Summer has finally arrived and we have gone from rainy to hot weather. Our volunteer drivers have escorted fifteen veterans to Roudebush Hospital in Indianapolis, IN and seven veterans to Danville, IL Hospital. I also received sixty-seven phone calls to my office this past month and had nineteen veterans come to office for consultations.

Any veteran that needs a ride to Roudebush or Danville VA Hospitals should call at least a week in advance to schedule a driver. Please call me at 765-361-4133.

The American Legion in Crawfordsville has invited me to come to their place starting on August 1st Thursday from 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm to answer any questions a veteran might have. I will be there the first Thursday of each month. The dates for 2019 are August 1st, September 5th, October 3rd, November 7th and December 5th. Please come and see me.

I still need drivers to escort the veterans to Indianapolis, and Danville, IL. You do not need to be a veteran and it can be a man or a woman. We drive from 7:00 am to 12:00 noon Monday thru Friday. You would drive once a week if that much so please contact me. Phone me at 765-361-4133 and leave me a message.

We have a Veteran Legal Clinic that meets once a month. The next meeting will be July 16th and it will be No Cost, No Appointment needed Walk-in to address your civil legal matter such as: Eviction/ Foreclosure issues, Child Support and Family Law, Outstanding warrants/ fines, restoring driver’s licenses and Discharge upgrades it will be available from 1-4PM in room C-1202 at Roudebush VA Medical Center 1481 W. 10th street, Indianapolis, IN 46202 Room C-1202 any questions please call Sandy Whiteley at 317-988-1406.

The following is some of the information I received at my VSO training in June.

A veteran who is age 62 with a 10% or more service connected disability the property tax assessment rate for your home has increased from $175,000 to $200,000. Please contact the auditor’s office if this applies to your home.

CapTel Catpioned Telephone services are for veterans and other individuals who have difficulty hearing on the phone under the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act this service is free. This is a phone with a screen to read your phone calls instead of listening to them. We have forms in the office if you are interested. In the future we are to receive a demonstration phone.

There are 409,836 veterans in Indiana and we are the 4th largest Army National Guard.