

MVAC MEETING NOTES – FEBRUARY 2018

COURTHOUSE PLAZA | SUITE 311

ASPAN

We were very pleased to welcome Mr. Leonard Chari representing the County Homeless Services Center. Leonard shared a lot of information about the homeless across the County and the operation of the Center. Along with several National, State and Local programs the Center is a strong advocate for our veterans and especially for those with difficulties. We are expecting Leonard to attend regularly. For more information or questions ASPAN email Mr. Chari at lchari@arlingtonva.us

TRAGEDY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR SURVIVORS (TAPS)

As we deal with veteran engagement across the county, we would like to improve the contact to the families associated with the veterans. One group which can be of value in this effort is the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS). We are seeking to get Mary Regner to determine our next step with this group.

INSTITUTE FOR VETERANS AND MILITARY FAMILIES (IVMF)

This is a military family group which we are looking to invite to attend a meeting and share their purpose and operations. Stay tuned! Possible attendance at the Wednesday March 7 meeting.

USS ARLINGTON

MVAC member Kevin Reardon will provide an update.

FT MYER – HENDERSON HALL

We are expecting a new Commander sometime this year. More as we get the information

VETERAN SERVICE ORGANIZATION (VSO) MAILING LIST

A draft has been forwarded to County. We are looking to use web based tools to help share information to as many veterans and active duty military personnel as we can across the County.

VFW 3150

The drive continues and donations are always welcome, including miniature toiletries. For more information, contact Mike Rau michaeljrau@gmail.com or come visit VFW 3150 at 2116 19th Street North. A few of their upcoming events:

- Friday Feb 23 5PM – VFW Post 3150 Student Veteran Social 5PM
- Saturday Mar 3 11AM – Poses & Pints
- Saturday Mar 3 1PM – Screening of National Geographic Chain of Command
- Thursday Mar 8 6PM – Afghanistan, Iraq & GWOTE Happy Hour
- Saturday Mar 10 5PM – Food Drive & Guitars for Vets Open Mic Night
- Friday March 16 5PM – Auxiliary Happy Hour
- Friday March 23 5PM – Student Veteran Social

Next meeting Wednesday March 7, 2018 8:00AM

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