

# INCOMING NEWS



**August  
2014**



## Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley

# East Bay Stand Down On-Line Registration is Open Must Register in-advance on EBSD website

### VNVDV Prez Ray's Notes for August

#### **JULY 4<sup>th</sup> PARADE - A Big Success!**

Thanks to all who participated in this, our most visible appearance to the public. Lots of cheers from the crowd and a great day for the V.N.V.D.V.

#### **Thank s Phillips 66 - Walk of Honor**

A big thank you to Mark Hughes - Aimee Lohr - the Phillips 66 & Carbon Plant Walk Team for the generous donation from our 2014 Walk. This enables the VNVDV to continue all the projects & programs for our community veterans. We look forward to Phillips 66 Walk of Honor in 2015.

#### **WINE TASTING AT RETZLAFF - a VNVDV Social "Fun" Raiser Event**

**Wednesday, August 6 - 5:00 to 8:00 PM** will be wine tasting night at **Retzlaff's Winery** - 1356 S. Livermore Ave. in Livermore. A portion of the \$10 tasting fee will go directly to the VNVDV! Great wines, live music and snacks promise to make for an enjoyable event. If you did not sign up for this event at our July meeting & you intend to attend, please notify me ASAP. An estimate of attendees for food & staffing is needed. Everyone is invited & for members participating, please wear your VNVDV uniform shirt and/or hat.

*The VNVDV Remembers*  
**David "Chico" Vasquez**  
Passed Away July 7, 2014

**VNVDV, AMVETS, VFW  
Warrior Watch Rider  
Force Recon Marine**



#### **A 9-11 Guest Speaker at AUGUST Dinner Meeting**

**Bert Upson**, Author of "On a Clear Day" was in the South Tower when the North Tower was hit-and he escaped, mere minutes before United #175 would obliterate his conference room. You will be hearing about 9/11 from someone who was in the tower & has a more complete, personal side to the story. *Please Join Us!*

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**Raymond  
"Ray"  
La Rochelle**  
VNVDV  
President

Thanks to all those who participated in the 4th of July Parade distributing over **10,000** American Flags!

*Great job!*

#### **SAT Morning Coffee...**

Meet with fellow Veterans on Saturday from 8 AM until 11 AM At the Danville Veterans Memorial Building *Pastries too!*



This Newsletter is also On-Line at: [www.VNVDV.com](http://www.VNVDV.com)

2014 President Ray La Rochelle



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### EAST BAY STAND DOWN - 2014

**Ron Lowe - Jerry Yahiro & Mike Weber** are still "looking for a few good men" & women to help volunteer & assist in **EBSD 2014**. YOU MUST SIGN IN / REGISTER ON-LINE - ***IN ADVANCE*** TO VOLUNTEER for EBSD. **NO "WALK-IN"** VOLUNTEERS or VISITORS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Critical needs include: *physical labor* help with pre-event set-up Mon thru Wed. Need **Tent Leaders** for all four days & "**Wish List**" items. *Please check EBSD website & this newsletter for details & volunteering from Sept. 11-14 at EBSD. **Volunteers make a Difference!***

### "Take the Rock" ALCATRAZ VETERAN SWIM CHALLENGE Plans Taking Shape

**Earl Conklin** our Swim Director and his crew are hard at work planning for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "**Take the Rock**" **Veteran Swim Challenge** - Sept. 28 from Alcatraz to Aquatic Park in SF. We're still looking for additional active-duty & veteran swimmers - up to 75 for this years event... more than double what we had last year! **The date is September 28, 2014.** If you are able or know of an interested swimmer - have them contact Earle. If you have a boat or kayak available to participate as part of our safety Fleet - contact **Bob Musor**. We are in need of volunteers to assist on shore - contact **Dennis Petersen** to find out our needs. We will be serving "**carbs**" to the swimmers at 0600 Hrs. Make plans now to be there to show support for these veterans.

**"PROUDLY WE SERVED"** and continue to serve veterans - those serving - and our community.



Raymond F. La Rochelle  
President - Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley



SEP 11-14

## Volunteer at East Bay Stand Down - September 11-14 at Alameda County Fairgrounds

On-line Volunteer Registration is **OPEN** on EBSD website line until **Sept. 1** when registration closes. You must register now to enter camp!

This year **EBSD** will **NOT allow any WALK-INS - NO On-site Registration** for any Volunteers or Participants & **NO Visitors**. All volunteers **must** pre-register on the EBSD website in advance - selecting the area /function - the day(s) you desire & the hours / shift you are available to volunteer.

### **VERY IMPORTANT EBSD MESSAGE FOR ALL ON-SITE VOLUNTEERS**

Volunteers MUST Register in-advance online  
MINIMUM Volunteer Age is 13 years of age.  
ALL Volunteers under 16 years of age must be under the constant supervision of an on-site responsible Adult when at EBSD.

Closed-toe Shoes are required On-Site.

### **NO EXCEPTIONS**

Contact: [www.Eastbaystanddown.org](http://www.Eastbaystanddown.org)  
or <http://ebsd.ivolunteer.com/ebsd>

### **Registration for Volunteers is on-line & all registration must be in advance!**

This volunteer registration site will remain OPEN until **SEPT. 1st** when it **CLOSES!** To volunteer - Scroll the volunteer functions & areas with job descriptions - see the days & number of volunteers needed & also select the hours you are available. Your information is saved - allowing you to register for multiple days - & shifts to stay all-day.

<http://ebsd.ivolunteer.com/ebsd>



VNVDV thanks Mark Hughes and **Phillips 66** & *Carbon Plant* for all their support for our Veterans each year.

Jerry Yahiro receives a 2014 donation check from the 2014 **“Walk of Honor”**



## **Wine Tasting at Retzlaff Vineyards**

**1356 S. Livermore Avenue  
Livermore, CA 94550**

**Wednesday, August 6, 2014, 5:00-8:00 PM**



**A portion of the \$10 Tasting Fee goes to benefit the Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley**

**JOIN US...**



**FUN!**

**Contact RAY**

**Food pairings and live music included**



# IMPORTANT

## Final Planning & Training for EBSD 2014

### Tent Leaders Needed

#### Tent Leader's Orientation

**Monday, July 28, 2014**

**6:30pm - 8:30pm**

Training Location:

VA Oakland Outpatient Clinic  
2221 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
3rd Floor Conference Room  
Oakland, CA 94612

Site has garage parking & VA Security

#### *Other Tent Leader Training Dates*

On **Monday's** -

**August 11th & August 25th**

**YOU CAN  
HELP -  
VISIT  
THE  
EBSD  
"WISH  
LIST"  
ONLINE**

### Female & Family Tent Leaders Needed

The Female Veterans Tent  
& Family & Children's Tent  
Are both still in need of **Tent  
leaders & Volunteers**

Last Day for volunteers to  
register is **Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Sign-up Now**

Go to:

<http://ebsd.ivolunteer.com/>  
to sign up

More information on **TENT LEADERS** - Contact:  
Charles Boykin ([CharlesBoykin@hotmail.com](mailto:CharlesBoykin@hotmail.com))  
or Omolade R. Roddy ([Rosalyn.Roddy@va.com](mailto:Rosalyn.Roddy@va.com))

### **Final Public EBSD Community Meeting is August 12th**

**6:30PM at Palm Pavilion - Alameda County Fairgrounds**

Website: <http://www.EastBayStandDown.org> - Check Online

**SPONSOR A TENT OR BECOME A MAJOR SPONSOR for EBSD 2014!**

Check the EBSD "WISH LIST" for needs & you may know a source for these items



## "Share the Vote"

**a fund raiser for EBSD  
is coming in August - Cast your Vote!**

**East Bay Stand Down 2014** is scheduled for **September 11 to 14 - 2014.**

The **FINAL Public Informational - Coordination Planning Meeting** will be held on **Tuesday - AUGUST 12th** at 1830 (6:30PM) at the **Palm Pavilion - Alameda County Fair Grounds. Join Us!**

This final monthly meeting is **OPEN** to the public - the community is invited - all organizations & clubs interested in helping this year should attend. This is the **LAST Meeting!**

Your VSO - Group or Organization can present checks for sponsorship & donations at any of these meetings. **Sponsor a Tent** - \$500.00 for non-profit and veteran groups to sponsor and \$1000.00 for a corporate business. Major Sponsorships are available - contact Director Jerry Yahiro for more information. Please see the **"wish list"** of items needed for EBSD online.

You may be able to obtain these needed items or know someone may be able to help.

Remember we need volunteers **prior to EBSD** for set-up of the encampment and **after EBSD closes** on Sunday afternoon for the tear-down of the campsite. Details on website.



# East Bay Stand Down September 11 - 14 Alameda County Fairgrounds

## About EAST BAY STAND DOWN

EBS D is in the final stages preparing for 2014 - with a final public informational & coordination meeting for all interested community members. The meeting will occur on the Second Tuesday - August 12th at 1830 Hrs. (6:30PM) at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton at the Palm Center. Visit the EBS D website: [www.EastBayStandDown.org](http://www.EastBayStandDown.org) for more information. All meetings are open to the public.

**STAND DOWN** is a term used during war to describe the practice of removing combat troops from the field and taking care of their basic needs in a safe area. *We don't leave our wounded behind...*

The primary goal is helping homeless Veterans access the resources needed, including housing - to regain their highest level of independence; its secondary goal is to bring our community & service providers together in a collaborative format that can build relationships throughout the year that positively benefit homeless veterans. Ultimately, it is our hope that such events can bring forth the awareness, political/community-will & consistent data necessary to assert the on-going resources it will take to end Veteran homelessness once & for all.

**Serving those who have served our Nation is the primary goal of the East Bay Stand Down.** We treat the Veteran participants with respect & dignity. Their former service to our nation is evidence of their ability to succeed & is also reason enough for our community to support them in regaining success.

Nationally, it is estimated that there are over 250,000 needy & homeless Veterans on the streets on any given night. Within the nine San Francisco Bay Area counties, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) estimates that there are over 7,000 needy or homeless Veterans. In the Northern California area, estimates are as high as 15,000 or more. A significant number of these Veterans have had little or no contact with the VA for either monetary or medical benefits. Nor have they had much contact with any other agency offering assistance. Aiding or helping to improve their situations, especially for combat Veterans, is a difficult process, but one, which cannot be ignored.

The first Stand Down was held in San Diego, in 1988 & Stand Downs have taken place in over 200 cities nationwide. Over 100,000 Veterans & their families have benefited from Stand Downs. These events have proved to be very effective in breaking the cycle of homelessness among Veterans and their families.


Since the first **East Bay Stand Down** in 1999, our goals have been to provide a respite from the streets so that needy & homeless Veterans can examine avenues of assistance. We help to place the participants into residential programs, offer employment, and to provide follow-up programs of various types. Recent East Bay Stand Downs have "bumped it up a notch" by providing more services & of higher quality.

## HOW IT WORKS

East Bay Stand Down offers all new clothing - boots - meals & other basic needs through the support of our community. The East Bay Stand Down is funded primarily through monetary & in-kind donations. All monetary donations will be applied to the needs of the Veterans. No donated money is used for salaries - EBS D is an all-volunteer community event. A community is often judged by how well it takes care of its own. **Serving those who have served our Nation is the primary goal of the East Bay Stand Down.**

## DONATIONS

Individual Contributions of \$1.00, \$5.00, \$10.00 (or more) are accepted. Please make out your donation to Diablo Valley Veterans Foundation - EBS D. See "DONATIONS" below.

All local AT&T, Chevron, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories, Northrup Grumman & Wells Fargo Employees can now make a donation to the East Bay Stand Down through your Company's Community Support Program. The Diablo Valley Veterans Foundation is now registered with your employer in their annual Community Support and/or Matching Gift Program. Contact your employer's HR Department for further information. See "Donation" information below for details. 

# How You Can Help East Bay Stand Down 2014



**East Bay Stand Down** - There are many ways to help... You can pick your days & times to volunteer on-line. You Must Register in-Advance. Visit: **Eastbaystanddown.org** or **http://ebsd.ivolunteer.com/ebsd**

#### IN-KIND ORGANIZATIONAL / CORPORATE DONORS

You or company's donation of services and equipment saves money that can be utilized for other aspects of the encampment life. At this time, if you wish to help the EBSD, financial contributions is the most effective way you can help. Please check current needs on our "WISH LIST" on our website.

#### TENT SPONSORSHIP

Individuals and non-profit organizations can sponsor a tent for \$500 and companies may do so for \$1,000. Placards with individual names or memorialized names can be placed in front of one of the tents at the event. Company or organization banners with their names and logos can be placed at the tent or at the event to show your support. All sponsors, unless they specify anonymity, will be listed in public relations information regarding the event.

#### MAJOR & CO-SPONSORSHIPS

With a minimum donation of \$5,000.00, a co-sponsorship of the event is available to a limited number of organizations and companies. Larger donations would entitle the organization to be listed as a major sponsor. Sponsor and/or serve a meal

#### MEAL SPONSORSHIPS

Individuals, organizations, & companies can purchase, plan, prepare, serve and share a meal with the participating veterans and the other volunteers. Be sure to wear something to let the people know whom you represent! Please contact Jerry Yahiro at [jjyahiro@aol.com](mailto:jjyahiro@aol.com) to arrange your Sponsorship - Co-Sponsorship or Meal Sponsorship.

#### LEGAL / TAX SERVICES VOLUNTEERS

If you are an attorney/tax expert, EBSD needs your help. EBSD seeks to provide veterans with help clearing nuisance misdemeanor-types of tickets, which displaced people often have received. Many have more difficult problems & we would like to be able to offer them advice and guidance in resolving these problems. Please contact Ron Hyde at [shundahai@att.net](mailto:shundahai@att.net) to volunteer your services.

#### DENTAL SERVICES

Through the support of local dentists we offer quality oral health care, as well as follow up care after the event. If you are a local dentist & willing to donate & volunteer a small amount of your time to EBSD - please contact Dr. Robert Sada, DDS (Ret) at: [sadardent@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sadardent@sbcglobal.net)

#### COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

EBSD individual volunteer participation will draw well over 2,500 community members & supporters for the four-day event at the Alameda County Fairgrounds. Volunteer registration is currently open and will close on Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> for all volunteers. Please register on website - in advance. There will not be any "on-site registration this year & NO "walk-in" visitors or volunteers are permitted. We encourage you to check for volunteer positions open on the EBSD website. Community organizations & groups are encouraged to volunteer to be involved in this large community event for our homeless veterans. Your group or Veteran Service Organization may be able to assist on items needed for EBSD by visiting our "wish-list" needs on the website.

#### CRITICAL VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Current areas of critical need are the four-days prior for encampment for set-up & again, after EBSD, for the two-three days of break-down & clean-up of the camp. This advanced and post volunteer effort will be a "Highlighted Item" on the EBSD website.

#### REGARDING ALL DONATIONS

The monthly meeting is the best place to make personal & organizational donations - provide sponsorship checks & obtain information. Please make out your donation to **Diablo Valley Veterans Foundation - EBSD** and mail to **P.O. Box 2133, Danville, CA 94526**. The **Diablo Valley Veterans Foundation** is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, IRS identification number 26-3198472. Your donation may be tax deductible. Please consult your tax advisor. All donations are greatly appreciated.

Please contact EBSD Director Jerry Yahiro with any questions about Sponsorships & Donations to EBSD.

Thank you... We look forward to your personal support & participation in EBSD 2014.

**East Bay Stand Down 2014 is September 11 - 14 at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton, CA**

**General Anthony Zinni** author of "*Before the First Shots Are Fired: How America Can Win or Lose Off the Battlefield* " **will speak at the Marine's Memorial Club in SF on Sept. 18 at 6:30PM - Cost for veterans is \$12.00 (\$10. off reg. price)**

UPCOMING EVENT

**General Anthony Zinni: Before the First Shots Are Fired**

**THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 18, 2014 – 1830 HRS.  
(6:30PM)**

**GENERAL ANTHONY ZINNI, USMC (RET.);  
SPECIAL ENVOY TO THE MIDDLE EAST (RET.);**

**AUTHOR - BEFORE THE FIRST  
SHOTS ARE FIRED: HOW AMERICA  
CAN WIN OR LOSE OFF THE BAT-  
TLEFIELD**



THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE U.S. SHOULD ACT AS THE WORLD'S POLICE FORCE HAS BEEN DISPUTED FOR DECADES – SHOULD THE U.S. RESPOND TO ISSUES ABROAD WITH MILITARY FORCE? **RETIRED FOUR-STAR GENERAL TONY ZINNI** EXAMINES THIS QUESTION AND BREAKS DOWN THE PROCESS OF HOW THE U.S. DECIDES TO GO TO WAR IN HIS LATEST BOOK. DRAWING ON HIS EXTENSIVE MILITARY CAREER SPANNING SEVERAL DECADES, GENERAL ZINNI ANALYZES AMERICA'S HISTORY OF MILITARY ACTION, THE ROLE OF GOVERNMENT IN THE MILITARY PROCESS AND THE NECESSARY SHIFTS IN ORDER TO MAKE THE DECISION TO GO TO WAR A MORE TRANSPARENT PROCESS.

**LOCATION: LAFAYETTE VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING  
3780 MT. DIABLO BLVD. – LAFAYETTE, CA**

**TIME: 5:45 P.M. CHECK-IN -**

**6:30 P.M. PROGRAM -**

**7:30 P.M. BOOK SIGNING -**

**COST: \$22 NON-MEMBERS • \$12 MEMBERS • \$7 STUDENTS –**

***SPECIAL VETERAN DISCOUNT AVAILABLE***

SEE MORE AT: [HTTP://WWW.COMMONWEALTHCLUB.ORG/EVENTS/2014-09-18/GENERAL-ANTHONY-ZINNI-FIRST-SHOTS-ARE-FIRED#STHASH.DHSABH20.DPUF](http://www.commonwealthclub.org/events/2014-09-18/general-anthony-zinni-first-shots-are-fired#STHASH.DHSABH20.DPUF)  
SEE MORE AT: [HTTP://WWW.COMMONWEALTHCLUB.ORG/EVENTS/2014-09-18/GENERAL-ANTHONY-ZINNI-FIRST-SHOTS-ARE-FIRED#SELECT-TICKETS](http://www.commonwealthclub.org/events/2014-09-18/general-anthony-zinni-first-shots-are-fired#SELECT-TICKETS)

**General Anthony Zinni** author of "*Before the First Shots Are Fired: How America Can Win or Lose Off the Battlefield* " **will also speak on SEPT. 15th at Lafayette Veterans Memorial Building at 7PM, & its FREE.**



# Welcome to New VNVDV Member

VNVDV is pleased that **Dennis Stogner** has joined our Group. Dennis served with the 335th Assault Helicopter Company, 166 Trans Detachment. Welcome home & Thank you for Serving.



*We THANK all our recent new members!*

Horsethief 166th Trans Det.

## Update on Active Duty Personnel from the Diablo Valley

### Captain Kris Conklin US Army

Kris is a 1998 graduate of California High School in San Ramon and is the son of Peggy and Mike Conklin of San Ramon.

Kris joined the Army in 1998 as a Signal support Specialist and received his Commission from Signal Corps Officers Candidate School in 2009. **Kris was installed as the Commander of SOC-CENT SIGET at MacDill AFB, FL - 27 Jun 2014**

Kris is married to the former Irma Torres, Puerto Rico and they have three children Grace 9, Kate 6 and Kris Jr. 2.

Enlisted assignments: Regimental Signal Detachment 75th Ranger BN RTO, Ranger Reconnaissance Detachment, Communications Supervisor Sergeant.

Commissioned assignments: 2nd Ranger BN 76th Ranger Regiment, signal PLT Leader, 51st Signal BN (Expeditionary) as Company XO and Assistant Operations Officer.

Kris completed the Signal Officer Basic Course, US Marine Corps Expeditionary Warfare School and holds a BS from Excelsior University, NY.

Awards and Decorations include: Bronze Star and Purple Heart Medals; Afghanistan, Iraq, Kosovo campaign medals; Master Parachutist, Mater HALO and the Ranger Tab



## Congratulations to Kris from the VNVDV



# TAKE THE ROCK

## VETERANS SWIM CHALLENGE



Alcatraz to Aquatic Park in SF



Join Us!

**VNVDV is Sponsor of**

**Take the Rock II - Veteran Swim Challenge**

**Sunday - September 28, 2014**

*For Active-Duty Military & Veterans*

Earl Conklin - Swim Director

Bob Musor - Maritime Director

Dennis Petersen - Shore Coordinator

VNVDV plans to Sponsor up to 75 Veteran & Active-Duty Military Swimmers

**We are looking** for additional swimmers & support for this event. Encourage members - friends & supporters with **boats or kayaks** to contact Bob Musor to volunteer.

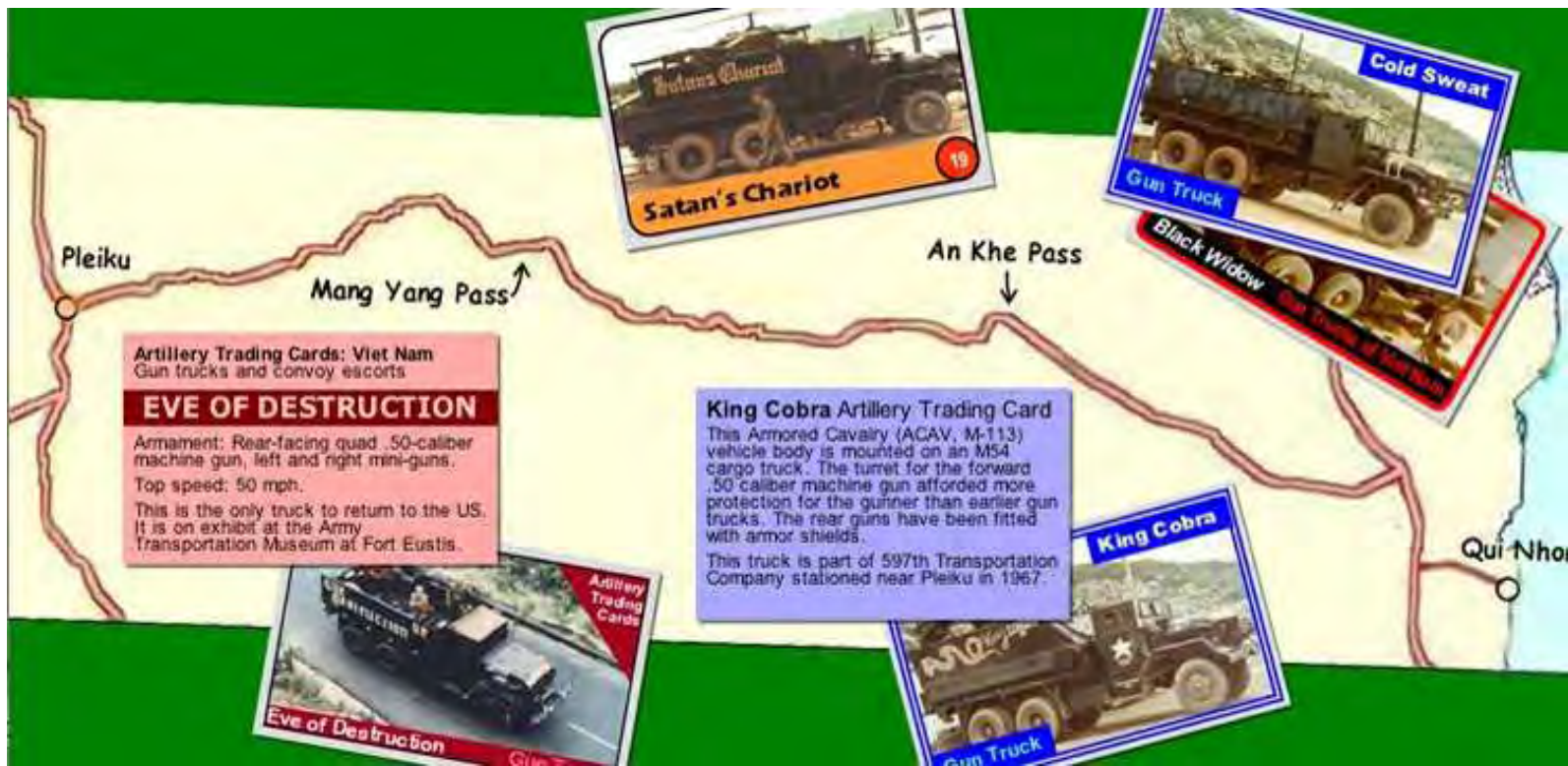
**Support our Veterans - Take the Challenge!**




# What is going on with VNVDV Speakers Bureau

**Mike Martin** reports the VNVDV Speakers Bureau has presented to a record **60,283** students throughout Northern California. Mike & **Bill Green** have a polished presentation that is informative & entertaining. They deserve a big **“WELL DONE”** from the VNVDV for providing this valuable educational service to the community & schools. **Mike** also reports that the Speakers Bureau recently utilized **“skype”** to make presentations as far away as Pennsylvania. Know a school? Contact Us!

## August Postcard from Viet Nam



**Thomas Corbett**  
Family Service Counselor  
Pre-need and Veteran Specialist  
Lic. #44629  
tcoak8@gmail.com

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# Don't Miss our Featured Guest Speakers Monthly

## Speakers for 2014

- July 3<sup>rd</sup>:** **Special Thanks to JULY Speaker Susan Mayall** grew up in England during World War II. Having lost her father to the war, her mother was left with four small children, Susan at six, being the eldest. She will describe how they survived the nightly bombing, strict rationing, travel restrictions, and constant air raids.
- September 4<sup>th</sup>:** **Frank Jordan** is very passionate and extremely knowledgeable about World War I. He leads yearly battlefield tours of the old Western Front in France and Belgium. This May, Frank lead a tour to commemorate the centennial of the start of the "Great War". Frank will be reporting on this trip as well as enhancing our knowledge of World War I.
- October 2<sup>nd</sup>:** **John Bryan** - CEO of 680 Recovery in Alamo, whose company goal is to give every person the confidence to make it through a crisis situation. Their team consists of former military personnel, firefighters, policemen and women and emergency medical first-responders with over 150 years of combined experience in emergency services.

## The VMB / SRV Renovation Book



### VMB Renovation Coffee Table Book

The are available now at  
meetings & VMB .

Books sell for \$45.. &  
now reduced to \$35.00  
All proceeds go directly  
to pay for the operating  
expenses of the Veterans  
portion of the VMB for  
the San Ramon Valley

## *YOUR VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING in Danville*

The Danville's Veteran Memorial Building is  
**OPEN** every SAT. AM from 0800 to 1100 for  
*free coffee & pastry... a social get-together.*  
Stop by for a few minutes, an hour, stay as long  
as you desire ~ leave when you want. Meet in  
our new lounge ~ see the museum displays ~  
*bring a friend or fellow veteran.*

The VMB Museum is Open Monday thru Fri-  
day 9 to 3 for public visitors. Past President  
Mike Slattengren is looking for any members  
interested in volunteering a few hours each  
month as a VMB Docent for our Historical

**The VSO "Dunk Tank" will be in operation again  
during Discover Danville in August 2014.  
Sign up now to volunteer - See Dennis G.**



# Participate in a Unique Opportunity



## Committee for Commissioning USS AMERICA (LHA 6)

April 2014

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Dear Navy and Marine Corps Supporters,

**USS America (LHA-6)** will be commissioned in San Francisco in early October 2014. She will be the fourth U.S. Navy vessel named after our country and will showcase the strength, resolve and commitment of our great nation.

**The America Class LHAs** will replace the LHA-1, Tarawa Class of amphibious assault ships, and will have the flexibility to operate in the traditional role as the flagship for an Expeditionary Strike Group. She is characterized as an aviation-centric amphibious assault ship designed to accommodate the next generation of Marine Corps aircraft, the MV-22 Osprey and the F-35B (VTOL) Joint Strike Fighter across the full spectrum of military operations. These amphibious warships are uniquely designed to support the U.S. Marines' Aviation Combat Element (ACE) philosophy including assault from the sea against defended positions ashore and Sea Control Air operations using enhanced numbers of strike fighters. The air assault role is optimized for conducting larger air assault operations from much further out, allowing the Ground Combat Element (GCE) to arrive on scene more quickly and the America-class ship to be better protected from its station farther out to sea.

**We are asking you to be part of something special.** The Department of the Navy has asked that a committee be established to sponsor the commissioning of this new amphibious assault ship. Our sponsorship responsibility includes raising a significant amount of funding. The Department of the Navy, the ship and its crew are counting on us to make this commissioning a success.

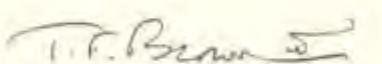
**Your attendance** will help assure that success. **Your dollars** will support the time-honored and traditional events associated with a ship's commissioning that the Department of the Navy is not allowed to fund. Your donations will create and sustain the crew's morale, welfare and recreation fund. When **AMERICA** sails off to join the fleet we want the crew to know that they are supported and valued by **all Americans**.

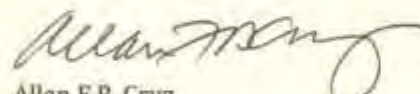
**BE PART OF THIS IMPORTANT EVENT!** Take an ownership interest in the first day of the life of the **USS America** by providing financial support. Please see the enclosure for details. All donations are appreciated, are tax-deductible and will be listed in the donor's brochure. **Your financial donation will help make this happen.**

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*USS AMERICA (LHA 6) after her launch, June 4, 2012*

*Builder: Huntington Ingalls Industries*

*Sponsor: Lynne Pace*

*Launched: 4 June 2012*

*Christened: 20 October 2012*

*Commissioning (planned): early October 2014 in San Francisco, California*

### General Characteristics

*Class & type:* America class amphibious assault ship

*Displacement:* Approx. 45,000 long tons (45,700 metric tons) full load

*Length:* 844 feet (257.3 meters)

*Beam:* 106 feet (32.3 meters)

*Propulsion:* Two marine gas turbines, two shafts, 70,000 total brake horsepower,  
two 5,000 horsepower auxiliary propulsion motors

*Speed:* 20+ knots (37+ km/h)

*Complement:* 65 officers, 994 enlisted, 1,687 Marines (plus 184 surge)

*Sensors and processing systems:* AN/SPQ-9B fire control; AN/SPS-48E air search radar

*Electronic warfare & decoys:* AN/SLQ-32B(V)2; 2×Mk53 NULKA decoy launchers

*Armament:* 2× Rolling Airframe Missile launchers; 2× Evolved Sea Sparrow Missile launchers;  
2× 20 mm Phalanx CIWS mounts; 7× twin .50 BMG machine guns

*Aircraft carried:* MV-22B Osprey, F-35B Lightning II, CH-53K Super Stallion; UH-1Y Venom;  
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*Ship's Crest & Motto:*



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OR IN PEACE"*

**Commissioning is Privately Funded through Donations**

# **VietNam Veterans Killed-in-Action from Contra Costa -** **We still need Photos of those fallen - *Names on the Wall***

The first time Janna Hoehn visited Washington, D.C., she went to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Its simple power -- a black granite wall etched with the 58,286 names of U.S. service members killed in the Vietnam War -- left her in tears.

"As you're standing there, you realize your reflection is in this wall," said Hoehn, 58. "You're in there with the soldiers. It made me cry because it's so massive, so many names."

Now she's part of a project that aims to intensify the emotional experience by adding faces to the names. The Faces Never Forgotten project has collected photos for more than 33,000 of the names on the wall, via online submissions from family and friends and through the work of volunteers directed by the nonprofit Vietnam Veterans Fund in Washington, D.C.

The project is the brainchild of Jan Scruggs, a Vietnam veteran who founded the wall. Now he seeks to build an underground education center on the Washington Mall in which to display the photos. (Photos that have been collected are displayed at [www.vvmf.org/Wall-of-Faces](http://www.vvmf.org/Wall-of-Faces).)

Legislation authorizing construction of the \$100 million education center was signed in 2003 by President George W. Bush. Scruggs said he has raised approximately \$15 million to date. Recently, Congress granted the project a four-year extension -- through 2017 -- to raise the additional \$85 million.

"We're talking to the right people in the corporate world," said Scruggs, an Army veteran who earned a Purple Heart in Vietnam. "We'll get it done. It will be powerful. We really want this to be done in a tasteful manner to inspire people to appreciate those who have given everything for their country."

Hoehn, a florist on the island of Maui in Hawaii, was part of the Faces Never Forgotten project before she knew it existed. Five years ago, on her visit to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, she traced a random name -- MIA Gregory Crossman -- on a piece of paper. After returning home, her curiosity piqued, she searched online for any information she could find about her mystery service member. Her cousin was able to locate a photo. "I put his picture in a scrapbook," Hoehn said, "and put the scrapbook away."

Then she heard about Faces Never Forgotten. She sent Crossman's photo to Scruggs, who wrote back asking if Hoehn would be willing to locate photos for the 42 dead or missing from her home island. She calls them the "Maui boys." "What I thought would be a simple project was not," she said. "After six months, I had them."

Hoehn then volunteered to find pictures of casualties from Riverside County, where she grew up. Now she's searching Bay Area counties. She uses a number of tools. She started tracking down the "Maui boys" with a phone book. She visited high schools, scanned microfiche in libraries and pored through yearbooks. She got the final photo by knocking on a door in her neighborhood.

Now she works remotely, scouring the Internet and asking local newspapers to write about the project. Her cousin helps, using [ancestry.com](http://ancestry.com). For her work in Contra Costa County, Hoehn enlisted the help of the Vietnam Veterans of Diablo Valley.

"I think we'll get most of the photographs," Scruggs said. "By the time we have the center built, we'll probably be in the 80 to 85 percent range. Once it's operational, and people come to see it, that's when we'll get the rest. There's probably one-half of 1 percent you can never get."

The photo Andy Holt cares most about is the one of his older brother, Raymond, who was killed in combat in the Binh Duong province of South Vietnam in 1970, two days after Christmas and 10 days after his 22nd birthday. Andy, Raymond and their three siblings grew up in Antioch.

Andy Holt, who enlisted in the Army with two buddies who were killed in Vietnam, likes the concept of Faces Never Forgotten.

"That sounds great," he said. "The men and women who served in Vietnam, and those who didn't make it back, had a (crummy) deal. It's not like our soldiers today, who come home to a warm welcome. It was just bad all the way around. This is a long time coming."

**\* See the list of names for Photos Needed for Fallen VietNam Veterans from your County on website: [www.VNVDV.com](http://www.VNVDV.com)**

**This article was written by Bay Area News Group's [Gary Peterson](http://Twitter.com/garyscribe) at 925-952-5053. Follow him at [Twitter.com/garyscribe](http://Twitter.com/garyscribe).**

**To contribute a photo—see our [VNVDV website](http://VNVDV.com) for a list of names for photos...**

If you have a photo of a friend or family member who was lost in Vietnam and wish to contribute it to the Faces Never Forgotten project, email it to [Janna Hoehn](mailto:Janna.Hoehn@neverforgotten2014@gmail.com) at [neverforgotten2014@gmail.com](mailto:neverforgotten2014@gmail.com).

**Janna Hoehn was the VNVDV featured dinner speaker on JUNE 5th - support this volunteer project. Remember... do some research - You can make a difference!**



**A reminder ...** the VNVDV is a local, grass-roots non-profit Veterans Service Organization and is **NON-POLITICAL** (part of non-profit status). Please refrain from **"politics"** of any kind at dinner meetings.

**CHECK - OUT & FOLLOW SOME OF OUR "SUPPORTERS" WEBSITES:**

All **"Operation Welcome Home"** event updates can be found at: [www.DiabloValleyFlagBrigade.com](http://www.DiabloValleyFlagBrigade.com) for upcoming events.

Visit our own VNVDV website to see more about the *VietNam Veterans of Diablo Valley* at: [www.VNVDV.com](http://www.VNVDV.com)

Information on *All Wars Memorial* and obtaining *AWM Pavers* at Oak Hill Park - visit: [www.AllWarsMemorial.org](http://www.AllWarsMemorial.org)

*East Bay Stand Down FINAL* monthly meetings - August 12th - visit: [www.EastBayStandDown.org](http://www.EastBayStandDown.org) for location of monthly meeting

*Marines Memorial Association / Hotel / Club in SF* - Visit their website at: [www.MarineClub.com](http://www.MarineClub.com)

*Sentinels of Freedom Scholarship Foundation* - visit: [www.SentinelsOfFreedom.org](http://www.SentinelsOfFreedom.org)

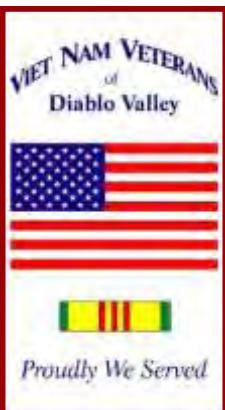
*Wheelchair Foundation & Wine for Wheels* - Support our those in need of mobility - Visit: [www.WineforWheels.org](http://www.WineforWheels.org) & see VNVDV

*Blue Star Moms #101* website: [www.bluestarmoms.org](http://www.bluestarmoms.org) & *Blue Star Moms #20* website: [www.ccbluestarmoms.org](http://www.ccbluestarmoms.org)

**Get involved in "Take the Rock" - Veteran Swim Challenge for Active-Duty Military & Veterans**

**See other websites listed inside this edition of the INCOMING News & on our website.**

For details and information on our new *Veterans Memorial Building* visit: [www.srvVeteransHall.org](http://www.srvVeteransHall.org) - You can still make a **"pledge"** over a three to five year period... have your name on the donor wall and YOU will **"make a difference in the future"**



*Please Join Us the First Thursday each Month!*

**You can Help the VNVDV \$\$\$**

**by Paying by CHECK or CASH at Dinners**

**Checks payable to the "VNVDV"**

**Monthly Meeting Chef's "All-you-can-eat" Buffet Dinner is \$25. members / guests**

**Social Hour begins at 1700 Hrs. - Buffet Dinner begins just after 1800 Hrs.**

**Yes - we also take Major Credit Cards...**

**However - on the back-end the VNVDV is charged a percentage - for "a processing fee"**

**VNVDV Membership Dues Now only \$25.**

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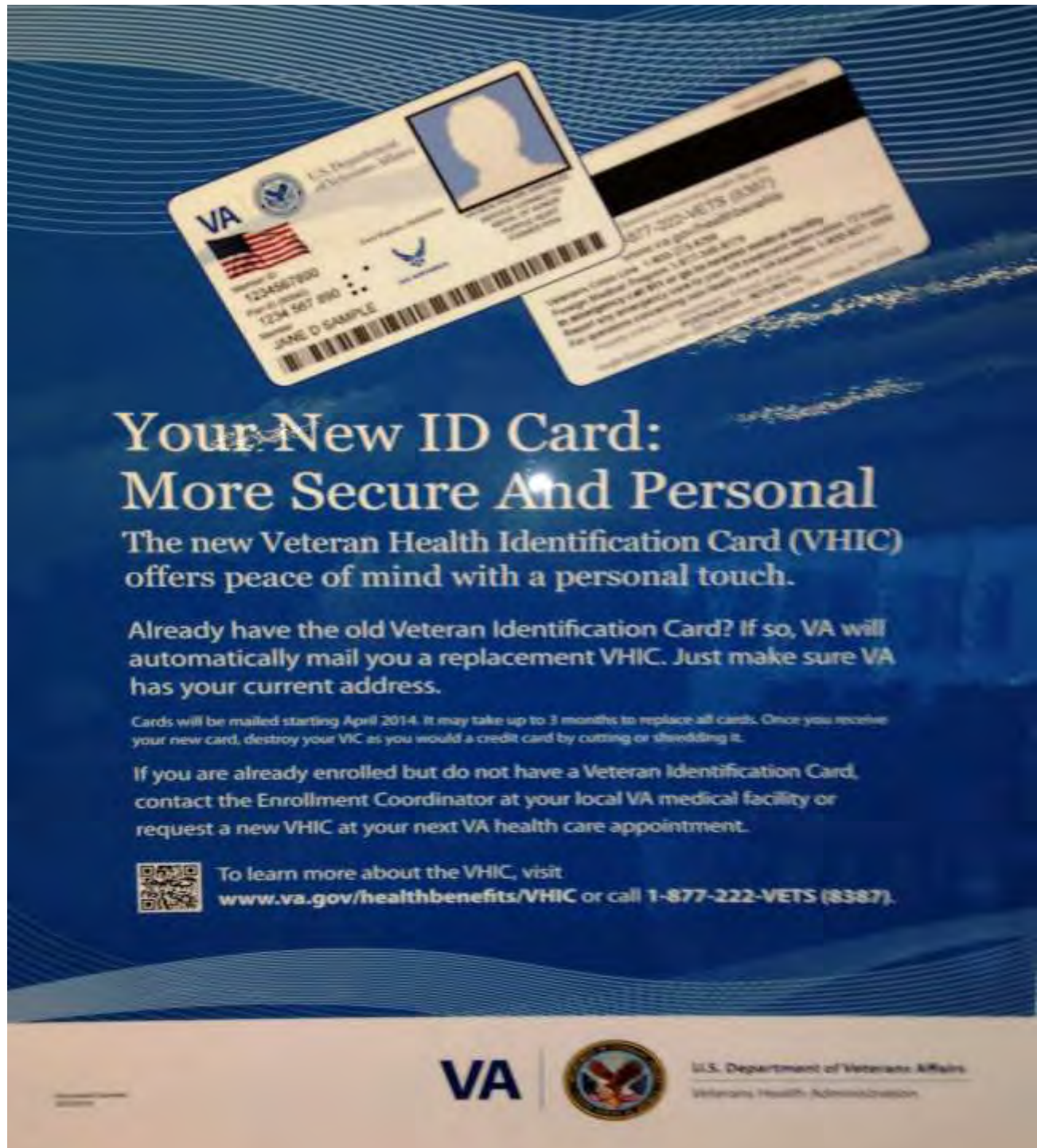
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# VA More Secure Health Care ID - Have Your Received Yours?



**Your New ID Card:  
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The new Veteran Health Identification Card (VHIC) offers peace of mind with a personal touch.

Already have the old Veteran Identification Card? If so, VA will automatically mail you a replacement VHIC. Just make sure VA has your current address.

Cards will be mailed starting April 2014. It may take up to 3 months to replace all cards. Once you receive your new card, destroy your VIC as you would a credit card by cutting or shredding it.

If you are already enrolled but do not have a Veteran Identification Card, contact the Enrollment Coordinator at your local VA medical facility or request a new VHIC at your next VA health care appointment.

To learn more about the VHIC, visit [www.va.gov/healthbenefits/VHIC](http://www.va.gov/healthbenefits/VHIC) or call 1-877-222-VETS (8387).

**VA** |  U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs  
Veterans Health Administration

## *Because You Chose To Proudly Serve*

Oakmont Memorial Cemetery in Lafayette is offering assistance to all Veterans and Veteran Spouses on both Traditional and Cremation Property.

Contact: **Thomas Corbett**, Veteran Liaison Officer

(925) 935-3311, (925) 216-4785 or  
[TCOAK8@gmail.com](mailto:TCOAK8@gmail.com)






# Serious Problems?

## VA - Mtz OFFERS

## "Same Day" Appointments If Required!

California's Veteran Benefit Book Available - See CCC VSO



The latest edition of the **Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents** booklet is now available. It provides a comprehensive list of federal benefits available, along with a complete list of VA facilities by state.

To get your free copy, go to:  
[http://www1.va.gov/opa/vadocs/current\\_benefits.asp](http://www1.va.gov/opa/vadocs/current_benefits.asp)  
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**Check VA's MyHealthVet or the VA online for details**  
**Call VA's "Advise Nurse" for Health Care answers!**  
**The VA Northern California Health Care System -**  
**operating Mare Island - Oakland & Martinez - Fairfield**  
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## VMB - VSO "DUNK TANK" Fund Raiser







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## Affordable Care Act & Veterans and the Veterans Health Administration

The provisions of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court will not affect the current role the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has in the lives of America's Veterans.



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866-600-8279  
Martinez, CA 94553

Fax: (925) 372-2804

We will continue to provide Veterans with high quality, comprehensive health care and benefits they have earned through their service. VA health care does not

## Veterans... Are You Utilizing Your VA Health Care Benefits?

The VNVDV encourages all Veterans to Enroll in VA Health Care coverage & utilizing trained professional advocates at our Contra Costa County VSO. The VA Health Care System is the Best - get help

**Visit our VNVDV Website for more Benefit details.**

**FLU IS CAUSING SERIOUS ILLNESS & DEATH!**

**Please visit one of our VA Clinics in Martinez**

**- Oakland or other locations now to obtain your**

**FLU shot - available to all Veterans! Don't Wait!**

# Watch a New TV Show "VETERAN VOICES" on CCTV

Featuring Nathan Johnson - our Contra Costa County Veteran Service Officer & Guests

## Contra Costa County Veterans Service Office is a FREE service for all Veterans!

Find out about all the Veteran Benefits

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### Veterans Benefits Contact:

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10 Douglas Dr. Suite 100  
Martinez, CA 94553

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<b>Spouse / SO</b>					
<b>Address:</b>	<i>No. &amp; Street</i>		<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>ZIP Code</i>
<b>Home E-Mail:</b>			<b>Work E-Mail:</b>		
<b>Company:</b>			<b>Title:</b>		

### Military Service

<i>Branch</i>	<i>Dates of Service</i>	<i>Rank</i>	<i>Specialty</i>	<i>Viet Nam Dates</i>
<b>Viet Nam Units:</b>				
<b>Location(s):</b>				
<b>Medals &amp; Awards:</b>				

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Operation Welcome Home Events                      | <input type="checkbox"/> VNVDV Super Sunday Crab Feed    |
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**Please Visit our Website @ [www.VNVDV.com](http://www.VNVDV.com) for other Activities & Programs**

**I PLEDGE MY INTENT TO PARTICIPATE WITHIN THE ORGANIZATION. TO HELP MAKE IT A SUCCESS AND OFFER ASSISTANCE WHENEVER POSSIBLE. I ACCEPT PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY LIABILITY IN ANY ACTIVITY I CHOOSE TO PARTICIPATE IN AND HOLD HARMLESS THE VIET NAM VETERANS OF DIABLO VALLEY, ITS MEMBERS AND ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHOULD ANY MISHAP OCCUR. I PLEDGE TO ABIDE WITH THE BYLAWS OF THE ORGANIZATOION.**

**THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.**

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach a copy of your DD-214 - and a check for Annual Dues: \$25 payable to VNVDV**

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**Please Mail your completed application to our P.O. Box above or Submit at our 1st/Thurs. of Month Dinner. Thank You!**

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**To:** *VNVDV Members & VIPs*

**The Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley** - established in 1991 as a local, non-profit, Veteran Service Organization (VSO) to promote & enhance the image of the Viet Nam Veteran through Community Service & Support of our fellow Veterans, value & maintain a high level of dignity & respect for the young men & women currently serving our nation today in all branches of our military services. Danville has a new Veteran's Memorial Building for the San Ramon Valley - designed for the next 100 years - to serve our veterans now - those returning & our future veterans - while serving as a lasting reminder & Memorial for all those who served before us in the name of Freedom... *leaving a "legacy"*

The VNVDV meets on the 1st Thursday of every month at the *Crow Canyon Country Club*, in Danville. Our Board of Directors Meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Veterans Memorial Building - Library / Board Room at 1800 Hrs. in Danville. To find out "details" & more about programs we support & events we sponsor... visit our website at [www.VNVDV.com](http://www.VNVDV.com). All veterans & guests are welcome to attend our "open" membership meetings. We are a casual - "fun" - social veterans group - always looking for new members who enjoy friendship & the special bond as military veterans. *We are Proud of our Military Service...* & of our continued contributions to fellow veterans & community. Our dinner meetings consist of a social dinner & guest speaker of interest to veterans & military. *All dinner meetings are OPEN - bring fellow veterans - active duty military - history buffs - friends - supporters... & Join us each month.*

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