

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN VETERANS

July + Aug + September 2026

Fruit of Labor ~ 3rd Quarter Newsletter

The **National Association of American Veterans (NAAV) Inc.**, Welcomes you once again to wine down summer into the fall.

A similar repeat to last year's 3rd Quarter season. Who can say no to a bright, beautiful crispy sunshining 62°F fall morning after days

So, what's been planted:

- *Veteran's News and Announcement*
 - *Veteran Resources*
 - *A Source for Women*
 - *Testimonial & Spiritual Meditation*
 - *NAAV by the numbers*
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of 80 and 90°F weather. Oh yes and then there is the humidity. We reap what the summer sows. And then, the fall. Over this past summer, the seeds have been planted.

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Thank you for joining NAAV during the harvest of summer. The fruit of labor has not been in vain. We have a few important announcements, produced during the season, to share.

VETERAN NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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TOUCH A TRUCK



VOLUME III

Sun Shine on the Leaves to Produce Grace, Hope, but the Greatest of these is Love...

All He wanted to do was wet His tongue and saturate His parched lips. Water, a core element to our survival, which for now we have an abundance (while and if used

correctly). Seeing a need an fulfilling it makes us worthy saints of God's blessings and grace doesn't always draw from our overflow but instead our generosity.

Nonetheless, these expressions of goodness are the seeds needed to produce in seasons where kindness and compassion can be produced. God sees it all. When Jesus said, "I thirst," a wet sponge was amazingly enough. Thank you!

V/r
Sjk

My name is Barry Pinder-Robinson, and I am the Out of School Coordinator as well as the organizer for our annual Touch-A-Truck event at the McLean Community Center. Touch-A-Truck is a free community event that invites families to explore service vehicles and interact with the operators who use them every day. In previous years, we've welcomed a little over 1,000 attendees, and I believe it would be a wonderful opportunity for our community to engage with our veterans, learn about their experiences, and see the vehicles they have operated.



Event Details:

- **Date & Time:** Monday, October 12, 2026, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM [\[1\]](#)
- **Location:** McLean Community Center Parking Lot, 1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean, VA 22101 [\[1\]](#)
- **Admission:** Free admission



Military Order of World Wars~ Celebrated America's 250 year this past August 11-16, 2026, in San Antonio, Texas. The MOWW is a "patriotic non-partisan veteran services organization established in the United States in 1919 by returning WWI Officers at the request of General of the Armies John Pershing! (<https://moww.org/about-moww/>)



VETERAN NEWS

Military Order of World Wars (MOWW) :

On Veteran's Day, there are two wreath-laying events in Washington, DC, both scheduled to go down at 11am. In the past few years, MOWW has laid a wreath at the World War I Memorial at 14th and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW and at the World War II Memorial on 17th street on the National Mall. Both events are usually very well attended and are perfectly aligned with the tenets of our MOWW preamble.

*If you would like to provide more support please visit:
[https://secure.givelively.org/donate/moww-educational-foundation-inc.](https://secure.givelively.org/donate/moww-educational-foundation-inc)

How

Veterans Can Turn Military Skills into Careers:

Posted on **August 30, 2026**

For veterans and service members stepping into civilian hiring, one of the biggest career transition challenges is explaining military occupational specialties (MOS) in terms employers recognize fast. Roles that were clear and respected in uniform can sound like jargon on a resume, even when the work involved leadership, planning, operations, and high-stakes decision-making. That disconnect can leave qualified candidates overlooked, not because of a skills gap, but because of a language gap. Military experience translation into civilian job language helps military service read as the relevant, valuable experience it truly is.

For more information visit NAAV website at: <https://www.naavets.org/how-veterans-can-turn-military-skills-into-civilian-career-success/>

Recently honored for service and dedication: Major Nancy Leftenant

➤ RESOURCE FOR YOUR HEALTH AND HEALING:

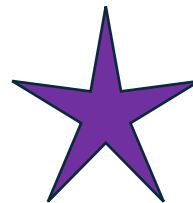


Bible Study Every Wednesday Night at 7 p.m. (EST) on Zoom and Sunday Morning Service on Live Stream at 10:55 a.m. (EST) at the Community Baptist Church of Walbrook, Baltimore, Maryland.

I am Nathaniel L. Barr, Jr. Senior Pastor of the Community Baptist Church of Walbrook. I want to thank the Lord for Constance A. Burns and her many years of dedicated service to our veterans. I am a veteran, and I would like to invite veterans to our Wednesday night Bible Study at 7 p.m. EST on Zoom and also welcome you to live stream us each Sunday at

11 a.m. EST on Facebook (Nathaniel Barr) or go to our website Community Baptist Church of Walbrook and click live stream link. We thank the Lord for each of you and look forward to those of you who will be able to join us. For more information, contact Pastor Barr at email: tbarr@verizon.net (mailto:tbarr@verizon.net). Thank you.

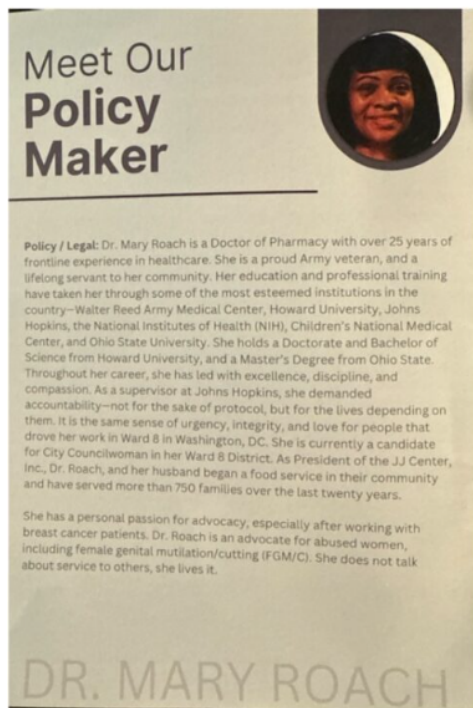
A SOURCE FOR WOMEN ~



Major Nancy Leftenant-Colon was recently honored on September 26, 2026, “with the renaming of the North Amittyville Pool, in Amittyville, New York

The **National Association of American Veterans (NAAV, Inc.)**, highlights a recent news release as the organization stands behind its role and supportive community partnership shared with **Cornerstone Care Coalition** Founder and CEO Dr. Mary Roach, who serves on NAAV's Board of Directors.

- #1 feeding Produce in our Ward 8 community
 - # 2 feeding in Washington, DC
- Bringing About Unity in the Community Through Quality Programs



Meet Our Policy Maker

Policy / Legal: Dr. Mary Roach is a Doctor of Pharmacy with over 25 years of frontline experience in healthcare. She is a proud Army veteran, and a lifelong servant to her community. Her education and professional training have taken her through some of the most esteemed institutions in the country—Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Howard University, Johns Hopkins, the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Children's National Medical Center, and Ohio State University. She holds a Doctorate and Bachelor of Science from Howard University, and a Master's Degree from Ohio State. Throughout her career, she has led with excellence, discipline, and compassion. As a supervisor at Johns Hopkins, she demanded accountability—not for the sake of protocol, but for the lives depending on them. It is the same sense of urgency, integrity, and love for people that drove her work in Ward 8 in Washington, DC. She is currently a candidate for City Councilwoman in her Ward 8 District. As President of the JJ Center, Inc., Dr. Roach, and her husband began a food service in their community and have served more than 750 families over the last twenty years.

She has a personal passion for advocacy, especially after working with breast cancer patients. Dr. Roach is an advocate for abused women, including female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C). She does not talk about service to others, she lives it.

DR. MARY ROACH

See for yourselves *"the great work the JJ Center is doing in the Ward 8 Community."*

-Dr. MR





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OUR 7 PILLARS

- Pharmacy-Led Health Services
- Behavioral Health
- Food Access
- Workforce Development
- Veteran Services & Housing
- Wealth Building
- Grant Writing & Resource Navigation

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- ✓ Community Organizations
- ✓ Business Leaders
- ✓ Faith-Based Organizations
- ✓ Healthcare Providers
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- ✓ Housing & Real Estate Partners
- ✓ Grant Writers & Funders
- ✓ Those Passionate About Community Impact

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*"Two are better than one... for if they fall, one will lift up the other."
Ecclesiastes 4:9-10*
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Embedded video short clip featuring Dr. Mary Roachs' interview telling of her passion and commitment to community outreach. Please click here --

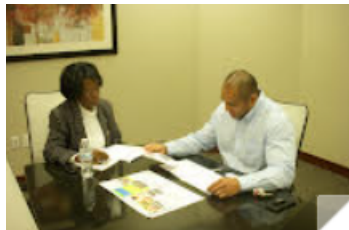
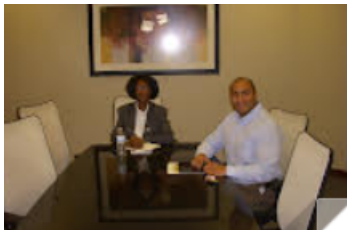
[1] <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q2WWKwcCIIs>



– Images while on mission:



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A 3rd Quarter note from NAAV President and CEO

First, I would like to say THANK YOU for your continued support of the National Association of American Veterans, Inc. (NAAV) a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit veteran service organization established in 2005 and incorporated in 2006 to provide programs and services for our nation's service members, veterans, and their caregivers and family most in need nationwide.

Thanks to you and many faithful supporters like you NAAV is celebrating its 23rd Anniversary in support of those who served and are serving in the U.S. Armed Forces worldwide. I would like to extend an invitation to you, your business associates and friends to help NAAV with its End-of-Year Fundraising Campaign in 2026 and beyond. We are facing very challenging and troubled times around the world and especially in the USA. We are seeking continuous support of our valued supporters along with their business associates, family members and friends to give a monthly or yearly contribution. Can we count your supporters giving a generous donation of \$35, \$50, \$100, or more? It all helps. See attached about NAAV, Inc. for your review. I look forward to your response. Thank you. Please confirm receipt.

PS: Visit NAAV's website at www.naavets.org in tabs named Veteran News and What's New for more about NAAV and nation's veterans nationwide.



#Website visitor totals: Reached over 106,946

Jul- 52,927

Aug- 26,803

Sept. 27,216

#Callers: Over 500 for emergency assistance, help with utilities, foreclosures, and homeless needs such as hotel accommodations and other needs fulfilled

***Administratively,** NAAV has helped address legal concerns including connections with attorneys, provide resources and referrals.

The **National Association of American Veterans, Inc. (NAAV)** was established in 2005 and incorporated in 2006 to provide programs and services for those who served and are serving in the U.S. Armed Forces worldwide most in need of emergency assistance with transportation, shelter, rent, mortgage and utility bills to name a few.

NAAV by the numbers:

As with every year and every season, your generous monthly financial support is most needed to continue NAAV Community Outreach to those who served and are serving in the U.S. Armed Forces with emergency assistance and words of encouragement 24/7. To donate, please visit www.naavets.org.

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- NAAV made over 500 calls for emergency assistance and other resources during this third quarter of 2026.

****PLEASE SUPPORT: NAAV's campaign "Caring About Those Who Served." Thank you in advance for your continued support and professional assistance.***



National Association of American Veterans (NAAV)

We assist service members and disabled veterans, assist with veterans benefits, provide VA assistance and emergency veteran assistance. Disability claims.

www.naavets.org



~~~ **Spiritual Meditation Moment:**



**PRAYER**

Posted on **August 1, 2026**

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart." **(Jeremiah 29:11-13)**

You may have heard many sermons about importance of prayer. What does the LORD God say about prayer is not hard to remember. When we pray to our heavenly Father, whether sitting, standing, or kneeling and speaking in our own words He hears us. He answers our prayers according to His divine will for us that will increase our faith to have a personal relationship with Him. You should continue to pray faithfully and daily because your prayer to Your heavenly Father gives you comfort and strength when you go daily before His Throne of Grace with your conversation between you and Him.

"Depart from me, all you workers of iniquity; for the LORD has heard the voice of my weeping. The LORD has heard my supplication; the LORD will receive my prayer." **(Psalm 6:8-9)**

When you do not receive what you prayed for, you may conclude that God is saying no to your request. Remember, He has promised to hear your prayers, however, are you listening to His reply? If the LORD has not given you what you ask for He may have something better planned for you. So, this means that the LORD God wants you to continue praying putting your trust in Him to make a way for you for your life on earth.



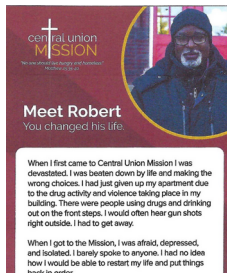
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When I first came to Central Union Mission I was devastated. I was beaten down by life and making the wrong choices. I had just given up my apartment due to the drug activity and violence taking place in my building. There were people using drugs and drinking out on the front steps. I would often hear gun shots right outside. I had to get away.

When I got to the Mission, I was afraid, depressed, and isolated. I barely spoke to anyone. I had no idea how I would be able to restart my life and put things back in order.

When schedules fall out of balance and clutter fill your life, here are five ways you can practice living lighter:

- 1. FULLY SURRENDER.** Quieting your life to hear God's voice helps you make wise decisions.
- 2. STREAMLINE SCHEDULES.** Every time you say "yes" to something, you're saying "no" to something else. This clarifies what (and who) deserves the gift of your time.
- 3. SPEND WISELY.** Change how you view your finances, and give out of what God has given you.

"Thank you for choosing to partner with us to provide help and hope..."



The **National Association of American Veterans, Inc.**

**(NAAV)** continues to make a meaningful difference in the lives of veterans and their families through acts of kindness, compassion, and generosity. From delivering food and essential supplies to offering emotional support, NAAV shows unwavering dedication to those who have served our country. Your donations can help NAAV reach even more veterans in need. Every contribution, big or small, goes directly toward programs that restore dignity, hope, and stability for our nation's heroes. **Please consider donating today to support this vital mission. Visit [www.naavets.org](http://www.naavets.org) click on Donate Today! It all helps. Thank you.**

...**Support**

**Our Veterans – Please donate to NAAV**

We truly appreciate you planting the seed grace, hope, mercy, and love this summer. Your partnership and perseverance has said it all. To leave you with last year's anthem of hope: "Thank you for not only showing up but for showing out and being the light source our American Veterans, their family members, and others in so many ways. Continue to allow your sun to shine on the leaves — *"forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead."* (Philippians 4:13-NKJV). See you in the 4th Quarter.

Kindest regards,

Constance A. Burns  
Founder, President and CEO  
Veterans Service Officer/Veterans Advocate  
NAAV, Inc.  
Washington, DC

