

VET NET Newsletter
March 2023

***LET US BE LOVING,
HOPEFUL AND
OPTIMISTIC AND
WE'LL CHANGE THE WORLD.***

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

VETERANS' OUTREACH



Serving our veterans in Ohio, Kentucky, Alabama, Florida, West Virginia & New York since 1994

Women Who Inspire

With this being Women's History Month, I cannot let this slide unless I bring up the three women in my life that encouraged me to do the things I've done that have led me to fulfilling experiences, through building up a charity that has enabled me to touch the lives of thousands of veterans and their families in a positive way through Veterans' Outreach.

You never know which way your life is going to turn or what might be around the corner. It started with my mother, Grace. She was courageous, funny, loving, and very inspiring. She loved me hard and joined me in some nutty projects with little regret, even though some of them never worked. She loved me unconditionally; I remember her singing and whistling while she worked.

I remember working in my vocals during Sunday school class for she was our

Sunday school teacher and instructor. It led the way for me singing in front of millions of people one day with a 20-piece band behind me singing at the All-Star game in front of hundreds of millions of people on TV, plus I spent many years in theater as well.

She was a model and she loved posing for the camera and ended up on even local billboards. During World War II, she was even referred to as a Rosie, taken from Rosie the Riveter because she worked in factories supporting the war effort.

John Ely, President Veterans' Outreach

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Women Veterans That Have Made An Impact



During the entire month of March, the National Veterans Memorial and Museum honors those women who looked beyond their roles as mother, daughter, wife, partner and sister and took up the call to serve our nation. These women took on challenges with fortitude and resilience and never gave up. Hear more from Stacey Queen, Public Programs Manager, in our latest blog, [Celebrating Women's History Month](#).

Our Programs For Veterans

Over the last 29 years, we have helped veterans more than 100,000 times. Our motto is to "respectfully serve and honor all veterans".

We have developed programs that perform our mission to help veterans that include the [Direct Aid Program](#), the [Outreach Program](#), the [Heroes' Closet Program](#), and the [Freedom Food Pantry Program](#).

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Hope For Women Veterans



Millions like us: Women veterans share their stories

What We Do Everyday

A caseworker from a county Veterans Service Commission called Veterans' Outreach to find some help for a veteran that she was working with. This veteran is a single male, and he lives alone. A couple of months ago, he became very ill and was hospitalized for several weeks. He has recovered and has been able to go back home. Unfortunately, while he was away, his water had been shut off. He has been able to return to work, but hasn't gotten paid and won't be paid for another couple of weeks. He turned to the Veterans Service Commission for help. The caseworker knows they can help him, but not immediately. The caseworker called Veterans' Outreach and asked if we could help this veteran. **Veterans' Outreach paid a large portion of the veteran's water bill and the service was reconnected. We are so gratified when we can work together to make a huge difference in a veteran's quality of life, running water in the household fits that description. Thanks to donors' support, we can stand ready to serve and honor veterans every day.**



Recently, a veteran came to our office for a box of food from our Freedom Food Pantry and to have some much-needed social time with other veterans. In the course of conversation, he mentioned he was looking for work. He went on to say that he had previously done some commercial cleaning that he liked very much. **We recently had a request for help from a local cleaning company that needed some employees. We put them in touch with each other, and the veteran now has the part-time job he was hoping for. You never know what will happen in the course of a seemingly normal conversation. We are so happy for him!**

Donate Now

We thank all of you that have supported our Mission through your donations, thoughts, and prayers. You made it possible to help tens of thousands of Veterans with financial assistance, food, and clothing. Your pledge of support is needed to continue our mission to serve and honor all veterans. Will you make a small monthly pledge of \$10 or more? This gift can immediately make a difference for a Veteran in need.



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You can also call 888-2-VET-NET and speak with Teri Ely to donate.

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March - Women's History Month

March 3 - Navy's Reserve Birthday

March 4, 1931 – Star - Spangled Banner made U.S. National Anthem

March 4 - Hug a GI Day

March 19, 2003 - Iraq War began

March 20 - Spring Begins

March 24, 1999 - Kosovo Campaign began

March 29, 2017 - National Vietnam War Veterans Day

March 31, 1995 - Somalia Campaign Ended



Spring is so close we can almost feel it. Even if your fingers aren't yet thawed out from the winter cold, it's time to start planning for Spring Break.

You may think your budget can't allow for too much fun, but with the help of military discounts, you can have tons of Spring Break fun without breaking the bank.

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EVENTS

February 14 - April 19

Gone For a Run

Support Veterans' Outreach by going for a run!! This is an On-Going Challenge! Share with your friends! Gone For a RUN has a fun virtual 5k! Challenge your friends, near and far! <https://www.goneforarun.com/virtual-race-im-a-nightmare-before-a-run-5k-2021/tr-43249.html?cgid=gfar-30516>

March 1 @ 8:00 am - March 31 @ 5:00 pm

Food Drive

Non-perishable Food Items Only Date: March 1-31 Drop Off Locations: Healthsource Chiropractic Boardman G's Pizza World Berlin Center Berkshire Hathaway Salem Office For more information Call Serita Diana at 330-614-4614

March 11 @ 8:00 pm

Rock Concert / Fundraiser

Mason Jar 329 E. Garfield Rd, Aurora, OH

Rock Concert Fundraiser M.O.B. Rock Band Time: 8pm There is no admission charge but please consider donating to the fundraiser through cash or the QR code attached to the flyer below! Thank you for the support!

March 14 @ 5:00 pm

10th Annual NCAA Tournament Calcutta Auction 2023

Mount Carmel Society 102 Washington St, Lowellville, OH

10th Annual NCAA Tournament Calcutta Auction 2023 Date: Tuesday March 14th, 2023 Time: Registration at 5:00 Auction Begins at 6:00 MT. Carmel Society For More Information / Questions call or Text Cody Holecko @ 406-529-6621 Calcutta Auction Flyer

April 23 @ 11:30 am - 6:30 pm

Stars and Strikes

Camelot Lanes 628 Boardman-Canfield Rd., Youngstown, OH

Bowling Tournament at Camelot Lanes Sunday April 23rd, 2023 4 People per Team

\$50 per person OR \$200 per team Session 1 10:30-11:15 Registration 11:30

Bowling Starts 2:00 Pizza & Salad Buffet, Awards & Basket Drawings Session 2 3:15-

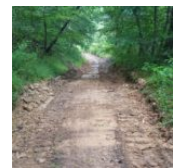
3:55 Registration 4:00 Bowling Starts 6:30 Pizza & Salad Buffet, Awards & Basket

Drawings To Register Stars

Heroes' Passage in Kentucky

Veterans' Outreach was donated 110 acres of Kentucky wilderness. Plans are underway for the development of Heroes' Passage, a veteran retreat with a healing environment for veterans that are having problems with transitioning to civilian life.

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