MAY, 2020 VETERANS NEWSLETTER

Looks like May will be another month to write about in our journals as April and most of 2020 will go down in the history books as the year our lives changed the most. The flowers and grass are growing. Lots of people are planting their gardens and doing yard work. Our volunteer drivers have taken one veteran to Danville, IL Hospital and zero veterans to Roudebush Hospital in Indianapolis, IN. The hospitals have been shut down due to the Covid-19 virus and will be for the foreseeable future.

Monthly Legal Clinics Suspended due to Covid-19 but we have an alternative it is called The New "virtual Ask a Lawyer" through the Indy Bar Veterans and their dependents may still seek legal assistance from Indiana Legal Services Inc. in two ways:

Online intake Process - Please Provide and complete all information Requested at <u>https://www.indianalegalservices.org/node/735/online-intake-now-availble</u>

Centralized Intake Phone: 844-243-8570 Monday - Friday 10 am to 2 pm EST.

Indianapolis Bar Association (IndyBar)" Virtual Ask a Lawyer" https://www.indybar.org/index.cfm?pg=LegalAdvice-AskALawyer

In response to the COVID-19 public health emergency, the Indianapolis Bar Association (IndyBar) has launched the "Virtual Ask a Lawyer" online legal advice chat service, where members of the community can chat in real time with an attorney who is prepared to assist with basic legal questions. During other times or in the event that an attorney isn't available, members of the community can provide their email address for follow up by an attorney with in 12-24 hours. For individuals without access to the internet, phone-based assistance is also available by calling 317-269-2000.

This past month I received thirty phone calls and saw three veterans. I am available Monday thru Thursday from 9:00 am till 12:00 then 1:pm to 4:00 pm at the office for phone calls. 765-361-4133. Please note you must call before you come to see me as I can't let you in the office before I receive a phone call. I will not be available at the American Legion Post 72 the month of May!

Just a reminder that just because we are not all out shopping and doing our usual work. We can still make the most of it by enjoying some free time. Enjoy the sunshine as it does the body good as the sunshine provides vitamin D which is essential to our health. On days it rains there is nothing better than the smell of a spring rain in the air. Maybe we should all pretend we are kids again and splash in a puddle or two.