



**Disabled American Veterans
Greater Daytona Chapter & Unit 84
June/July 2022 Newsletter**
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Chapter News

DAV Members, use your DAV benefits to obtain any DAV Member information or procedures, there are several benefits to choose from. Additional information can be obtained for cruises, hotels, air fares, auto purchases, cell phones and many more.

VA News

All vaccinations, booster shots are available for Moderna at Daytona / Pfizer at Lake Nona and Lake Baldwin. Call Covid desk to made appointments.



Bingo Corner

Photo to the left, bingo player Ms. Shirley Rietz, 20 plus years supporting our Chapter. Thank you Ms. Shirley.

The bingo committee would like to thank all volunteers: Gillis Blasis, Larry Lowery, Randy Flanery, Ralph Smith, and Dawn Marie.

Election of Chapters

Our election nominations were held with no opposition to any of the positions.

Event coming on June 23, Saturday at the River Walk Park in Port Orange. All are invited. It will be hosted by Marine Corps League and sponsored by Humana.

Thank you Mark Donais for the donation stroke of the brush custom painting. Painted DAV logo on the building to conform with new colors.

**Submitted
Harold R. Holloway
Past Commander, Chapter 84 Greater Daytona**

Greater Daytona Auxiliary Members

Greetings From Greater Daytona Unit 84 Auxiliary

Unit 84 Auxiliary was honored to place flags at the graves of our fallen veterans on May 26th, 2022 at Shady Rest Cemetery in Holly Hill, FL.

The Auxiliary would like to express special thanks to the following DAV Chapter 84 Members that assisted in providing support in our endeavor:

Harold Holloway
Don Moore
Henry "Bucky" Veroni
Ray Parker

Unit 84 Auxiliary welcomes our newest members:

Marie Royce
Dawn Butzgy
David Brown

We welcome you, and look forward to working together towards the good of our veterans and their families.

Kind Regards,

Cheryl Doubleddee

Commander, Greater Daytona Auxiliary Unit 84



**JOIN US FOR OUR
GRAND OPENING**

9 AM SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2022

VETERANS MUSEUM & EDUCATION CENTER

**302 VERMONT AVE. & PENINSULA DR.
DAYTONA BEACH**

LEARN ABOUT AND VIEW ITEMS DATING BACK TO THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR. THE CENTER IS FILLED WITH HISTORICAL AND EDUCATIONAL PIECES, WHICH TELL THE STORY AND HONOR OUR U.S. ARMED FORCES.

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REFRESHMENTS
PARKING AVAILABLE IN AREA ACROSS THE STREET

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Healthcare and Veterans Meld on the Halifax River

Leaving all cares behind, some 30 DAV Chapter 84 members and spouses relaxed and enjoyed themselves in the warm, gentle breezes aboard The Lady Dolphin of Daytona on Friday evening, April 15. The Dine and Cruise experience was compliments of Humana, Inc., to show appreciation to veterans, to understand better their healthcare needs, and to affirm Humana's commitment to working with veterans in our local communities.

The one and one-half hour cruise left Halifax Harbor Marina at 6:30 PM. During a short period of introductions, mingling, and camaraderie, Chapter members were welcomed and thanked for attending by Richard Squillante, Humana MarketPoint sales representative, and by DAV 84 member, Sam McCloud, who organized the event.



Seated above, left to right: Rolf Mattar, Diane Mattar, Sam McCloud, Bonnie McCloud, and Richard Squillante

Photo by Ray Parker

A delicious dinner was next on the docket, the entrée choices selected upon boarding and served cafeteria style. With dinner service completed, the narrated tour of the Halifax River began, highlighting the history of Daytona and its iconic landmarks. Although this author did not witness the event, The Lady Dolphin of Daytona lived up to her name when, near the end of the cruise on the river, a dolphin was spotted near midships.



Above: All DAV members and spouses, raise your hands!

Photo by Jose Rosa

Filling in between tour narrations was—what else but music? And although there was no dance floor available, cruise guests had a spelling lesson while seated, moving to the rhythms of The Village People's "YMCA". With the twilight came the lights on the bridges and buildings, adding to the allure of the waterway.

Good weather, good food, good friends, and good music—no doubt evidenced at evening's end at the marina when, upon disembarking,

The Lady Dolphin's guests were heard singing along with the entertainment... what else but, "(I've Had) The Time of My Life".

Again, DAV Chapter 84 and guests offer heartfelt thanks to Humana for a superb evening!

Claudia J. Parker, DAVA State Commander

COMMEMORATING MEMORIAL DAY

Often and around the US, for Memorial Day DAV members take the lead in honoring deceased veterans by placing flags on veterans' graves in local cemeteries. But true to historical roots of the commemoration when in 1866 women decorated the graves of Confederate and Union soldiers in Columbus, Mississippi, to honor their sacrifice (and in other sites identified earlier than 1866), DAV 84 Auxiliary members took the lead for Greater Daytona.



Pictured, left to right: DAV Auxiliary members Bette Spigelmyer, State DAVA Commander Claudia Parker, Auxiliary 84 Commander Cheryl Doubledee, Past State Commander and Auxiliary 84 Sr Vice Commander Maria Holloway, DAV member Don Moore, DAVA 84 Chaplain Shelly Stancato, and DAVA member Dawn Butzgy. Not pictured but participating were DAV Auxiliary members Sharon Wyatt, Marilyn Russ, and DAV members Harold Holloway, Bucky Veronie, and Ray Parker.

- Article and photo by Raymond A. Parker

Serious progress being made with construction on New state of the art VA Clinic, expected to open sometime in 2024. Located off LPGA and Williamson Blvd., Daytona Beach, Florida



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VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

To transport Veterans from the Daytona Beach VA Outpatient Clinic to the Orlando VA Medical Center. You do not need to be a veteran to volunteer, just a valid driver's license with no points. If you, or anyone you know may be interested in helping Veterans out, please contact Don Moore at DAV Chapter 84, 605 8th Street, Holly Hill from 9 a.m. until noon on Monday, Wednesday or Friday for more information.

Bingo Volunteer Needed

Bingo is Wednesday evenings and volunteers are need to assist in selling games, supplies, and kitchen help. If you are interested in helping us out, please contact Don Moore at (386) 252-4551 or DAVchapter84@cfl.rr.com

CHANGE OF ADDRESS/NOTICE OF DEATH

Name _____

Old Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

New Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Date of Death _____

Death notification by family members would be appreciated to keep the records up-to-date. (Clip and mail to Chapter 84 on any changes).