

ROLLING THUNDER® TIMES

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National

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Rolling Thunder National's next
Monthly Meetings...

March Meeting is 3-21-2021

**Joe Bean will send an email out regarding
the Monthly Meeting**

We will be in compliance with social
distancing requirements and safety
procedures.

Please wear a face mask and if you are
not feeling well please stay home!

New Jersey Events



March 2021

3/21 National: Regular monthly meeting, Manville, VFW, 1PM

April 2021

4/18 National: Regular monthly meeting, Manville, VFW, 1PM

Check Facebook, Twitter or Website for updates!



Time to pay your 2021 Membership!

Rolling Thunder® XXXIII
NATIONWIDE "Ride for Freedom"
Sunday, May 30, 2021

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www.rollingthunder1.com

ROLLING THUNDER® INC.

&
THE SOMERSET COUNTY FOOD BANK

PRESENTS
" T H A N K S G I V I N G i n M A R C H "
FOOD DRIVE

PLEASE BRING FOOD ITEMS TO THE MARCH 21, 2021 MEETING
THE FOOD BANK NEEDS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

- Tuna
- Stews
- Corned beef
- Spam
- Chicken
- Turkey
- Hot/Cold Cereal
- Pancake mix
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Gravy
- Soup
- White Rice
- Brown Rice
- Ravioli
- Syrup
- Mac & Cheese

"BACK PACK FOOD"

Small cans/boxes:

- Beef Stew
- Vienna Sausages
- Tuna (pull tops)
- Mac & Cheese
- Pudding cups
- Jell-O cups
- Fruit cups
- Juice boxes
- Individual packs of snacks:
 - Pretzels
 - Cookies
 - Bars

ALL DONATIONS WILL BE COLLECTED AT THE MARCH MEETING
ASK YOUR FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, CO-WORKERS, LOCAL FOOD MARKETS FOR HELP



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Mission Statement

The major function of Rolling Thunder®, Inc. is to publicize the POW/MIA issue: To educate the public that many American Prisoners of War were left behind after all previous wars, and to help correct the past and to protect future veterans from being left behind should they become Prisoners Of War –Missing In Action. We are also committed to helping American veterans from all wars.

Rolling Thunder®, Inc. is a non –profit organization and everyone donates his or her time because they believe in the POW-MIA issue. All meetings must be orderly and every member must be heard. Everyone is as important as the next. Everyone has different views and we must all work together in an orderly manner.

Every Chapter must have an agenda to run a meeting. Everyone must get their turn to talk about any issue that concerns Rolling Thunder®, Inc. and its members

The Constitution and By-Laws of Rolling Thunder®, Inc. will not be changed or altered by any Chapter and everyone must abide by this constitution.

Meetings are held on:

3rd Sunday of every month at **1:00PM**

Meeting Location: VFW 600 Washington St. Manville, NJ
(unless otherwise indicated in the events section)

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IN MEMORY OF

Ronald E. Zaneto, Sr. 74, Vietnam Veteran, U.S.N., Piscataway

WWI Remains Identified

WWII Remains Identified

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PFC. OLIVER JEFFERS/U.S.A.

Gerald Mc Cullar 78, passed away February 18, 2021. Gerald was a Vietnam Veteran serving in the United States Air Force. Gerald was a long time friend and he was always around the Country in the POW/MIA cage for the issue. He was at Rolling Thunder in Washington, DC many years and at many other events from coast to coast. He will always be remembered for his dedication and support to the POW/MIA Issue. May he ride free in the Heavens above and may he rest in peace.

Jack Fedor 76, passed away December 7, 2020. Jack was a Vietnam Veteran serving in the U.S.A. He was a member of Rolling Thunder Chapter 1 Ohio for over 23 years. He was a very active member and will be missed by all. May he rest in peace and may he ride free in the Heavens above.



ROLLING THUNDER® INC. 2020 EVENTS SCHEDULE

REVISED 3/11/21

ALL EVENTS CANCELLED TILL FURTHER NOTICE

Monthly	National: Membership meeting 3 rd Sunday monthly, Manville, NJ VFW, 1 PM	908-369-5439
Monthly	National: Lyons VA Hospital, 3 rd Thursday each month (except May, Aug, Dec)	908-369-5439
Monthly	NJ3: Lyons PTSD, 2 nd Thursday every odd month - Pizza Party 7:00PM	Diane Malanga 908-343-9836
Monthly	NJ3: Veteran Haven North, 2 nd Tuesday every month-Dinner with Vets 6:30PM	Diane Malanga 908-343-9836
Monthly	IN2: Membership meeting 3 rd Thursday each month, Honkers Restaurant	574-206-5023
Monthly	MS1: MS Vets Home Visit, Oxford MS, 3 rd Sunday monthly	662-234-1084
Monthly	NC2: Bingo at Salisbury VA Hospital, Bldg 10, 1 st Friday, monthly, 6:30 pm	704-929-0477

Monthly **MS1:** meets 1st Monday of each month @ 112 Quail Creek Dr. Oxford, Ms @ 6:00pm.
Monthly **MS1:** MS State Veterans Home in Oxford, Ms @ 2:00pm for Bingo every 3rd Sunday. For more information contact John McKendree@ 662-607-0611.

Monthly **NC2:** Bingo at NC State Retirement home, Salisbury, Nc Bldg 6, 2nd Friday, monthly, 6:30 pm
 Sonny Deal 704-929-0477

10/13/2021 **US NAVY BIRTHDAY (10/13/1775)**
 11/10/2021 **US MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY (11/10/1775)**
 11/11/2021 **VETERANS DAY**

12/7/2021 **Pearl Harbor**

2021 Chapter Events Calendar Form

Publication in the National Newsletter, please allow at least Three (3) months prior notice to the event and/or flyer. The following information is require, either by Form, E-mail or to be Faxed to Joe Bean, Rolling Thunder® Inc., P.O. Box 216 Neshanic Station, NJ 08853. If you prefer this form to be e-mailed to you for completion, contact rtnj1@att.net

Chapter State & #: _____

Event Contact Person: _____

Telephone #: _____

Event Name: _____

Day/Date of Event: _____ Time of Event: _____

Event Location: _____

Other Pertinent Information: _____

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POW Biography

BENNETT, WILLIAM GEORGE

Name: William George Bennett
Rank/Branch: O4/US Air Force
Unit: 33rd Tactical Fighter Squadron
Date of Birth: 15 September 1927
Home City of Record: Birmingham AL
Date of Loss: 02 September 1967
Country of Loss: North Vietnam
Loss Coordinates: 173000N 1061500E (XE335357)
Status (in 1973): Missing in Action
Category: 2
Acft/Vehicle/Ground: F105D
Refno: 0825
Other Personnel in Incident: (none missing)

Source: Compiled by Homecoming II Project 15 March 1991 from one or more of the following: raw data from U.S. Government agency sources, correspondence with POW/MIA families, published sources, interviews. Updated by the P.O.W. NETWORK 2020.

REMARKS: SURVIVAL UNLIKELY

SYNOPSIS: The F105 Thunderchief (or "Thud") performed yeoman service on many diversified missions in Southeast Asia. F105s flew more combat missions over North Vietnam than any other USAF aircraft and consequently suffered the heaviest losses in action.

Maj. William G. Bennett was the pilot of an F105D Thunderchief sent on a mission in North Vietnam on September 2, 1967. During the mission, the aircraft was shot down and Maj. Bennett was declared Missing in Action. Bennett's last known location was in Quang Binh Province, North Vietnam, about 15 miles north of the Ban Karai Pass. The Department of Defense added remarks "Survival Unlikely" but it is not known what nature of evidence is available to support this remark.

Unconfirmed reports were received by Bennett's family that he had been killed while attempting to escape a POW camp, but Bennett's name did not appear on the list provided by the Vietnamese of those POWs who had died in captivity.

Some years later, in an attempt to establish a ranking for those cases that could be readily resolved by the Vietnamese should they wish to cooperate, the Defense Intelligence Agency devised "enemy knowledge categories 1-5." Category 1 indicated certain enemy knowledge, a category generally reserved for those who were known POWs. Category 5, on the other end of the scale, related personnel who were killed and remains were considered nonrecoverable. Bennett was placed in category 2, indicating there was a good chance the enemy knows his fate.

Mounting evidence indicates that some Americans are still alive being held prisoner of war in Southeast Asia. The Vietnamese pledged to return all prisoners of war and provide the fullest possible accounting of the missing in the peace accords signed in 1973. They have done neither, and the U.S. has not compelled them to do so.

The United States government pledged that the POW/MIA issue is of "highest national priority" but has not achieved results indicative of a priority. Mitchell and the nearly 2500 Americans who remain unaccounted for in Southeast Asia deserve our best efforts to bring them home, not empty rhetoric.

William G. Bennett was promoted to the rank of Colonel during the period he was maintained Missing in Action.

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**ROLLING THUNDER®, INC.
NATIONAL MEETING MINUTES – February 21, 2021**

The Rolling Thunder® National meeting of February 21, 2021 was called to order at 1:10pm at the VFW in Manville, New Jersey. The invocation was given by National Chaplain Ed Crabtree. The membership had a moment of silence for those still Missing in Action and for those who gave their lives for our Country. The membership pledged allegiance to the American Flag. All officers and board members were in attendance with the exception of Tim Charous, and Alt. Kevin O'Neill. There were seventy-eight (78) adult members and five (5) guests present. Two (2) new members joined.

JOE BEAN, NATIONAL PRESIDENT: For anyone who was not at the last meeting, you will be hearing this statement at each meeting.

Due to a recent problem that has surfaced, Artie and I had to make a decision on how to handle things. No one in the organization can invite any other organization or MC, which includes a member or members to a Rolling Thunder National event, without getting direct permission from Artie or myself. That does not mean your husband, wife, family member or a friend who is interested in our organization, or someone interested in joining.

TED Zabohonski, Chairman of the Board: Read the Mission Statement of Rolling Thunder®, Inc.

JANUARY 2021 MINUTES: The abbreviated minutes for the January meeting was read by Brenda Einhorn, National Secretary. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Joe McIlvain and seconded by John McCabe. None opposed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Nancy Bottrel, National Treasurer read the balances in the accounts. Anyone wishing to review account activity may see Nancy during the break. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Steve Prager, seconded by Cathy Crabtree. None opposed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Government Affairs, Berney Jarosz:

First off, I want to let everyone know that we are clearing out the legislation from the 116th Congress and are getting into contact with the 117th Congress to see if past legislation that we are backing will be reintroduced.

As for the end of the 116th Congress the Johnny Isakson and David P. Roe, MD Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020 was passed into law 116-315 on January 5, 2021. It incorporates:

- The Deborah Sampson Act of 2020
- The FREE Veterans Act of 2020
- The Financial Refuge for Every Elderly Veteran Act of 2020
- The Navy Seal Bill Mulder Act of 2020

I want to give you a little background on an amazing woman that the Deborah Sampson Act was named after.

Deborah Sampson
(1760- 1827)

Deborah Sampson became a hero of the American Revolution when she disguised herself as a man and joined the Patriot forces. She was the only woman to earn a full military pension for participation in the Revolutionary army.

In 1782, as the Revolutionary War raged on, the patriotic Sampson disguised herself as a man named Robert Shurtleff and joined the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment. At West Point, New York, she was assigned to Captain George Webb's Company of Light Infantry. She was given the dangerous task of scouting neutral territory to assess British buildup of men and materiel in Manhattan, which General George Washington contemplated attacking. In June of 1782, Sampson and two sergeants led about 30 infantrymen on an expedition that ended with a confrontation—often one-on-one—with Tories. She led a raid on a Tory home that resulted in the capture of 15 men. At the siege of Yorktown, she dug trenches, helped storm a British redoubt, and endured canon fire.

For over two years, Sampson's true sex had escaped detection despite close calls. When she received a gash in her forehead from a sword and was shot in her left thigh, she extracted the pistol ball herself. She was ultimately discovered—a year and a half into her service—in Philadelphia, when she became ill during an epidemic, was taken to a hospital, and lost consciousness.

Receiving an honorable discharge on October 23, 1783, Sampson returned to Massachusetts. On April 7, 1785 she married Benjamin Gannet from Sharon, and they had three children, Earl, Mary, and Patience. The story of her life was written in 1797 by Herman Mann, entitled *The Female Review: or, Memoirs of an American Young Lady*. She received a military pension from the state of Massachusetts. Although Sampson's life after the army was mostly typical of a farmer's wife, in 1802 she began a year-long lecture tour about her experiences—the first woman in America to do so—sometimes dressing in full military regalia.

Finally, I want to let everyone know about Law # 116-172, The NATIONAL SUICIDE HOTLINE DESIGNATION ACT OF 2020 that was passed on October 17, 2020. The number 9-8-8 is the universal number for the national suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline.

Progress of Bills from the 116th Congress:

H.R. 712/S.179 – VA Medicinal Cannabis Research Act of 2020 – letter written to Rep. Andy Kim

S.191 Burn Pit Accountability Act – became law 116-92 on 12/20/2019

S.514 Deborah Sampson Act Benefit for women veterans – became law 116-315 1/5/2021

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H.R. 326 – Victims of Agent Orange Relief Act of 2019 – No NJ Rep. Cosponsors

H.R. 1350 – Corey Adams Green Alert Throughout the US. – letter written to Rep. Donald Payne, Jr.

HR. 2201 – Modify Presumption for service-connected veterans who served in Thailand during the Vietnam Era. – letter written to Rep. Andy Kim

H.R. 2819/ S. 1673 – Gold Star Families National Monument Extension. – letters written to Rep. Andy Kim and Senator Corey Booker.

Public Relations/Media & Travel Chair/Flags/Signs: No Report

VA Hospital Committee Tom McAtee: No Report

KIA Report, Deb Teall: (Deb was absent, report read by Joe McIlvain)

For the month from January 16 to February 19, 2021, I am sad to report the death of an American soldier:

Staff Sgt. Timothy Luke Manchester, 34, of Austin, Texas, a soldier supporting Operation Spartan Shield, died January 20 in Camp Arifjan, Kuwait, in a non-combat related incident.

POW/MIA Chair of Honor Committee, Elaine Martin: No Report

Gerry Franke, Run Coordinator: No Report

Education Committee, Gary Domanski: No Report

Membership, Mike Bottrel: Please sign the Sign-In sheet and pay your dues.

Dan Heulitt, Sergeant at Arms: We are planning our event for Memorial Day. Please check your emails, as I have sent some out and haven't gotten a response. Please respond to them.

Andy Kerr, Food Drive and Junior Members:

Food Drive: At next months meeting we will be collecting food for the food bank. They now have the ability to accept refrigerated food items and will also accept cash donations. They are really stressed right now, and everything helps. It makes us look good to help the community.

Gold Star Mothers: We don't have a report because Mike resigned from the organization. Artie and I discussed this, who to put in his place. We decided to put Dina Fritz. She has taken care of the Gold Star Mothers when we have been in DC and she knows what is going on, how things should happen. I am very pleased with the membership that has come out today. Before we take a break, Teddy would like to speak about something.

Ted Zabohonski, Chairman of the Board: We are trying to get a few members to help with our fund raising to help raise our capacity to raise funds. Several years ago, Tom Dalessio enrolled Rolling Thunder Charities into the Amazon Smile Program. Since that enrollment Amazon Smile has been a steady source of cash contributions. Nikki has prepared a short tutorial to help those interested in signing up for Amazon Smile. It is very simple, and we have plenty of copies. It does not cost you anymore money.

If you have any questions, I will be happy to answer them for you. Please sign up and ask your friends and family to sign up also.

JOE BEAN, NATIONAL President: He gave you a little insight into Amazon Smile. Tell your family and friends. Believe me everything helps. Elaine, correct me if I am wrong, we got About \$900. From them. It is really simple. If you have any ideas how we can get money from companies, please let me know. We have talked about having events to raise money, but it takes money to put these events on. I found out today we have a member who works for Verizon and Verizon does kick back money. Maybe your company kicks back money. Check with them. They are out there. I contacted my daughter in law who works for a Pharmaceutical company. She is putting the paperwork in for me. I appreciate anything you can do. If you have any questions, please call me. Let's take a 15-minute break.

Break:

JOE BEAN, NATIONAL PRESIDENT: I had an opening for an alternate board member so that everyone knows I put Keven O'Neill into the that position. He was the next person in line, and he accepted. He is not here today because his plane was grounded in Arizona due to the storm. The ride for Memorial Day everything is still a go, we are definitely going forward. The only other thing I have concerns fund raising committees. It has nothing to do with grants. If you know a company that gives out grants let me know. I recently sent out an email. If you didn't get it, it is because I didn't have your email. Please let me know your email.

Last month we decided to order gators. Karen, I thank you for organizing it. We made over \$400. For selling 100 of them.

ARTIE MULLER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: I just want to thank everyone for coming out. Keep doing what you are doing. Stay safe, stay healthy. There hasn't been much going on with the Pentagon concerning remains. Hopefully, I will find out what is going on with that this week. I hope everyone is looking forward to May, so we can get out and ride for our issue. Keep doing what you do, thank you and God bless.

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VICE PRESIDENT ED CRABTREE: If you know of any vendors please get their contact information or have them contact me. I have a lot of people who have asked me what the Core jar is for. The money from the Core jar goes directly to the Veterans at Lyons Hospital. It is a direct gift to the Veterans for refreshments or other things needed.

JOE BEAN, NATIONAL PRESIDENT:

Patches Earned: Congratulations to all.

Boot Patch:

Nester Arce
Jennifer Aul
Frank Bartolomey
Thomas Epps
Miguel Madera
Jacqueline Miller
John Valiant
Susan Weaver

Rocker and Eagle:

Kimberly Baumann
Daniel Rosamilia

NJ Mission of Honor, Al Gashler: No Report

Sunshine Committee by Kate Barna: No Report

Elain Muller: Motorcycle and Newsletter: It is good seeing everyone. Here is a brief run down on the Motorcycle raffle. The drawing will be June 1, 2021 at Fort Washington Harley Davidson. Right now, 24 chapters and Rolling Thunder © National has sold 3,168 raffle tickets. The chapters have sold 2,878 tickets and National has sold 290. Total raffle sales right now are \$31,680. Sixteen chapters have sold all the tickets that were sent to them, six chapters and National have submitted partial ticket sales and are still selling. Two chapters have returned unsold tickets. I did receive tickets back from other chapters which I re-issued to other chapters. I really don't have many tickets at all, but if anyone wants them to sell let me know. I am hoping things go well and we sell all tickets. I am at the office at times when there is no snow and I basically work at home a lot with Artie. Nicole and I are still doing the newsletter. Always looking for things to put into it. It was great seeing everyone today. Thanks for coming out today.

ADDITIONAL/NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Berney Jarosz: I will be doing a Food Ruck Run the Saturday before the next meeting to collect food for the food drive, so if you would like to join me please let me know.

JOE BEAN, NATIONAL PRESIDENT: I need to throw this out there, it does not have anything to do with anyone here. If you happen to be on Facebook or any of the online sales company's and you see a set of Rolling Thunder patches being sold please contact me. I do not want them being sold online. I will personally pay for them or you pay for them and I will reimburse you. For about two months I have been trying to put my hands on a set that was for sale online. I finally was able to get them with the help of a member who accomplished getting them for me. I am not that concerned with the boot, but that eagle and rocker are property of National, if you see them online please contact me.

50/50 drawing is \$120 to the winner Tom McAtee.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:45pm was made by Joe Falon, seconded by MaryKay McKeith. None opposed.

Attention Rolling Thunder® Chapters:

The Flame of Freedom is available for this Memorial Day Weekend and any other time during the year.

Contact John McKendree

662-607-0611

or

johnmckendree@bellsouth.net if interested.

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WWI 3,343
WWII 78,062
COLD WAR 120
KOREA 7,645
VIETNAM 1,598

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MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND
MAY 30, 2021

ASSEMBLY AREA:

Rolling Thunder® XXXIII- Hunterdon County 4-H Fair Grounds Parking Lot
Assembly 7: a.m. - 12:00 noon
1207 Route 179, Lambertville, NJ 08530

Departure at 12:00 noon sharp for planned /escorted route passing Washington Crossing
Historic Park and return to Hunterdon County 4-H Fairgrounds parking Lot

FOOD - SPEAKERS - VENDOR - MUSIC TRIBUTE TO VETERANS
REGISTRATION FEE - \$10.00 PER BIKE-CASH ONLY

Saturday, May 29, 2021 ** NJ Vietnam Veterans Memorial - 4:00 p.m.
1 Memorial Lane Holmdel, N.J.
Exit 116 NJ Parkway
Flame of Freedom-Wreath Presentation
****Participants to assemble at Memorial****

- **Contact Pres. Joe Bean 484-880-2012 or V.P. Ed Crabtree - 908-930-1920**

WWI, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Lebanon, Grenada, Panama, Somalia, Gulf War, Iraq, Afghanistan
No attitudes! Confirmed: Everyone must wear a Helmet! No Alcoholic Beverages permitted at the Fairgrounds
For Additional information check our WEBSITE: WWW.rollingthunder1.com

SATURDAY BAR-B-Q:
WILLIAMS HARLEY DAVIDSON
1100 U.S. HWY. 22 WEST
LEBANON, NJ 08833
908-236-0767 / SERVICE
SATURDAY MAY 29, 2021 10:00 a.m. TILL 2:30 p.m.

PLEASE COPY & REDISTRIBUTE
FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CHECK OUR WEBSITE: www.rollingthunder1.com
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March 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I hope everyone is well coming into a New Year and looking forward to Rolling Thunder XXXIII, "Ride for Freedom" on May 30, 2021 in New Jersey. Nationwide our Chapters are putting together demonstration rides across the U.S.A. Visit our website for information.

Hopefully many supporters that could not come to Washington, DC can make the trip closer to home, either in New Jersey or in another state with a Rolling Thunder Chapter. Let's not give up on our POW/MIAs and Veterans Issues because of the virus that is around the world and the corruption going on. Last year was a complete wipeout to doing most organization events. Let's show everyone in 2021 we are there for our Brothers and Sisters that served our Country and those left behind as POW/MIAs by a Government that asked them to fight another war for the Freedom of others.

Just where is our Country going? We have no strong current leadership and it seems their main goal is to destroy all the good the last administration accomplished. It hurts to see these new leaders tear our country apart and give a free pass to illegals and hurt our American citizens. Where are we going without good leadership? This is not about Republicans and Democrats, it is about individual politicians that care more about themselves and their power trip. If these politicians would put their hatred together and worked on the POW/MIA issue and other important issues facing our county, much would be done. The media distorts the true news to the American public changing everything into black and white. We are all Americans we should not let the media separate us.

What do American citizens have to look forward to? When a newly elected administration puts foreign illegal aliens before American citizens something is wrong. What was done to the U.S. Capital on January 6th was wrong, but what does it take to wake up Washington D.C. officials? Our democracy stands to have a free honest election to elect those we choose to lead us. This last election was so corrupt it makes many of us ask why did we ever serve in the Military, for what? What ever happened to Of the People, By the People and For the People?

Remember our POW / MIAs, our Troops serving and God Bless the United States of America! Hope to see you at Rolling Thunder XXXIII, "Ride for Freedom" Demonstration Nationwide.

Sincerely,

Sgt. Artie Muller
National Executive Director

Joseph Bean
National President

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ROLLING THUNDER® XXXIII
"RIDE FOR FREEDOM" DEMONSTRATION
"NATION WIDE"
SUNDAY MAY 24, 2020

HOTELS / NEW JERSEY

HOTEL NIGHTS ARE AVAILABLE MAY 28, 29 & 30
FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY NIGHTS

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111 MAIN STREET / CLINTON, NJ 08809
RATE: \$121.00 A NIGHT PLUS TAX
CUT OFF DATE April 30

HAMPTON INN PHONE 908-713-4800
16 FRONTAGE DRIVE / CLINTON, NJ 08809
RATE: \$129.00 A NIGHT PLUS TAX
CUT OFF DATE April 28

FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES PHONE 908-252-1000
947 ROUTE 202 / BRANCHBURG, NJ 08876
RATE: \$125.00 A NIGHT PLUS TAX
CUT OFF DATE May 1

COURTYARD MARRIOTT PHONE 908-236-8500
300 CORPORATE DR./LEBANON, NJ 08833
RATE \$125.00 A NIGHT PLUS TAX
CUT OFF DATE APRIL 17

CAMP GROUNDS

JUGTOWN MOUNTAIN
301 ROUTE 173
CLINTON, NJ PHONE 908-735-5995

MOUNTAIN VIEW
131 GORITZ ROAD
LITTLE YORK, NJ PHONE 908-996-2953

RINGLING ROCKS
75 WOODLAND DRIVE
UPPER BLACK EDDY, NJ PHONE 610-982-5552

ANY PROBLEMS GETTING ROOMS CALL
BRENDA 609-330-0040

WILLIAMS HARLEY DAVIDSON
SERVICE:
1100 U.S. HIGHWAY 22 WEST
LEBANON, NJ 08833
908-236-0767
EVENT T'S, PINS & PATCHES WILL BE AVAILABLE
SATURDAY BAR-B-Q TIME

Saturday night reception at the Holiday Inn
7:30 P.M.

1 NIGHT DEPOSIT REQUIRED

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908-369-5439

ALL MONEY RAISED IS USED ON THE POW-MIA ISSUE AND TO
HELP VETERANS IN NEED.

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ADDRESS _____ APT _____

CITY _____ STATE _____

PHONE # _____ ZIP _____

RUN PATCHES # _____ X \$7.00 EA. = \$ _____

RUN PINS # _____ X \$7.00 EA. = \$ _____

FLAME OF FREEDOM PATCH # _____ X \$11.50 EA. = \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSEDS _____

Because of U.S. Post Office fee changes all Canadian orders please add \$6.00 to
your order for pins & patches.

ARE YOU OR YOUR ORGANIZATION ON OUR MAILING LIST? Y ___ N ___
DO YOU WANT TO BE ON IT? Y ___ N ___

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FROM CANADA U.S. MONEY ORDERS IN U.S. FUNDS ONLY
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2020-2021 Rolling Thunder Bike Raffle Update New Drawing Date - June 1, 2021

Greetings to All the Rolling Thunder Chapters and Members:

Considering all, I hope that you are doing as well as possible during these very trying times of the pandemic in all parts of our country.

As a result of the National shut down, quarantine and cancelation of events in our Country and much consideration the 2020 Rolling Thunder Bike Raffle drawing date was changed to Tuesday, June 1, 2021 at 2:00 pm. The drawing will take place at the Harley-Davidson Washington dealership where the bike is currently being shown and hosted.

To date, 19 Chapters have sent National sold bike raffle ticket stubs and the money proceeds for their sold tickets. 14 Chapters have sold all their tickets. National will also pay the State Sales Tax for the winner. We have almost a year to sell tickets until the drawing in 2021. I hope that all the chapters that have tickets issued to them will be able to sell them as our Country gets back to a more normal. God Bless and Heal our Country!

Elaine Muller

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Due to the Pandemic
The Rolling Thunder 2020 Bike Raffle
Drawing Date has been changed to
June 1, 2021
Harley-Davidson Washington, DC



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WWI	3,343
WWII	72,784
Cold War	126
Korea	7,676
Vietnam	1,592

POW/MIA "WE WILL NEVER FORGET" 2021

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Lyons VA Hospital Visits – **CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

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**Community Living Center ~2nd Fl.**

January  
March  
May  
July  
September  
November

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PTSD Ward
Bldg. 143BE - 1st Fl. All-Purpose Room
(Please bring a dessert)

February
April
June
August, Sunday (VA Picnic)
October
December 2, Weds. (Holiday Party)

Recreation Dept. (908)-604-5810 or (908)-647-0180 Ext. 4327 (Days)

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