May is here and the weather has changed, warm weather has arrived! Hooray! Well we have had a very busy month. We had fifty three phone calls to the office and seventeen visits.

Our volunteer van drivers have escorted eight veterans to Roudebush in Indianapolis and seven veterans to the Danville Illinois to the VA. I have had two people call to sign up to be VA van drivers and I want to say thank you.

What is the veteran Award Recovery you ask? It is the amount of money given to veterans who have war related disabilities. Our county veterans received compensation in the amount of 91,493.00 this past month.

Honor Flight was April 17, 2018,when eighty five veterans along with their guardians went to Washington DC to see their memorials and it was again great. It was a little cool but they still had a fantastic time. For the first time we stopped at the Pentagon to see the memorial for those that lost their lives on 9.11.2001. It was very surreal.

Now I need to ask the people of Montgomery County to let me know who the oldest veteran of Montgomery County is. We are doing something special to recognize that veteran. Please call me at 765-401-0432.

For those veterans that have tried to get a Veteran ID card online and can’t here is an alternative to doing that. At this time the best course of action is to take your DD-214 to the BMV license branch when you renew your driver’s license and show it to them. The BMV will put a “V” on the back of your driver’s license and that will do the same thing as the Veteran ID card.  If you present your DD-214 when not renewing your license there will be a charge of $10.00 for the update.

As always please remember to take your DD-214 up to the recorder’s office in the court house and have it recorded. Doing this ensures that if you would have a fire or water damage in your home etc. it is still be available to you.

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