



MISSOURI VETERANS HOME - WARRENSBURG

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Veterans sport their best at Runway Show

On a commute to work, Latisha Koetting, Director of Volunteer Services, came up with an idea. She was inspired by the families who come visit their Veterans day after day and wanted to do something special for them.

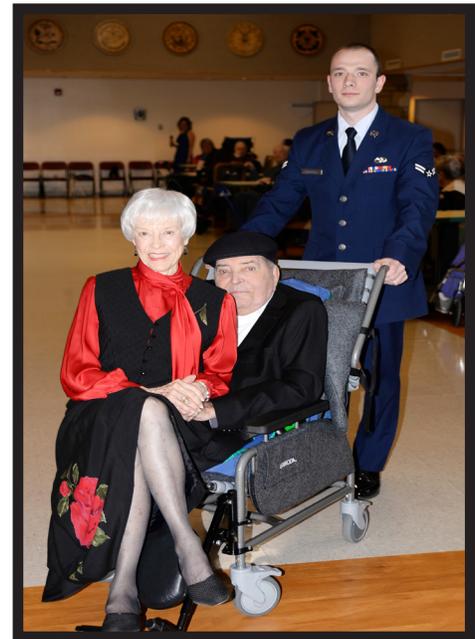
She invited family members and Veterans alike to look in their closets and pick out their favorite outfits they never get to wear anymore. On Feb. 20, everyone wore their outfits to the Home and participated in the first ever runway show.

Karen Sligh from the Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce and her team of Mary Kay Cosmetic consultants assisted with make-up, while the women of Delta Zeta

from the University of Central Missouri helped with hair and nails. Members of the Air Force Sergeants Association at Whiteman Air Force Base wore their dress uniforms and served as escorts.

The show consisted of a little bit of everything from cowboy attire to three-piece suits to tuxedos. Meanwhile, the ladies showed off their pant suits and dresses. Dr. Carla Mahaffey-Sapp closed the show by wearing her wedding dress. Her husband, Veteran Allen Sapp, stood at the end of the aisle to greet his beautiful bride.

Following the show, everyone enjoyed happy hour with members of the Chamber of Commerce.



Pictured left, Veteran Owen Russell escorted his wife, Elaine Russell, at the first runway show at the Missouri Veterans Home. He is wearing his original pilot's hat from World War II.

Pictured top, Veteran Dr. Allen Sapp asked his wife, Dr. Carla Mahaffey-Sapp, to wear her wedding dress for the show.

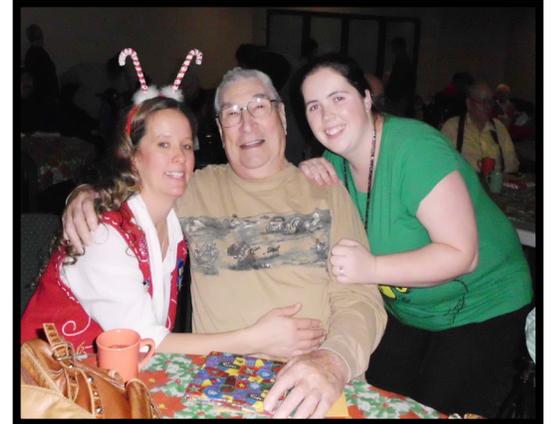
Pictured below: Marilyn Gover rides down the runway on the lap of her husband, Veteran Vance Gover.

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Christmas Cheer



On the left, Eric Endsley, Administrator, Jamie McCannon, Assistant Administrator, Debbie Woirhaye, Director of Nursing, and Nancy Profer, Director of Environmental Services, show their holiday cheer.



On the right, Veteran Carl Pragman enjoys a hug from Wilhelmenia Payne and Shaina Scott.



Veteran Steve Sellon wears his chimney hat to the holiday Christmas party.



Veteran Jay Sheeks and Heather Aiuppa, the new Barber, enjoy hearing his antler hat play "Grandma Got Ran Over by a Reindeer."



Veteran Calvin Brown and Latisha Koetting, Director of Volunteer Services, discovered they were wearing complimentary outfits at the Whispering Hills Christmas Party.



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Thank you to our Veterans Assistance League board members:

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From the Office of the Administrator, Eric Endsley

Some of you may know that shortly after the start of this New Year, I contracted one of the viruses so many others have contracted this winter (and yes, I did take my flu shot, and will take it next year too). Unfortunately, what I should have quickly recovered from turned into pneumonia with some lingering complications that will resolve with a little more time. I'm fine, but this experience has left its mark on me.

For instance, I felt sicker than I've ever felt before. As badly as I felt though, I've been contemplating how much worse it must feel to be sick when you are a senior, especially a senior with other health conditions, which are prevalent among us as we age.

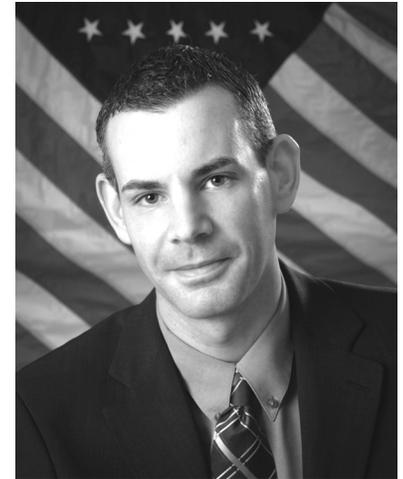
I also experienced times when I had difficulty breathing; that is an unnerving feeling, even though I was certain I was going to get better. This has left me contemplating how frightening it must be for a senior with chronic breathing problems to hunger for air, causing one to be almost obsessive over having enough oxygen supplies, and to know that he will never again feel a satisfying breath.

I grew up with my father suffering from severe Asthma and my grandfather suffering from severe Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and I walk among many Veterans

each day who suffer from some sort of breathing problems. Over the course of a mere two months I experienced depression, anger, and a desire to engage in activities again that brought me joy. As I stated, I'm fine, I knew my health would be restored soon. Through my brief experiences, I have an expanded appreciation for how hard life might be for many of our seniors — including those we serve at the Veterans Home.

Several years ago, I stayed in this Veterans Home to gain an appreciation for what it is like to live here; I can't help but wonder how my experiences would have been shaped if I had lived in the Veterans Home during this episode of infirmity. I am confident that I would be cared for by highly capable professionals who demonstrate daily that they have servants' hearts, I know I would eat delicious and nutritious meals, I know I would live in a clean and well-maintained environment, I know I would feel comradery among the Veterans and a sense of belonging, but I wonder what my daily challenges would be, what I would long for, and how those might affect me.

I know that living at the Veterans



Home, as incredible as I know it to be, isn't the same as living at home. It is our constant goal to find new ways to make the Veterans Home feel more like the home each of our Veterans leave behind. At the Veterans Home we use our personal experiences to guide us as we shape our environment of care, I believe that contributes significantly to what has taken us from a good organization to a great organization. I will certainly add this most recent experience to guide me and our team as we continue exploring new ways to answer our calling "to honor and serve..."

Proud to care for America's Heroes!

**Missouri Veterans Home-Warrensburg
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Birthdays



JANUARY

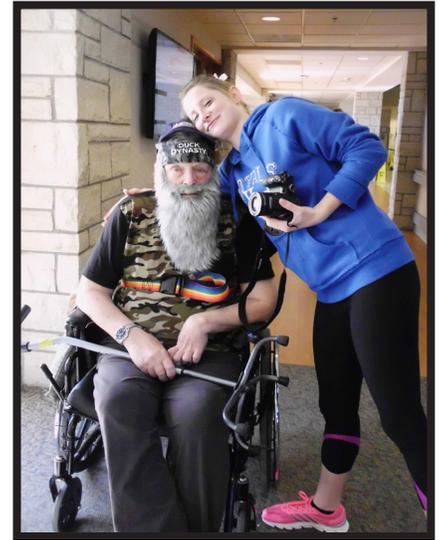
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Theodore Ditty
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FEBRUARY

Robert Daugherty
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Van White
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Chester Jones
Odis Duncan
Andrew Smith

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Tom Smith
Richard Jung
Henry Stanley
Virgil Todd
Robert Brockman
Mary Brabant
Wilton Williams
Michael Boan
Owen Russell
Raymond Manking
Charles Burton
William Sexson
Robert Van Erp
Charles Chastain
Michael Foster



Veteran Bob Moise brings out his “Duck Dynasty” gear for Halloween. Brittney Owens from rec therapy joins him for the holiday parade.



Memorial and Honor Gifts



Please complete this form to make Memorial and Honor Gifts for the benefit of Veterans at Missouri Veterans Home-Warrensburg. You may designate a specific fund for your contribution below. Your donation helps ensure that our nation's heroes continue to benefit from popular quality of life programs and services.

Enclosed is a gift of \$ _____ to the General Fund.

Enclosed is a gift of \$ _____ to the Employee Appreciation Fund.

Make checks payable to and mail to: Veterans Assistance League, 1300 Veterans Road, Warrensburg, MO 64093
Or donate online at www.valwbg.org

In Memory of: _____ In Honor of: _____

Occasion for Honor Gift (optional): _____

* Occasion will be noted in recipient's acknowledgement card

Please let us know who we can inform of your generous gift:

Please provide your information below so we can send you a record of your gift.

Name: _____

Donor's Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Email: _____

Final Salute

Remembering Our Fallen Heroes



Special events

MARCH

28th: Easter Egg Hunt, 9 a.m. photos, 10 a.m. hunt.

APRIL

1st: Outing to Stover Egg Farm to pick up eggs for incubator

9th: Warrensburg Junior Community Chorus, 6:30 p.m.

14th: Five Veterans from our Home will go on the Show-Me Honor Flight

18th: Volunteer Appreciation Banquet, 11:30 a.m. at American Legion Post 131.

20th: Visit to Harry S. Truman Library

Clarence Carroll

Oct. 14, 1926, to Oct. 30, 2014



Elvin Fowler

Nov. 21, 1918, to Nov. 5, 2014



Earl Mann

Aug. 12, 1926, to Nov. 8, 2014



Don Justesen

March 8, 1930, to Nov. 9, 2014



James Shannon

March 1, 1944, to Nov. 10, 2014



Harold McClure

Aug. 15, 1924, to Nov. 10, 2014



Harold Finley

Feb. 26, 1932, to Nov. 11, 2014



John Struecker

July 4, 1920, to Nov. 18, 2014



Luther Gann

Nov. 29, 1918, to Nov. 19, 2014



Jesse Bagby

Feb. 27, 1921, to Nov. 19, 2014



Ralph Richner

Dec. 11, 1919, to Nov. 21, 2014



Dean Roberts

March 26, 1920, to Dec. 1, 2014



Harold Shanks

Aug. 20, 1912, to Dec. 9, 2014



Don Adams

Dec. 3, 1934, to Dec. 10, 2014



Tad Salecki

Feb. 24, 1922, to Dec. 15, 2014



Johnie Marlin

Oct. 21, 1927, to Dec. 15, 2014



Welcome our new Neighbors (October to December)

Highland Park

Lawrence Shier
Jimmie Williams
Howard Heiserman
Edward Wagner

Sleepy Hollow

Dennis Mamer
Eugene Lang

Pleasant Valley

Richard Crews
Robert Daugherty
Kenneth Crabtree
Robert Johnson
John Simmons
Robert Jaquess

Whispering Hills

Martin Phillips
Calvin Brown
Harold Mills
Hazel Carpenter



David Shook, of Lee's Summit, was the raffle winner of the Waterloo toolbox. More than 750 tickets were sold.



VFW Ladies Auxiliary 4195 was the winner of the barn quilt raffle. Steven Marrs, of Henderson, Colo., donated the quilt. Pictured are Micheal Fisk, post commander, and Carolyn Wheat, auxiliary member.

Honor Roll of Donors: Monetary Donations

On behalf of the West Central Veterans Assistance League and the Heroes we serve, we would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for all of the donations we receive. The following list (alphabetic) includes donations received **October through December 2014**. All donations go directly to Veteran programs.

Please accept our apology if you and/or your organization have unintentionally been left off this list.

Up to \$50

Althea Dieckhoff	Joe Goedde	Udolph Miller Dorman	Charlene Wisner
American Legion	John McGinnis	Chapter DAR	Charlie and Vicki Jamis
Post 305	Judith M. Bonney	VFW Auxiliary 4195	Clinton Elks Lodge 1034
Amy Lovercamp	Judy Elling	VFW Auxiliary 5649	Gregory and Pam Tolmoff
Anneliese Schaller	Judy Wyrick	VFW Post 3600	James Gregory
Antoinette Walters	June Kueser	VFW Post 6270	John L. Bluma
Barbara Copenhaver	Kathryn Smith		Midwest Chapter,
Beverly Kane	Kay Comer		4th Infantry Division
Carol Wolz	Leavenworth High School	<i>\$51 to \$199</i>	Association
Coldwell Banker	Leon Langlitz	Albert Arnold	Mike Finley
Townsend Real Estate	Linda Harris	American Legion	Missouri National Guard
LLC	Lois Baker	Auxiliary 258	Osage Chapter of DAR
Connie Martens	Lois Gieseke	American Legion	Preferred Futures Inc.
Damron Equipment Co.	Mariah Reed	Auxiliary 478	Sarah Lewis Boone
LLC	Martha Brunkhorst	American Legion	Chapter of DAR
Danny Goldsmith	Mary Ancipink	Auxiliary 498	Sedalia Elks Lodge 125
Diane Mehan	Marylin Durk	American Legion	Stephen and Carole Del
Doris Brim	Melvin Wehmeier	Auxiliary 520	Vecchio
Doris Ann McCartney	Messiah Shrine, No. 26	American Legion	VFW Auxiliary 2591
Douglas Fritts	Michael Coleman	Post 211	VFW Auxiliary 4288
E.H. Lehman	Ollie Whitt	American Legion	VFW Auxiliary 5789
Elneta Estes	Paula Miller	Post 237	VFW Auxiliary 5844
Evelyn Ward	Rally for Jesus	American Legion	VFW Post 2513
Erna Greiwe	Raymond Bassett	Post 379	Warsaw Leathernecks
John Greiwe	Robin Wade	American Legion	Detachment 1254
Eunice Cobb	Sandra Boehmer	Post 520	Wayne Maxwell
Gail Horman	Sandra Lee Kaker	American Legion	
Gene Thompson	Sandra Streit	Post 286	<i>\$200 to \$499</i>
Glen and Kelli Felde	Sharon Manley	Arkansas Valley Feathers	American Legion
Golden Sunshine Club	Sharon Wisner	Inc.	Auxiliary 82
Hal and Betty Ross	Sheila Bryan	Bemiss Drywall Inc	American Legion
Holland family	Shirley Moore	Bernard Dove family	Auxiliary 217
Janice Burke	Thara Alley	Beta Sigma Phi	American Legion
Janice Kirchhoff	Tuesday Night Bridge	Betty Sue Viterna	Auxiliary 223
Joan Blankenship	Club	Bob and Aileen Moise	American Legion
	UCM Student Athletes	Cass County Elks Lodge	Auxiliary 237
		2791	

American Legion Auxiliary
6th District
American Legion Post 82
American Legion Post 208
American Legion Post 286
American Legion Post 491
Bobby and Jean Salmon
Carla Mahaffey-Sapp
Clinton Military Retirees
and Friends
Dana Dwyer
David and Margaret Sisk
DAR, Lafayette-Lexington
Donna Gardner
Freedom Road Riders of
Missouri, Local 35
George York
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Kitty Teeter
Missouri Good SAM
Military Chapter
Ruth Brunkhorst
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Spirit Givers
VFW Auxiliary 1894
VFW Auxiliary 3118
VFW Auxiliary 5923
VFW Post 2591
VFW Post 4288
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VFW Post 5675
VFW Post 5789
VFW Post 6649

VFW Post 8220
Walmart - Warrensburg
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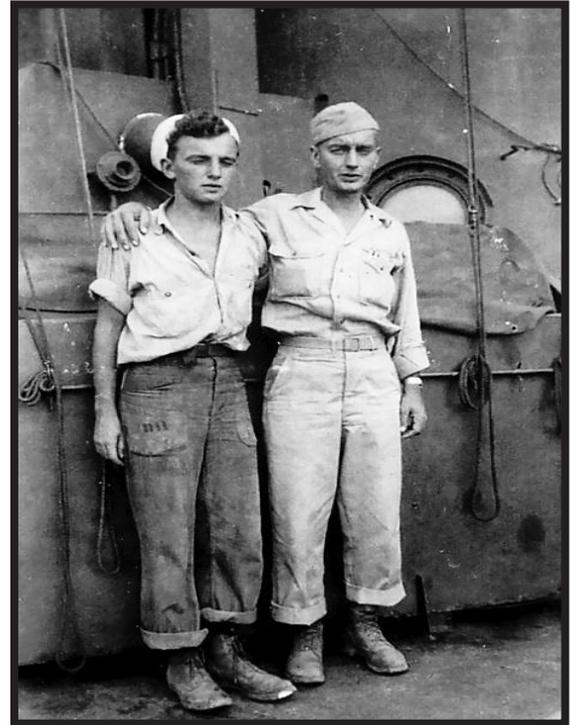
\$500 to \$999

David Dyer
Luther Gann
Michael Moore
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Veterans
Royce Closterman
Santa Fe Trailers
Shirley Kiefer
Valetta Carroll

\$1,000 and more

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Association
American Legion Post 131
Central Missouri Sedalia
Harley Owners Group
Combat Veterans
Motorcycle Association
Chapter 4-5
Inter-State Studio &
Publishing Co.
S & S Printing
Schreiber Foods
Susan Bryan
West Central District of
Missouri Square 'N Round
Dance Clubs
VFW Post 1894

MILITARY SNAPSHOT



Pictured in Luzon, Phillipines, in July 1945, from left, are Dale Hartley, who served in the Navy, with his father, Bill Hartley, who served in the Army.

Dale Hartley, a Veteran in Pleasant Valley, died on Feb. 3, 2015. During his final days, his son, Ron Hartley, shared a very special photo with staff and Neighbors. At the time World War II started, Dale's father, Bill was already in the Army. Dale decided he didn't want to get drafted into the Army, so he enlisted in the Navy on May 27, 1944, at the age of 17. He served on a ship in the South Pacific during his service.

While his crew was at port in Luzon, Philip-pines, he ran into an unexpected visitor --- his father. Bill happened to be at the same port, looked his son up, found him and had this photo taken of their reunion. Dale was around 19 and Bill was about 37 at the time.

"Communication back in those days was kind of rare, so to be able to know they were both there is really something," said Ron.

Mark Your Calendars

Alzheimer's Support Group ***Quarterly Family Council***
10 a.m. Wednesday, April 8. 2:30 p.m. April 15.

Veteran's Spotlight

In December 1942, Dick Crawford made a huge decision at the age of 17.

"I had a cousin who was on an aircraft carrier and I just idolized him. I couldn't wait to get into the Navy," he said.

Crawford was sent to Great Lakes, Ill., for basic training in the middle of winter. He also completed gunnery school before he was sent to Seattle. He was a gunner's mate aboard the USS Haggard. His responsibilities included keeping the 20-mm guns in shape and firing them in battle. They were meant to inflict damage to aircraft upon aerial attacks.

He enjoyed his time in San Diego because they participated in shake-down cruises. "They'd take those ships and run the hell out of them to see if they could hold up," he said. About the fastest the ship could go was about 40 mph.

The USS Haggard headed out to the Marshall Islands in January 1944. In all, the USS Haggard was in 12 different major battles. According to Crawford, the USS Haggard was one of the first ships to use sonar.

"We had guys who listened to the noises all the time. If that sonar hit a whale, it made a thud. If it hit another ship, it made a pinging noise," he said.

The crew was instrumental in sinking one submarine and rammed another one.

Earl Opheim, of Mason City, Iowa, a shipmate of Crawford's, said the Haggard and the submarine were side-by-side. "Our ship could turn faster than the sub could, so the skipper said, 'When he makes his turn, we'll turn into him.' That's what we did and took about 20 feet off the bow," Opheim said.

They repaired the ship and then went back into battle.

"On those little ships back then, the guys lived out there together all the time. They were like a family. It was pretty hard," Crawford said.

The crew did find ways to entertain themselves though. "We used to pull tricks on each other," Crawford said. "The guy on the lower bunk would push his feet up and knock the guy on the top bunk out of his bed."



Opheim laughed when he heard the favorite treat at the Missouri Veterans Home.

"We never got ice cream, so if we came alongside a destroyer or something, one of the guys would go and get ice cream from one of the aircraft carriers." He was happy to know Crawford can get ice cream whenever he wants. The crew also enjoyed playing cards and playing an impromptu softball game on deck.

One of the most difficult days was April 29, 1945. The crew was heading towards Okinawa when they were attacked by a kamikaze. Crawford was on the 20-mm gun mid-ship when they were hit. The plane was carrying a 500-pound bomb and it landed in the forward engine room. Thirteen men were killed and 38 injured.

"I always remember walking in the blood," Crawford said. "We got all of our wounded up on deck and kept ourselves afloat until we got help."

Crawford stayed with the Haggard until he returned to the United States. He was honorably discharged on Feb. 4, 1946.

The crew of the USS Haggard stayed in touch through the years. Their reunions started in a unique manner. One of the sailors was going to spend a week in Las Vegas, so he put a notice in a magazine inviting his shipmates to join him. He included his hotel room and phone number. Eighteen men showed up. They had over 20 reunions thereafter. The last and final one was held in 2012. Of the original 160 men who used to attend, only about 15 were still alive at that time.

Crawford is proud of his service.

"During World War II, we lost more men than all the other wars together. It's hell to get old, but it beats dying young," he said.

Honor Roll of Donors: Material donations

On behalf of the West Central Veterans Association and the Heroes we serve, we would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for all of the donations received. The following list includes donations received October through December 2014. For donations of material items, please call Latisha Koetting, Director of Volunteer Services, at 660-429-4661 to ensure there is a current need for the item or to request a list of current items on the Veteran "Wish List."

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Air Force Sergeants	Center	Kathy Cook	School
Association	Cole Camp Elementary	Katy Mesker	R.D. Wilson
American Legion	School	Keith Lawrence	Robert Bond
Auxiliary 131	Corder Memorial VFW	Ken O'Dell	Serenity Care Hospice
American Legion	Post 4288	Knob Noster Middle and	Sharon Gregory
Auxiliary 223	Corinne Derry	High School	Shelly Zimmerschied
American Legion	DAR in Raymore	Kyle Antoine	Shiralee Beck
Auxiliary 498	Darrell Davis	La Monte Elementary	Skyline Elementary
American Legion Post	Doris Brim	School	School
596	Evelyn Greathouse	Lisa Jewell	Sterling Elementary
AmeriCare	Faith & Hope Extension	Lone Jack High School	Student Veterans
Barbara Long	Gilead Rupe Chapter of	Louise Bassett	Organization
Becky Ammon	DAR	Marie Johnson	Twilight Garden Club
Benton County	Gordon Dunlap	Mary McKinney	Vera Allman
Republican Women's	Henry County	Michael L. Foster	Verna Jenkins
Club	Cattlemen's Association	Michael Morrow	VFW Ladies Auxiliary
Bev Otten	J. Pearson	Missouri Cattlemen's	3118
Bill Carey	Jackie Smith	Association	VFW Post 1894
Bill Kolas	James D. Rudy	Norma Baldridge	VFW Post 1935
Bill Whitehead	John Jones	Open Door	VFW Post 3600
Boys and Girls Club	Jonalene Jordan Kruse	Osage Community Elks	Waterloo Industries
Charlene Wisner	Kansas City Northland	Lodge 2705	



These are just a few of the ladies from the American Legion Auxiliary who organized and hosted the Christmas Store. Veterans like James Hutson, right, were able to pick out two free gifts to give to their loved one for Christmas.



Army	96	Air Force	36
Army Women	3	Air Force Women	1
Navy	46	Marines	9
Navy Women	2	Coast Guard	2

**Current
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SCRAMBLE FOR FREEDOM

GOLF TOURNAMENT, JUNE 7, 2015

The 12th annual Scramble for Freedom Golf Tournament will be June 7 at Royal Oaks Golf Course at Whiteman Air Force Base.

Registration will begin at 9 a.m. with a shotgun start at 11:30 a.m. This four-man scramble is limited to 36 teams. The cost is \$220 per team or \$55 per person and includes lunch, cart and green fees.

The prize for the winner of each flight (up to three) is \$400.

Sponsorship opportunities include corporate sponsor, \$500; team sponsor, \$220; hole sponsor, \$200; and golf cart sponsor, \$50.

All proceeds will go to programs that will enhance the lives of the 200 Veterans who live at the Missouri Veterans Home in Warrensburg.

For more information or to get involved, call Latisha Koetting, Director of Volunteer Services, at 660-429-4661.

**In memory of:
Air Force Staff
Sgt. Joseph
Schonberner, who
served in the
Korean War.**

Thank you Violet Schonberner for supporting the Veterans at Missouri Veterans Home-Warrensburg.



Air Force Staff Sgt.
Joseph Schonberner

Last year was the first time we had the Field of Service Golf Cart Sponsorships. This is an opportunity to sponsor a golf cart in honor or in memory of your favorite Veteran and submit their service photo. Golfers enjoyed looking at the photos of nearly 70 Veterans at the 2014 tournament. Get involved and sponsor one this year. The deadline is June 1 and the cost is \$50 per cart. For more information, call Latisha Koetting at 660-429-4661.



OUR VOLUNTEERS ROCK!

The Veterans Assistance League will host its annual appreciation banquet on April 18 at American Legion Post 131, 733 E. Young St. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m. and lunch is served at noon. Jim Whitfield will be the guest speaker.

Please RSVP by Friday, March 27, by calling Latisha Koetting at 660-429-4661 or Dana Williams at 660-429-4604. You may also email Latisha.Koetting@mvc.dps.mo.gov.

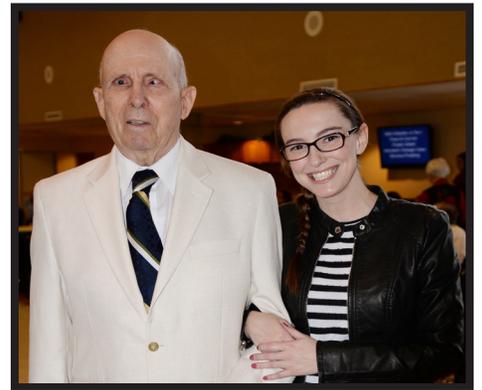
Our volunteers certainly rock!



Veteran Bob Carr was escorted by his daughter, Jane Hughes, and a UCM volunteer.



Veteran Retta Sandgren grins from ear-to-ear on the runway.



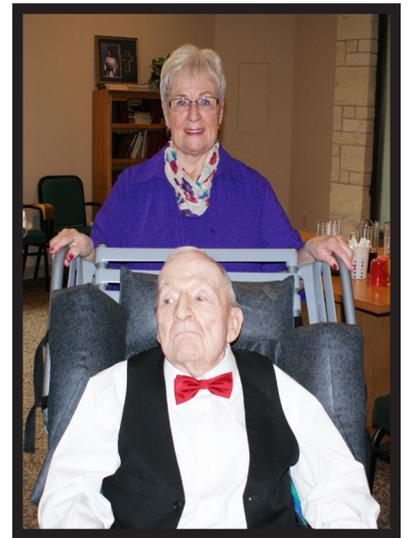
Veteran Eugene Lang is escorted by his granddaughter, Ashley Lang.



Bob Moise stole the show with his tuxedo. He was escorted by his wife, Aileen.



Jean Thompson, wife of Veteran Gene Thompson, was escorted by Senior Airman William Lee.



Veteran Okal Embry is escorted by his daughter, Donna Gardner.



Veteran Alvin Fisher is sporting a three-piece suit with his daughter, Janice.



Veteran Steve Sellon couldn't wait for the runway show. He was cheered on by his sister, Janet.



Veteran Harold Woodall is greeted by his daughter, Gail Walter.



Members of the Air Force Sergeants Association, Chapter 881 at Whiteman Air Force Base, visited with our Veterans on Veterans Day. Angela Rice, left, presented a check for \$1,400 to Veterans Assistance League members Marvin Neal, Alex Slocum and Bryan Lee. The bulk of the donation was put into the bus fund.

How can I make a difference? Send a donation for one of these programs. Make checks payable to Veterans Assistance League, 1300 Veterans Road, Warrensburg, MO 64093.

Your support is appreciated!

Bingo: \$25 worth of prizes is awarded at every bingo game played. This is something our veterans love to do.

Bus Fund: The Veterans Assistance League is raising money to purchase a new handicapped-accessible bus to take our veterans on outings. It will be custom made to fit the needs of our veterans. It will cost more than \$100,000.

Canteen: Money donated here is used to provide free soft-serve ice cream to our Veterans daily and free stamps so Veterans can mail letters to loved ones.

Restorative Therapy: Money donated to this department is used to purchase Broda chairs, motorized wheelchairs, cushions and other equipment to keep our veterans moving and comfortable.



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Warrensburg, MO 64093



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