



9AM Thursday, January 8, 2026

*Notice we're meeting on the **SECOND** Thursday this month!*



Senior Helpers is the premier provider of in-home senior care across the country. They believe in supporting seniors to "age-in-place" without need to leave home to live better. Senior Helpers supports seniors with a wide range of services from companion support to assistance with daily activities to helping those with chronic diseases.

Our speaker, Cindy Rauf, Community Partner Director of Senior Helpers, will share with you how veterans can apply and qualify for this assistance by using the VA's Aid and Attendance Benefit which can help pay for the care. The service is not based on income.

This is a good meeting to attend with valuable information to be learned for use now or in the future. Please encourage your spouse to attend with you. Remember, 9AM after the usual free coffee and donuts, in the GlenLakes Clubhouse.

We're also collecting paper towels, toilet paper, and toothpaste for Veterans Depot, responding to their recent urgent request due to needs of local vets.

Mike Belkin spoke on Dec 4th sharing his remarkable journey — from serving in Vietnam as a combat infantryman and receiving the Bronze Star, to spending three decades as a New York police detective. He currently serves as a Citrus County State Committeeman, is an active member of the Citrus County Honor Guard, and the Republican Executive Committee.



New 2026 Board members

This was also our **official annual business meeting**. Curt Reilly, Joan Rowland, Jim Karam, Bob Henry, and Susan Starrett were elected as 2026-2028 Board members. Dick Rowland and Linn Craton remain carry-over board members. We had \$38K in sponsorships for our recent November 10th Golf Event; so we'll soon fund many new local vets' activities.

Mission BBQ provided us with great free breakfast eats as well as with coupons and news of the new "GlenLakes Veterans and Friends Wall of Honor" in their new Brooksville location.

