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## Site helps vets market businesses, find jobs

By Shelley Koppel  
Staff writer

MELBOURNE – Brian St. Ours is passionate about helping veterans. The Navy veteran is the founder of *VeteranOwnedBusiness.com*, a nation-wide, user-friendly directory of businesses owned by veterans, active duty military, reservists, service-disabled veterans and even service spouses.

St. Ours' background is in web-based marketing, especially in the hi-tech industry. He is the founder of eWareness, a marketing consulting firm. The idea for the *VeteranOwnedBusiness* site came to him a few years ago at a trade show.

"I was working for a high-tech company in Melbourne," he said. "I was asked if one of the owners was a vet, because there was a push to try to get government contracts to businesses owned by disabled vets."

St. Ours discovered that the only way to find out if a business was veteran-owned was to ask.

"I left the trade show and put together a business plan for *VeteranOwnedBusiness.com*. We launched the full site on Veterans Day, 2008. The idea was to have a full online resource for those who want to start a business, finance one, go after contracts and market themselves as a veteran-owned business."

There is no charge for anyone using the site: not for the listing, not for the marketing help and not for those looking for a business to hire. Right now, St. Ours' business, eWareness, is funding the project. It is his way of giving back.

"If we charge, we'd have a difficult time," he said. "Small businesses are our goal. The mission is to empower small businesses



Photo courtesy Brian St. Ours

Brian St. Ours founded *VeteranOwnedBusiness.com* four years ago after learning there was no existing database for government contractors to search. The website just welcomed its 15,000th member.

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owned by vets with the hope that when they grow the business, they will look for vets to hire and cut the unemployment rate among vets."

Simply by word-of-mouth, VOB has 15,000 members in every state. With a sophisticated search engine, people can find trades and businesses within a 50-mile radius. Some of the businesses are one-man operations. Others are larger. The one thing every business owner must be is a veteran.

"We have two people in the office who go through listings to make sure we have concrete evidence they are vets," St. Ours said. "We do our due diligence. Some people are skeptical. They think we'll sell the information. We never give away email addresses. The phone numbers are on the site."

"VOB is geared to anyone who did serve, is serving or is a military spouse," he said.

"The second most important job in the military is that of spouse. If the husband or wife is in Afghanistan, the spouse is home, running the business. The government doesn't recognize that."

The site averages 125,000 unique visits a month from people wanting to list a business or find one. St. Ours remembers a phone call from one woman in New York.

"She found a plumber and a roofer in her area, all on VOB," he said. "Her grandson was in Afghanistan and she wanted to show support."

While helping veteran-owned businesses succeed is one goal, it is not St. Ours' only goal.

"We're in the process of launching Vets Hire Vets," he said. "It will be a free job bank. We

did a survey of our members a few months ago and 97 percent of those surveyed preferred to hire a vet and would pay more for a vet. That's why we're starting the Vets Hire Vets Initiative. We average 500 emails a day from vets who can't find jobs, and it's been three years (without work).

"The government takes forever. It doesn't move quickly. It's like a giant elephant you're trying to take for a walk. Our goal is that if we can find a way on the private side to make the job easier, we can make a dent in the unemployment among vets."

For St. Ours, patronizing a veter-

allows them to hire two more people. If 1 percent of our member base can turn around and give back to help fellow vets, that will have a bigger impact than (action) at a higher level.

"The sooner they grow, the sooner they can



an-owned business or hiring a vet is not just patriotic, it's good business.

"I'm a vet," he said. "It's about the camaraderie, the loyalty, the respect, the dedication. People in the military take responsibility. These are things that are drilled into you."

Ultimately, St. Ours hopes that veteran-owned businesses will benefit the community.

"We hear about small contracts," he said. "For a small business, a \$100,000 contract

hire fellow vets and the sooner they can give back to the community. It's a full circle. If the site helps a vet, at the end of the day, I feel great and my job is done."

For more information about VeteranOwned-Business.com, visit the website [www.veteranownedbusiness.com](http://www.veteranownedbusiness.com) or call 1- (877) 862-5478.

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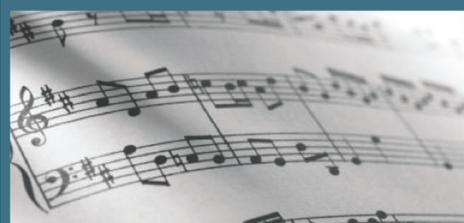
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- Have had over 25 million pages viewed since launching
- Have received thousands of quotes/bids/RFPs/RFIs and leads through our system for our members
- Have spoken to members who credit VOB with keeping their doors open in these very trying economic times
- Have spoken to members who have landed contracts in the \$1 million-plus range
- Membership is free ... a business profile is free and searching our system is free
- Finding out about VOB events, news about VOB/SDVOSB, networking with VOBs/SDVOSBs ... free, free and free!
- Our social network — while growing — easily extends out to thousands of supporters, members and followers
- Actively donate PTSD books to libraries (currently several counties in Florida)
- Have an active nonprofit section where we actively reach out to our members, partners and supporters to help with donations, events, news and more
- We have been in numerous publications, been interviewed on various news stations and highlighted on several radio programs
- Receive hundreds of calls and thousands of emails each week from Americans all around the country wanting to support and/or looking to start/grow/finance a veteran owned business
- Partner with several franchises who offer discounts for veterans to buy into a franchise thousands of VOB member and thousands of VOB supporter stickers on vehicles/store windows/etc. all around the USA
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VETERANS MEMORIAL CENTER

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Photo of drawings on display at the Brevard Memorial Veterans Center and Council, depicting the proposed new building. The current site is rapidly outgrowing the number of donated military items it houses.

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# Room to grow

Veterans Memorial Center, museum look toward expanding; planning meetings to start this month

**By Patrick McCallister  
For Veteran Voice**

The Brevard Veterans Memorial Center and Park is getting some improvements by the end of the year. Later this month the Veterans Memorial Park Expansion Advisory Committee will have its first meeting to start planning how to use a \$700,000 state grant and possibly seek private funding to expand the military museum and monuments at the park.

“We put together an expan-

sion committee,” Bill Vagianos, president of Veterans Memorial Center, said. “We have not really developed an expansion plan.”

The Brevard Veterans Memorial Center is in a county-owned building located on 2.6 acres. Jack Masson, the county’s parks and recreation director, said that Brevard bought about 50 acres by the existing park — 400 S. Sykes Creek Parkway, Merritt Island — from Pulte Homes in 2010. About 30 acres was for

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Staff photo by Tammy Raits

A volunteer who staffs the Brevard Veterans Memorial Center said the museum portion of the center receives numerous visitors daily, including groups of school children. "For some reason," he said, "all the little girls want their picture taken with the mannikin in the white uniform." The white dress uniform belonged to U.S. Marine Maj. Ed Walsh, who is a Brevard County resident and currently a member of Brevard County Veterans Council.

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stormwater management. However, about \$750,000 of the purchase price came from the Parks and Recreation budget.

"Within that 52 acres, Parks and Recreation purchased about 22 acres for the expansion of the veterans properties," Masson said. "We applied for a grant with the Florida Communities Trust for some improvements on that 22 acres."

The Florida Communities Trust grant program is part of the Forever Florida program. Masson said that the county applied for the grant to build elevated boardwalks, pavilions and additional parking. The state approved the grant, but the county hasn't received it by press time. Recently, the Board of County Commissioners appointed six to the newly formed park-expansion advisory committee. All are veterans, Masson said.

What the Veterans Memorial Center would also like to do with the purchased property is expand its building to accommodate its large stock of museum items. That use isn't included in the grant, however. Vagianos said donors have been very kind to the

museum over the years.

"We have Spanish-American War mementos," he said. "The county is running out of space for us to store them."

Additionally, both men said there are hopes to use the additional park acres to recognize the contributions of military members and veterans to the nation and community. Masson said it's an opportunity to give particular recognition to a local man.

"One (local veterans group) is interested in a Medal of Honor Park," he said.

That's to honor Emory L. Bennett. The New Smyrna Beach native moved to Brevard when he was 6. After graduating Cocoa High School, Bennett joined the Army in 1950. On June 24, 1951, the private first class exposed himself to enemy fire during a ferocious attack so his unit could regroup into defensive positions. He succumbed to gunshot wounds that day.

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In addition to vintage uniforms, weapons, tools, and an extensive military library, the Brevard Veterans Memorial Center has original newspaper clippings from historic wartime events set in framed glass gracing its walls.



Donated uniform from Capt. Jim Fowler, Tactical Fighter Squadron 523 from Thailand, who was killed in combat over North Vietnam in June 1972 after a surface-to-air missile took him and his co-pilot down while flying an F-4 Fighter.

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The citation that accompanied the honor reads, "Upon orders to move back, Pfc. Bennett voluntarily remained to provide covering fire for the withdrawing elements, and, defying the enemy, continued to sweep the charging foe with devastating fire until mortally wounded. His willing self-sacrifice and intrepid actions saved the position from being overrun and enabled the company to effect an

orderly withdrawal."

Meetings of the Veterans Memorial Park Expansion Advisory Committee will be open to the public.

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The first of the series started Jan. 9 and will continue through March 13 at the Blake Library, located at 2351 S.E. Monterey Road in Stuart. Keske provides commentary for these documentaries, which consist of all new film footage, programming, and subtitles. A question-and-answer session will follow each film, with

a quiz at the end, and the winner will be awarded a WWII book. The programs are free and open to the public.

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# Edward Jones Investments in Old Palm City partners with cell phones for soldiers

## For Veteran Voice

The office of Shane Ireland with Edward Jones Investments and nonprofit Cell Phones for Soldiers Inc, are asking Treasure Coast residents to help troops call home by donating gently used cellular phones.

With ongoing deployments to combat areas and elsewhere, as many as 369,000 troops are serving in the U.S. military overseas. By donating gently used cellular phones to Cell Phones for Soldiers, Martin County residents can provide troops with that precious connection to loved ones back home.

Residents can donate their phones to the cause at Edward Jones Investments located at: 1172 Southwest 30th St., Suite 3 Palm City.

“Cell Phones for Soldiers creates a vital link to home for our troops by enabling them to speak with family and friends when the support of loved ones is needed most,” said Shane Ireland, financial advisor with Edward Jones. “Edward Jones is proud to partner with Cell Phones for Soldiers and provide our clients with an

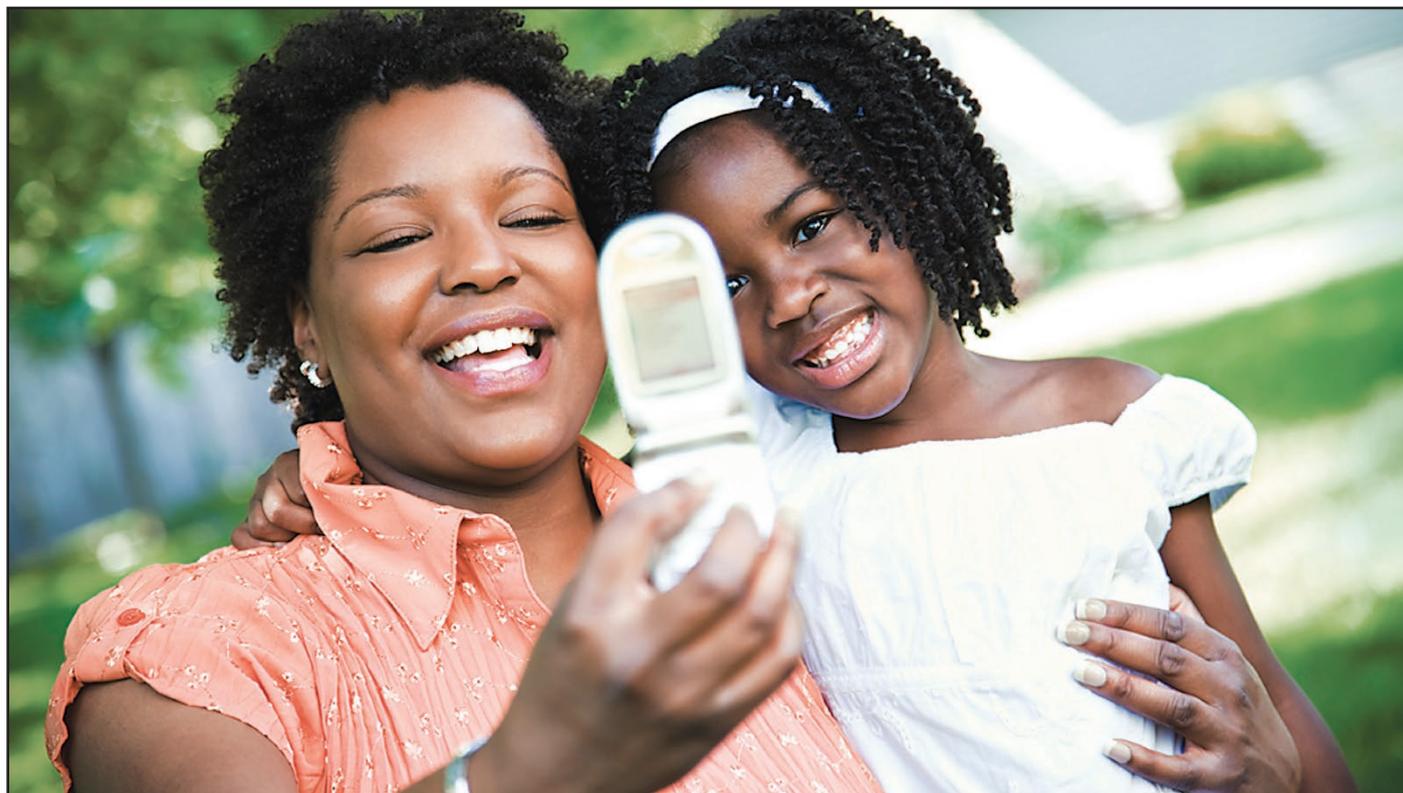


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Funds raised from the recycling of cellular phones are used to purchase pre-paid international calling cards. On average, Cell Phones for Soldiers distributes 12,000 calling cards each week to bases around the world.

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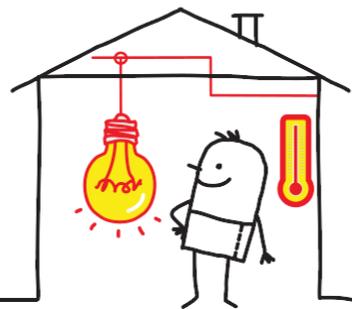
Siblings Robbie and Brittany Bergquist founded Cell Phones for Soldiers at the ages of 12 and

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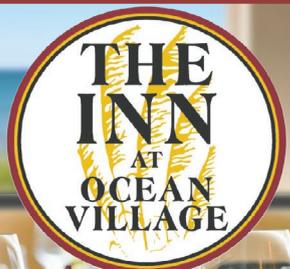
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The VAC Warbird Museum is also the home of the C-47 'Tico Belle.' From the Normandy invasion to Cherbourg, to Arnhem, to Bastogne, to the Berlin Airlift and much more, this aircraft was there -- over 65 years ago. The museum is located at 6600 Tico Road in Titusville; open seven days a week from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information, call (321) 268-1941.

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vided more than 114 million minutes of free talk time to service men and women stationed around the world. Funds raised from the recycling of cellular phones are used to purchase pre-paid international calling cards. On average, Cell Phones for Soldiers distributes 12,000 calling cards each week to bases around the world, care package programs, deployment ceremonies and VA hospitals.

"Each year we have been humbled by the amount of people and organizations like Edward Jones that take the initiative to support our troops," said co-founder Brittany Bergquist. "We have also watched the communication gap between our armed forces and their loved ones continue to grow as more troops are deployed for their third or fourth tour overseas."

Donated phones are sent to Michigan based recellular for recycling. For every donated phone valued at just \$5, Cell Phones for Soldiers is able to provide two and a half hours of free talk time to deployed troops.

Cell Phones for Soldiers Inc. (CPFS) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to providing deployed and returning troops cost-free methods to communicate with family while serving in the United States military. Based in Norwell, Mass., CPFS was founded in 2004.

From the recycling of used mobile phones and cash donations, the organization has raised more than \$7 million, collected more than 8.3 million cell phones and provided troops overseas with more than 114 million minutes of free talk time.

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### CLUES ACROSS

1. Winter capital of Kashmir
6. So. African Music Awards
11. The Bay State
14. A disorderly crowd
15. Actress Greta
16. Expression of surprise
18. Storybook elephant
21. John Jacob \_\_\_\_, capitalist
23. Mulled wine
25. Membrane around the lungs
26. Shows how something works
28. Canonized
29. Layers bonded together
31. A vessel or duct
34. The fire had been \_\_\_\_
35. Female sibling
36. Israeli capital

39. Blocked in fencing
40. 98942 WA
44. Gasoline hydrocarbon rating
45. Light snacks with drinks
47. Supplementing with difficulty
48. Am. composer & diarist Ned
50. A waterproof raincoat
51. Accumulate a large quantity
56. Am. Newspaper Assoc.
57. Butterfly collector
62. \_\_ and Venzetti
63. Female servants

### CLUES DOWN

1. Poked at
2. Equally
3. Manuscript (abbr.)
4. Periodical (slang)
5. Fiddler crabs
6. Hero sandwich
7. Volcanic mountain in Japan

8. Of I
9. Indicates position
10. Legislative acts
11. Low sustained cry
12. Human resources (abbr.)
13. Supported by a prop
14. Megabyte
17. 9/11 Memorial designer Michael
19. The years someone has existed
20. Distilled from fermented molasses
21. a.k.a.
22. Estonian kroon = 100
24. The sun
25. Wide metal cooking vessel
27. Caesar or cobb
28. Building lots
30. 1/1000 inch
31. Apexes
32. Firth of Clyde's largest island
33. Bringing suit
36. Forsyth novel "The Day of The \_\_\_\_"
37. Perceive with the eyes
38. Was introduced to
39. Lines of verse
41. Household god (Roman)
42. Military mailbox
43. Challenge aggressively
46. Posted
49. One thousandth of an amper
51. General's assistant (abbr.)
52. Bovine sound
53. Associated press
54. Opposite of LTM
55. A very large body of water
58. Ma's partner
59. Integrated circuit
60. Rhode Island
61. Potato state

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# Valiant Air Command planning 36th Annual Airshow in March

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The Valiant Air Command will hold the 36th annual three-day Tico Warbird Airshow March 22, 23 and 24.

This year the airshow will be dedicated to the famous B-17 Flying Fortress and the 70th anniversary of the "Memphis Belle" reaching 25 missions -- and for the first time ever, we will be privileged to have the United States Air Force Thunderbirds performing!

It promises to be a very special airshow with the Thunderbirds and some 75-80 vintage aircraft on display and flying in the show; great warbirds such as the P-40 Warhawk, P-47 Thunderbolt, P-51 Mustang, F-8 Crusader, Grumman Wildcat, Avenger, F-4U Corsair, B-17, B-25s and many, many more.

Additionally, the Valiant Air Command will have other modern military jets flying and WWII re-enactors fighting mock battles, as well as vendors, exhibits and displays. The museum will be offering rides in the vintage

C-47 that actually flew in the Normandy invasion. There will be helicopter and bi-plane rides as well. Gates open at 8:30 a.m. and the airshow starts at 1 p.m., but there is plenty to do in the morning. There will be entertainment, an antique automobile showing, lots to see, warbirds to photograph, combat pilots to talk to, vendors to visit and mock battles to watch. The airshow is a combination country fair, three-ring circus and Fourth of July all rolled into one -- visit and become a part of history!

*So mark your calendars; visitors come from around the world. For more information contact: (321) 268-1941, email us at vacwarbirds@bellsouth.net.*

*Visit the website at www.vacwarbirds.org to purchase advance tickets on-line and read more. And don't forget about the museum; it's open seven days a week from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. throughout the year. You can see many of the same vintage warbirds and other memorabilia at the museum throughout the year.*



Photo courtesy of [www.afthunderbirds.com/site/](http://www.afthunderbirds.com/site/)

The U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds will be flying the skies over Titusville during the Valiant Air Command's 36th Annual Air Show, coming March 22, 23 and 24.

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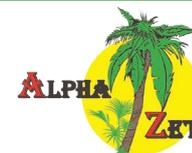
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Veteran Voice is a weekly publication designed to provide information to and about veterans to veterans and to the broader community. Veterans are an integral part of their Florida communities, which currently have individual organizations of their own, such as the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion, the Vietnam Veterans of America and many other groups with a narrow focus, but no convenient way to connect to a wider population of veterans and to the community in general within a limited geographic area, their community.

The mission of Veteran Voice is to publish a weekly source of information that will provide, in one place, a listing of resources available to veterans, articles about changes in policies or organizations affecting veterans and events of interest to veterans as well as articles about veterans of interest to the general public.

Veteran Voice LLC is organized as a partnership of experienced newspaper executives with an interest in veterans and in the communities of Florida veterans and friends. VV is a start-up intended to address a perceived lack of information readily available to veterans on programs and policies affecting them and objective reporting of veteran affairs to the public.

To our knowledge, and based on comments from leaders of local veterans organizations, there was no media or website currently meeting this need until the launch of VeteranVoice.

We hope you agree, and will support this publication with your subscription. Without subscriptions there will be a limited number of people we can help, without which this mission will not be realized. As part of our commitment to supporting local veteran communities, we will donate 10 percent of our profits each quarter to qualified veteran charities recommended by you, our readers and subscribers. Please let us know what you think by emailing [editor@veteranvoiceweekly.com](mailto:editor@veteranvoiceweekly.com) or mailing your comments to us at **1919 S.W. South Macedo Blvd., Port St. Lucie, FL 34984.**

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Fax: (772) 337-5678  
[veterans@stlucieco.org](mailto:veterans@stlucieco.org)

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### Martin County

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