

Rolling Thunder®

Indiana Chapter 6



March 2019

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Letter from the President...

Hello Everyone,

The weather is starting to get better and I can't believe it's 65°. I actually went out on the trike today and had a good ride. Hope everyone is enjoying this weather.

We have a couple of great events coming up the end of March and April so keep your eyes on the website and email that Mary Jane may send out.

Looks like we are going to have a pretty good crowd going to Washington DC, I think it's great and I know we will have a lot of fun. If anyone is interested in taking over the 2 or 3 rides, we do during the summer to different locations, please get with me at the next meeting and we will discuss it.

As usual, if any of you have anything you would like to talk about or any questions, feel free to call me at 812-453-0799. My phone is on 24 hrs a day except when I am sleeping.

Thanks,
Jerry Blake

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Membership Meeting

**Saturday,
Apr 6st
6:00 pm**

Chaplain's Corner

KEEP THE BIBLE

MJ sent an article for February's Newsletter about some groups wanting to remove the Bible from the Missing Man Table.

Billy Graham says: Long ago I decided to accept the Bible by faith. This should not be difficult for anyone to do. Most of us do not understand nuclear fission, television, or radio, but we accept it, and every week my voice goes out around the world, and I accept it.

**So why is it so easy to accept all this man-made miracle and difficult to accept the Bible?
Many of the places mentioned in the Bible have been confirmed through History and Archeology.**

The Declaration of Independence declares we have the right of Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness. Even in bad times, Christ brings happiness and peace in your life and liberty to choose.

Keep our Bible on the Missing Man Table.

Proverbs 21: 2 and 3

- 2. A person may think their own ways are right, but the Lord weighs the heart.**
- 3. To do what is right and just is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice.**

If you have a spiritual need or someone to talk to, call Chapter 6 Chaplain Steve Suter at [812-573-8924](tel:812-573-8924) or e-mail him at kspl69@wowway.com.



From the Editor

Hello Members,

I think we are finally done with the snow, but now comes the rain, hopefully there will be a few days coming up where if you do have a bike, you can get out and ride. As mentioned in this month's meeting, March 30, at the Elite 8 Basketball Tournament (Ford Center), Rolling Thunder has been invited to help present a court size US flag along with the basketball players. We will be needing all the help we can get as the flag is heavy, so come on out to the Veteran's Tailgate Party prior and get your tickets for the game.

If you go through the recently accounted for MIA's, you will see Clifford M Mills of Tell City, Indiana. PFC Mills is the Great Uncle of Zach Montgomery (Member). PFC Mills was assigned to the 319th Glider Field Artillery Battalion, 82nd Airborne which participated in Operation Market Garden, the invasion of German occupied Netherlands. On Sept 18th 1944, he was reported missing in action in the vicinity of Wyler and Zyfflich, Germany. His remains are due to come home later on this month. There is a YouTube video (link Below) of a US Flag Ceremony honoring PFC Mills Margraten American Cemetery in the Netherlands where his name is listed on the Walls of Missing. More information on his return home will be forth coming. https://youtu.be/35bA_6SJKNc



Ride / Drive Safe!!!

Thank you

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Rolling Thunder[®] IN Chapter 6 Calendar of Events 2019

Month	Dates	Event	Notes
January	4	Board Meeting (6:00 pm)	VFW 1114
	5	Membership Meeting (9:00 am)	VFW 1114
	26	USI Hoops for Troops	PAC Arena
February	1	Board Meeting (6:00 pm)	VFW 1114
	2	Membership Meeting (6:00 pm)	VFW 1114
March	1	Board Meeting (6:00 pm)	VFW 1114
	2	Membership Meeting (9:00 am)	VFW 1114
	10	Logan's Promise Walk to Remember (Traffic Marshalls)	Need 10 Volunteers
	30	Elite 8 Tournament (Carry court size flag) 2pm	Need a lot of volunteers
April	5	Board Meeting (6:00 pm)	VFW 1114
	6	Membership Meeting (6:00 pm)	VFW 1114
	TBA	Bake Sale @ VFW 1114	Volunteers Needed
	TBA	Vet Center Cookout	Volunteers Needed
May	3	Board Meeting (6:00 pm)	VFW 1114
	4	Membership Meeting (9:00 am)	VFW 1114
	TBA	CMA Run for The Son	Not an Event
	TBA	Abate Bike Blessing	Not an Event
	23	Honor Flight Meet & Greet	Volunteers Needed
	25	Honor Flight Welcome Home	Volunteers Needed
	23-24-25-26-27	"Ride for Freedom" The Final One	Washington DC
31	Board Meeting (6:00 pm) For June	VFW 1114	
June	1	Membership Meeting (6:00 pm)	VFW 1114
	TBA	Chapter 6 Benefit Ride	Volunteers Needed
	TBA	Hadi Shriner's Fest	Volunteers Needed
	TBA	IMSC – ESGR Golf Outing Setup	Volunteers Needed
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	TBA	Vet Center Cookout	Volunteers Needed

July	4	Patriot's 5K Sponsored by the VA Clinic	Volunteers Needed
	4	Mt Carmel Parade	
	5	Board Meeting (6:00 pm)	VFW 1114
	6	Membership Meeting (9:00 am) (Officer Nominations)	VFW 1114
August	2	Board Meeting (6:00 pm)	VFW 1114
	3	Membership Meeting (6:00 pm) (Officer Nominations)	VFW 1114
	23-24-25	Frog Follies (Traffic Marshall's)	Vanderburgh 4-H Center
September	6	Board Meeting (6:00 pm)	VFW 1114
	7	Membership Meeting (9:00 am) (Officer Elections)	VFW 1114
	19-20-21-22	The Ride Home (Andersonville, GA)	Warner-Robbins, GA
October	5	YMCA ½ Marathon (Traffic Marshall's)	Volunteers Needed
	TBA	VFW Parking (Fall Festival)	Volunteers Needed
	TBA	Board Meeting (6:00 pm)	
	TBA	Membership Meeting (6:00 pm)	
November	8	Board Meeting (6:00 pm)	VFW 1114
	9	Membership Meeting (9:00 am)	VFW 1114
	9	9 th Annual Veteran's Parade	
	TBA	Honor Flight (Meet & Greet)	Volunteers Needed
	TBA	Honor Flight Welcome Home	Volunteers Needed
	TBA	Evansville Christmas Parade	
December	1	Boonville Christmas Parade	
	6	Board Meeting (6:00 pm)	VFW 1114
	7	Membership Meeting (6:00 pm)	VFW 1114
	14	Chapter 6 Christmas Party	VFW 1114
	16	Homeless Vet Christmas Dinner	Volunteers Needed

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](#)

Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency

February 2019 Accounted for MIA's

Rank	Name	Branch	Unit	Lost	Location	Identified
Fireman 1st Class	Billy J. Johnson	U.S. Navy	USS Oklahoma	12/7/1941	Pearl Harbor	2/28/2019
CPL	Benjamin W. Scott	U.S. Army	Company M, 3rd Battalion, 21st Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division	7/12/1950	South Korea	2/25/2019
CPT	Rufus J. Hyman	U.S. Army	Company A, 1st Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division	7/30/1950	South Korea	2/21/2019
2LT	Walter B. Stone	U.S. Army Air Forces	350th Fighter Squadron, 353rd Fighter Group, VIII U.S. Fighter Command	10/22/1943	France	2/21/2019
Journalist 3rd Class	Raul A. Guerra	U.S. Navy Reserve	USS Oriskany	10/8/1967	Vietnam	2/21/2019
CPL	Stephen P. Nemece	U.S. Army	Company A, 1st Battalion, 5th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division	11/2/1950	North Korea	2/20/2019
CPL	James C. Rix	U.S. Army	Company E, 7th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division	11/30/1950	North Korea	2/13/2019
Electrician's Mate 3rd Class	William A. Klasing	U.S. Navy	USS Oklahoma	12/7/1941	Pearl Harbor	2/13/2019
TSgt	Alfred R. Sandini	U.S. Army Air Forces	22nd Bombardment Squadron 341st Bombardment Group	2/15/1944	French Indochina	2/13/2019
CPL	Carlos E. Ferguson	U.S. Army	Company L, 3rd Battalion, 23rd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division	5/18/1951	South Korea	2/7/2019
MSG	Charlie J. Mares	U.S. Army	Company C, 1st Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division	7/31/1951	South Korea	2/6/2019
PFC	Clifford M. Mills	U.S. Army	319th Glider Field Artillery Battalion, 82nd Airborne Division	9/18/1944	Germany	2/4/2019
SGT	George R. Schipani	U.S. Army	Company A, 3rd Battalion, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division	11/2/1950	North Korea	2/1/2019



“People ask how I stay so positive after losing my legs.. I simply ask how they stay so negative with theirs.”
-SSgt Johnny Joey Jones



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“To Correct the Past and Protect the Future”

Rolling Thunder, Inc. Indiana Chapter 6 **Founder Command Sergeant Major, U S Army Retired Jerry Blake** **\$500 Merit based Scholarship Application**

To Whom It May Concern:

Rolling Thunder Inc. Indiana Chapter 6 will award a \$500.00 scholarship for post high school education to one student for the fall semester of 2019 to assist with tuition, fees and books.

Applicants will be judged on several criteria as listed on the Scholarship Application. All applications must be postmarked no later than April 30, 2019.

Selection of recipient is based on an evaluation of your GPA, Community service, recommendations and an essay.

No Rolling Thunder member is involved in the selection process. A Scholarship Committee will select the winner of this scholarship from all eligible applications.

All efforts will be made to present the scholarship at the recipient's school award ceremony. The award will be made payable to the institution that the recipient is attending and will be sent directly to the institution.

Thank you,

Mr. Jerry Blake
Command Sergeant Major
U. S. Army Retired
President Rolling Thunder, INC.
Indiana Chapter 6
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1. Name of Applicant _____
2. Address _____ DOB _____
3. Name of Rolling Thunder Member _____
4. Name of College or School applicant desires to attend and course work you plan to pursue. _____
5. Include evidence of acceptance to that school.
6. Include High School Transcript or equivalent.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Rolling Thunder Member or related by a Parent, Grandparent, Brother, Sister, Aunt or Uncle and current paid member in good standing per by-laws of Rolling Thunder Inc. Indiana Chapter 6.
2. Proof of GPA of 2.5 or higher.
3. Age 18-25
4. Must register as Full time student or Part time if working Full time job. If working Full time proof of employment must be provided.
5. Submit proof of verifiable 40 hours of community service (preferred) Veteran oriented during senior year.
6. Include two references: One from an academic teacher or Guidance Counselor, the other from a professional person other than a relative.
7. An original 500 word essay on “What Rolling Thunder’s Mission Statement means to me.”

I verify that all statements and information contained in this application are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Submit the completed application no later than April 30, 2019 to:

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31st Annual ~ May 5, 2019

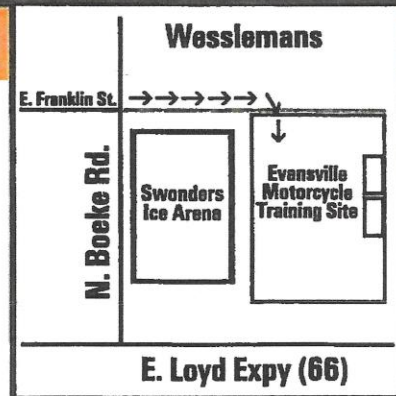
Old Roberts Stadium Parking Lot, Evansville. Gates open at 8:30am. National anthem/presentation of colors at 9:00am. Join us on a scavenger hunt ride for prizes \$5 per person. Last bike out 11:30am. Last bike in at 1:30pm. Ride prizes awarded at 1:45pm.

Commemorative event shirts for sale while supplies last.

ADMISSION FREE TO EVERYONE

Ride is \$5 per person includes scavenger hunt with prizes. Family friendly! Silent auction. Vendor displays. Food vendors. For more information contact Mike Jeffers (812) 598-9154 or Ted Borchelt (812) 385-6040.

**Bike Blessing • Scavenger hunt • Vendors
Silent auction • Food vendors • Family friendly
Everyone welcome! Bring the kids!**



— An ABATE Foundation Event —

CHRISTIAN MOTORCYCLISTS ASSOCIATION

RUN
FOR THE
SON
INTO ALL THE WORLD 2019

Word Warriors Chapter
Evansville, IN



SATURDAY, MAY 4TH
2019

Location: Old Roberts Stadium
Parking Lot

Approximately 100(+) Mile Ride



Registration Begins: 9:00am First Bike Out: 10:00am
Single Rider: \$10 • Two up: \$15 • Non Rider: \$5

Door Prizes • Silent Auction • Bike Show • Games
Food Vendors will be available after ride (at your own cost)

Live Entertainment:

2 Miles Back Band, Marla Mundy and Karaoke Time

Family
Friendly

For More Information:

Chapter President: Tony Lord 812-470-1144

Chapter Road Captain: Andrew Johnson 812-453-4584