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National Military Appreciation Month

Armed Forces Day May 21

Memorial Day May 30



WELCOME!

BY JOE DEVITO

It's May in Indiana! Before the checkered flag flies, let's recognize and remember our current military members and their families who continue to defend and serve our State and our Nation with honor. National Military Appreciation Month celebrates Armed Forces Day May 21 and Memorial Day May 30. Join us as we show respect for our Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, Space Force and National Guard, as well as the contributions of spouses and children. Together, we can achieve great things. IDVA remains committed to making Indiana the best place for all Indiana Veterans to Live, Work and Thrive! We welcome contributions and feedback to outreach@dva.in.gov.

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Indiana Veterans Affairs Commission & IDVA Visit Richmond, Ind.

IDVA Visited the Wayne County, Indiana Veterans Memorial Park



One of the many memorial structures at the Wayne County Indiana Veterans Memorial Park. [Learn more about the park here.](#) (IDVA photo by Salon Osborne)

IDVA Outstanding Community Partner Award

IDVA Director Dennis Wimer presents Cronin Toyota Store Manager David Thiemann with the IDVA Outstanding Community Partner Award, honoring the dealership for their dedication to veterans services in Wayne Co. (IDVA photo by Salon Osborne)



Wayne County veterans share stories with IDVA Director Dennis Wimer and Richmond Mayor Dave Snow about the development of the [Wayne County Indiana Veterans Memorial Park](#) in Richmond during a tour of the park. (IDVA photo by Salon Osborne)



From left: IDVA Outreach Director Joe DeVito, Cronin Toyota Public Relations Manager Al Bledsoe, IDVA Director Dennis Wimer, Cronin Toyota Store Manager David Thiemann, and Richmond Mayor Dave Snow. (IDVA photo by Salon Osborne)

To wrap up the day, the Indiana Veterans Affairs Commission holds their quarterly meeting at Richmond City Hall. (IDVA photo by Salon Osborne)



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Happy Birthday
HELLEN!



[Read Hellen's Story Here!](#)



GVS SPOTLIGHT

Veterans Life Changing Services (VLCS) is a transitioning Veterans program; located at 501 West Ridge Road, Gary, IN. It is specifically designed to assist Northwest Indiana and Illinois service men and women in their transition back into civilian life; but yet open to all Veterans geographically.

Core Values

- Recognizing each human being as a person of immeasurable worth and value.
- Acknowledging that individual growth and development occurs best in settings that address the whole person
- Understanding that providing meaningful work is a significant way to affirm and develop each person's potential skills and abilities.
- Transforming negative human experiences into positive means for changing lives.

VETERANS
LIFE CHANGING SERVICES

May 27, 2022

We are currently providing individual therapy, small group therapy, resocialization counseling, financial management training, independent living, vocational rehabilitation planning, scheduled drug and alcohol intervention, assistance with policies and procedures for acquiring veterans benefits, educational assistance and transportation. Our case management staff includes: LCSW, Intake Coordinator, Task Instructors and Interns.



INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

FY
2023



GRANTS for VETERANS SERVICES

GVS Solicitation for FY 2023 grant cycle is now posted. Click below for details and to apply.

Application Deadline: 4:00 pm Eastern – May 16, 2022

[CLICK HERE TO APPLY](#)



Health & Wellness Corner



We are thrilled to host the First **Memorial Day Hero Challenge** starting at 8:30 a.m. May 30 at the Avondale Meadows YMCA. The Memorial Day Hero Challenge is an opportunity for an individual or group to honor our fallen heroes by completing a Hero Workout that bears their name. Our list of 12 available **Hero Workouts** can be modified for each skill and fitness level, so all are welcome to participate in this event.

We invite you to explore the links above to learn more about this upcoming event, as all of the proceeds will go to veteran/military programming at the YMCA of Greater Indianapolis.

VETERAN COMMUNITY EVENTS

Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery
MEMORIAL DAY 2022



May 30 at 1 PM
Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery
1415 North Gate Rd., Madison, IN 47250
Open to the Public

"A hero is someone who has given his or her life for something bigger than oneself." - Joseph Campbell

*This event is outdoors, rain or shine



**Indiana Veterans
Memorial Cemetery
Celebration at the
Memorial Plaza**

IDVA Events Calendar: [Click Here](#)



INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS CHARITY GOLF OUTING *TITLE SPONSOR*



Non - Profit Partner 2022:
Pets Healing Vets



For decades, Southern Glazer's has supported local educational, hospitality, and hunger-relief programs in our communities by founding, hosting, and sponsoring a variety of signature charitable events.



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Veteran Events All 2022

PUNCH FOR VETERANS BOXING CLINIC

SATURDAYS 9 TO 10 A.M.



PUNCH FOR VETERANS BOXING CLINICS

For disabled veterans or civilians with a disability

Saturdays
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Mike Ford Fitness
2326 E 44th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46205

\$5 Per class
FREE for disabled veterans

SCAN HERE TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFO

Or go to: <https://rhipunchforveterans.eventbrite.com>


Kurt Vonnegut
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Writing In Peace, offers veterans a monthly opportunity to engage in a 4-hour writing workshop in the company of other military veterans. A collection of their work is presented annually at Vonnegut Fest, our celebration of Kurt's Birthday, Veterans Day, and Armistice Day. [Learn More Here](#)



Veterans Helping Veterans FREE VETERANS FOOD PANTRY

4th Tuesday of Each Month
From 0900 to 1200

At the Richmond Community Based
Outpatient Clinic (CBOC)

For Questions Please Call (765) 983-2183



HELPING VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES

ROLL CALL!



The Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery is open for visitors. Please follow all COVID-19 guidelines:

- Wear a mask in all buildings.
- Maintain 6 feet social space.

We understand and appreciate your contribution to keeping everyone safe to enjoy their visit.

Click [HERE](#) to see the webpage.



1415 North Gate Road
Madison, IN 47250



Indiana Veterans Home Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10a Church Service (Audi) <small>May Day</small>	2 2p Monday Movie Madness (Audi)	3 9:30 Coffee w/ Friends (Mac Lobby) 10a Let's Talk (Mac Lobby) 2p BINGO! (Audi)	4 2p Hymns & Prayers (Audi) 2:30 Vanilla Shakes (Mac Lobby)	5 2p Cinco de Mayo Feat. Clave Caribe Band (Audi) <small>Cinco de Mayo</small>	6 2p Spring Crafts & Butterfly Garden (Arts/Crafts)	7 9a Café Mac (Lobby) 9:30 Let's talk (Lobby) 1p Vette for Vets (Outside)
8 10a Church Service (Audi) 2p Mother's Day Tea Feat. Violinist Ladies <small>Mother's Day</small>	9 9:45 Catholic Mass (Audi) 2p Bible Study (Audi) 6p Root Beer Floats w/ Melissa	10 1:30 Fishing 2p Hymns & Prayers (Audi)	11 9:30 Walmart Trip	12 2p Spring Crafts & Butterfly Garden (Arts/Crafts)	13 9a Café Mac (Lobby) 9:30 Let's talk (Lobby)	14
15 10a Church Service (Audi)	16 2p Monday Movie Madness w/ Chic fil A Sponsored by American Legion Aux (Audi)	17 9:45 Catholic Mass (Audi) 1:30 Fishing 2p Bible Study (Audi)	18 2p Hymns & Prayers (Audi) 6:30p May Birthday Party	19 2p Bingo Sponsored by VFW Aux (Audi)	20 9:30 ELKS Craft Fair (Audi) 2p Spring Crafts & Butterfly Garden (Arts/Crafts)	21 9a Café Mac (Lobby) 9:30 Let's talk (Lobby) 2p Harley Davidson Bike Ride (Outside)
22 10a Church Service (Audi)	23 1:30 Fishing <small>Victoria Day (Canada)</small>	24 9:30 Walmart Trip 9:45 Catholic Mass (Audi) 2p Bible Study (Audi) 2:30 Banana Shakes (Mac Lobby)	25 11:30 Lunch w/ Legion Riders sponsored by American Legion (Shelter) 2p Hymns & Prayers (Audi) 6p Bingo Night (Audi)	26 2p Wine & Canvas (Arts/ Crafts)	27 2p Butterfly Garden Planting & Sensory (Arts/Crafts)	28 9a Café Mac (Lobby) 9:30 Let's talk (Lobby) 2p You Create (Arts/Crafts) <small>Armed Forces Day</small>
29 10a Church Service (Audi)	30 10a Memorial Day Ceremony (Audi) <small>Memorial Day</small>	31 8:30 Coffee & Bar w/ Ride to the Wall Bike Group (Outside) 9:45 Catholic Mass (Audi)	<h2>May 2022</h2>			

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