

Rolling Thunder[®]

Indiana Chapter 6



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Letter from the President...

Hello Everyone,

Looks like summer is finally here, hope everyone had a chance to get out and ride or get out with the family.

We have a lot of things going on in May & June, so Mary Jane will be sending out notices, so stay tuned and keep a lookout for emails.

I am going to keep this a short one because I need to get this to Warren so that he can get it out. I have to apologize; it was my fault that the newsletter is so late.

Again if you have any questions, please don't be afraid to ask them. You can talk to any officer and you can also call me at [812-453-0799](tel:812-453-0799).

Thanks,

Jerry Blake

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Membership Meeting

**Saturday,
June 3rd
6:00pm**

Chaplain's Corner

Expect the Unexpected

We never expect the unexpected. As many of you know, my younger brother Richard passed away in April. Had he been sick for awhile? Yes. Did we expect him to pass away? No

You're in your car or on your motorcycle just going down the highway enjoying the day, the scenery, and your family. A deer jumps out in front of you, or a careless driver loses control and crashes into you. Unexpected? Yes.

Are you ready to meet God? He is real. One day you will meet him face to face.

Matthew 24: 27 KJV

27. For as the lightening cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

John 14: 1-3 KJV

1. Let not your heart be troubled: Ye believe in God, believe also in me.
2. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
3. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

II Corinthians 5:10 KJV

10. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

We're never ready for the unexpected, please be ready for Christ.

If you have a spiritual need or are in need of someone to talk to, call Chapter 6 Chaplain Steve Suter at [812-925-3627](tel:812-925-3627) or e-mail at kspl69@wowway.com.



From the Editor

Rolling Thunder Members,

Whew!!!, May has only started and it has already been extremely busy with a lot more yet to come. I know that the leadership group was blown away by the amount of volunteers that showed up for the River Run and Honor Flight's Welcome Home on May 6th. It was a long day for everyone involved.

There were no patches given out for May.

As many of you know, I had the privilege of being my father's Guardian on this flight. I can tell you that his favorite part of the trip was the Welcome Home!! The smile on his face as well as the smiles on the other Veterans was priceless. I personally want to thank our Chapter for coming out and supporting "The Meet & Greet" & "The Welcome Home", also a big Thank-You to Rolling Thunder Illinois Chapter 3 for coming out and helping with the Flagline. My father and the other Veterans will never forget this!! There will be more pictures to come.

April 23rd, was our first Chapter Ride/Drive. We had 15 bikes and 3 vehicles make the trip to Frankfort, KY to the Vietnam Memorial there. The memorial pays tribute to the 1105 Kentuckians that died during the Vietnam War; the Sundial pointer casts a shadow on each veterans name on anniversary of their death. Unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate as it was cloudy & rainy in Frankfort. It is an awe inspiring sight and I hope to make another trip back soon on a sunny day to see the tribute.

May 20th & 21st will be the second Chapter Ride/Drive to Marseilles, IL to visit the Middle East Conflicts Memorial, this will be a overnight trip as it is an approximately 300 mile trip one way. It should be a fun trip!! Hope to have a good turn-out.

May 25th – 29th – Ride for Freedom, DC; this is the 30th anniversary of the demonstration ride. As of right now, we have 11 members signed up to go. If you have not booked your rooms yet, make sure to read MJ's email on where to book. See you on the trip!!!

June 4th – Chapter 6 Benefit Ride; remember to bring all of your gun raffle money and tickets to the membership meeting or first thing at the ride. If you need more raffle tickets, get a hold of Jeff or Christine Meeks. This is our largest chapter fundraiser so let's sell as many tickets as we can.

This is a shorter newsletter than normal, I wanted to get it out before it got too late in the month.

Ride / Drive Safe!!!!

Thank you

Warren Montgomery





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Rolling Thunder[®] IN Chapter 6 Calendar of Events 2017

Month	Dates	Event	Notes
May	20 th & 21 st	Chapter 6 Group Ride / Drive (Freedom Run Marseilles, IL	Overnight Stay
	To Be Announced	ESGR Military Night @ Bosse Field	
	25 th thru 29 th	Ride For Freedom (Ride to Wall in DC)	Leave Evv on 25 th , Demonstration on 28 th , Depart DC on 29 th
June	2 nd	Board Meeting	
	3 rd	Membership Meeting (6pm)	
	4 th	Chapter 6 Benefit Ride	Volunteers Needed
	TBA	Vet Center Cookout (VFW Post 114)	Volunteers Needed
	29 th	ESGR Golf Outing Setup	Volunteers Needed
	30 th	ESGR Golf Outing	Volunteers Needed
	30 th	Board Meeting (July) (6pm)	
July	1 st	Membership Meeting (9am)	
	4 th	Mt Caramel Parade	

For anyone wanting to share pictures or events please send information to
RTnewsletter6@gmail.com.

We will do our best to include all information.

Don't forget to check out the Rolling Thunder Indiana Chapter 6 Website as well,
www.rollingthunderin6.com and find us on Facebook at [Rolling Thunder Chapter 6](#)

UPDATES TO THE WEBSITE ARE COMING SOON. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE

Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency

April/May 2017 Accounted for MIA's

Rank	Name	Branch	Unit	Lost	Location	Identified
2nd LT	Harry H Gaver Jr	U.S. Marine Corps	USS Oklahoma	12/7/1941	Pearl Harbor	5/5/2017
2nd LT	George S. Bussa	U.S. Marine Corps	Company F, 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines, 2nd Marine Division	11/20/1943	Tarawa Atoll	4/19/2017
PVT	Walter F. Piper	U.S. Army	Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 38th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division	2/13/1951	North Korea	4/18/2017
Seaman 1st Class	Milton R. Surratt	U.S. Navy	USS Oklahoma	12/7/1941	Pearl Harbor	4/14/2017
CPL	Leslie R. Sutton	U.S. Army	Battery C, 99th Field Artillery Battalion, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division	11/2/1950	North Korea	4/13/2017
PVT	Harold S. Hirschi	U.S. Army Air Forces	Headquarters Squadron, 19th Bombardment Group	11/19/1942	Philippines	4/13/2017
PFC	Richard A. Lucas	U.S. Army	Company C, 1st Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division	11/26/1950	North Korea	4/13/2017





Honor Flight
Meet & Greet
May 4th 2017



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**You never
know how
strong you
are until
being strong is
the only choice
you have**

ROLLING THUNDER IN CH. 6

9th Annual Benefit Ride for Veterans

Sunday June 04, 2017



Ride starts at:
VETERAN'S MEMORIAL COLISEUM
(DOWNTOWN EVANSVILLE @ 307 MARKET ST.)

Grand Prize
32" FLAT SCREEN TV
(CHAPTER 6 MEMBERS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR GRAND PRIZE DRAWING!)

Sign in	9:00 - 11:00 am
First bike out	10:00 am
Last bike out	11:00 am
Last bike in	3:00 pm
Live Auction & Drawings begin @	3:30 pm

\$ 15.00 per card or \$25.00 for 2

(MEAL, GRAND PRIZE TICKET, DOOR PRIZE, & BEST/WORST HAND)

**Gun Raffle Tickets are being sold and the drawing will be held @
Benefit Ride**

All proceeds benefit Tri-state Veterans
For information call: (812)453-0799