



YORK COUNTY - VICTORY CHAPTER #13

YORKTOWN, VIRGINIA

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<p>ELECTED OFFICERS</p> <p>COMMANDER Larry Brewer</p> <p>SR. VICE CMDR. Shay Odom</p> <p>1st VICE CMDR. Russ Jordan</p> <p>2nd VICE CMDR. Don Lamury</p> <p>TREASURER April Dozier</p> <p>CHAPLAIN Ed Binder</p> <p>JUDGE ADVOCATE Terry Bohlinger</p> <p>APPOINTED OFFICERS</p> <p>ADJUTANT Ana Alicea</p> <p>ASSISTANT TREASURER Jackie Herrmann</p> <p>CERTIFIED SERVICE OFFICERS Terry Bohlinger, Carl Garrett, Tim Valentine, Dave Austin, Shay Odom, Sharri Peck, Rob Lurie</p> <p>SERGEANT AT ARMS George Robinson</p> <p>BENEFITS PROTECTION OFFICER Shay Odom</p> <p>MEMBER-AT-LARGE George Robinson, Jacqueline Herrmann, Carl Garrett</p> <p>SOCIAL MEDIA Ana Alicea, Terry Taylor, Bill Townsley</p> <p>WOMEN VETERANS COMMITTEE CHAIR Shay Odom</p>	<p>COMMANDER'S CORNER. DAV Mission Statement: "We are dedicated to a single purpose: empowering veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity. We accomplish that by ensuring that veterans and their families can access the full range of benefits available to them; fighting for the interests of America's injured heroes on Capitol Hill; and educating the public about the great sacrifices and needs of veterans transitioning back to civilian life."</p> <p>A reminder the Chapter #13's Membership Appreciation Picnic will take place on September 28, 2024, at 1300 hrs. at the Newport News Park. Maximum attendance will be 75, therefore, we need members who will be attending to sign up on sheet posted at the chapter.</p> <p>On August 3, 2024, Chapter #58 will be representing DAV at the Hampton Roads Harley Davidson in Yorktown with Chapter #13's permission. Members are welcome to join in.</p> <p>The Yorktown Independence Day Parade went very well. Chapter #13 has 6 veterans participate in the parade. PDC Terry Bohlinger, Comrade Terry Taylor, 2nd Jr Vice Commander Don Lamury, Assistant Treasurer Jackie Herrmann, SGT at Arms George Robinson and Commander Larry Brewer. Thank you all for your participation!</p> <p>Chapter #13's Annual Budget has been approved in draft for FY24-25 (July) only until a motion is presented to the membership at our next General Member Meeting on September 21, 2024 for a vote.</p> <p>Again there will be no General Member Meeting during the months of July and August 2024, in an effort to give our committed members who volunteer on a daily basis a break for the summer.</p> <p>Chaplain Ed Binder is looking for volunteers to visit veterans housed at Assisted Living and/or Nursing Home. We need to honor these veterans at these facilities to ensure they are not forgotten. While there we ensure these veterans are receiving the VA compensation they are entitled. If you wish to volunteer, please see Commander Larry Brewer or Adjutant Ana Alicea.</p> <p>Chapter #13, is still looking for an assistant to the Adjutant. If interested, please inquire with Adjutant Ana Alicea.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>Commander Larry Brewer www.dav13va.com dav@dav13va.com 1700 George Washington Memorial Hwy, Ste E, Yorktown, VA 23693 757-596-0062</p> </div>		



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Judge Advocate Corner

The Richard Star Act (H.R. 1282, S. 344) would eliminate combat injured disabled veterans retired from the military with less than 20 years of military service from continuing to pay for their disability due to the withholding of their military retired pay. This bill is endorsed by DAV. Please write your congressmen encouraging them to vote for this legislation.

Liver Fluke disease and cancer is not a presumptive disease of military service in Southeast Asia yet is highly prevalent among our military advisors to Southeast Asian allies. Currently there appears no cure. Encourage your Congressional representatives to prod Veterans Affairs to study the causes and add this to the presumptive diseases and cancers listing for military service in appropriate areas.



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