

**Charlottesville Regional Chamber of Commerce
Defense Affairs Committee**

**Regional Veteran Associated
Organizations**

**American Legion
Charlottesville and Albemarle: Post 74**

Mission:

National: The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization, committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow servicemembers and veterans . . . The American Legion is a nonpartisan, not-for-profit organization with great political influence perpetuated by its grass-roots involvement in the legislation process from local districts to Capitol Hill. Legionnaires' sense of obligation to community, state and nation drives an honest advocacy for veterans in Washington. The Legion stands behind the issues most important to the nation's veterans community, backed by resolutions passed by volunteer leadership.

Post 74: Proud to be the Charlottesville-Albemarle County home of The American Legion, the world's largest veterans organization with over 2.4 million members. As wartime veterans, working through nearly 15,000 community level posts, we dedicate ourselves to God and Country and traditional American values; strong national security; adequate and compassionate care for veterans, their widows and orphans; community service; and the wholesome development of our nation's youth.

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Phone: 434-978-1419 (Eades)
434-977-1050

Address: 3025 Louisa Road
Keswick, VA 22947
(P.O. Box 6566, Charlottesville, VA 22906)

Meeting: Post 74 meets on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in our beautiful facility, located in Shadwell . Social hour begins at 6:00 p.m. and dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.

Recurring Signature Events: Charlottesville Vietnam Memorial Rededication and Welcome Home Vietnam Era Veterans' Dinner/Dance. March/April

URL:

National: <https://www.legion.org/>

Local: <https://www.legionpost74.com>

**American Legion
Greene: Post 128**

Mission:

National: The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization, committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow servicemembers and veterans . . . The American Legion is a nonpartisan, not-for-profit organization with great political influence perpetuated by its grass-roots involvement in the legislation process from local districts to Capitol Hill. Legionnaires' sense of obligation to community, state and nation drives an honest advocacy for veterans in Washington. The Legion stands behind the issues most important to the nation's veterans community, backed by resolutions passed by volunteer leadership.

Post 128: The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. Legion Post 128, Greene County, is a local post in Stanardsville, VA, and part of the Virginia "Fighting" District 13.

Contact: Peter DeForth

E-mail: deforth@aol.com
legion128greenecounty@gmail.com

Phone: 703-477-2868

Address: 636 Madison RD
Standardsville, VA 22973

Meeting: Meets the first Wednesday of each month at 6.30 pm at the Post Building in Stanardsville.

Recurring Signature Events: Flag Ministry to Honor our Military. An American Flag In Memory Of those who gave all in serving our country or In Honor Of those who serve/have served in our military will be displayed surrounding the Memorial Statue in front of the American Legion Post 128 building. Memorial Day, Independence Day, Veteran's Day

URL:

National: <https://www.legion.org/>

Local: <https://www.sites.google.com/view/legion128/home>

**American Legion
Madison: Post 157**

Mission:

National: The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization, committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow servicemembers and veterans . . . The American Legion is a nonpartisan, not-for-profit organization with great political influence perpetuated by its grass-roots involvement in the legislation process from local districts to Capitol Hill. Legionnaires' sense of obligation to community, state and nation drives an honest advocacy for veterans in Washington. The Legion stands behind the issues most important to the nation's veterans community, backed by resolutions passed by volunteer leadership.

Post 157: Serving Veterans, Their Families And Serving Veterans, their families and the Madison County community.

Contact: Irvin C Beeler

E-mail: rental@vaalpost157.org

Phone: 540-543-6160

Address: 310 Thrift Rd
Madison VA 22727

Meeting: Meets for social time at 6:30 PM followed by monthly meeting at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 310 Thrift Road (Post Home) Madison, VA 22727

Recurring Signature Events: Fall Catfish Supper. April (2nd Saturday) and October (3rd Saturday)

Host the annual Oratorical contest for our high school students and send several eleventh graders in the summer to the Boys and Girls and Law Cadet State Programs.

URL:

National: <https://www.legion.org/>

Local: <https://www.vaalpost157.org/>

**American Legion
East Augusta County: Post 340**

Mission:

National: The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization, committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow servicemembers and veterans . . . The American Legion is a nonpartisan, not-for-profit organization with great political influence perpetuated by its grass-roots involvement in the legislation process from local districts to Capitol Hill. Legionnaires' sense of obligation to community, state and nation drives an honest advocacy for veterans in Washington. The Legion stands behind the issues most important to the nation's veterans community, backed by resolutions passed by volunteer leadership.

Post 340: Veterans still serving America

Contact: Michele C Taylor

E-mail: None listed--seem to use Facebook Messenger

Phone: None listed

Address: 13 East Side Hwy,
PO Box 961
Waynesboro, VA 22980

Meeting: Monthly Post 340 Meetings: 1900hrs, 1st Tuesday of the month at Shenandoah Heights Baptist Church, Shenandoah Ave in Waynesboro.

Recurring Signature Events: Annual Memorial Day service at Riverside Cemetery Waynesboro, VA. (May)

URL:

National: <https://www.legion.org/>

Local: <https://www.facebook.com/AmericanLegionPost340Virginia/>

**American Legion Auxiliary
Charlottesville and Albemarle Auxiliary Post 74**

Mission:

National Mission Statement: In the spirit of Service, Not Self, the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.

Vision Statement: The vision of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion while becoming the premier service organization and foundation of every community providing support for our veterans, our military, and their families by shaping a positive future in an atmosphere of fellowship, patriotism, peace and security.

Contact: None listed

E-mail: legionpost74@legionpost74.com

Phone: 434-977-1050

Address: 3025 Louisa Road
Keswick, VA 22947

(P.O. Box 6566, Charlottesville, VA 22906)

Meeting: Meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.at the Post in Keswick.

Recurring Signature Events: Charlottesville Vietnam Memorial Rededication and Welcome Home Vietnam Era Veterans' Dinner/Dance. March/April

URL:

National: <https://www.alaforveterans.org/>

Local: <https://www.legionpost74.com/auxiliary.html>

**American Legion Auxiliary
Madison Auxiliary Unit 157**

Mission:

National Mission Statement: In the spirit of Service, Not Self, the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security

Contact: Dottie Stephenson

E-mail:

Phone: (540) 948-5019

Address: 310 Thrift Rd
Madison VA 22727

Meeting: Meets for social time at 6:30 PM followed by monthly meeting at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 310 Thrift Road (Post Home) Madison, VA

Recurring Signature Events: Fall Catfish Supper. April (2nd Saturday) and October (3rd Saturday)

URL:

National: <https://www.alaforveterans.org/>

Local: <https://www.vaalpost157.org/home/auxiliaryunit157>

American Legion Riders
Charlottesville and Albemarle Post 74 Chapter of American Legion Riders

Mission:

National: American Legion Riders chapters are well known for their charitable work, which has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for local children's hospitals, schools, veterans homes, severely wounded service members and scholarships. Since 2006, Riders nationwide have participated in the Legion Legacy Run, to annually raise money for the Legacy Scholarship Fund, established to provide scholarships to children of U.S. military personnel killed since September 11, 2001.

Currently, 106,000 American Legion Riders meet in over a thousand chapters in every domestic department and in at least three foreign countries. Riders in all states have escorted military units returning home from combat tours overseas, conducted massive cross-country fundraising events for wounded warriors from all services, and have raised millions of dollars for countless local, state and national charities.

Local: Our Purpose

- To participate in parades and other ceremonies in keeping with the aims and purposes of the American Legion
- To promote motorcycle safety programs
- To provide a social atmosphere for American Legion members who share the same interests
- To use our Association to promote and support programs of the American Legion through service to our community, state, and nation

Contact: Director Charlie Monk **E-mail:** ragtop3627@aol.com.

Phone: (434) 977-1050

Address: 3025 Louisa Road
Keswick, VA 22947

(P.O. Box 6566, Charlottesville, VA 22906)

Meeting: Meets the second Saturday of every month at 0900 at the Post in Keswick.

Recurring Signature Events: Host the annual Oratorical contest for our high school students and send several eleventh graders in the summer to the Boys and Girls and Law Cadet State Programs.

URL:

National: <https://www.legion.org/riders>

Local: <http://www.al74riders.com/>

American Legion Riders
Madison County American Legion Post 157 Chapter of American Legion Riders

Mission:

Local: Purpose

- To promote motorcycle safety programs and to provide a social atmosphere for American Legion members who share the same interest.
- To participate in parades and other ceremonies which are in keeping with the Aims and Purposes of the American Legion.
- To organize and participate in charity events helping our Veterans, their families, and the Local Community.
- To use our Association to promote and support the programs of the American Legion.

Contact:

E-mail:

Phone: (540) 948-5019.

Address: 310 Thrift Road
Madison, VA 22727

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://www.legion.org/riders>

Local: <https://www.vaalpost157.org/home/american-legion-riders>

**American Legion, Sons of
Sons of American Legion Squadron, Post 74**

Mission:

National: Sons of The American Legion exists to honor the service and sacrifice of Legionnaires. SAL members include males of all ages whose parents or grandparents served in the U.S. military and were eligible for American Legion membership. SAL's mission: to strengthen the four pillars of The American Legion. Therefore, squadrons' campaigns place an emphasis on preserving American traditions and values, improving the quality of life for our nation's children, caring for veterans and their families, and teaching the fundamentals of good citizenship.

Contact: Lowell Badgley

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Phone: (434) 825-5759

Address: 3025 Louisa Road
Keswick, VA 22947
(P.O. Box 6566, Charlottesville, VA 22906)

Meeting: Meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://www.legion.org/sons>

Local: <https://www.legionpost74.com/sons-of-legion.html>

**American Legion, Sons of
Sons of American Legion Squadron, Post 157, Madison**

Mission: National: Sons of The American Legion exists to honor the service and sacrifice of Legionnaires. SAL members include males of all ages whose parents or grandparents served in the U.S. military and were eligible for American Legion membership. SAL's mission: to strengthen the four pillars of The American Legion. Therefore, squadrons' campaigns place an emphasis on preserving American traditions and values, improving the quality of life for our nation's children, caring for veterans and their families, and teaching the fundamentals of good citizenship.

Contact: Squadron Leader
Gerry Stephenson

E-mail:

Phone: (540) 948-5019

Address: 310 Thrift Road
Madison, VA 22727

Meeting: Second Wednesdays at 7:00 PM (19:00); Social Time starts at 6:30 PM

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://www.legion.org/sons>

Local: <https://www.vaalpost157.org/home/-sal-sons-of-the-american-legion>

**American Red Cross
Central Virginia Chapter**

Mission: National:

Mission Statement: The American Red Cross prevents and alleviates human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors.

Vision Statement: The American Red Cross, through its strong network of volunteers, donors and partners, is always there in times of need. We aspire to turn compassion into action so that...

...our communities are ready and prepared for disasters;

...everyone in our country has access to safe, lifesaving blood and blood products;

...all members of our armed services and their families find support and comfort whenever needed; and

...in an emergency, there are always trained individuals nearby, ready to use their Red Cross skills to save lives.

Contact: Nicholas Rader
(Executive Director)

E-mail: Nick.Rader@redcross.org

Phone: (434) 979-7143

Address: 1105 Rose Hill Drive
Charlottesville, Virginia 22903

Meeting: N/A

Recurring Signature Events: Training in first aid, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), Basic Life Support (BLS), and Automated External Defibrillator (AED). Periodic

URL:

National: <https://www.redcross.org/>

Local: https://www.redcross.org/local/virginia/about-us/locations.html?CID=organic_gmb_listings

**Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA),
Central Virginia Chapter**
(NOTE: Currently inactive)

Mission: National: AFCEA is an international organization that serves its members by providing a forum for the ethical exchange of information. AFCEA is dedicated to increasing knowledge through the exploration of issues relevant to its members in information technology, communications, and electronics for the defense, homeland security and intelligence communities.

Local: Serves the Defense and Intelligence Industry in the Greater Charlottesville area to include several local large and small businesses, the Defense Intelligence Agency, National Ground Intelligence Center, National Geospatial Intelligence Center, and US Army. Our chapter has quarterly luncheons with speakers such as senior executives w/in the DIA, NGIC, and Army INSCOM. We also had speakers from academia and industry related to Cyber, Biometrics, ISR, data science, big data and any current threats or capability. We continue to spotlight local Small Businesses at our luncheons to provide more visibility to the small businesses in our area. Our luncheons were underwritten this year (2016) by the University of Virginia Foundation which enabled us to partner with the AFCEA Education Foundation to provide teaching scholarships and grants to local teachers. We sponsored a category award for the Virginia Piedmont Regional Science Fair and several of our members served as judges. We awarded STEM Teaching grants to local teachers and awarded scholarships to women and minorities in STEM related fields. We were contacted by area ROTC programs to award medals and ribbons to graduating cadets on behalf of AFCEA Education Foundation. We hosted our Annual Engagement/Industry Day June 1, 2016. Our theme was Open Source/Big Data.

Contact: Adrian Felts

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Phone:

Address:

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://www.afcea.org/site/>

Local:

https://www.afcea.org/membership/chapters/chapterdb/sg_detail.jsp?subgroup_id=100000451

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/afceaceva/>

**Association of the US Army (AUSA)
Central Virginia Chapter (#2809)**

Mission: National: AUSA supports soldiers, their families, and Army civilians, provides a voice for the Army and honors those who have served.

Local: The Central Virginia Chapter covers the metropolitan areas of Richmond and Charlottesville. Membership open to all who are interested in the U.S. Army and want to support its success for the Soldiers and the nation.

Contact:

E-mail:

Phone: 804-852-7365

Address: 14208 Cove Ridge Ct
Midlothian, VA 23112

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://www.ausa.org/>

Local: <https://www.ausa.org/chapters/central-virginia-chapter>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100009308114455>

**Blue Star Mothers of America
Blue Star Mothers of Central VA**

Mission: National: The Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc. is a non-partisan, non-political, non-sectarian organization. We do not support any political candidate, nor do we endorse any religious organization. The military represents all aspects of America as does our organization. Links to our website do not represent an endorsement. We are a 501(c)3 Organization. We are mothers, stepmothers, grandmothers, foster mothers and female legal guardians who have children serving in the military, guard or reserves, or children who are veterans. We support each other and our children while promoting patriotism. Our organization focuses on our mission every single day and will never, ever, forsake our troops, our veterans or the families of our Fallen Heroes.

Local: We Offer Strength and Support to Military Families in Central Virginia

Contact: Martha Horsfall

E-mail: bsfcv@bsfcv.avenue.org

Phone: 434-806-3387

Address: P.O. Box 5182 Charlottesville, VA 22905-5182

Meeting: We meet the 3rd Thursday of the month at the American Legion Post 74, 3025 Louisa Road, Shadwell, Virginia 22947

Recurring Signature Events: The Blue Star Families of Central Virginia War Dogs project shows support for the most heroic, professional, and inspirational animals in the world: Military Working Dogs (MWD)! In addition to standard CARE package items for the handler, the MWD gets items such as KONGS and other heavy-duty chew toys, firehose pull toys, Jolly Pet balls, Furminator and other grooming products, special dog soap/shampoo, collapsible dog water bowls, salves for paws and noses, K-9 toothpaste and brushes, and dog treats (made in the U.S.A. only.)

URL:

National: <https://www.bluestarmothers.org/>

Local: <https://bsfcv.avenue.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BlueStarFamiliesOfCentralVirginia/?ref=bookmarks>

**Boulder Crest
Boulder Crest Virginia**

Mission: As the leader in the field of Post-traumatic Growth, Boulder Crest Foundation ensures that combat veterans, first responders, and their families can live great lives in the aftermath of trauma. We transform struggle into strength and lifelong Posttraumatic Growth through our game-changing strategies.

Contact: Dusty Baxley
(Executive Director)

E-mail:

Phone: (540) 554-2727

Address: 33735 Snickersville Turnpike
PO Box 117, Bluemont, VA 20135

Meeting: N/A

Recurring Signature Events:

URL: <https://bouldercrest.org/>

Buffalo Soldiers
Greater Washington DC Chapter, 9th & 10th (Horse) Cavalry Association

Mission: National: Our mission is to perpetuate, educate, and celebrate the rich legacy and heritage of the famed Buffalo Soldier.

Local: The Washington DC Chapter was chartered as an affiliate of the National 9th & 10th (Horse) Cavalry Association in 1993. Our mission is to perpetuate the memory of comrades who have passed on and the history of the accomplishments of the "Buffalo Soldiers" 9th and 10th Regiments in the defense of our country.

As a non-profit educational, patriotic, and military service organization, we adhere to the underlying principles of the association which are:

- Patriotic allegiance to the United States of America
- Fidelity to the Constitution and laws of the United States
- Promotion of world peace

Contact: Michael Theard

E-mail:

Phone:

Address: 9th & 10th (Horse) Cavalry Association
P.O. Box 62501
Washington, DC 20029-2501

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://www.910hcav.org/>

Local: <http://www.buffalosoldiers-washington.com/>

**Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association
Central Virginia Chapter 27-3**

Mission: National: We are an association of combat veterans from all branches of the United States Armed Forces who ride motorcycles as a hobby. As a registered 501(c)(19) veterans' charity, our mission is to support and protect those who have defended our country and our freedoms. Our focus is to provide assistance and help to individual veterans, veteran care facilities, other veteran organizations and registered charities. We sponsor and participate in many veteran-related motorcycle (and other) charity events each year, and as a non-profit organization, donate to various veteran causes. Our mission statement is Veterans Helping Veterans.

Local: We represent our Brothers and Sisters in arms and their families, Past, Present, and Future. To this end, we hold ourselves to the highest of standards as we understand our responsibility to those that went before us. We embody the customs and traditions of Military Service Veterans.

Contact: Louis Johnston

E-mail:

Phone:

Address:

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://www.combatvet.us/>

Local: <https://www.combatvet27-3.org/>

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/cvma273/?ref=page_internal

Darden Military Association (UVA Darden School of Business)

Mission: The Darden Military Association (DMA) exists to assist members in leveraging former and current military experiences to enhance career opportunities within the private sector, build esprit de corps and camaraderie within the Darden Community and host lively leisure events. DMA is open to all members (both current and former) of U.S. and foreign militaries, their partners and any individual who is interested in embracing leadership issues or learning about the military.

DMA aims to provide a familiar support structure that will help you and your family achieve a successful transition. The transition from military to civilian life generates new issues, concerns and questions. There are a lot of questions that many of us have had and will have during our time at Darden. Some are as general as learning about civilian industries and job opportunities, while others are as specific as how to translate military experiences into a solid résumé. DMA exists to share these issues and engage in dialogue that supports our individual goals.

Although this organization has members who are University of Virginia students and may have University employees associated or engaged in its activities and affairs, the organization is not a part of or an agency of the University. It is a separate and independent organization which is responsible for and manages its own activities and affairs. The University does not direct, supervise or control the organization and is not responsible for the organization's contracts, acts or omissions.

Contact: Tommy Rose (President) **E-mail:** DMA@darden.virginia.edu

Phone:

Address:

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events:

URL: <https://www.dardenveterans.com/>

**Disabled American Veterans
Charlottesville Chapter 33**

Mission: National: DAV is a nonprofit charity that provides a lifetime of support for veterans of all generations and their families, helping more than 1 million veterans in positive, life-changing ways each year. Annually, the organization provides more than 600,000 rides to veterans attending medical appointments and assists veterans with well over 200,000 benefit claims . . . DAV is also a leader in connecting veterans with meaningful employment, hosting job fairs and providing resources to ensure they have the opportunity to participate in the American Dream their sacrifices have made possible.

Chapter: To help serve the veterans with their problems and bring a serve of value to their lives. DAV Chapter 33 exists to assist Veterans and their families in obtaining the benefits they have earned with their service to our country.

Contact: Douglas Morgan

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Phone: (434) 872-3702
(434) 996-4814

Address: PO Box 6816
Charlottesville, VA 22906
3025 Louisa Rd, Keswick, VA 22947

Meeting: Meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Time: 5:30 PM

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://www.dav.org/>

Local: <http://www.davmembersportal.org/chapters/va/33/default.aspx>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/DAVChapter33/>

**Disabled American Veterans
Skyline Chapter 30**

Mission: National: DAV is a nonprofit charity that provides a lifetime of support for veterans of all generations and their families, helping more than 1 million veterans in positive, life-changing ways each year. Annually, the organization provides more than 600,000 rides to veterans attending medical appointments and assists veterans with well over 200,000 benefit claims . . . DAV is also a leader in connecting veterans with meaningful employment, hosting job fairs and providing resources to ensure they have the opportunity to participate in the American Dream their sacrifices have made possible.

Chapter 30: We are dedicated to a single purpose: empowering veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity. We accomplish this by ensuring that veterans and their families can access the full range of benefits available to them; fighting for the interests of America's injured heroes on Capitol Hill; and educating the public about the great sacrifices and needs of veterans transitioning back to civilian life.

This mission is carried forward by:

- Providing free, professional assistance to veterans and their families in obtaining benefits and services earned through military service and provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and other agencies of government;
- Providing outreach concerning its program services to the American people generally, and to disabled veterans and their families specifically;
- Representing the interests of disabled veterans, their families, their widowed spouses and their orphans before Congress, the White House and the Judicial Branch, as well as state and local government;
- Extending DAV's mission of hope into the communities where these veterans and their families live through a network of state-level Departments and local Chapters; and
- Providing a structure through which disabled veterans can express their compassion for their fellow veterans through a variety of volunteer programs.

Contact: Roger Eagle

E-mail:

Phone: (540)-885-3808

Address: PO Box 1621
Waynesboro, VA 22980

Meeting: Meetings Are Held on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM. Location is the Golden Corral at 5 Appletree Ln, Waynesboro, VA

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://www.dav.org/>

Local: <http://www.davmembersportal.org/chapters/va/30/default.aspx>

**Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary
Charlottesville Chapter 33**

Mission: National: Since 1922 the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary (DAVA) has partnered with the DAV parent organization in their mission of service to disabled veterans and their families. That relationship has continued to flourish, and the blended organizations have achieved many victories in their quest to improve the quality of life our veterans rightly deserve. Our members are diverse in their interests which is what has made the DAVA so successful. Our programs include Americanism, Community Service, Junior Activities, Legislative, and VA Voluntary Services. Foremost in our hearts is the goal of assuring benefit entitlement and compassion for our disabled veterans and their families.

Local:

Contact:

E-mail:

Phone: (434) 823-7400

Address: PO Box 6816
Charlottesville, VA 22906
3025 Louisa Rd, Keswick, VA 22947

Meeting: Sunday, 2:00 PM

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://auxiliary.dav.org/>

Local:

Dogwood Vietnam Memorial Foundation

Mission: The Foundation is comprised of approximately twenty-five all volunteer members, most of whom have served in this country's military, the majority in the war in Vietnam, and all of whom are dedicated to perpetuating the Memorial. As part of carrying out that mission, the Foundation has plans, among other things, to obtain additional signage on the nearby roadways to highlight and direct the public to the Memorial; erect an information kiosk at the Memorial, including biographical profiles of the 24 young men memorialized therein; and establish an education program concerning the war in Vietnam in conjunction with the local schools and other civic groups in the region.

Contact: Jim Shisler, President **E-mail:** liz@gitchellsstudio.com

Phone: **Address:**

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events: Charlottesville Vietnam Memorial Annual Rededication. April

URL:

Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/pg/charlottesville.vietnam.memorial/about/?ref=page_internal

4 Our Freedom

Mission: The 4 Our Freedom 5K provides critical financial support to local organizations that directly serve our military, their families, and our veterans that live in the central Virginia region. A small portion of the funds raised are used to cover the administrative costs of the race with all remaining funds going to the identified local organizations helping our military, their families, and veterans. ParadeRest Virginia, a local non-profit expressing gratitude to our military, their families, and veterans, will once again administer the race with the tireless support of our dedicated race committee members and the University of Virginia Foundation.

Contact: Ernie Harper, Director of the
bbrowning@paraderestva.org
Board for ParadeRest Virginia

E-mail:

Phone:

Address:

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events: 5K race to benefit ParadeRest and other local organizations. June

URL: <http://www.4ourfreedom5k.com/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/4ourfreedom5k>

**Marine Corps League
Bradley T Arms Detachment (#1256)**

Mission: National: The mission of the Marine Corps League is to promote the interest and to preserve traditions of the United States Marine Corps; strengthen the fraternity of Marines and their families; serve Marines, FMF Corpsmen, and FMF Chaplains who wear or who have worn the Eagle, Globe and Anchor; and foster the ideals of Americanism and patriotic volunteerism.

Local: We provide an opportunity for active and inactive Marines from all parts of central Virginia to meet, participate in community service projects, and have some fun in the process.

Contact: James O'Kelley

E-mail: okelly910@comcast.net

Phone: 434-984-5049

Address: 3025 Louisa Rd
Keswick, VA 22947

Meeting: 3rd Thursday - 1830

Recurring Signature Events: Toys For Tots, Fall. Annual MCL Picnic at the ELK's CLUB.
August

URL:

National: <https://www.mclnational.org/>

Local: <https://bradleytarmsdetachment.org/>

**Military Officer's Association of America (MOAA)
Central Virginia Chapter**

Mission: National: MOAA is the nation's largest and most influential association of military officers. It is an independent, nonprofit, politically nonpartisan organization. With more than 350,000 members from every branch of service - including active duty, National Guard, Reserve, retired, former officers, and their families - we are a powerful force speaking for a strong national defense and representing the interests of military officers at every stage of their careers. MOAA's highest priority is providing first-class service to our members. We are the leading voice on compensation and benefit matters for all members of the military community. We provide expert advice and guidance to our members.

Chapter: The mission of the Chapter is to promote the purposes and objectives of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA); foster relations among retired, active and former officers of the uniformed services and their National Guard or Reserve components; advance the rights and interests of active duty, retired, Reserve and National Guard personnel of the uniformed services, their families and their survivors; provide useful services for members and their families; and serve the community and the Nation.

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Meeting: Luncheon every 4th Thursday at the Glenmore Country Club

Recurring Signature Events: The Chapter presents MOAA awards at Junior ROTC ceremonies at a local high school, and works closely with the Army, Navy and Air Force ROTC units at the University of Virginia. It participates in local patriotic observances such as Memorial Day, Veterans Day and the annual rededication of Charlottesville's Vietnam Veterans Memorial. The Chapter has a formal dinner in June, and an annual picnic at a farm in the middle of Virginia's picturesque horse country.

URL:

National: <https://www.moaa.org/>

Local: <https://chapterdues.moaa.org/centralvirginia>

**National Sojourners
James Monroe #549 (Jack Jouett Camp)**

Mission: National: The Purposes of National Sojourners shall be to organize current and former members of the uniformed forces of the United States, and Honorary Members who are Master Masons, into Chapters for the promotion of good fellowship among its members, for assisting such as may be overtaken by adversity or affliction, for cultivating Masonic ideals, for supporting all patriotic aims and activities in Masonry, for developing true Patriotism and Americanism throughout the Nation, for bringing together representatives of the uniformed forces of the United States (past and present) in a united effort to further the military need of National Defense, and for opposing any influence whatsoever calculated to weaken the National Security.

Local: Provide scholarships to send local high school students to the Youth Leadership Conference at Valley Forge to learn about American history, and raise money plus toys for the US Marine's Toy for Tots in December.

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Meeting: Dinner meetings six times a year

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://nationalsojourners.org/>

Local: <https://nationalsojourners.org/chapters/chapter-49/>

**National Association for Black Veterans (NABVETS)
Richmond Chapter #0007**

Mission:

Mission: We at NABVETS want to honor the bravery and the strength of the people who were ready to save the mother land.

Vision: We ensure that these veterans receive the respect they deserve from the society and lead a peaceful life.

Philosophy: We want to make sure that the community understands the value of working and helping these veterans gain peace.

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(Chapter Commander)

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Richmond, VA 23235

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://nabvets.com/>

Local:

**Navy League
Richmond Virginia Council**

Mission:

National: As part of its mission focus, the Navy League of the United States:

- Enhances the morale of sea service personnel and their families through national and council level programs.
- Provides a powerful voice to educate the public and Congress on the importance of our sea services to our nation's defense, well-being and economic prosperity.
- Supports youth through programs, such as the U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps, Junior ROTC and Young Marines, that expose young people to the values of our sea services.

Local: We want to share with you our enthusiasm and support of the men and women of our military sea services: the U.S. Navy, Marines Corps, Coast Guard, Merchant Marine and Military Sealift Command, their families, and our related Youth Programs.

Contact: Harvey Lankford

E-mail: www.navyleague-richmond.com

Phone: 804-355-7557

Address: 2015 West Laburnum Avenue
Richmond, VA

Mail to: Box 11201, Richmond, VA 23230

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events:

- Council's Annual Dinner & Business Mtg. January
- Spring Luncheon. March
- Navy League Golf Outing & main fundraiser. May
- Memorial Day wreath presentation, VA War Memorial. May
- Summer Luncheon. June
- Flag Retirement Ceremony at Virginia War Memorial. June
- Annual Navy League Golf Outing & main fundraiser. September
- Veteran's Day Ceremony - Va War Memorial. November
- Annual Pearl Harbor Day Remembrance, VA War Memorial. December

URL:

National: <https://www.navyleague.org/>

Local: <http://www.navyleague-richmond.com/>

Parade Rest 4 Our Freedom

Mission:

National: Composed of veterans, non-veterans, and representatives of the University of Virginia and Charlottesville area community, the ParadeRest Board has donated its time since 2009 towards providing ways to engage military personnel and their families with the local community. Expressions of gratitude for our veterans have taken the form of donated tickets to entertainment and sporting events.

ParadeRest was launched with the assistance of the National Headquarters of the American Red Cross, the Blue Star Families of Central Virginia and the Research Strategies Network with the purpose of encouraging such expressions of our community's gratitude, and to provide returning and soon-to-be-deployed service members, and their families during their deployments, with convenient online information and access to these invitations and opportunities. Because of its role in community resilience as well as oral history, and its relevance to Critical Incident Analysis, UVA's Critical Incident Analysis Group (CIAG) also supports ParadeRest in its educational mission.

Local: The 4 Our Freedom 5K provides critical financial support to local organizations that directly serve our military, their families, and our veterans that live in the central Virginia region. A small portion of the funds raised are used to cover the administrative costs of the race with all remaining funds going to the identified local organizations helping our military, their families, and veterans. ParadeRest Virginia, a local non-profit expressing gratitude to our military, their families, and veterans, will once again administer the race with the tireless support of our dedicated race committee members and the University of Virginia Foundation.

Contact: Ernie Harper
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Staff:

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Charlottesville, VA 22903

Address: 801 West Main ST, SUITE 106

Meeting: N/A

Recurring Signature Events:

- UVa Football Military Appreciation Day. Fall
- Recognizes, honors and supports high school seniors who plan to enlist in the US Armed Services after graduation as part of Our Community Salutes. May
- 4 Our Freedom 5k. June

URL:

National: <https://www.paraderestva.org/>

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/paraderestva/?ref=br_rs

Local: <http://www.4ourfreedom5k.com/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/4ourfreedom5k>

**Student Veterans of America
Student Veterans of America at UVA**

Mission:

National: With a mission focused on empowering student veterans, Student Veterans of America (SVA) is committed to providing an educational experience that goes beyond the classroom. Through a dedicated network of more than 1,500 on-campus chapters in all 50 states and 4 countries representing more than 750,000 student veterans, SVA aims to inspire yesterday's warriors by connecting student veterans with a community of like-minded chapter leaders. Every day these passionate leaders work to provide the necessary resources, network support, and advocacy to ensure student veterans can effectively connect, expand their skills, and ultimately achieve their greatest potential.

Local: The mission of the Student Veterans of America chapter at the University of Virginia can be divided into the following 2 parts: community and information.

- We are committed to supporting the student-veterans at UVA by fostering a positive social and professional network. As student-veterans, we understand the challenges that are inevitable upon separation from military service and transitioning to academic life. By creating community consciousness, we are able to share our experiences, learn from each other, and successfully address the challenges unique to veterans together.

- Information. SVA at UVA is committed to identifying and disseminating information about opportunities that present themselves to student-veterans and other military-affiliated students. This includes, but isn't limited to scholarships, employers, Veterans Affairs information, seminars, local events, application-based majors, UVA hosted events specifically for veterans and social functions.

Contact: Thomas Doyle

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studentvetsuva@gmail.com (Chapter)

Phone:

Address: 235 McCormick Road
Garrett Hall
Charlottesville, VA
22904

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events:

URL: National: <https://studentveterans.org/>

Local: <https://atuva.student.virginia.edu/organization/sva>
<http://uvaveteran.landon.co/> (NOTE: does not load)

Student Veterans of America
Student Veterans of America—PVCC

Mission:

National: With a mission focused on empowering student veterans, Student Veterans of America (SVA) is committed to providing an educational experience that goes beyond the classroom. Through a dedicated network of more than 1,500 on-campus chapters in all 50 states and 4 countries representing more than 750,000 student veterans, SVA aims to inspire yesterday's warriors by connecting student veterans with a community of like-minded chapter leaders. Every day these passionate leaders work to provide the necessary resources, network support, and advocacy to ensure student veterans can effectively connect, expand their skills, and ultimately achieve their greatest potential.

Local: Student Veterans of America provides students who are veterans or active service members and their families with the resources, support and advocacy needed to meet their education and career goals while at PVCC and following graduation. The organization participates in and organizes projects, events and activities and provides a social group to help veterans transition to life on campus and in the community.

Contact: Jackie Fisher (Staff Advisor) **E-mail:** jfisher@pvcc.edu

Phone: (434) 961-5282

Address: 501 College Dr.
Main Building, Room M143
Charlottesville, VA 22902

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://studentveterans.org/>

Local: <https://www.pvcc.edu/student-veterans-america>

Team Red, White, and Blue (RWB)
Team RWB—Charlottesville

Mission:

National: To enrich the lives of America's veterans by connecting them to their community through physical and social activity. Team Red, White & Blue is a registered 501c3 nonprofit organization with headquarters in Atlanta, GA.

Contact: Heath Forbes
Tony Cruz
(Veteran Engagement Director)

E-mail: heath.forbes@teamrwb.org

Phone:

Address:

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events:

URL: National: <https://www.teamrwb.org/about-us/mission/>

Local: <https://www.teamrwb.org/chapter/team-rwb-charlottesville-va/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/teamrwbcharlottesville/>

**US Dept of Veterans Affairs
Charlottesville VA Clinic**

Mission:

National: To fulfill President Lincoln's promise "To care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan" by serving and honoring the men and women who are America's veterans.

VA carries out four specific missions to make good on that commitment.

- Veterans Health Care
- Veterans Benefits
- National Cemeteries
- To improve the Nation's preparedness for response to war, terrorism, national emergencies, and natural disasters by developing plans and taking actions to ensure continued service to veterans, as well as to support national, state, and local emergency management, public health, safety and homeland security efforts.

Vision: To provide veterans the world-class benefits and services they have earned - and to do so by adhering to the highest standards of compassion, commitment, excellence, professionalism, integrity, accountability, and stewardship.

Local:

- Primary care services for veterans in the Charlottesville metro area.
- Mental Health services including individual, group and family counseling.
- Personal Care: Highly qualified primary care providers, specialty care referrals to the Richmond VA Medical Center.
- Laboratory: Blood drawing services are available for CBOC patients.

Contact:

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Phone: 434-293-3890

Address: 590 Peter Jefferson Parkway
Suite 250
Charlottesville, VA 22911-4655

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://www.va.gov/>

Local: <https://www.richmond.va.gov/locations/Charlottesville.asp>

**Veteran's of Foreign Wars (VFW)
Post 1827 (John C. Culin Post--Charlottesville)**

Mission:

National: To foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts. To serve our veterans, the military and our communities. To advocate on behalf of all veterans.

Our Vision: Ensure that veterans are respected for their service, always receive their earned entitlements, and are recognized for the sacrifices they and their loved ones have made on behalf of this great country.

Local: (None)

Contact: Bob "Chief" Wyman

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vfw1827@gmail.com

Phone: 434-293-4847

Address: 1170 River Road
Charlottesville, VA 22902

Meeting: 2nd Monday @ 1830 hours.

Recurring Signature Events:

URL: National: <https://www.vfw.org/>

Local: <http://myvfw.org/va/post1827/> (NOTE: Site not active)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/CharlottesvilleVFW/about/>

**Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)
Post 2044 (Champ J. Lawson Jr. and Douglas Hall Kirby Post--Earlysville)**

Mission:

National: To foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts. To serve our veterans, the military and our communities. To advocate on behalf of all veterans.

Our Vision: Ensure that veterans are respected for their service, always receive their earned entitlements, and are recognized for the sacrifices they and their loved ones have made on behalf of this great country.

Local:

Contact: William Zorn

E-mail:

Phone:

Address: PO Box 147
Earlysville, VA 22936

Meeting: Meeting Location & Time: 283 Reas Ford Rd, Earlysville, VA. 7:00 pm last Thursday

Recurring Signature Events: Roll Call - Veteran Benefits Open House. June

URL:

National: <https://www.vfw.org/>

Local: <https://vfw2044.org/di/vfw/v2/default.asp>

**Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)
Post 8169 (Scottsville)**

Mission:

National: To foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts. To serve our veterans, the military and our communities. To advocate on behalf of all veterans.

Our Vision: Ensure that veterans are respected for their service, always receive their earned entitlements, and are recognized for the sacrifices they and their loved ones have made on behalf of this great country.

Local: (None)

Contact: Jim White

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Phone: (434) 960-2050

Address: 2977 West River Road
Scottsville, Virginia 24590

Meeting: Second Sunday of every month at 3pm

Recurring Signature Events: Scottsville Memorial Day Observance. May

URL:

National: <https://www.vfw.org/>

Local: <https://vfw8169.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/vfwpost8169>

**Virginia Department of Veterans Services
Charlottesville Benefits Office**

Mission:

State: The Virginia Department of Veterans Services (DVS) connects Virginia's veterans and their families to federal and state benefits, support, quality care, and recognition they have earned.

Local: The VDVS Benefits Services division advocates for Virginia veterans and connects them to benefits and services they have earned. Information on current federal, state and local veterans' programs, entitlements and referral services is available in Virginia through a network of 34 benefit service offices. All services are provided free of charge. Service area consists of the counties of Albemarle, Fluvanna, Greene, Louisa, Madison, Nelson, and Orange; the city of Charlottesville.

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Pamela Zirkle

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Phone: (434) 529-6431

Address: 1430 Rolkin Court
Suite 202
Charlottesville, Virginia 22911

Meeting: The Charlottesville Benefit Office operating hours are Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Veterans will be seen from 8:30 am to 3:00 p.m. The office will be CLOSED to the public on the last business day of the month.

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

State: <https://www.dvs.virginia.gov/>

Local: <https://www.dvs.virginia.gov/dvs/locations/charlottesville-field-office>

**Virginia Values Veterans (3)
Southwest and Central Virginia**

Mission: The Virginia Values Veterans Program is a free training and certification program for employers to help them implement nationally recognized best practices in recruiting, hiring, and retaining highly-skilled and dependable Veterans. The V3 Program not only aims to educate and train companies on why it is a good business decision to recruit, hire, train, and retain Veterans, but also to help those committed companies meet their hiring goals.

Contact: Meagan LoBuglio
(V3 Regional Program Manager)

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Phone: (540) 220-1091

Address:

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events: V3 Conferences where employers representing their companies came to hear about a new opportunity to connect their companies with a highly-skilled, well-educated, and easily-trained leadership talent pool: Virginia's Veterans.

URL: <https://dsvs3.com/>

**Virginia Veteran and Family Support (VVSF--a component of the DVS,
and formerly known as the Virginia Wounded Warrior Program)
Central Region**

Mission: State: The Central Region of VVFS proudly serves Central Virginia's veterans and their family members with access to behavioral health, rehabilitative, and supportive services. VVFS places special emphasis on assisting service members, veterans, and families on their road to recovery from the effects of stress-related injuries (such as combat stress, post traumatic stress or military sexual trauma) or traumatic brain injuries.

Contact: Ben Shaw
(Regional Director)

E-mail:

Phone: 804-690-3217

Address:

Meeting: Our staff will be serving the needs of our veterans and their family members by appointment only. As we re-open offices, we are ensuring all social distancing protocols are in place for the safety of our staff and service members and veteran families.

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

State: <https://www.dvs.virginia.gov/virginia-veteran-and-family-support-2/vvfs>

Local: <https://www.dvs.virginia.gov/virginia-veteran-and-family-support-2/find-support/region-4-central>

**West Point Association of Graduates/ Societies
West Point Society of Monticello (VA3)**

Mission: National: West Point Association of Graduates (WPAOG) is the Alumni Association for the United States Military Academy (USMA). Its mission is to serve West Point and its graduates; its purpose is to further the ideals and promote the welfare of the USMA. WPAOG's vision is to be the most highly connected alumni body in the world.

Local: The West Point Society of Monticello seeks to promote the values of USMA through social and charitable activities with fellow graduates.

Contact: William Pavlick

E-mail:

Phone:

Address:

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events:

URL:

National: <https://www.westpointaog.org/societies>

Local: <https://sallyport.westpointaog.org/topics/15917>

Mission:

Contact:

E-mail:

Phone:

Address:

Meeting:

Recurring Signature Events:

URL: