b>	<b>Eleven (11) Certified</b>
<b>TOTAL MILES DRIVEN TRANSPORTING VETS:</b>	<b>15,505</b>
<b>TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS:</b>	<b>1,708</b>
<b>TOTAL VETS TRANSPORTED:</b>	<b>921</b>

<b>PERIOD OF REPORT SECOND QUARTER:</b>	<b>10/01/2012 – 12/31/2012</b>
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER DRIVERS:</b>	<b>Eleven (11) Certified</b>
<b>TOTAL MILES DRIVEN TRANSPORTING VETS:</b>	<b>6,792</b>
<b>TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS:</b>	<b>825</b>
<b>TOTAL VETS TRANSPORTED:</b>	<b>360</b>

**REMARKS:**

- A. The Perry Point VA Medical Center covers Cecil county, portions of Harford county, as well as portions of the northern Eastern Shore. Our success is attributable to many people. However, without the continued commitment of our dedicated volunteer drivers who work long hours, we would be unable to provide this service which veterans so desperately need.
  
- B. We thank the following volunteer drivers for the service they provide our veterans and for a job well done.

<b>John Blomquist</b>	<b>Joseph Bruncsak</b>
<b>William Chase</b>	<b>Joseph Currie</b>
<b>Robert Lidums</b>	<b>Annette Mann</b>
<b>John Mogan</b>	<b>John Plude</b>
<b>Dan Raleigh</b>	<b>Howard Stevens</b>
<b>William Stinglin</b>	

Yours in Comradeship,

Greg Kopatch  
HSC/Perry Point VA Medical Center

**JOINT VETERANS COMMITTEE OF MARYLAND  
2<sup>ND</sup> DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - 2013**

The Joint Veterans Committee still meets monthly on the third Wednesday at DAV Chapter 7, the chapter home, in Bowie, Maryland. As Chairman of the Committee, I represented the Department along with other DAV delegates. New Officers were elected and installed at the September meeting. Officers are: Chairman Jerry Devlin of the Marine Corps League and Vice Chairman Frank Bennett of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Robert Wilcoxon, Past Chairman of the JVC and Department Commander of the DAV was selected as the Maryland Veteran of the Year and his full biography will be provided in the program booklet at the banquet. The Veteran of the Year Banquet will be held on Saturday March 16, 2013 at the Bowie Elks Lodge #2309, 1506 Defense Highway, Route 450, Gambrills, Maryland. Tickets can be obtained from the DAV Department Office Adjutant Joe Cuocci or Mike "Maddog" Sater starting at the second DEC meeting.

If there is a legislative day this year we will send each chapter any announcements that occur. Please encourage your membership to attend; there is power in numbers.

Yours in Comradeship,

Robert L. Wilcoxon  
Committee Chairman

**Legislative Committee Report**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter DEC**  
**January 19, 2013**

Subject: Legislative Report to the Department Executive Committee (DEC)

The Maryland General Assembly is Maryland's legislative body and directly represents the electorate. The state has 47 districts represented by 47 senators and 141 Delegates. The General Assembly reconvened on Wednesday January 9, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. in regular session. The Legislature meets for 90 calendar days each year beginning the second Wednesday in January to act on more than 2500 pieces of legislation and the State's annual capital and operating budgets. As Chairman of the Legislative Committee we monitor legislation on veterans' issues.

Veterans must influence veterans' legislation by testifying on veteran's bills and legislation and attend hearings in mass to show that we are serious about veterans' legislation. Bills drafted to support veterans are published by the Maryland General Assembly's Department of Legislative Service. The Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs track veterans' legislation (bills) and forwards the bills to the DAV Department of Maryland. After they receive the bills the Department sends them to the chapters electronically. Once the chapters access them we recommend that the members utilize the internet to obtain hearing schedules; the hearing schedules are also posted in Annapolis outside the hearing areas.

It is always gratifying to see large numbers of veteran in attendance in Annapolis to show support for veterans' bills. Readers of this report may help the process by encouraging veterans to come to Annapolis to meet with their elected representative Senators and Delegates to gain their support for veterans' legislation.

It would be great to see a full house at the National Mid-winter Conference at the Crystal City Gateway Marriott, 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA on February 24-27, 2013. Among a number of important workshops the Legislative Workshop will be take place on February 25<sup>th</sup> during which veterans' legislation taken up by the US Congress will be discussed. Attendees will also have the opportunity to travel to Capitol Hill on Tuesday February 26<sup>th</sup> to visit with their Senators and Representatives or Staffers and to witness DAV National Commander Polzin testify before the Senate and House Armed Forces Committees.

Glynn E. Parker  
Legislative Committee



# MEMBERSHIP STANDINGS

As of 11/30/2012

Present Standing	State	Life Member Population	Life Goal	% of Goal	Goal Variance
<b>Division I - Over 35,000 Members</b>					
1	NEW YORK	42,469	42,682	99.50%	-213
2	CALIFORNIA	63,027	63,515	99.23%	-488
3	FLORIDA	51,422	52,378	98.17%	-956
4	NORTH CAROLINA	28,574	29,283	97.58%	-709
5	TEXAS	51,372	52,826	97.25%	-1,454
6	VIRGINIA	22,837	23,547	96.98%	-710
<b>Division Totals</b>		<b>269,701</b>	<b>264,231</b>	<b>98.29%</b>	<b>-4,530</b>
<b>Division II - 18,000 To 34,999 Members</b>					
1	MINNESOTA	16,630	16,500	100.78%	130
2	MASSACHUSETTS	27,501	27,547	99.83%	-46
3	WASHINGTON	16,573	16,715	99.15%	-142
4	PENNSYLVANIA	29,680	29,958	99.01%	-298
5	COLORADO	16,257	16,432	98.94%	-175
6	KENTUCKY	16,184	16,387	98.76%	-203
7	NEW JERSEY	17,029	17,245	98.75%	-216
8	OKLAHOMA	15,237	15,505	98.27%	-268
9	ILLINOIS	15,217	15,518	98.06%	-301
10	OHIO	27,811	28,380	98.00%	-569
11	MICHIGAN	21,912	22,418	97.74%	-506
12	TENNESSEE	13,997	14,354	97.51%	-357
13	GEORGIA	15,538	16,149	96.22%	-611
14	ARIZONA	15,999	16,696	95.83%	-697
<b>Division Totals</b>		<b>265,545</b>	<b>269,804</b>	<b>98.42%</b>	<b>-4,259</b>
<b>Division III - 10,000 To 17,999 Members</b>					
1	NEW MEXICO	9,094	9,204	98.80%	-110
2	WISCONSIN	13,704	13,896	98.62%	-192
3	ARKANSAS	10,133	10,282	98.55%	-149
4	MARYLAND	12,631	12,924	97.73%	-293
5	MISSOURI	14,602	15,053	97.00%	-451
6	LOUISIANA	8,550	8,834	96.79%	-284
7	INDIANA	13,450	13,912	96.68%	-462
8	SOUTH CAROLINA	12,900	13,423	96.10%	-523
9	ALABAMA	14,212	14,818	95.91%	-606
<b>Division Totals</b>		<b>109,276</b>	<b>112,346</b>	<b>97.27%</b>	<b>-3,070</b>

**National Guard Report**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter DEC**  
**January 19, 2013**

During the recovery from the record-breaking storm, we also deployed 71 Soldiers from the 115th Military Police Battalion, demonstrating how we can respond to both our federal and state mission simultaneously. They join more than 300 Soldiers and Airmen currently deployed defending our freedom.

More than 800 members of the Maryland National Guard and Defense Force responded to 41 separate missions in support of MEMA and local first responders. Civilian employees of the Department ensured that we had the resources to respond as needed. Our aviators flew damage assessment flights coordinated by MEMA for the Governor. The Maryland Emergency Management Agency effectively coordinated a statewide response while actually taking the lead in the response efforts in Garrett County.

As Marylanders were recovering from the effects of the storm, New York requested assistance from neighboring states. On Saturday, Nov. 3, a Maryland Air National Guard C-27J cargo aircraft crew flew power generators and other equipment to help the New Yorkers recover.

The men and women of the Maryland National Guard deserve a round of applause.

Lamarr Couser  
Senior Vice Commander  
Department of Maryland, Inc.

## State Convention Annual Recapitulation Report- 7/2012 to 9/2012 for Baltimore, Maryland (13)

OFFICEAWARDS	Monthly	Monthly	Monthly	MEMBERSHIP	
				NewLife	Life Installments
New_Servic Connections	263	\$167,647.00	\$5,120,579.00	0	0
Compensation Increases	127	\$80,440.00	\$2,153,615.00	0	0
Compensation Mill_Inflated	197	\$274,219.00	\$3,290,628.00	0	0
Pension	5	\$6,058.00	\$99,137.00	0	0
Pension Maintained	4	\$4,349.00	\$54,552.00	0	0
Soditi_Security	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	0
Educational Benefits	77	\$50,510.00	\$141,300.00	0	0
Miscellaneous- VA	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	0
Death Compensation	6	\$8,133.00	\$266,267.00	0	0
Special Entitlements	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	0
Spec. Ill. Entitlements Maintained	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	0
Depth Pension	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	0
Insurance	0	\$2.00	\$0.00	0	0
Burial Benefit	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	0
Physical Evaluation Boards	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	0
<b>Award Totals</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>\$591,356.00</b>	<b>\$11,126,078.00</b>		
<b>OFFICEACTIVITIES</b>	<b>Monthly</b>	<b>Monthly</b>	<b>Monthly</b>	<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>	
Files Reviewed	535			NewLife	0
Power of Attorney	124			Life Installments	0
Interviews	657			Membership Totals	0
Rating Board Appearances	510			<b>AUXILIARY</b>	
<i>Informal</i>				NewLife	0
<i>Formal</i>	4			Life Installments	0
Appeals	2			New Annual	0
64.6/Brief				Auxiliary Totals	0
Pre Certification Revisitw	3				
BVA Informal Hza_ring Presentation	0				
BYA/Kolons	0			<b>SOCIAL SECURITY</b>	
NewClaims	415			<i>Informal</i> Appearances	0
Open Meetings	0			<i>Formal</i>	0
DepilmentMeetings	0			Power of Attorney SSA-169_6	0
Childer Meetings	2			Interviews	0
Other Meetings	14			Appeal Briers_Submitted	0
Notice or Death	7			Social Secu_rity Totals	0
<b>Office Activities Totals</b>	<b>2273</b>				

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Disabled American Veterans  
Building Better Lives for America's Disabled Veterans

State Convention Annual Recapitulation Report - 7/2012 to 12/2012  
for Washington, D.C. (D0)

OFFICE AWARDS

	Number	Monthly	Retro & Annual
New Service Connections	25	\$17,205.00	\$488,064.00
Compensation Increases	34	\$27,465.00	\$795,569.00
Compensation Modified	28	\$58,094.00	\$697,128.00
Pension	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Pension Modified	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Social Security	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Educational Benefits	5	\$4,951.00	\$11,065.00
Miscellaneous - VA	2	\$0.00	\$9,528.00
Death Compensation	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Special Entitlements	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Special Entitlements Modified	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Death Pension	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Insurance	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Burial Benefit	1	\$0.00	\$600.00
Physical Evaluation Boards	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Award Totals</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>\$107,716.00</b>	<b>\$2,001,955.00</b>

OFFICE ACTIVITIES

	Monthly
Files Reviewed	4550
Power of Attorney	125
Interviews	1218
Rating Board Appearances	3968
Informal	5
Formal	5
Appeals	0
6483/et	0
Pre-Certification Review	0
BVA Informal Hearing Presentation	0
BVA Administrative Review	0
BVA Motions	0
New Claims	953
Open Meetings	5
Department Meetings	18
Chapter Meetings	13
Other Meetings	15
Modes of Death	0
<b>Office Activities Totals</b>	<b>10886</b>

MILITARY AFFAIRS

	Monthly
Briefings/Presentations	72
Participants	809
Files Reviewed	266
Interviews	548
Power of Attorney	0
293 Appearances	0
Informal	8
Formal	1
149 Appearances	0
Informal	0
Formal	0
Physical Evaluation Board	0
Informal	0
Formal	1
<b>Military Affairs Totals</b>	<b>1705</b>

MEMBERSHIP

	Monthly
New Life	0
Life Installments	0
Membership Totals	0
<b>AUXILIARY</b>	
New Life	0
Life Installments	0
New Annual	0
<b>Auxiliary Totals</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>SOCIAL SECURITY</b>	
SSA Appearances	0
Informal	0
Formal	0
Power of Attorney SSA-1686	0
Interviews	0
Appeal Briefs Submitted	0
<b>Social Security Totals</b>	<b>0</b>

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## **Public Relations Report DEC 2013**

It is not too early to plan for upcoming events. Parades are our most visible venue. You need not forget day to day. Wear proudly your DAV ball cap, pins or jackets.

When you have Forget-me-not fundraisers, pass out bookmarks, flyers, flag information brochures and the like. Most can be obtained from National. They may share with others and gives them much to discuss.

The Department attends many public forums. The JVC always has a presence in Annapolis during legislative sessions. We have received favorable votes on veteran concerns because of their testimonies. If possible try to attend.

Do your best to attend State and National conventions. The public always is interested in what's going on when they see a crowd. Always greet them with a hello and a smile. You never know who you may meet and influence.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph S. Cuocci  
Adjutant

## ***DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS***



DEPARTMENT SERVICE OFFICER.  
2nd Quarter Report  
2013

The Service Officer's office is located at the Richard Clark Senior Center in LaPlata Maryland.

The office is open to all veterans, widows and dependents, every Friday, 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM by appointments.

Office (301)934-5423 Fridays Only  
Home (301)645-1971 / (301)645-7060  
The 2nd Quarter Report is a follows:

Traveled 138 Miles, Volunteer 12 Hrs Conducted 10 Interviews and 9 Out of Office Interviews

Received 26 Phone Calls, Volunteer 12 Hours

Received 10 E-Mails, Volunteer 5 Hours

The Veterans office is supported by the Charles County Commissioners with the Senior Center Staff and sponsor by the P.F.C. John C. DeMarr Jr. Inc. Chapter 36.

PDC Richard E. Bamberger, DSO  
Ronald J. Teufel, CSO

**TRAINING AND MEMBER DEVELOPMENT REPORT  
2<sup>ND</sup> DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – 2013**

Training is very important to the Department; as you are aware there were some changes made to our training of DSO/CSO's. After talking to the Baltimore Office, the DAV Service Officer Training Class for Certification for year 2013 will be held on February 16, 2013 at Omaha Beach, Chapter# 7, located at 8205 Laurel Bowie Road, Bowie, MD 20715. Start Time is 8:30 AM and approximate ending time is 4PM.

Yours in Comradeship,

Robert L. Wilcoxon  
Committee Chairman

**DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS  
DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND  
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT  
December 31, 2012**

**PERIOD OF REPORT FISCAL YEAR:** 07/01/2012 – 12/31/2012  
**TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER DRIVERS:** Forty Seven (47) Certified  
**TOTAL MILES DRIVEN TRANSPORTING VETS:** 73,196  
**TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS:** 9,386  
**TOTAL VETS TRANSPORTED:** 4,948

**PERIOD OF REPORT SECOND QUARTER:** 10/01/2012 – 12/31/2012  
**TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER DRIVERS:** Forty Seven (47) Certified  
**TOTAL MILES DRIVEN TRANSPORTING VETS:** 34,095  
**TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS:** 4,664  
**TOTAL VETS TRANSPORTED:** 2,286

**REMARKS:**

The number of VA patients requesting transportation has increased dramatically and the trend is only going to get worse. Therefore the need for Volunteer Drivers and Office Assistants has increased at each facility supported by the DAV Transportation Network. If there is anyone interested in volunteering, please contact any of the HSC's listed below.

The current Department Transportation Committee consists of the following facilities:

- Baltimore VAMC HSC Rose Thompson 410-605-7000 ext 6733
- Fort Howard Clinic HSC Johnny Adams 410-477-7019
- Glen Burnie Clinic HSC Tommie L. Hawkins 410-590-4140 ext 4221
- Loch Raven Clinic HSC Reginald W. Frazier 410-605-7000 ext 5931
- Perry Point VAMC HSC Greg Kopatch 410-642-2411 ext 5384

The success of this vital DAV Transportation Network Program for the Department of Maryland is attributable to many people. However without the continued commitment of our dedicated volunteer drivers, who work long hours, we would be unable to provide this valuable service which veterans so desperately need.

We thank all of the volunteer drivers for the service they provide our veterans and for a Job well done.

Yours in Comradeship,

Tommie L. Hawkins  
Chair, Transportation Committee



FULFILLING OUR PROMISES  
TO THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVED

**Eastern Shore Transportation Report**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter DEC**  
**January 19, 2013**

This is the Transportation report from the Eastern Shore Chapter # 34, Salisbury, Maryland. Chapter # 34 transports veterans from the lower shore of Maryland and Delaware to Baltimore VA Medical Center, Lochraven VA Medical Center and Wilmington VA Medical Center. We transport veterans from Worcester Wicomico and Somerset Counties of Maryland and veterans from the Sussex County Delaware.

<i>Month</i>	<i>Miles</i>	<i>Hours</i>	<i>Veterans Transported</i>	<i>Number of Trips</i>
October	1616	49	Seven	Seven
November	2064	56	Eight	Eight
December	2527	70	Ten	Nine
Total	6207	175	Twenty-Five	Twenty-four

Cleveland Hicks  
Transportation Coordinator

**VAVS Report  
2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter DEC  
January 19, 2013**

January 2, 2013

**Subject: Veterans Affairs Voluntary Services (VAVS) Report to the Department Executive Committee (DEC)**

As Chairman of the VAVS Committee my responsibilities include working closely with the Department of Maryland, chapters and other veteran organizations to increase volunteer participation throughout the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical System in Maryland and to some extent the VAMC in the District of Columbia.

I am proud to report that we have a good number of volunteers but not enough. Unlike the US Marine Corps, "We Need a Few Good Men" and more. Yes we do, we need a lot of good men and women of all persuasions to step forward if only for a few hours a month or a few hours a day. Our volunteers make sacrifices on a day to day basis just to make the lives of veterans and their families better. Just to show the work they do I will include the hours our volunteers contributed in 2012 in the Third Quarter Report to the DEC. It is clear to me that that no matter the number of volunteer hours contributed last year we must prepare for higher workloads right now.

We all know the new Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOC) coming on line will certainly require more volunteer support as they open and their missions expand. This statement is substantiated by the fact that the Southern Prince George's County CBOC with Joint Base Andrews opened in July 2012, and a new one is opening on Fort Meade soon. In addition, a new CBOC is undergoing site surveys at Charlotte Hall now. Even though both the Prince George's and Charlotte Hall CBOCs are located in Maryland they fall under the control of the DC VAMC. They too need our support. Remember a great percentage of the DC VAMC's workloads are created by veterans living in Maryland.

As the VAMC's workloads increase, as they surely will, there will be a need for increased funding for our volunteers to defray some of the expenses they incur in carrying out their duties. This is a matter that must be studied by the Department including the Finance Commission.

Please read this report at your chapter meeting and by all means express the need for volunteers and ask them to help us. Thank you.

Glynn E. Parker  
Chairman VAVS Committee

**Women Veterans Committee**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr DEC**  
**January 19, 2013**

Below are activities for this reporting period:

1. Attended monthly Joint Veterans Meetings in October and November
2. Held meetings for the setting up of the Dept Women Veterans Committee
3. Held meetings for the setting up and participation in the 6<sup>th</sup> District Meeting with representatives from Washington, DC, Virginia, Puerto Rico, and members of the Maryland Women Veterans Committee
4. Requested and received Proclamation from President Obama and Citations from Secretary Chow for distribution to veterans and Commanders in Maryland.

10/07/12 – Attended Women Veterans Interactive Empowerment & Unification Lunch Cruise in New York City

10/07/12 – Attended Chapter #26 Veterans Seminar

10/19/12 – Attended Women in the Military Service of America (WIMSA) Annual Dinner

11/01/12 – Attended Veterans Day Program at Theodore Hagan Recreation Center, Washington, DC

11/03/12 – Assisted with setting up and participating in the Glassmanor Community, Veterans Day Program, Glassmanor, MD

11/09/12 – Attended MCVET Veteran Appreciation Day, Baltimore, MD

11/11/12 – Attended Veterans Day Cruise in Maryland given by Women Veterans Interactive

11/18/12 – Attended VFW Meeting for presentation of Citations

11/27/12 – Toured VA Hospital Women Veterans Clinic



11/30/12 – Attended and participated in the 6<sup>th</sup> District Meeting

12/04/12 – Attended Chapter #17 Christmas Party

12/07/12 – Passed out items at DC VA Hospital to Women Veterans and at the Clinic

12/13/12 – Passed out items at Charlotte Hall, MD to Women Veterans

01/03/12 – Met with Rayceen Pendarvis to discuss setting up a panel in March on UTube regarding Military Sexual Trauma.

01/04/12 – Passed out items at Baltimore VA Hospital to Women Veterans



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**LIST OF DEPARTED COMRADES  
2012 – 2013**

DAV

**Chapter #03**

Daniel Hitzelberger (7/2012)  
Tommie Payne (7/23/12)  
Robert W. Donaldson Jr. (7/25/12)  
George H. Northcraft Jr. (8/9/12)  
David A. Slaughter (2012)  
Frank J. Smollon (9/2/12)  
Warren T. Vosseleer (10/18/12)  
David L. Hannum (11/10/12)

**Chapter #07**

Elvera M. Golato (2012)

**Chapter #13**

Donald Barrass (2012)  
Frank McMonegal (10/26/12)

**Chapter #14**

Bernard Bargiel (10/2012)  
Fred Brewer (10/2012)  
James Mills (10/2012)  
Samuel Bayer (12/2012)

**Chapter #21**

Albert W. Dilworth (2012)  
Raymond R. Fester (2012)  
Earl E. Harris (2012)  
Charles C. Heck (2012)  
Edward F. Heninle (2012)  
Stephen Leshiewski (2012)  
James F. Lyle (2012)  
Albert G. Reich (2012)  
John A. Stano (2012)  
Joseph L. Thomas (2012)

DAV

**Chapter #21 (Continued)**

William E. Thomas (2012)  
Theodore E. Vest (2012)  
Edmund F. Phillips (2012)  
John Gymerk (2012)

**Chapter #26**

George Kelsea (10/2/12)

**Chapter #30**

Elizabeth (Bette) Carpenter (8/5/12)

**Chapter #33**

Mark Olanoff (10/29/12)

**Chapter #36**

(PCC) George Crofoot (7/2012)  
Thomas Bass (8/1/12)



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**LIST OF DEPARTED COMRADES  
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DAVA

**Unit #07**

Bertha J. Buss (2012)  
J. M. Livinston (2012)

**Unit #13**

Annalee Mullenax (7/2/12)

**Unit #17**

Gloria Delbrocco (8/15/12)

**Unit #22**

William B. Rau, Jr. (8/25/12)

**Unit #26**

Edna Henderson (6/12/12)

NEW BUSINESS:

**Resolution To Amend Section 18.2**  
**Of The**  
**National Bylaws**

*Whereas* the state of the economy will have a negative effect with unpredictable fluctuations for some time.

*Whereas* the ability to secure donations from the public has decreased.

*Whereas* the need for the Departments to save and secure enough capitol for the purchase of DAV Transportation vans.

*Whereas* savings are needed to be set aside for our volunteer drivers to offset *their fuel costs*.

*Whereas* if the Department liquidated savings, the probability of the Department would be to have a need to request \$25, 000 grant from National to facilitate the HSC program.

*Whereas* the Department savings in stocks and other securities can fluctuate. It is *not a true value as stated on the financial reports*.

*Whereas* the Departments are good stewards of monies in their possession to assure to always have capital to fund veteran programs.

*Whereas* the Department needs to have available funds for emergency situations.

*Whereas* the section 18.2 has not been revised for some time.

*Resolved*, That National DAV address the concern of the State Departments

*Resolved*, That the section 18.2, Restriction on Accumulation be amended to exempt Departments which do not receive grants from National other than membership and fund raisers.

FOR GOOD OF THE ORDER:

**NOTE: ALL CHAPTER MEMBERS, PDC'S, AND DEPARTMENT STAFF – PLEASE VISIT COOKIE AT REGISTRATION DESK BEFORE YOU LEAVE AND TAKE A STACK OF VEHICLE DONATION CARDS TO DISTRIBUTE IN YOUR AREA TO SUPPORT THE DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS, DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND.**

DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND  
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The Department of Maryland has instituted a vehicle donation program. We will accept any car, RV, boat on a trailer. Proceeds will be dedicated for the benefit of veterans in the state of Maryland. This will enhance the ability to fill many more requests and programs in our area. Please do your best to make this program a success for our veterans.



REMEMBER, WE LEAVE NO COMRADE BEHIND!

**THE DONATIONS FROM THESE CARDS, HAVE BROUGHT IN A LOT OF MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT AS A FUND RAISER – THEY TAKE CARS, TRUCKS, BOATS ON TRAILER HITCHES, TRAILERS, ANY TYPE OF MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT; THEY EVEN TAKE HANDICAPPED SCOOTER AND MOTORIZED CHAIRS.**

**JUST CALL TELEPHONE NUMBER LISTED ON CARD (800-506-0172). THEY WILL PICK UP UNWANTED MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES, GIVE PERSON GIVE LETTER OF THANKS, AND SALE LETTER USED FOR TAX PURPOSES. AFTER SALE OR DISPOSAL OF VEHICLE OR MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT THEY SEND CHECK WITH BREAKDOWN FORM TO THE DEPARTMENT OFFICE, WE DON'T HAVE TO DO ANYTHING BUT GIVE OUT CARDS TO OTHERS, AND SPREAD THE WORD, AND WAIT FOR THE CHECKS TO COME IN, SO WE CAN DEPOSIT THE CHECKS AND USE THE MONEY TO SERVE VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES.**