



MEDIA ADVISORY

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Ohio Veterans Services Director Chip Tansill to Highlight Jobs, Education and Resources for Veterans in Marietta and the Surrounding Communities

Tuesday, April 5

Military Culture and Veteran Hiring Training

The Ohio Department of Veterans Services is partnering with the Marietta Area Chamber of Commerce and Washington State Community College to host a training for employers interested in veteran hiring and retention. The training includes information about military culture, veteran hiring and connecting to Ohio Means Jobs.

Location: WSCC – Main Building, Room A102, 710 Colegate Drive, Marietta, OH

Time: Tuesday, April 5, 9am – 10am

Veteran Challenge Coin Presentation to Thank Army Corps of Engineers at Hannibal Locks and Dam for hiring local Veterans

Twelve out of a total of 16 employees who work at the Hannibal Locks and Dam are veterans. What an outstanding ratio! Chip Tansill, Director of the Ohio Department of Veterans Services will present Kathy Griffin, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers assistant chief of operations, and Supervisor Mathew Scott Edgar the OhioMeansJobs Veteran Challenge Coin for hiring and retaining Ohio Veterans. The 12 employees who are veterans will also receive a coin.

Location: Hannibal Locks and Dam 40344 State Route 7, Hannibal, OH

Time: Tuesday, April 5, 11:45 am

Marietta VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic Tour

Ohio Department of Veterans Services (DVS) Director Chip Tansill and key DVS staff members will tour the new U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Community Based Outpatient Clinic at the Reno Business Park.

Time: Tuesday, April 5, 3:30 pm

Location: 27843 State Route 7, Marietta, OH

Mid Ohio Valley Veterans Outreach (MVVO)

Ohio Department of Veterans Services (DVS) Director Chip Tansill and key DVS staff members will meet with the members of the Mid Ohio Valley Veterans Outreach group to learn more about MOVVO's innovative approach to connecting veterans and military families in the area with support, services and social activities.

Time: Tuesday, April 5, 4:30 pm

Location: Washington County Veterans Service Office
706 Pike, Street Suite 1, Marietta, OH

Adult Basic Literacy Education Visit

DVS Director Tansill will join the Chancellor Carey of the Ohio Department of Higher Education and Dr. Rivera interim superintendent of the Department of Education will visit the Washington County Career Center to see how they are helping adults get their high school equivalency.

Time: Tuesday, April 5, 6 p.m.

Location: Washington County Career Center, 21740 St. Rte. 676, Marietta, OH

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Wednesday April 6**Veterans Resource Fair**

A resource fair where veterans and military families from Washington and surrounding counties can connect with jobs, benefits, services, employment and TriCare workshops, free VA health screenings and free Tax preparation.

Time: Wednesday April 6, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. *Director Tansill and Governor's Office of Appalachia Director Wilson will provide opening remarks to the exhibitors and then greet veterans and military families as they enter the Resource Fair at 10 am.

Location: Marietta Armory, 241 Front Street, Marietta, OH

Student Veteran Roundtable

Chancellor Carey of the Ohio Department of Higher Education and DVS Director Tansill will lead a discussion with student veterans at Washington State Community College.

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Location: Washington State Community College, 710 Colegate Drive, Marietta, OH

The Ohio Department of Veterans Services works to actively identify, connect with, and advocate for veterans and their families. Ohio law gives the department the responsibility to partner with county veteran service commissions and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, in order to "serve those who have served."

To learn more about benefits, bonuses, jobs and resources for Ohio veterans and military families visit www.ohiovet.gov, download the Ohio DVS Mobile App for your phone or tablet, or call 1-877-OhioVet.