



# INCOMING NEWS



## Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley

### CRAB FEED - Super Sunday - FEB. 5th

*Outstanding Items in Silent Auction & Super Raffle Fund Raiser!*

**We THANK all of our Generous Sponsors & Supporters**

Feb. 2017



Bill Green - VNV DV President 2016 - 17

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings *Members – Supporters & Friends* -

**WOW!** I made it through my first month, but not without the help of a GREAT BOARD, *Thank You!*

FEB 2nd - Thursday is our Open dinner meeting **and this Sunday... it's Super Sunday** & our annual CRAB FEED! **I have only ONE REQUEST of our Members & Supporters... EVERY Member (& hopefully all supporters too!) to please obtain ONE DONATION (at a minimum)** to help support this fundraiser - which in turn will aid in funding our Veteran & Community Projects in 2017.

*Unfortunately, we are still short of many routine donations for our gift baskets... such as - dinner certificates, movie tickets, candy & services! Members have failed to contact many of our loyal business supporters & merchants for their support & donation... Your local Safeway Stores in your area (usually provide \$25 gift certificates - if they receive a donation letters), your local Starbucks (can provide gift baskets with coffee & mugs or gift certificates), local Trader Joes (provides assorted food gift baskets), your local Home Depot (always supports our Veterans with gift cards of \$25 to \$50). Please ask! We are in need of local Golf Course "foursomes" - with carts (I know some of you play that damn game), & dinner gift cards from the local Restaurants you visit... just provide them a copy of the donation letter & receipt! Please do your part!*

Please obtain these donations and turn them in at our dinner meeting on Thursday night or at the VMB in Danville - Friday or Saturday before SUN

**FINAL CHANCE... for Members - Supporters & Friends**

We urgently need your personal support obtaining ONE Donation for this "Super Sunday" - FEB. 5th 2017 event! **Final Countdown... Help us Obtain Needed Donations**

Your Donations go to Jim Murphy at VMB this year - for Tickets contact **Treasurer Mike "Slatts" Slattengren @ 925 / 837-6238**

Ideas & Donation Letter for merchant donations provided in this edition. [Use them!](#)

**February Speaker**

**The February VNV DV speaker will be talking about hearing loss and the availability of free caption Phones.**

**This free benefit is made available to Veterans, Senior Citizens and anyone with any type of hearing loss under the American Disability Act Title 4. The caption phone enables individuals with hearing loss to live a healthier, happier and more independent lifestyle.**

The INCOMING  
*Featured in this edition:*

- ◆ 2017 Crab Feed Tickets *almost gone* Get yours at February dinner
- ◆ PHOTOS of Members at JAN Dinner *inside* news
- ◆ Upcoming Activities Events & Program
- ◆ Your Donation Letter - Receipt & Donations Needed List in this edition
- ◆ Merchant Donations urgently needed for Silent Auction

*Please HELP & do your part!*

**Our Newsletter is On-Line at: [www.VNV DV.org](http://www.VNV DV.org)**

## President's Message (Continued from Page One)

GREAT NEWS from *Phillips 66* - Sponsors of the "WALK of HONOR" for our Veterans - held annually on Armed Forces Day in Crockett. I'm excited to report attending the "Kick-Off" Meeting with the amazing team of volunteers at *Phillips 66* for our 9th annual WALK OF HONOR coming up on Saturday - **MAY 20th "Armed Forces Day"** in Crockett. Please plan on joining us for this special event! Sponsorships are available - contact *Phillips 66* Please Mark Your Calendars Now!

My final thought for February is one I share with my grandkids... "WHO LOVES YA BABY" So remember on FEB 14th - let the ones you LOVE know it! By the way... we have some great Valentine's Day items in our Silent Auction & Super Raffle at our Annual Crab Feed this Sunday... Don't miss it - only eight tickets remaining - call Slatts.

Hope to see you at our dinner meeting & Crab Feed

Bill

William "BILL" Green  
President 2016 - 2017  
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## OFFICIAL NOTICE

The VNVDV Board of Directors Meeting scheduled for the 3rd Thursday - February 16th at 6 PM has been RESCHEDULED to WED. - FEB 15 at 6 PM. This official change was necessary to avoid a conflict with Blue Star Moms Honoring & Remembrance of Gold Star Parents & Families.

LAST CHANCE to Help Support our 2017 Crab Feed with a Merchant/Business Donation, Our official donation Letter & Donor Receipt are available at our FEB Thursday Dinner Meeting - included in this issue & On-Line! Pick-up / Copy or Print & hand it out to a business you frequent to solicit your ONE Donation for our fundraiser on Super Sunday - FEB. 5th.

A sample donation list of items to request & 2017 Crab Feed poster for you to copy & use. **It's easy... Do it!**

SAT Morning Social Coffee in Danville at the VMB.

Join fellow Veterans each Saturday from 8AM to 11AM at our Veterans Memorial Building  
Drop off your Donations

## SPECIAL NOTICE

VNVDV DINNER MEETING  
FEBRUARY 2nd

"T.J." TRUJILLO will have our Pre-Crab Feed Super Sunday Entertainment Sheets at the dinner available in advance of Super Sunday - FEB 5th Crab Feed. See "T.J." & remember you do not need to be present to win!

## 2017 CRAB FEED is a FUNDRAISER

**Only eight Crab Feed Tickets left!**  
**DON'T BE LEFT OUT... ONLY 160** tickets will be sold in advance.

This is the largest VNVDV sponsored fundraiser each year & we need all members & supporters to dig-in & contribute to its success. Help by *Purchasing Tickets & Donating them back to our Military!*

We request every member obtain just one contribution each, it will ensure a successful event. Help *Support our Projects & Programs* for 2017.

Obtain ONE donation!

Have you donated Yet?



**Everyone Needs a Ticket... Got Yours?  
ONLY EIGHT (8) Tickets Remain for Super Sunday**

PLEASE JOIN THE  
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**No Tickets Available at the Door!**

**Don't miss the Silent Auction with HUNDREDS of Great Prizes!**



The 2017 Annual Sentinels Gala will be held on **March 11**, at the **Blackhawk Automotive Museum in Danville, CA**. The evening's events begin at **6pm**.

This year guest of honor... **Admiral Paul Zukunft, U.S. Coast Guard.**

**Admiral Paul Zukunft** assumed the duties of the **25th Commandant** of the U.S. Coast Guard on May 30, 2014. He leads the largest component of the Department of Homeland Security, composed of 88,000 personnel including active duty, reserve, civilian and volunteer Auxiliarists. Prior to this, Admiral Zukunft served as Commander, Coast Guard Pacific Area, where he was operational commander for all U.S. Coast Guard missions. His senior staff assignments included Chief of Operations, Coast Guard Pacific Area and Chief of Operations Oversight, Coast Guard Atlantic Area where he directly supervised all major cutter operations in the Atlantic and Pacific theaters. He also served as Chief of Staff, at the Fourteenth Coast Guard District in Honolulu, Hawaii.

# Save the Date



**JIM MURPHY** Donation Coordinator for our Annual 2017 "Super Sunday" Crab Feed needs your support. Flyers & Donation Letter & Receipt included in this edition of the news.

*Crab Feed Donor Letters & Receipts available at our FEB. Dinner Meeting & also included in this edition of the IN-COMING News - Last Chance to Help!*

*Pick-up your copy of both at dinner or copy the letters enclosed in this edition & keep present copies to merchants*

**Please remind businesses & supporters of the need to request donations NOW for our Annual "Super Sunday" Crab Feed to be held on Sunday - FEB. 5th! If EVERY MEMBER - Supporter would obtain just ONE donated item from a local merchant we would have enough donated items for a very successful silent auction.**

**Do Your part & obtain a donation**

**Please distribute the Donation Request Letters to your local merchants.**



# **CRAB FEED - Super Sunday - FEB. 5th**

## **Sample of a few Silent Auction Items**



**Harrah's Harvey's South Lake Tahoe 2 Nights + \$50 dining & 2 shows**



**Crow Canyon Country Club Golf Foursome - with carts**



**3 Steves Winery**  
**Private tour/ tasting**  
**With wine-maker**



**Deluxe Crab Chippino Dinner for Ten (10) with Wine at VMB**



**Marines Memorial - SF 2 Nights Stay + \$50 Dinner Certificate**

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# VNVDV Member *February* Birthdays

Russ Kennedy	Air Force	Alex Giouis	Army
Alvin Webb	Navy	Eric Ardell	Navy
Harold Griggs	Army	Tom Corbett	Marine
Bob Musor	Army	Jerry Driscoll	Air Force
Ray Hill	Air Force	Paul Cahalen	Army
Dick Harrow	Navy	Tim Hart	Marine
Don Love	Marine	Jim Hardy	Army
Mike Speakman	Navy	Dave Brown	Army
John Rehnberg	Air Force	Wayne Rice	Army

## Remembering & Recognizing our WW II Veterans & Honorary Life Members Who Passed Away in 2016

**Leo Brunning Air Force**

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Thanks to Jan. Speaker Steve Burchik for his presentation of collection of photos presented in his book *Focus on Vietnam*



VNVDV Members are proud supporters of the

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**Looking for a great gift - donate a wheelchair in their honor... for someone who has everything!**

The VietNam Veterans made distribution trips in 2006 & again in 2012 to VietNam to provide mobility for those lacking this basic freedom.

**Thank you WCF for your support of VNVDV & Two Trips to Vietnam**



**More information at: [www.wheelchairfoundation.org](http://www.wheelchairfoundation.org) & if donating a wheelchair - mark "VNVDV" on your WCF note. Thanks!**

**VietNam 50th Commemoration Honors our VietNam War Veteran Members**

**VNVDV LIFE MEMBERSHIP... Special 50th Commemoration Limited Time - ONLY \$50.**

**Danville VMB's County Veterans Service Office is OPEN every Wednesday 10-2 to serve Veterans**

**All Wars Memorial Paver**

AWM ENGRAVING ONLY TWO TIMES A YEAR - Only 25 Blank Pavers Remain Do you have Your AWM Paver Ordered? **Don't wait - Honor a veteran, friend, neighbor, family member with a Paver Tribute! Only - \$250.00**

Engraving is only performed in the Spring & Fall. Take time to visit the AWM website for an order form & more historical & educational information about all wars. [www.AllWarsMemorial.org](http://www.AllWarsMemorial.org)

Please SUPPORT & FOLLOW NEWS from some of our SUPPORTERS & FRIENDS WEBSITES:

Contra Costa County Veterans Service Office - Open in Danville every Wednesday - call 925 / 313-1481 for Appt.

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

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)

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

VNVDV website to see more about the VietNam Veterans of Diablo Valley at: [www.VNVDV.org](http://www.VNVDV.org)

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

**VISIT THE VMB/SRV's WEBSITE - for the VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING at: [www.VMBSRV.org](http://www.VMBSRV.org)**

# JOIN VETERANS' VOICES

## *Viewer Advisory Panel*

You can help with a small commitment of your time, only 2 or 3 minutes per month. You will receive a single email each month with a short survey containing 5 questions. You simply rate each segment of the Show and send the email back to: the CCCVSO "Veterans Voices" link.

**To sign up, use your computer to search for "Veterans Voices Contra Costa". Open the home page and click the link at the bottom of the page that says: "Click here to Sign Up"**



**Support our Contra Costa County  
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Watch Veterans' Voices**

Contra Costa County Veterans Service Office

**WATCH VETERANS' VOICES on CCTV Every Month on the 3rd Monday**

***Veterans' Voices - our VSO TV Show Airs Live Every 3rd Monday at 7PM.***

WATCH every month and call in, text or live chat with the hosts & guests. Be a part of the conversation and you can help other vets who are struggling with the same issue. New topics every month - 3rd Monday!

**Veterans' Voices will be broadcast live/online on CCTV every third Monday, from 7:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.** The show is a joint production of the Contra Costa County Veterans Service Office & Contra Costa Television (CCTV.) It is underwritten by a grant from the California Department of Veterans Affairs. "Veterans' Voices" airs the third Monday every month at 7:00 p.m. on CCTV. **"VETERANS' VOICES" highlight Veteran programs & events at the end of the show.**

CCTV and Veterans' Voices can be found on Comcast Channel 27, Astound Channel 32 and AT&T U-Verse Channel 99 throughout Contra Costa County. If you missed this edition... Catch it and all other prior shows or watch the show live online by visiting: <http://www.contracostatv.org/veteransvoices>. **All previous shows are on-demand 24/7 & If your organization can help support an episode of Veterans' Voices - contact Nathan Johnson our County VSO for more info.**

**If you know non-profit Foundations supporting "education" - "history" - "military issues" - Veterans, or other - please advise County Service Officer Nathan Johnson - Funding support is needed to continue these CCTV "Veterans' Voices special monthly TV shows to provide this valuable information for returning veterans & their family members. If you have any TV or production skills or are willing to learn - stop by the CCTV studios on the 3rd Monday prior to the live broadcasting of Veterans' Voices... YOU may be able to help or learn to help & reduce production costs of shows.**

**Veterans' Voices provides information on all Veteran Events in the East Bay**



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Dear VietNam Veterans

The **VietNam Veterans of Diablo Valley** is a Commemoration Partner with the Department of Defense's 50th Anniversary Commemoration of the Vietnam War. The VNVDV Board of Directors, as partners in this national recognition program, wants to honor the service of our Members who served in Vietnam during the war in a special way. **VNVDV Lifetime Membership is only \$50** to recognize the Commemoration of 50 years and honor the service and sacrifice of all those who proudly wore our nation's uniforms in VietNam. This special tribute is also to celebrate and commemorate VNVDV's 25th Anniversary of service our organization has provided Veterans and our community since establishment in 1991. ***I encourage all of our VietNam Veterans to take part in this recognition tribute and become a Lifetime Member.***

WE, as individuals, have come a long way since Vietnam and the Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley - as a non-profit, grass-root, and all volunteer organization has been extremely helpful to our fellow Veterans, the local military and continues to do a great job in working with our community to enhance their impression and commitment to support Veterans. We are ***EXTREMELY proud*** of our organization, its achievements, its service to others, and how it has bonded so many great friendships.

***Thank you for your service.***

***Joe Callaway***

*Director of Membership*

***Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley***



You know other VietNam Veterans... Invite them to join you for one of our dinners!

# VNVDV MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

VIET NAM VETERANS  
of  
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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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

	<i>Last</i>	<i>First &amp; MI</i>	<i>Home Phone</i>	<i>Cell Phone</i>	<i>Work Phone</i>
NAME:					
Spouse / SO					
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Company:			Title:		

### Military Service

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

### 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 ORGANIZATION.

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](mailto: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 23701e) income tax

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

**VietNam Veterans... first dinner is on us! A token of our thanks.**

**Annual Membership \$25. Life Membership \$50 in honor of 50th Commemoration**





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**VA's NEW MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC**  
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**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.**

**Watch CCTV "VETERAN VOICES" each Month**  
Featuring Nathan Johnson - our Contra Costa County Veteran Service Officer & Guests

**Contra Costa County Veterans Service Office**  
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veterans **FREE** & available **M - F** in Martinez & **on Wednesdays** in Danville 10-2

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January 2017

Dear Business Owner / Community Supporter –

The Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley (VNVDV) announces their 13<sup>th</sup> annual charity fund-raiser and we respectfully request your support for this event. On **“Super Sunday” - February 5, 2017**, we will hold our annual **“Salute to our Troops” Charity Crab Feed**, proudly honoring all those who served. This fundraiser is held annually at the Veterans Memorial Building – 400 Hartz Avenue in the Town of Danville, CA.

We look forward to your annual business support for this event with donated, gift cards / certificates, merchandise gift basket or services to promote your business / services. You can also support with ticket purchases to host *active-duty military service members* to attend with you as their sponsor. Your generous donation will be used in our Silent Auction or Super Raffle held during the **2017 Charity Crab Feed** event.

The VNVDV are an independent, “grass-roots”, *non-profit & tax-exempt*, 501(c)(19), Veteran’s Service Organization, comprised primarily of VietNam combat veterans. We **“proudly served”** and **continue to serve our community and veterans...** through your support of this annual event. *(Tax ID number below).*

The funds raised through our **2017 Charity Crab Feed** will support local veteran, active-duty military & community-service events - projects & programs that our *“all-volunteer”* non-profit conducts, sponsors & support throughout the year - *including...*

- The East Bay Stand Down – *Homeless Vet Support*
- Memorial Day Remembrance Program - *Oak Hill Park*
- Danville’s 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade – *Flag Distribution*
- San Ramon Valley Veteran’s Day Tribute Program
- The VNVDV Speaker’s Bureau – *over 65,000 reached*
- The Veterans Memorial Building of SRV
- Operation Welcome Home – *Returning Veterans*
- Armed Forces Day “Walk of Honor” *for our Veterans*
- The Blue Star Moms – *Troop Care Packages*
- The Sentinels of Freedom Scholarships
- GWOT Veteran Retreat – *Duck Club Weekend*
- All Wars Memorial at Oak Hill Park
- The Wheelchair Foundation
- Veteran Service Office & VA Vet Center
- Operation Santa Claus – *Helping Active-duty*
- Veteran Swim Challenge – *“Take the Rock”*

For more information on the VNVDV, its programs, events, membership, to view our monthly newsletter, or how you can contribute/support our organization, visit our website at [www.VNVDV.org](http://www.VNVDV.org) – or contact us below.

We look forward to you joining us in support of our **2017 “Salute to our Troops” Charity Crab Feed**, and are grateful for your generosity & support of our veterans, active-duty military, & community programs.

**Thank you.**

*Sincerely,*

William “Bill” Green - President  
**Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley**  
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**Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley**

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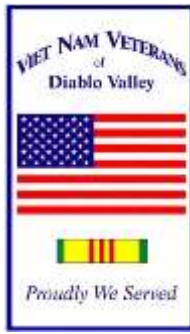




## **DONATION IDEAS**

Sample IDEA list of "donation items" which would greatly assist our VNVDV fundraising event:

- *Gift Certificates / Gift Cards (various values)*
- *Large Bottles or Unique – Special Wine or Liquors*
- *Merchandise and/or Gift Items for our "silent auction" & "Super Raffle"*
- *Cases of Wine – for "silent auction"*
- *Gift Baskets from Professional / Service Businesses & Companies*
- *Military Memorabilia – any Branch or Era (very popular)*
- *Restaurant Dinners or Brunch for Two - Four at area dining*
- *Golf Foursomes with Cart at any golf course*
- *Limo Services or Tours - or other Professional Services*
- *Wine Tasting & Special Tour of Winery s for a group*
- *Sports Memorabilia – Signed / Autographed*
- *Tickets to Music / Art / Play or Pro Sporting or other Special Events*
- *Lodging / Hotel Nights — Private Club or Resort Weekends with dinner*
- *Travel – Trips - Vacations - Airline Tickets or Mileage Coupon Tickets*
- *Professional Services from Service Industry businesses*
- *Balloon - Airplane or Historic Aircraft Rides*
- *Certificates / Passes for Group Events for 2 – 4 – 6 - 8 or more*
- *VIP or Unique "One-of-a-Kind" Opportunities "YOU CAN'T BUY"*
- *Personal Hosting of a DINNER or Special Event at your Home/Business*
- *MAJOR Event SPONSOR for the Crab Feed's Appetizers – Desserts - Wines – Beers – Beverages*
- *Use your imagination or this list to help merchants & donors to support our only fundraising event*
- *Personalize the VNVDV Donation Request Letter to a business or merchant you personally know. Request specific items/merchandise or gift cards & asked they be mailed to our official address - or pick up in person and hand-deliver the "Donation Receipt" included in this packet of materials..*



Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## DONATION RECEIPT

To: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley (VNVDV) hereby acknowledges your donation to our annual charity fund-raiser. The VNVDV is a non-profit organization and the VNVDV provided no goods or services in exchange for your donation. We sincerely thank you for your support of our annual fund raising event.

Your Donation Details	\$ - Value
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The money raised through our 2017 Charity Crab Feed, will support local veteran, active-duty military & community-service programs and events the VNVDV conducts and proudly supports throughout the year. We thank you again for your support of the VNVDV.

Sincerely,

Coordinator  
*Crab Feed Donation Committee 2017*  
Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley

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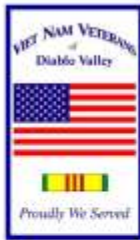


# January Dinner Meeting Kicks Off 2017





# VietNam Veterans of Diablo Valley



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- Ron Azarcon
- Bill Picton
- Norm Mahalich

*Established in 1991*

**The VietNam Veterans of Diablo Valley** - established in 1991 as a local, grass-roots, non-profit, & all-volunteer Veteran Service Organization (VSO) to promote & enhance the image of the Viet Nam Veteran through Community Service & Support of our fellow Veterans, and 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's Veteran's Memorial Building for the San Ramon Valley** is home for the VNVDV and 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 monthly on the **1st Thursday of every month** at the **Crow Canyon Country Club** in Danville.

VNVDV monthly Board of Directors Meetings are held on the **3rd Thursday** each month at the Veterans Memorial Building in the Library / Board Room at **1800 Hrs.** in Danville. To find out more about programs & projects the VNVDV supports & events sponsored... visit the website at: **www.VNVDV.com**. All veterans & guests are welcome to attend our **"open"** membership meetings. This VNVDV is 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. Please join us... All dinner meetings are **OPEN** - bring fellow VietNam veterans - active duty military - history buffs - friends - community supporters... *see what a difference volunteering makes in the lives of others. All veterans welcome!*

## **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 in 2017!**

**Featuring "Chef's Choice Buffet Dinner" - \$25.**

**Reservation NOT Required - Except December Appreciation Dinner**

*Meeting are OPEN to ALL Veterans - Supporter & Guests*

## **the "INCOMING" - Official Newsletter of the VNVDV**