



OHIO VETERANS OUTDOORS NEWSLETTER

Vietnam Veterans Day

March 29th was National Vietnam Veterans Day. Thank you to those who served and did not receive the welcome home you so truly deserved. The picture to the right was taken in Kokomo, Indiana at the annual Vietnam Vets reunion.

In the middle is Mike Higgins, Vietnam Veteran (Charlie Company, 1st Bn., 12th Cav Reg, 1st Cav Div, 1969-70), Bronze Star Recipient, and huge supporter of OVO with board members Eric, Mark (Mike's son), Willie, and Brian.

Mike is currently battling lung cancer and showing the same grit he did as a soldier in Nam. Please join us in prayers for Mike to make a full recovery. Welcome Home!



Duck, Duck, GOOSE!

At the end of February, we took a group of well deserving guys down to Weiner, AR for a 3 day light goose (Snow, Ross, and Blue) hunt with Bayou Bottoms. A total of 48 birds harvested and countless memories made! A huge thanks to our hosts and those that cooked meals, cleaned birds, and supported us while we were down there!



Phasianus Colchicus

What? Use that with your hunting buddies and it may result in a black eye! But, just let them know it's the latin name for those beautiful and delicious ditch chickens before you use it.

This year we got our annual hunt in just in time before the state shut down. Thank you to Olde English Outfitters for donating all the shotgun shells, all our volunteers: Chris Bosma and Cathy Jo Higgins for feeding us, dog handlers Mark Galloway, David McMillan, Jacob Burritt, Josh Kell, Jake Simpkins and their dogs and the Veterans who were able to attend to make this event a success!



This is our most requested event; if you are interested in attending next year, please contact us to be considered.

How To Get Involved

OVO is always looking for volunteers and participants. If you are interested in volunteering or you are a Vet who would like to take advantage of the opportunities OVO provides, please contact us at mail@ohvetsoutdoors.org or click “Interested” on the Facebook Event.

Who We Are

Ohio Veterans Outdoors, Inc. is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization created by and for combat-wounded, ill, and injured Veterans of the US Armed Forces.

Mission

Promote wounded veteran wellness through outdoor experiences and education.

Our Board

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Find Out More

We want to recognize all of the great companies that support our Mission and Organization. If you see something underlined, it is a link to a webpage. Please, click the link and support those that support us in anyway you can!

Website: www.ohvetsoutdoors.org

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Upcoming Events:

May 7-10: Kentucky Turkey Hunt with Licking River Outfitters

NOTE: Due to COVID-19 restrictions, OVO will not be sending Ohio vets to this event. If you are a KY resident and interested in the event, contact [Licking River Outfitters](#) for details.

May 15-17: The Mike Higgins Welcome Home Classic fishing tournament at Brookville Lake

June 12: Lake Erie Walleye Fishing with [Wrek-n-eyes](#) Charters

June 13:** **NEW DATE** 4th Annual Hunters Night Out Whitetails Banquet. Tickets: [Whitetails Unlimited](#)

“Free” Whiskey

Congratulations to Jeffrey Davis, the winner of bottle #302 of [Buffalo Trace](#)’s 6 Millionth barrel of Bourbon! Hopefully, he will share. Thank you Buffalo Trace for your donation!

You Are Essential To Us

It is a crazy world we live in right now, the State of Ohio and the rest of the country are next to shut down. Life as we know it is changing; everything from shopping to fishing is either prohibited or being limited. We will continue to update you via facebook of any date changes to the above events.

“Pro”-tip: need a face-mask but you nearly lost an eye trying to get one off the shelf at Walmart? Your turkey hunting face mask can double as a Corona-preventative! It will look way cooler than the medical-grade mask anyway!

We hope you find this newsletter useful and informative. If you did, please recommend a friend or family member visit our website or social media.

If you have any suggestions for content or topics you would like to see included, please email at the address under “How To Get Involved”. Thanks in advance!