



# Vietnam Veterans Of America Buckeye State Council Newsletter

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## \* Message From Buckeye State Council President :

As we enter the upcoming holidays:  
By the time that you will be reading this thanksgiving will have already passed.  
If I may, let me say to you, on behalf of my beautiful wife Robin and myself I hope all of you will have had a wonderful thanksgiving holiday.

We have much to be thankful for at this time of the year. We still have those who will lay down their lives if necessary for others. As someone once said, where do we get such people? The same place we always have.  
It's called the USA. The finest country on the face of this earth.  
Thank God we have had and continue to have such people.

Secondly with the Christmas Holiday season approaching it is difficult to believe that this year is coming to a close.

As your board, we have set out on so many projects this year. The OEF/OIF college challenge, the Veterans Courts, initiative, the Veterans Incarcerated continued efforts, the National Convention, to name a few, through it all you the membership answered the call.

Much happened, some negative, but mostly such a great and powerfully positive year. Words of support, and encouragement from many. The board, the wonderful people of the Buckeye State Council, together as brothers and sisters we do what it necessary to continue the support of just causes of all Veterans.  
Give yourself a round of applause.

On behalf of the State Council, Robin and I truly wish you all a season of joy, peace and harmony filled holidays.

For those of you who have loved one's currently serving in harms way, may they come home to you soon for a joyful reunion.

May the New Year bring us great things in our personal lives and renewed hope for peace. God bless our Land.

Best  
Tom / Robin

## \* New Ohio Chapter Within Buckeye State Council :

VVA Chapter 1045  
Lancaster, OH 43139  
Call: 740.407.1601 - For more information  
Welcome Home ! Chapter 1045

## \* November 30 - Patriot Games Dinner :

Make it a November to Remember ! . . . [Read More](#)

## \* New Law, New Benefits For Veterans H.R. 674 :

The Returning Heroes Tax Credit provides businesses that hire unemployed veterans with a maximum credit of \$5,600 per veteran, and the Wounded Warriors Tax Credit offers businesses that hire veterans with service-connected disabilities with a maximum credit of \$9,600 per veteran. . . . [Read More](#)

## \* National's Secretary's Progress Report :

Please consider this progress report as a tool to further enhance the communication level between the National BOD and the membership:

The transfer of VVA documents once considered to be Confidential on the old Secretary's Site is progressing slowly:  
1) approved National BOD meeting minutes can be viewed on the "Site Map" on the VVA web site by clicking on Strategic Documents;  
2) VVA Leadership Handbooks can be viewed by clicking an "All Publications".  
All of these documents can be printed and are provided for the membership's convenience.

The newly created National Board of Directors Information Center (password secured) used for e-voting on special questions between meetings by the Board Members will also house documents (contracts, MOUs, disciplinary matters, etc.) deemed confidential to the corporation and will be available soon for the Board Members. . . . [Read More](#)

## \* December Membership Meeting :

Buckeye State Council will hold its Christmas Membership Meeting  
Saturday – December 17, 2011 - 10:00 AM  
American Legion Post 421  
22001 Brook Park Road, FairviewPark, Oh 44126

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