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TO PUBLICIZE THE POW/MIA ISSUE.
TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC OF THE FACT THAT MANY
AMERICANS PRISONERS OF WAR WERE LEFT BEHIND
AFTER ALL PAST WARS. TO HELP CORRECT
THE PAST AND TO PROTECT FUTURE
VETERANS
FROM BEING LEFT BEHIND, SHOULD THEY
BECOME PRISONERS OF WAR/MISSING IN
ACTION.
WE ARE COMMITTED TO HELPING
DISABLED VETERANS FROM ALL WARS.**

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## President's Desk....

Hello to All

Hope this finds all well. It's hard to believe it's the holiday season already. We have the items ordered for our

Veterans in the three nursing homes that we support ,this is a good thing not going to be rushed this year.

This has been a good year and I would like to thank all who helped. Time to start thinking

about next year already.

I would like to congratulate our new v. pres Carl Clark, sect Joan Shobe board chairman Paul Swain

board members Dick Seymour, Tonya Wirick, Cathy Roose, JoAnn Cline, and alt. Board member Kathy Rush.

Our annual state run has been set for June 11th so plan ahead and all try to make it. Becky

Chapter #8 works really hard on this event and if we don't have the people showing up next year might be the last and

that would be a real shame.

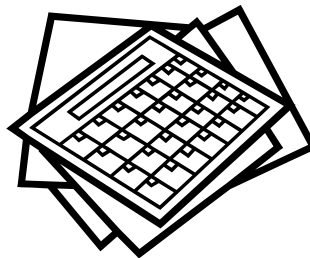
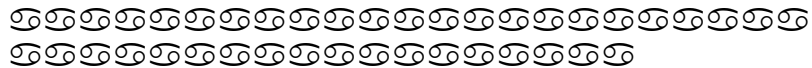
Some of our ladies want to have a little something for our chapter at Christmas time ,so try to make our next

meeting and find out what they have planned.

Again a big THANK YOU to all who have helped make this chapter as good as it is.

This Thanksgiving please remember our veterans in your prayers.

Thanks Phil



## UPCOMING EVENTS 2010

**NOVEMBER**

**Nov. 11 -**

**VETERAN'S**

**DAY!**





## Chaplain's Corner



O god of Hosts, we bow our heads in thankfulness for the victories Thou has granted us—to us and to those peoples who have united with us to stamp out the evils of aggression, intolerance and greed.

We beseech Thee to bring the blessings of understanding to the families and friends, in this and other lands, of those who have given their lives that men may be free. Grant, O God, that those closest to the fallen may mingle for the pain of their losses with the ennobling light of sacrifice of civilization—sacrifice for the better world for

this and other generations yet unborn.

Grant us, too, O God, the courage to so live with the family of nations around the world that the end of strife will be the beginning of enduring peace. Grant us patience in planning with our fellow men a world in which nations may resolve their differences by peaceful means.

Touch Thou the souls of men in every land with the enduring light of wisdom so that they may form a brotherhood of peoples which will strive to further the arts of peace under laws and ethics blessed by Thy love.

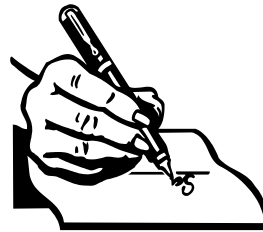
Grant us now Thy continued blessing upon unity and strength, that makes victories possible in war, that we may win greater victories of peace.

Amen

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*Editor's Spot...*



Hey Everyone,  
I hope this  
you all doing good. Hope some  
of you have been able to get  
out and enjoy these "lucky"  
warm weather days we have  
been having. Just hope we  
don't end up paying for it  
this winter, yuck.

Well, our last event for the season wrapped up last weekend in Attica at the Oakridge Feastival. Was a real nice time, the weather was tolerable once it warmed up. We had several crowds, several times stop to see the Memorial. It was well appreciated.

Well, I went to update our website and things have changed on it so I had to change things around, so PLEASE take note of our website:  
<http://rtchap5oh.tripod.com/ohio>. One thing to let everyone know, and hope not to discourage from looking, is that when you type in the site it takes you to the facebook page I made up. This is a public site, no need to join facebook or anything like that, just click on info tab and you should see the chapter website as well as the Memorial website, feel free to click on one or both

to visit. And for those of you that do have facebook, I have put facebook "like" link at the bottom of the website homepage.

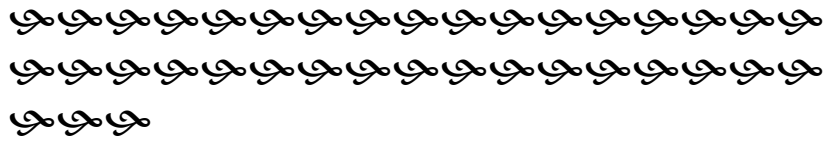
The holidays are FAST approaching, man it will be thanksgiving in about a month!! We have a few things planned for December, so please be at the Nov. meeting so you don't miss anything. Speaking of holidays, here is the website for Wreaths Across America that we have been talking about the last couple months. This is a good Org. and worthwhile to check out.

[www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org](http://www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org).

I want to thank the guys who submitted a service photo for this month. Thank You for serving!!!!

I will get outta here for this month. Everyone take care and have a good Thanksgiving!

Rachel



POW/MIA's remembered:

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## Ernest Claney Kerr Jr.

Rank/Branch: E3/US Marine Corps  
Unit: HMM 363, Marine Air Group 36  
Date of Birth: 21 July 1946  
Home City of Record: Akron OH  
Date of Loss: 26 March 1968  
Country of Loss: South Vietnam/Over Water  
Status (in 1973): Body

Not Recovered

Acft/Vehicle/Ground: UH34D

Other Personnel In Incident: Glenn W. Mowrey; Larry E. Green; Richard Evancho; Frankie E. Allgood (all missing)

SYNOPSIS: The Sikorsky UH34D Seahorse was a vital aircraft in Vietnam, serving as transport of both personnel and materiel. The Seahorse and its pilots particularly distinguished themselves throughout the spring of 1968 during one of the most crucial and bitterly contested struggles of the Vietnam War -- the Tet Offensive.

On March 26, 1968, a UH34D was serving as a medevac helicopter in South Vietnam. The crew consisted of the pilot and co-pilot, as well as CPL Larry E. Green, crew chief; and LCPL Ernest C. Kerr Jr., gunner. They were transported wounded Marines for medical treatment.

LTC Frankie E. Allgood had been wounded in the temple by shrapnel; LCPL Richard Evancho and CPL Glenn W.

Mowrey were also injured. These three were being medevaced onboard the UH34D. The helicopter crossed a stretch of the South China Sea during adverse weather conditions. The helicopter crashed into the sea about three miles from its destination, Da Nang, South Vietnam.

Search teams were dispatched at once, and the pilot and co-pilot were rescued. Crew members Kerr and Green were not rescued, nor were the other occupants of the helicopter, including the badly wounded Frankie Allgood.

All were presumed drowned and were classified Killed, Body Not Recovered. Because the medevac was apparently not struck by hostile fire, the incident was deemed non-battle related.

For the men aboard the Seahorse lost on March 26, 1968, death seems a certainty. For hundreds of others, however, simple answers are not possible. Adding to the torment of nearly 10,000 reports relating to Americans missing in Southeast Asia is the certain knowledge that some Americans who were known to be prisoners of war were not released at the end of the war. Others were suspected to be prisoners, and still others were in radio contact with would-be rescuers when last seen alive. Many were known to have survived their loss incidents, only to disappear without a trace.

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### Soldier killed in Vietnam to get ceremony at Arlington National

A New Richmond man who was killed in Vietnam 40 years ago, but whose body was never recovered, will be honored at a service at Arlington National Cemetery.

The ceremony for Robert Gumbert Jr. will be 9 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 7, said Kaitlin

Horst, public affairs officer for the cemetery in Arlington, Va. She said the ceremony will be conducted with military honors, including the firing of three rifle volleys, the playing of taps and presentation of a flag to the next of kin. Gary Knepp said Gumbert is mentioned in "Beyond the Names," his book about Vietnam.

Gumbert was on patrol in Vietnam in June 1970 when a land mine exploded. He was 22 years old. Gumbert's body was never found, although pieces of his equipment were found, Knepp said. He was listed as missing in action.

After the war, several attempts were made to locate his body, based on reports of human remains found near the site of the explosion, Knepp said. In the first attempt, the remains were determined to be Asian, and in the second attempt nothing was found. Gumbert's status eventually was changed to killed in action/body not recovered, Knepp said.

Jack Haigwood of the Clermont County chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America said he met Gumbert's father, Robert Gumbert Sr., during an event last year at Veterans Memorial Park in Union Township. The father told him of unsuccessful efforts to get recognition for his son. Haigwood said after calling Arlington he found that Gumbert was eligible for a funeral service and headstone at the national cemetery. "I am planning to attend," Haigwood said. "After 40 years he

is finally getting the respect he deserves."  
"It's a great opportunity to honor him and his  
family," Bare said.

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These are our veterans of
Happy to have you guys as co-members and
friends, and one special veteran, my dad.
Thank you for all that you have done and still
do. Proud of ya all! I SALUTE <0 YOU!!!

Chapter 3 VA ever had but he was also the VA/MD State Director and the Senior State Director. For a

number of years now, Art was in charge of the Candle Light Vigil and the Pentagon Parking

lot for the yearly demonstration. Art was a devoted member of Rolling Thunder® Inc. and a true friend

to many of us at National. He will definitely be missed by many of us.



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