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# WVI Newsletter

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## Keep Troops Entertained

“If you have books to share, send them to troops, veterans and military families via Operation Paperback. Simply register at [OperationPaperback.org](http://OperationPaperback.org) and note which genres you can share, and you’ll receive a list of recipients looking for that genre, or see what’s being requested and mail a book to the provided addresses.”

Women's World January 18, 2021

## Christmas Baskets

Black & White Transportation donated ten large laundry baskets filled with non-perishable food, milk, butter, eggs and ham. They also filled small baskets with toiletries plus one family with small children received a few surprise items. Black & White Transportation is owned by J. Potter (Navy) and is located at 4665 West Bancroft Street. Contact information: 419-536-8294 or [bwtransportation.com](http://bwtransportation.com).

WVI volunteers D. Schantz and C. Austin added additional food items and holiday gifts to the baskets prior to pick up on December 18, 2020 from noon until 3:00pm. Most baskets were picked up by the recipients but the rest were delivered by United States Vets, Inc. and WVI members. Those receiving the baskets were 12 veterans and their families for a total of 41 people.

WVI and United States Vets, Inc. would like to express their gratitude to Black & White Transportation for their efforts to brighten the lives of so many during the holiday season.

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BWT Employees

Picture provided by C. Nagy

### Something to think about ...

“All you need is love.  
But a little chocolate now  
and then doesn't hurt.”

Quote by Charles M. Schulz

VA Scheduling Number for  
COVID-19 Vaccine: 419-213-7614  
or 419-259-2000 X57614

# Women's Military Memorial

Duty. Honor. Pride. These words reflect the spirit of generations of Americans who have sought to defend our rights and freedoms. At the Military Women's Memorial these words come to life in the stories and memories of the nearly three million women who have served in defense of our nation.

Located on 4.2 acres at the entrance to Arlington National Cemetery, the Women's Memorial is our nation's **only** national memorial to honor and pay tribute to the women who have served courageously, selflessly and with dedication in times of conflict and in times of peace. It opened to the public in 1997 and houses museum quality exhibits and artifacts of women's military service, a theater, a hall of honor, and the "heart of the museum", the registration area.

The "Register" is a computerized database of information about women who have served. Visitors can access the photographs, military histories and stories of registrants by simply typing names into the computer terminals. This Register serves as an active resource, creating an on-going visible record of history as it is made.

Who is eligible to be honored? All US servicewomen past, present, and future, Reserve, Guard, US Public Health Service (including cadet Nurse Corps), Coast Guard and Senior members of the Civil Air Patrol. The memorial also honors women who served overseas during conflicts in direct support of the armed forces, in organizations such as the Red Cross, USO, and Special Services.



Over 3 million women have defended our nation's freedom from the revolutionary War through today, yet less than 10% have taken their place in recorded history. From Ohio, of our over 758,000 veterans, 61,800 are women. We currently have 9442 registered on our memorial, 8.5% of our living women veterans. Help make sure the story of women serving in defense of our nation is never forgotten. The story of **EVERY** servicewoman is important.

Registration is easy. Visit [www.womensmemorial.org](http://www.womensmemorial.org) and register yourself or another women veteran for free. **You served. You DESERVE to take your place in our nation's recorded history.**

If you have questions please contact Judy Pearson, Ohio Ambassador for the Women's Memorial at [wimsa.oh1@gmail.com](mailto:wimsa.oh1@gmail.com) or for more information about the memorial and to make a donation, go to [www.womensmemorial.org](http://www.womensmemorial.org)."

Article and picture provided by J. Pearson



## Task Force 20: Team Race

“Task Force 20 is a group of individuals assembled to accomplish the mission of reducing the number of our brothers and sisters-in-arms that perish by their own hands. Formed on November 12, 2016, Task Force 20 was created to provide an avenue proven to work; the healthy option of physical fitness.” The brochure states that “20” is the estimated number of veterans who succumb to suicide DAILY. Information provided by Jason Graven, Executive Director. Phone: 419-464-8030, email: [contact@tf20.org](mailto:contact@tf20.org), address: 11174 Waterville St., Whitehouse, Ohio; or facebook @taskforce20.

Task Force 20 is organizing a 5k race on June 27, 2021 in Whitehouse, Ohio. A “Veteran Resource Event” is attached to the 5k event. Individual race participants are welcome but the race is intended to be a team event. The intent is to promote teamwork, while also reinforcing the ‘no person left behind’ mentality of the military.

WVI would love to have women veterans form a team(s). Racers do **NOT** have to be veterans. If interested in receiving additional information, when available, contact [cenagy@bex.net](mailto:cenagy@bex.net). In addition, for every racer that WVI and/or United States Vets, Inc. registers, 20% of the registration is returned back to the veteran organization. GO TEAM....



## Request for Prayers

Pamela Hansen Eatherton (Navy) unexpectedly lost her husband of nearly eight years in January 2021. Pam has reached out to WVI to request prayers from her fellow women veterans as she is having a difficult time coping with her loss. Please support Pam in her time of need by sending a card to 533 S. Main Street - Fostoria, OH 44830 or email: [hansenpj05@gmail.com](mailto:hansenpj05@gmail.com). This message was posted on the WVI facebook page and Pam responded that she greatly appreciates the support.

**Happy Valentines Day!**