



Greetings from the President!

First I would like to thank the membership of NCACVSO for electing me to serve as your President for the next 2 years. It is an honor to serve as the President of this great organization.

NCACVSO was founded in 1987 for the purpose of ensuring that County Veterans Service Officers in North Carolina receive the best training that is available, enabling us to better serve the Veterans & their families in our counties. Our plans are continue to provide the best training that is available to you. Our education committee, led by Jim Prosser, needs your input and feedback on your training needs.

I would like to thank all those who have volun-

teered to serve on committees. Through your hard work, NCACVSO will be able to grow and more counties will become involved.

I am looking forward to the Fall Conference coming up September 17-20, 2013 in Clemmons. Registration and hotel information is now on the NCACVSO website. As we get closer to this conference, the Education Team will be placing our training agenda and power points on the website. I look forward to seeing you there!

Thank you very much for all that you do for the Veterans of North Carolina and their families! See you in Clemmons!

Eric Truesdale
President NCACVSO



The Word from the Chaplain

Matthew 6:33 (KJV) " But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness, and all these thing will be added unto you".

I would like to say a Big Hello to all of you, and that I have truly missed all my VSO friends. I have been away from the last two NCACVSO conferences,

but God has a way to work things out. I want to

give a special thanks to my friend in Christ , Rev Jimmy Sowell, for not only standing in for me, but being a true man of God and keeping the prayer breakfast going.

I also want to thank all other that have supported all the things we do for God and standing on his word.

I will continual to do the work of God and have a

prayer breakfast at each conference. I will also continual to spread the good word of God and provide support to all Veterans and their dependents not only in Wake County , but to all veterans in North Carolina and the USA.

I will see you at the fall conference.

Keeping God First, Your Chaplain, Gary (Big Rev) Raiford

Hospitality

When we talk about HOSPITALITY, it is the way we greet friends or strangers.

So as friends.....please let me know what we can do to make our HOSPITALITY NIGHT enjoyable for everyone.

I can be reached by e-mail at jsdrock@leecountync.gov or by phone 910-893-7574.

I look forward to hearing from you.

John Sandrock



Southern Hospitality at its finest.

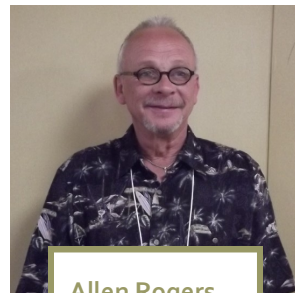
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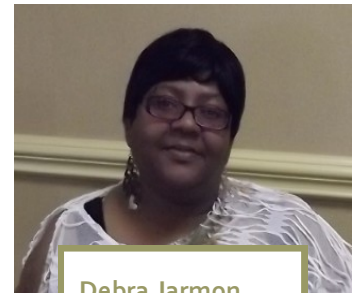
Meagan Williams



LaDawn Pearson



Allen Rogers



Debra Jarmon

A Little LOL

When little Reggie was inducted into the Army, he was advised to act tough.

"That's the only way to command respect in the Army," his friends said.

So Reggie did his best to carry out the advice.

He swaggered all around camp, bragging, blustering and talking out of the corner of

his mouth.

"Show me a sergeant and I'll show you a dope," Reggie shouted.

No sooner had he spoken than a brawny, battle-hardened figure appeared.

"I am a sergeant!" he bellowed.

"I am a dope," whispered Reggie.



NCACVSO Leadership

ELECTED OFFICERS

PRESIDENT: ERIC TRUESDALE
VICE PRESIDENT JIM PROSSER
SECRETARY LORI HINSON
TREASURER TERESA BALL

APPOINTED POSITIONS:

MEMBER-AT-LARGE JIMI SOWELL
 AMELIA GRISSETT
CHAPLAIN GARY RAIFORD
JUDGE ADVOCATE LARRY TOWNSEND
NEWSLETTER JIM PEDERSEN
HISTORIAN VICTOR ALSTON
WEBSITE EDITOR ERIC TRUESDALE



Committee Chairs

Education Committee

Jim Prosser

Scholarship Committee

Anne Knowles

Membership Committee

Brenda Perry

Budget and Finance Committee

Teresa Ball

Legislation Committee

Anne Knowles

Women Veterans Committee

Brenda Dubose

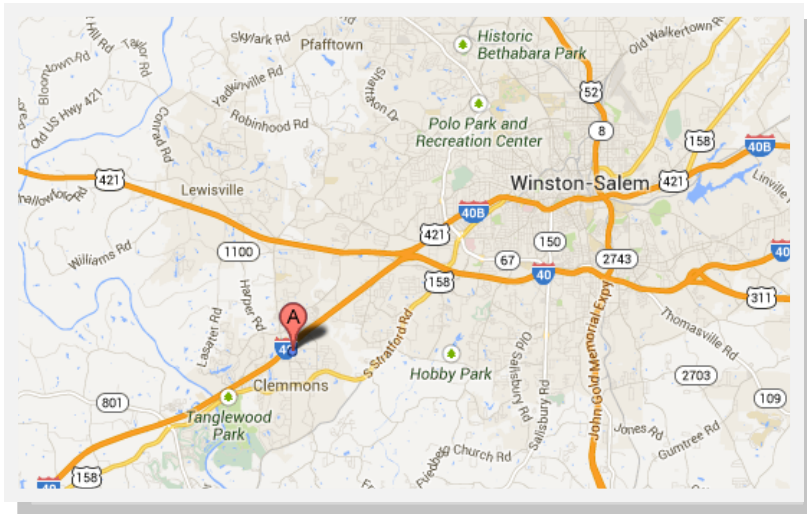
Nominations Committee

Daren Graves

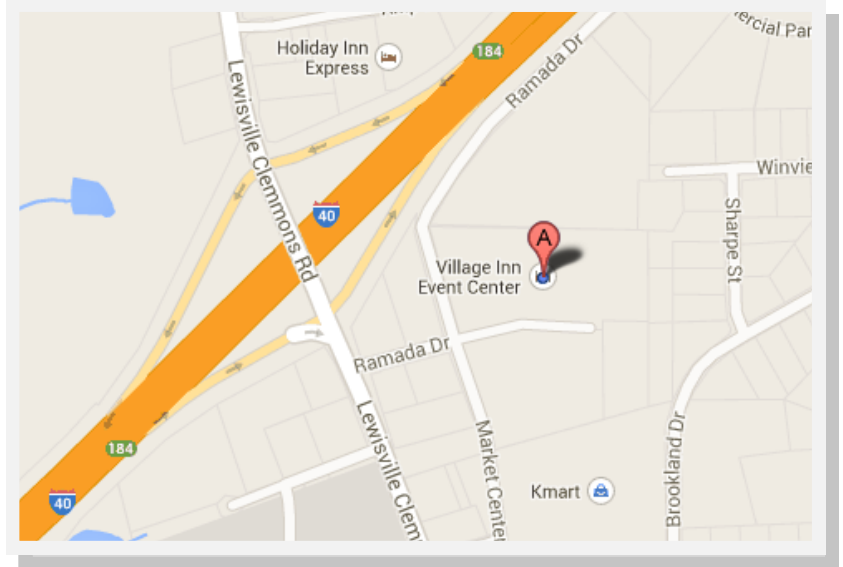
Hospitality Committee

John Sandrock

Directions to the Village Inn



6205 Ramada Dr.
Clemmons, NC



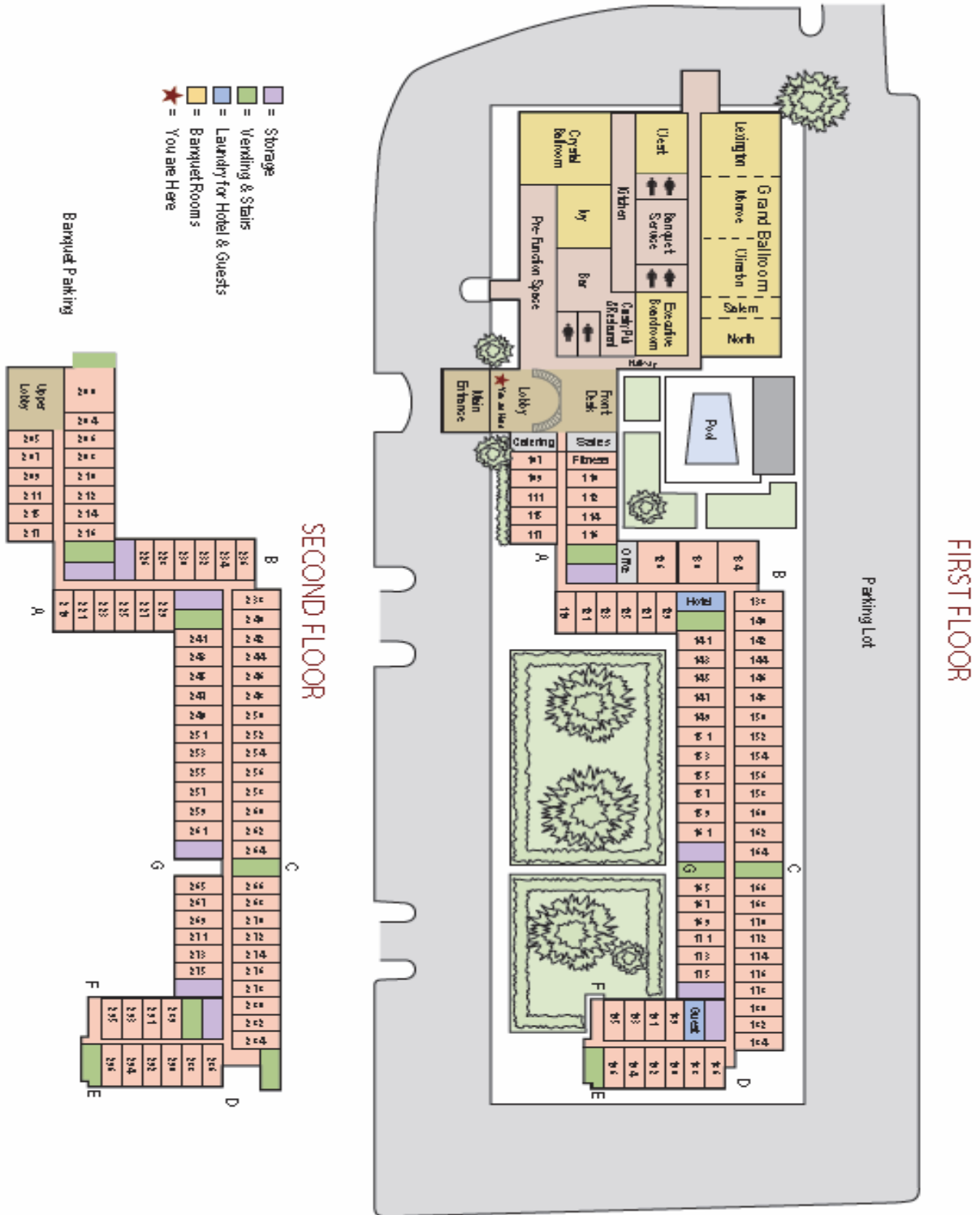
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- I - 40 East to Lewisville-Clemmons Road (exit 184).
 - At the end of the ramp make a right onto Lewisville-Clemmons Road.
 - Beside the Wilco-Hess Gas Station make a left onto Ramada Drive.
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Property Layout



North Carolina Association of County Veterans Service Officers
Fall Training Conference - Clemmons
September 17-20, 2013

Tuesday September 17

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Presenter</u>	<u>Location</u>
3:30 – 4:30	Scholarship Committee	Ann Knowles	Executive Boardroom
4:30 – 5:30	Education Committee Meeting	Jim Prosser	Executive Boardroom
5:30 – 7:00	Executive Board Meeting	Eric Truesdale	Executive Boardroom

Wednesday September 18

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Presenter</u>	<u>Location</u>
08:00 – 08:30	Registration	Teresa Ball	
08:30 – 08:45	Opening Remarks	Eric Truesdale	Lexington/Monroe Rm
08:45 – 09:45	Correction of Military Records	Kurt Geske	Lexington/Monroe Rm
09:45 – 10:00	Break		
10:00 – 12:00	Pension Center Updates	Bill Kraus	
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch		
1:00 – 2:00	PTSD Ratings Issues	David George/ Mary Garren	Lexington/Monroe Rm
2:00 – 3:00	PTSD Diagnostic Issues	Dr. Toy	Lexington/Monroe Rm
3:00 – 3:15	Break		
3:15 – 4:15	Military Sexual Trauma	Amy Smith	Lexington/Monroe Rm
5:30– 7:00	Hospitality		North Room

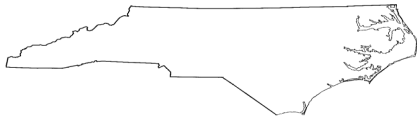
Thursday September 19

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Presenter</u>	<u>Location</u>
07:30 – 08:30	Prayer Breakfast	Gary Raiford/ Jimi Sowell	The Crosby Res taurant
08:45 – 09:00	Opening Remarks	Eric Truesdale	Lexington/Monroe Rm
09:00 – 10:30	Ethics/Policy Issues	Larry Townsend	Lexington/Monroe Rm
10:30 – 10:45	Break		
10:45 – 12:00	General Business Meeting	Eric Truesdale	Lexington/Monroe Rm
12:00 – 1:15	Lunch		
1:15 – 2:15	Case Scenarios	Debra Jarmon	Lexington/Monroe Rm
2:15 – 3:00	NC State Benefits	Wayne Peedin	Lexington/Monroe Rm
3:00 – 3:15	Break		
3:15 – 4:00	NCDVA Updates	Ilario Pantano	Lexington/Monroe Rm
4:00 – 5:00	NEW Service Officer Breakout	Eric Truesdale/ Jim Prosser	Lexington/ Monroe Rm
6:00 – 8:30	Banquet/Auction	Ricky Byrd	Crystal Ballroom

Friday September 20

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Presenter</u>	<u>Location</u>
8:30 – 8:45 Rm	Opening Remarks	Eric Truesdale	Lexington/Monroe
8:45 – 9:45 Rm	W-S VARO Updates	E.J. McQuade	Lexington/Monroe
9:45 – 10:00	Closing/Presentation of Certificates	Eric Truesdale/ Jim Prosser	Lexington/ Monroe Rm
10:00 – 1:00	OPTIONAL Tour of VARO	Mike Ayers	W-S VARO

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Training time.

Conference Raffle and Auction

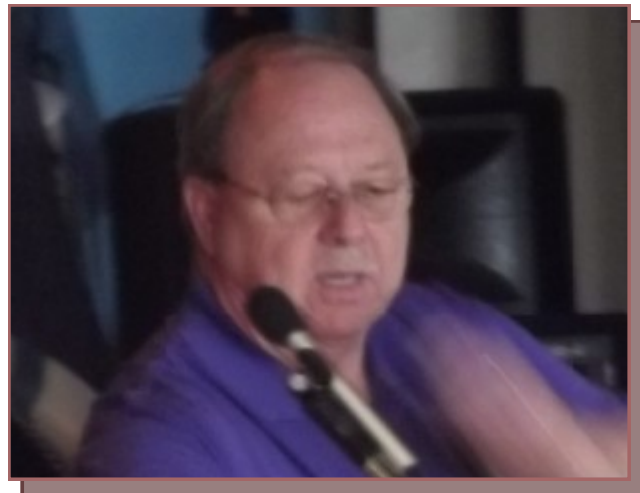
The Fall Conference in Clemmons is almost here!

For those of you attending the conference, don't forget about the raffle and auction. Both are held on the evening of the Banquet. Members attending the conference are asked to bring an item to be auctioned off.

All sorts of items are auctioned off at each conference. Items can be of a military nature, jewelry, Christmas ornaments, inspirational items, etc. . No item is too big or too small..

This event helps support the scholarship fund.

Bring an Item and bring your Cash!



Special guest—Mr. Ricky Byrd
