

# INCOMING NEWS



May  
2015

Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley

*"Proudly We Served"*

## REGISTER On-Site for MAY 16 - WALK of HONOR

**This is an East Bay Community Event - please join us!**

Raymond  
**"Ray"**  
La Rochelle  
VNV DV  
President  
2015  
Reminds all  
that  
Participation  
at the "Walk  
of Honor" is  
*essential* for  
the VNV DV

**Register On-Site beginning**

**at 8AM for Walk of Honor**

WALK OF HONOR 2015

We're still looking for additional registrations to participate in the Phillips 66 7<sup>th</sup> annual Walk of Honor on Armed Forces Day - Saturday May 16, 2015. The web-site is up & running so sign up and walk to honor your favorite veteran or service member. Whether you can physically do the walk or not please register & attend the luncheon, the food is always great and it is a grand party so come on out!

MEMORIAL DAY –

features first showing of Memorial **Wall to the Fallen since the Gulf War...**

at Oak Hill Park one day only Monday—May 25th

Our Flagship event is coming up fast & we need volunteers to serve on the committee, carry flags & help with set-up/teardown. See me or Jerry Yahiro if you want to help out. This is our 24<sup>th</sup> annual Memorial Day Ceremonies event at Oak Hill Park in Danville scheduled on May 25, 2015. We have a great speaker lined up & the Danville Community Band to provide music for the event.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED at 8AM

**"PROUDLY WE SERVED"** & continue to serve veterans & our community.

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



Steven Burchik  
**"An Ordinary Year, An Extraordinary Time"** has photography exhibit of

*This Saturday*  
**Armed Forces Day**  
*WALK of HONOR*  
**May 16, 2014**  
**Phillips 66**  
**WALK of HONOR**  
*Register On-Site*  
*Walk in "Tribute"*  
**Crockett, CA**

### **East Bay's Largest**

MEMORIAL DAY -  
Monday MAY 25  
10:30 - Music  
11AM Program

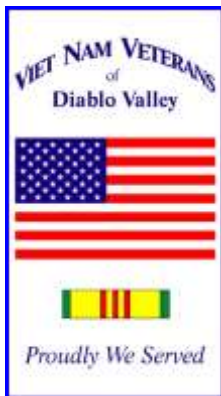
**The Diablo Valley's**  
*Largest Veteran Remembrance*

Oak Hill Park -  
Stone Valley Road  
Town of Danville

Site of the beautiful  
ALL WARS  
MEMORIAL



2015 President Ray La Rochelle



# May 16 Walk of Honor

Phillips 66 - San Francisco Refinery & Carbon Plant Honor the Men and Women who Served Our Nation & those serving currently on **Armed Forces Day** - 3rd Saturday in May in Crockett with the **"WALK of HONOR" for our veterans!**

**Phillips 66** and the VNVDV invites you to join with us in honoring & celebrating the service of our military veterans on May 16th Armed Forces Day 2015. Currently, the employees are organizing their **"7th Annual Phillips 66 "Walk of Honor"** a key-stone community event in Crockett sponsored & hosted by **Phillips 66**. On Saturday, May 16, the **"Walk of Honor"** is a short walk across the *Alfred Zampa Memorial Bridge* & back - followed by an amazing BBQ luncheon. Last year's event was a huge success. More than 400 employees, contractors, sponsors & local residents participated in the celebration. **Phillips 66** event planning team is working hard help surpass last years fundraising & attendance milestones, and with your help we are sure to succeed! We promise you a fun, exciting & fulfilling morning honoring the men & women who currently serve our nations and all those who have valiantly served our nation. This event supports our veterans! Once again, **Phillips 66** is partnering with *both* the **Vietnam Veterans of the Diablo Valley (VNVDV)**, and the **Crockett Community Services District (CCSD)**. **Phillips 66** equally divide all proceeds from the **Walk** between these two organizations. The **VNVDV** is an incredible organization comprised of community volunteers who work diligently providing support services to veterans in need, including hosting the **"East Bay Stand Down"**. The volunteers of the **CCSD** have undertaken a huge public benefit challenge, leading the efforts to **re-store the Crockett Veterans Memorial Building**. We are very honored to support these two worthy causes and hope we can count on your support.

**Registration is OPEN on-site at 8AM the day of the event until 9:30 AM. See the website for details:** <http://site.walkofhonor2009.com/Success.html> - see the 2015 **WALK of HONOR** website for event details and full schedule at: [www.SFRWalkofHonor.com](http://www.SFRWalkofHonor.com) and contact Aimee Lohr at Phillips 66 Please join us in 2015.

## To Do List...

### EVENTS YOU SHOULD ATTEND

VMB Veterans Coffee  
Visit VMB Museum  
*Every Saturday - 8-11AM*

See our County Veteran  
Service Officer  
*By Appt. Every Wed 10AM-3PM*

DISV Rotary *Blackhawk  
Film Festival & Spirit of  
the Old West Exhibit*  
*Thurs. - MAY 7th - Danville*

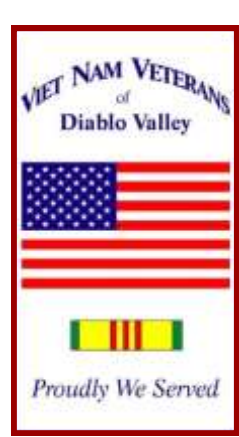
*Phillips 66 - Walk of Honor  
Armed Forces Day  
MAY 16th - Crockett*

Memorial Day  
Oak Hill Park  
*MAY 25th - Danville*

Wheelchair Foundation 15th  
Anniversary Gala - June 13th

4th of July Parade VNVDV  
Flag Distribution - Danville





# Memorial Day Remembrance

Mon. May 25th

Oak Hill Park in Danville



Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley are working with the All Wars Memorial Foundation to present another successful Memorial Day event & first showing of Fallen Memorial Wall of Gulf War & 9/11 at Oak Hill.

**Plan to join us and attend**

The VNVDV will be setting-up cammo and chairs beginning at 0730 at Oak Hill Park on May 25th & after the remembrance program we will have Our Members Only Family BBQ—meat provided.

**REMEMBER**—everyone should bring a side dish—**salad or dessert** “with enough for their family and extra to share with others”.

**Everyone is also responsible for “bringing their own favorite beverage.** Main dish—condiments and plates/silver wear will be furnished by the Organization. Bring your own chairs or picnic blanket.

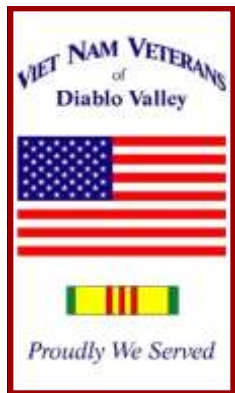
The Danville Community Band play at 10:30 and the Program will start at 11:00. Visit the Fallen Memorial Wall & AWM.

Invite the Community to take two hours out of the weekend to honor **FALLEN WARRIORS** whose sacrifice made it possible

for us to enjoy the freedom we have.

Remember to visit the **ALL WARS MEMORIAL** before and/or after the event.





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**REMEMBER**—everyone should bring a side dish—**salad or dessert** “with enough for their family & extra to share with others” *plus your beverage!*

**Everyone is also responsible for “bringing their own favorite beverage”** A Main dish—condiments and plates/silver wear will be furnished by the VNVDV Organization. Bring your own chairs or picnic blanket, Sun Screen

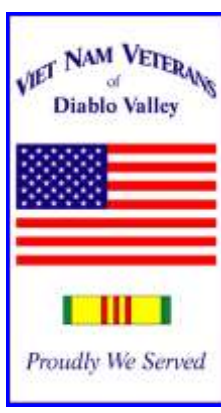
The Danville Concert Band will play at 10:30 and the Program will start at 11:00AM - Get there early to help volunteer and get a great seat.

Invite the Community to take an hour or two out of the weekend to honor **FALLEN WARRIORS** whose sacrifice made it possible for us to enjoy the freedom we have today! This is the day to remember veterans of the past.

Remember to visit the **ALL WARS MEMORIAL (AWM)** before and / or after the event... **just on the other side of the lake in beautiful Oak Hill Park.**

**New AWM Pavers have been engraved... and a few paver locations are still available.** Stop at the AWM Paver table and get an application today!

Walk of Honor VNVDV coordination and more importantly VNVDV PARTICIPATION with Phillips 66 SFR



Diablo Valley Flag Brigade - **“Operation Welcome Home”**

**OPERATION WELCOME HOME**  
**The VNVDV is Proud to Participate & Support the Diablo Valley Flag Brigade Warriors Watch Riders & OPERATION WELCOME HOME**

Visit Diablo Valley Flag Brigade at [www.DiabloValleyFlagBrigade.com](http://www.DiabloValleyFlagBrigade.com)  
 Or contact WWR below:

**WARRIORS' WATCH RIDERS**  
 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER

**Matthew Boggs**  
 Assistant State Coordinator

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[www.norcalwwr.org](http://www.norcalwwr.org)

Warriors' Watch is dedicated to ensuring that never again will a generation of American Warriors be scorned or ignored when they return home from defending our nation.

Warriors' Watch will support our troops and our veterans, and will honor, support, and comfort their families

Contact Northern California Warriors' Watch:  
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[www.norcalwwr.org](http://www.norcalwwr.org)

**SUPPORTING OUR TROOPS AND THEIR FAMILIES**

**WARRIORS' WATCH** is an all-volunteer Troop Support group. We exist for the purpose of supporting our nation's warriors, past and present, as well as their families. We come from many different walks of life, united for a single purpose. What we all have in common is an unwavering dedication to the support of our troops and their families.

The Warriors' Watch Riders' definition of troops includes veterans of all military branches from all eras, police and firefighters, and all first responders. We honor our first responders and our veterans in the same way that we honor our currently-uniformed troops.

Warriors' Watch Riders has members and chapters in 38 states, and around the world, and we are growing daily as more and more American patriots experience for themselves the honor of welcoming home one of our nation's finest.



VNVDV Dinner Speakers On-Deck:

- May 7** **Steven Burchik** "An Ordinary Year, An Extraordinary Time" has photography exhibit of his year in Viet Nam—This is the exhibit displayed in San Ramon.
- June 4<sup>th</sup>** **Jason Deitch and Michael Ergo** presenting "War Ink"
- July 2** **Hank Glauser** works for Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory as a Principal Investigator for Global Security of our Countries Ports
- August 6** **Cornelia and Lang Srey** "The Smell of Water" a twelve year old soldiers escape form the Khmer Rouge Army and the story of his survival



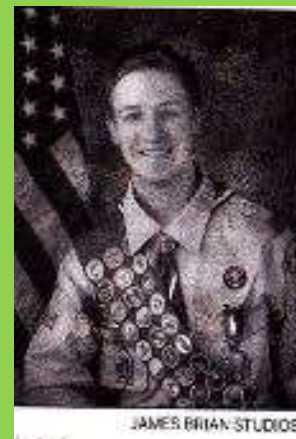
Tyler Jachowski Of San Ramon June 2014 Induction Ceremony



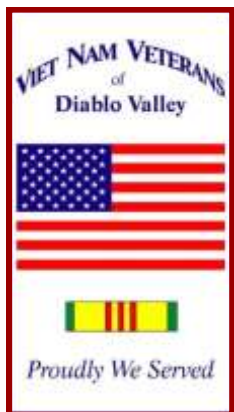
Tyler is assigned the 173 ABN and is currently on assignment in Ukraine Quite a year

## Congratulations Chris Behring

Danville Troop 805 will award the Eagle Scout Badge to Chris who has worked closely with the EBSD where he completed the Veterans History Project and raised funds for 400 sleeping bags.



JAMES BRIAN STUDIOS



# Please Join Us the First Thursday - every Month!

All membership expires January 1st.

Please renew your 2015 ANNUAL DUES

at any dinner meeting or mail a check to the P.O. Box - only \$25. or Life for \$200.

## Checks payable to the "VNVDV"

# Dinner @ "Regular Monthly Meeting" \$25. members /guests

Social Hour begins at 1700 Hrs. - All-You-Can-Eat Buffet Dinner begins at 1800 Hrs.

We accept all Major Credit Cards...

However - Cash / Check is Preferred

VNVDV is charged a percentage - for "a processing fee"

# BLUE STAR MOMS – Chapter 101

4<sup>th</sup> of July Care Packages for our Troops - [Community Drop-Off Schedule:](#)

May 30 – **San Ramon** – LUCKY'S from 10:00AM to 3:00PM - 21001 San Ramon Valley Blvd. - San Ramon

June 6 – **Danville** – VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING from 10:00AM to 3:00PM – 400 Hartz Ave. - Danville

June 20 – **Dublin** – CAMP PARKS – Packaging & Mailing - 4<sup>th</sup> of July Care Packages for the Troops -10:00AM - 2:00PM

For more CARE PACKAGE information, or to find out how to drop off other donations contact Linda Johnson at: [lcjas-soc@gmail.com](mailto:lcjas-soc@gmail.com). Monetary donations are always appreciated to cover our postage expense. Your checks can be made payable to & mailed to: Blue Star Moms – P. O. Box 2537 - San Ramon, CA 94538. All drop-off dates listed above are Saturdays and for a list of items we are looking for - visit our website at [www.bluestarmoms.org](http://www.bluestarmoms.org).

May 29 – Friday – 10AM - The Blue Star Mom's 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Golf Tournament at Callippe Preserve Golf Course in Pleasanton. All funds raised through this event will again benefit our annual Gold Star Family program in San Francisco. The Blue Star Moms – Chapter 101 are seeking event sponsors - Event flyer on our website. For more information contact Jake at Callippe Golf Course at [925-426-6666 x18](tel:925-426-6666) or Michelle Miller at [chellem@bak.rr.com](mailto:chellem@bak.rr.com).

June 29 - Monday from 5:30PM thru 9:00PM at Gianni's Restaurant in San Ramon the Blue Star Moms will be working for "TIPS for the TROOPS" Gianni's is closed on Mondays – and open for charitable organizations to support worthy causes. Please join the Blue Star Moms at Gianni's at 2065 San Ramon Valley Blvd. in San Ramon as they work for "TIPS" To make reservations call: [925-820-6969](tel:925-820-6969) or visit <http://www.opentable.com/giannis-italian-bistro?rid=108103&restref=108103>. All funds raised at Gianni's will benefit the BSM care package program for our troops.

2015 Sentinels of Freedom Gala Scholarship Foundation with Guest of Honor Major General Larry Nicholson USMC

Honoring eleven of nearly 180 Sentinels and recognition of Marine candidates prior to induction







*4th Annual Salute to Iraq and Afghanistan War Veterans  
Was Held Thursday, 16 April 2015 at the Marine Memorial*

## **Below are excerpts from General Mattis' Veteran recognition speech**

Our country gives hope to millions around the world, and you—who knew that at one time your job was to fight well—kept that hope alive. By your service you made clear your choice about what kind of world we want for our children: The world of violent jihadist terrorists, or one defined by Abraham Lincoln when he advised us to listen to our better angels?

You, my fine veterans, are privileged that you will never face a judgment of having failed to live fully. For you young patriots were more concerned in living life fully than in your own longevity, freely facing daunting odds and the random nature of death and wounds on the battlefield. How do we embrace our fellow citizens who weren't there? America is too large at heart for divisions between us. If we became keenly aware of anything at war, it was what is printed on our coins: "E Pluribus Unum"—out of many, one.

We know that in tough times cynicism is just another way to give up, and in the military we consider cynicism or giving up simply as forms of cowardice. No matter how bad any situation, cynicism has no positive impact. Watching the news, you might notice that cynicism and victimhood often seem to go hand-in-hand, but not for veterans. People who have faced no harsh trials seem to fall into that mode, unaware of what it indicates when taking refuge from responsibility for their actions. This is an area where your example can help our society rediscover its courage and its optimism.

We veterans did our patriotic duty, nothing more, certainly nothing less, and we need to "come home" like veterans of all America's wars. Come home stronger and more compassionate, not characterized as damaged, or with disorders, or with syndromes or other disease labels. Not labeled dependent on the government even as we take the lead in care of our grievously wounded comrades and hold our Gold Star families close. We deserve nothing more than a level playing field in America, for we endured nothing more, and often less, than vets of past wars.

If Jackie Robinson, a sparkling ballplayer and veteran of World War II, could write his own epitaph on leadership by saying "A life is not important except in the impact it has on other lives," then you who are fortunate to have learned so much living in the greatest country on earth while making an impact so young—you should recognize that our country needs your vigor and wisdom. It was gained at great cost to our comrades and to our Gold Star families, who need to see their sons' spirits live on in your enthusiasm for life.

I am reminded of Gen. William Sherman's words when bidding farewell to his army in 1865: "As in war you have been good soldiers, so in peace you will make good citizens."

## **Marines' Memorial Association**

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## Viet Nam Veterans Diablo Valley May Birthdays

Bob Moore - Army - 5/2

Mike Stalcup - Army - 5/3

Gary Estrella - Marine - 5/5

Norm Mahalich - Marine - 5/6

Jim Morrill - Navy - 5/7

Ron Azarcon - Air Force - 5/9

Dennis Stogner - Army 5/10

Steve Mick - Navy - 5/13

Gene Ghio - Army - 5/14

Jim Oram - Army - 5/15

Esteban Ramirez - Army - 5/15

Mark Connors - Air force - 5/16

Skip George - Army - 5/26

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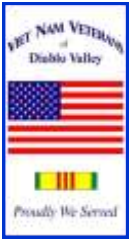
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# WALK of HONOR 2015



## 2015 WALK of HONOR for our Veterans Sponsored by Phillips 66 Refinery & Carbon Plant

*Honoring the Men and Women who Served Our Nation - **It's very important our members support the WALK of HONOR... please register even if you cannot attend or participate. Thank You.***

The Phillips 66 Refinery and Carbon Plant invite you to join with us in honoring and celebrating the service of our military veterans on Saturday, May 16, 2015. The 7th Annual "Walk of Honor for our Veterans" will be a short **walk across the Alfred Zampa Memorial Bridge and back. Last year's event was a huge success & well attended.** Over 600 employees, contractors & local residents participated in the celebration, and together we raised \$40,000! **We are working hard to surpass last year's fundraising and attendance milestones, and with your help we are sure to succeed!** We promise you a fun, exciting and fulfilling Armed Forces Day 2015 honoring the men and women who proudly serve today and those who have valiantly served our nation. We are still accepting Sponsors at this time!

### Schedule of Events at [2015 WALK of HONOR for our Veterans](#) in Crockett Saturday, May 16, 2015

8:00AM - 9:30AM – **"Walk" Check-In / Registration** at the Crockett Community Center - 850 Pomona Street - Crockett, CA. Register on-line in advance at: [www.SFRWalkofHonor.com](http://www.SFRWalkofHonor.com) - \$25. Registration includes **"Walk" Shirt & BBQ Lunch.**

8AM – 1PM - The VA along with many local Veterans Service Organizations (VSO) & other non-profit organizations serving veterans & their families will be on hand providing information regarding their services / programs / projects and benefits available to veterans / family members and those who proudly serve today.

10:00AM - "Walk" begins. Transportation will be provided to and from the bridge.

11:45AM - **Luncheon Ceremony. Following the "Walk" all registered participants are invited to join us for a special BBQ luncheon & ceremony, including music and a outstanding raffle.**

100% of all contributions to the Phillips 66 Walk of Honor will be divided evenly between the Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley (VNVDV) and the Crockett Community Services District (CCSD). The VNVDV is dedicated to present and former members of the Armed Forces of the United States, through the support of local community activities, which recognize the contributions and sacrifices of Veterans.

**Please join us and help support those currently serving & all of our nation's veterans on SAT – May 16<sup>th</sup> Armed Forces Day in Crockett at the 2015 Phillips 66 Walk of Honor for our Veterans. *We'll look for you!***

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

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Thanks to April  
2015 Speaker

Ruth Mary Torres -

*“Rosie the Rivet-*

*er”* served as a welder at  
Moore’s Shipyard in Oakland  
during WWII. *This is one speaker  
we will all remember!*



MY JOURNEY THROUGH LIFE



Picture above is the back of a jacket  
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Rosie is known worldwide

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# VietNam Veterans *Killed-in-Action* from Contra Costa - Need Photos of those fallen - *The search is on... can you Help*

Janna Hoehn was the VNVDV featured dinner speaker on JUNE 2014.

Janna is looking for assistance to advance her project that aims to connect a photo with each of the 58,286 names of U.S. service members remembered on the Viet Nam Memorial in Washington, DC. 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 following list represents Contra Costa County service members recorded on the Wall but there is no picture available for each of them. Please review and see if assistance can be provided.

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 at [neverforgotten2014@gmail.com](mailto:neverforgotten2014@gmail.com). (Photos that have been collected are displayed at [www.vvmf.org/Wall-of-Faces](http://www.vvmf.org/Wall-of-Faces).)

Cyril A. Alveraz	1949-1968	El Sobrante	Edward N Leonard	1942-1966	Richmond
Gregory M. Ashford	1950-1971	Richmond	Donald G. MacIntosh	1945-1968	El Sobrante
Ronald R. Baker	1944-1969	Concord	Kenneth E. Mattson	1941-1968	Lafayette
Wayne S. Bates	1938-1968	San Pablo	Edward N Leonard	1942-1966	Richmond
Michael R. Brotzman	1946-1967	Richmond	Gerald G. McGinley	1948-1968	Concord
John P. Burke	1947-1967	Walnut Creek	Bruce F. McMillan	1937-1968	Walnut Creek
John H. Butcher Jr.	1923-1967	Richmond	Joe H. Morrison	1943-1970	Richmond
Richard J Callanan	1930-1966	Concord	Morris A. Noble	1946-1967	San Pablo
Jack D. Campbell	1950-1969	San Pablo	David M. Parks	1947-1967	Concord
Robert S Croke	1945-1968	Walnut Creek	Vincent A. Ramirez	1946-1967	Richmond
Richard Curtis	1949-1967	Walnut Creek	Michael A. Rasmusson	1946-1970	Antioch
John E. Davis	1948-1968	San Pablo	Robert A. Reyes	1948-1968	Richmond
Clyde L. De Mello	1949-1968	El Cerrito	Willard W. Riggs	1948-1968	Pittsburg
Daniel G. Dorman	1947-1971	Richmond	William F Settle	1952-1970	Richmond
Orville B. Frits	1931-1967	Concord	Joseph V Sherlock III	1947-1967	Concord
Mike M. Godines	1937-1969	Richmond	Archie D. Smith	1945-1968	Richmond
Wayne A. Goetsch	1949-1968	Brentwood	Terry L. Stout	1950-1968	Concord
Paul A. Gonzales	1946-1968	Richmond	Timothy A. Thomas	1951-1972	Lafayette
Edward G. Hayen II	1946-1972	Concord	James D. Van Hook	1947-1968	Richmond
Fred J. Hayes	1942-1968	Walnut Creek	Craig A. Verlinden	1946-1967	El Sobrante
Dennis R. Heihn	1946-1966	San Pablo	David E. Wafer	1949-1968	Richmond
David A. Henry	1941-1966	El Cerrito	Thomas M. Walker	1949-1968	Richmond
Michael W. Howell	1947-1967	Rodeo	Robert W. Ward	1950-1970	Concord
Larry F. Jagard	1947-1972	Richmond	Michael A. Welch	1945-1967	Crockett
David L. Knott	1929-1969	Richmond	Ricky L. Wikle	1948-1969	Concord
Wayne K. Laine	1947-1968	Walnut Creek	Jose Ybanez	1937-1966	Richmond
Jerald L. Law	1949-1968	Pittsburg			





## Blackhawk Museums New Exhibition Now Open

*The Spirit of the Old West* exhibition tells the story of the western frontier from the perspective of both the Native Americans and the settlers before, during and after the expansion west. The exhibition features authentic artifacts from the period, a large diorama depicting key historic moments, scenes of wildlife from the frontier and other ele-



*Also at the Blackhawk Museum...*  
**The Wheelchair Foundation's**  
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# WALK OF HONOR

FOR OUR



# VETERANS

Saturday, May 16, 2015

Crockett Community  
Center  
850 Pomona Street  
Crockett, CA 94525

Register On-Site the day of the event  
[www.SFRWalkofHonor.com](http://www.SFRWalkofHonor.com)

The Phillips 66 Refinery and Carbon Plant invite you to join with us in honoring and celebrating the service of our military veterans. The 'Walk of Honor' will be a short walk across the Alfred Zampa Memorial Bridge and back. Last year's event was a huge success. More than 450 employees, contractors and local residents participated in the celebration, and together we raised in excess of \$39,000. We are working hard to surpass last years fundraising and attendance milestones, and with your help we are sure to succeed! We promise you a fun, exciting and fulfilling day honoring the men and women who have valiantly served our nation.

### Schedule of Events

**8:00 - 9:30 am** - Check in at the Crockett Community Center, 850 Pomona Street, Crockett. Transportation will be provided to and from the bridge.

**10:00 am** - "Walk" begins.

**11:45 am** - Luncheon Ceremony.

Following the "Walk" all registered participants are invited to join us for a luncheon ceremony. There will also be music by the John Swett High School Band and a raffle.

Many local veterans service organizations will be on hand providing information regarding their services.

100% of all contributions will be divided evenly between the Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley (VNVDV) and the Crockett Community Services District (CCSD).

The VNVDV is dedicated to present and former members of the Armed Forces of the United States, through the support of local community activities, which recognize the contributions and sacrifices of Veterans. The CCSD is dedicated to the preservation and restoration of the Crockett Veterans Memorial Building.

Phillips 66 is proud to be the Lead Sponsor of American Jobs for America's Heroes, a national nonprofit campaign coordinated by the Center for America to encourage employers to post jobs for 60,000+ unemployed National Guard members. Register at [www.CenterForAmerica.org](http://www.CenterForAmerica.org) to post jobs at no cost.



For questions, contact Paul Adler, Phillips 66 Public Relations Manager at 510-245-4400 or Aimee Lohr, Phillips 66 Community Relations Representative at 510-245-5130.

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Rodeo Refinery and Carbon Plant



Sign up today for the May 16, 2015 event! Enjoy a memorable leisurely walk across the "Alfred Zampa Memorial Bridge" and share a delicious BBQ lunch at the Crockett Community Center – 850 Pomona St., Crockett. Invite your family, friends and neighbors; and enjoy yourself while honoring the service of loved ones who honored us by their service to our country.

Check-in 8:00 am - 9:30 am at the Crockett Community Center/ Walk will begin at 10:00 am

[www.SFRWalkofHonor.com](http://www.SFRWalkofHonor.com)

[www.SFRRefinery.com](http://www.SFRRefinery.com)

*Tear along dotted line, keep top portion for your records*

### Registration Form

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address City, State, Zip

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Walking in honor of: \_\_\_\_\_  
Veterans Name(s)

**Registration \$25.00 T-shirt and BBQ included**

T-Shirt Size: S / M / L / XL / 2XL / 3XL (Please circle one)

Register online at [www.SFRWalkofHonor.com](http://www.SFRWalkofHonor.com) or mail registration form to:  
Phillips 66, Attn: Aimee Lohr, 1380 San Pablo Avenue, Rodeo, CA 94572

***Participation waiver must be filled out completely. Application deadline is May 10, 2015.***

#### Participant Waiver

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby agree that I will indemnify and hold harmless Phillips 66, its subsidiaries and affiliates, successors, assigns, agents, representatives, directors, officers, and employees, from any and all liability or claims of injury of whatsoever nature which may be incurred by me as a result of my voluntary participation in the Walk of Honor for our Veterans event sponsored by Phillips 66 on Saturday, May 16, 2015.

I further represent and certify to Phillips 66, its officers, employees, agents and assigns that I am physically able to do the various things enumerated above without limitation, and that I have no disabilities which might prevent me from doing the same.

All banners, flags, or apparel worn or carried in the WALK are subject to the approval of the Walk of Honor Committee. Non-compliance with this policy will subject offenders to eviction from the WALK or banquet and forfeiture of their application fee

I certify that either I am eighteen (18) years of age or older, or that my parent or court-appointed guardian has full knowledge of my participation in this event and has given me permission to participate, as evidenced by his/her signature below.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARTICIPANT (If not age 18 or older, parent/guardian must co-sign below.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT/GUARDIAN (Undersigned has read the above and understands this waiver.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

For additional information, please contact Aimee Lohr at 510.245.5130 or Paul Adler at 510.245.4400

Thank you for your support!

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# VNVDV MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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

	<i>Last</i>	<i>First &amp; MI</i>	<i>Home Phone</i>	<i>Cell Phone</i>	<i>Work Phone</i>
<b>NAME:</b>					
<b>Spouse / SO</b>					
	<i>No. &amp; Street</i>		<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>ZIP Code</i>
<b>Address:</b>					
<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 / Military Dates</i>
<b>Viet Nam Units:</b>				
<b>Location(s):</b>				
<b>Medals &amp; Awards:</b>				

### PLEASE INDICATE ACTIVITIES/COMMITTEES OF PERSONAL INTEREST

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Operation Welcome Home Events                      | <input type="checkbox"/> VNVDV Super Sunday Crab Feed          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Memorial Day Ceremony / All Wars Memorial          | <input type="checkbox"/> Walk of Honor for our Veterans        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Danville Fourth of July Parade - Flag Distribution | <input type="checkbox"/> East Bay Stand Down - Volunteer       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Color Guard & Service Colors / Flag Detail         | <input type="checkbox"/> Holiday & Other Support for Veterans  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Day Ceremony                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Speakers Bureau - High Schools        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors / Leadership                    | <input type="checkbox"/> GWOT Duck Club Retreat                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Memorial Building Museum / Docent         | <input type="checkbox"/> Take the Rock: Veteran Swim Challenge |

**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**

P.O. BOX 2079 - DANVILLE, CA 94526-2079 - PR/INFO: 925 / 935 - 4859 - E-Mail: VNVDV1@gmail.com

Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley is a non-profit organization/corporation (EIN 68-0266369) exempt from Federal (IRC 501a) and State (RTC 23701w) income tax

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



Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley "INCOMING"

MAY 2015



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Electronic News



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The VietNam 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. 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.

OPEN - SOCIAL DINNER MEETINGS with SPEAKER!

VIET NAM VETERANS of Diablo Valley

MONTHLY SOCIAL DINNER MEETINGS with FEATURED GUEST SPEAKERS

1st THURSDAY of each Month - Every Month

at CROW CANYON COUNTRY CLUB in Danville, CA

Social Hour starts at 1700 - Buffet Dinner at 1815 - Join Us!

Featuring "Chef's Choice Special Buffet Dinner" - \$25. RSVP NOT Required!

the "INCOMING" - Official Newsletter of the VNVDV

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