

# INCOMING NEWS



AUG 2020

**Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley  
VNVDV HAVE ARRANGED A VIRTUAL MEETING  
FOR THURSDAY AUGUST 6TH ~ 6 PM  
DETAILS WITH LINK WILL BE SENT BY E-MAIL**

Gary Estrella  
VNVDV

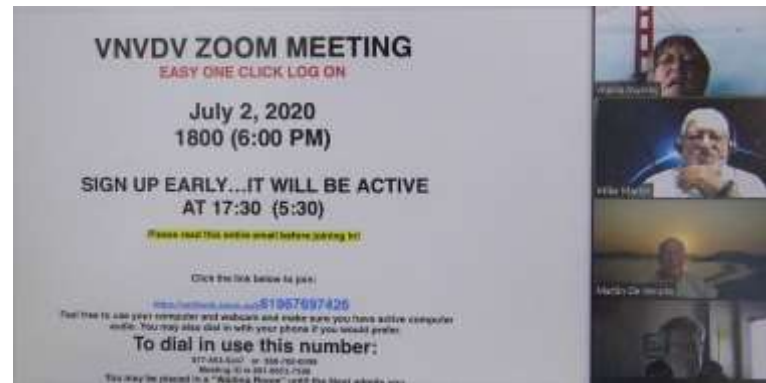
**VMB GIANNI'S FUND RAISER FLYER PG. 4**

**VIRTUAL MEETING JULY 2ND  
ENTHUSIASM INCREASES**

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Same message as last month . . .  
"Shelter in Place". I am beginning to have grave concerns about the situation. Kind of reminds me of the scuttlebutt we used to get in Vietnam. Seems like every other day, G-2 would issue one of their alerts – "imminent attack". Can't tell you how many times, in Vietnam, we were told to be in flak gear and locked and loaded in our own compound. We are being told to believe the science. I seem to recall being told military intelligence is an oxymoron. All kidding aside, I hope everyone is taking appropriate precautions to protect your health and those you care about.

**If you did not receive the E-mail with Zoom Instructions contact Jon Robbins:  
jonathanrobbins@hotmail.com**



**August Dinner Meeting  
CANCELLED**

Virtual August Speaker  
DAVE SMITH discussing his new release: *Trials and Travels with Old Drunks and Fools.*

Crow Canyon Country Club still is not allowed to host any events, and they have not been given a timeline as of yet. They will update us as soon as they get the go ahead. I am routinely contacting them to stay on top of the situation. Private Events Director Kymberlie says they miss all their guests and look forward to welcoming us back as soon as they are allowed.

The Board had another Zoom meeting July 16<sup>th</sup> and are busy doing the Organization's business, though not much can occur during the lockdown. **We are planning another General meeting via Zoom on August 6<sup>nd</sup>. The July 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting went well, seems like we are getting better at using 21<sup>st</sup> century technology.**

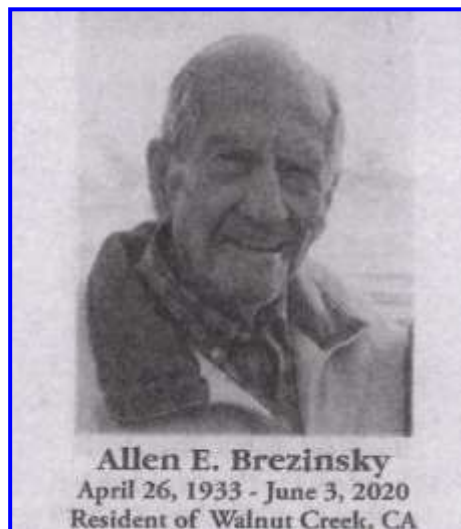
If you know of a member who is in distress or needs our help or attention, do not hesitate to let the Board know. Don't be shy about reaching out and contacting each other and letting the rest of us know how you and others are doing. Without the benefit of our actual in person meetings, the only way we have of touching each other is through the zoom meeting, personal telephone calls and personal visits. If you are not familiar with the lyrics of Diana Ross' "Reach Out and Touch (Somebody's Hand)" please google it.

Stay safe and be well.

**Gary Estrella**  
President  
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VNVDV PAST PARADE PHOTOS USED FOR THE VIRTUAL PRESENTATION



VNVDV member Al Brezinsky served 7 years active duty in the Air Force and 14 years in the National Guard retiring as Lt. Colonel. Al was deployed to Vietnam in 1961 as part of Project Mule Train. The 346th Troop Carrier Squadron flew C-123 aircraft across the Pacific relying on 55 gal. drums of fuel with hand pumps plus numerous stops to achieve this relocation. The mission supplied tactical airlift and cargo support for South Vietnam's hard pressed ground troops.

# CANCELLED EVENTS INVOLVING THE VIET NAM VETERANS DIABLO VALLEY



**JULY 2, 2020 VNV DV MONTHLY MEETING (VIRTUAL)  
PHOTOS FROM PAST MEETINGS (JULY 2019)**



**DANVILLE KIWANIS 4TH OF JULY INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE**



**EAST BAY STAND DOWN 24-27 AUGUST 2020**



# VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING FUND RAISER ESSENTIAL EVENT

## THE VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING OF SAN RAMON VALLEY



**ORDER NOW FOR PICK UP ON AUG 10TH**

*Needs your help*

*Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, we canceled the yearly Corned Beef and Cabbage Fundraiser which was scheduled for mid March. We thank all those who donated auction items and/or bought tickets for the event and donated the ticket price back. As much as this helped, we are still far short in our fundraising goals for the year.*

For this reason, we are even more committed to our "Tips for Change" fundraiser at Gianni's Italian Bistro on **August 10, 2020**



It will be different, but the cause and the needs are still the same.

- You can order Take-out
- Or order for delivery (additional fee)
- Or dine-in at Gianni's with reduced capacity (pending)

Remember all tips and a percentage of the night's receipts go directly to the Veterans Memorial Building's Operating Committee which in turn funds our expenses and activities.

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You can order take-out or delivery from the Gianni's website at [www.giannissanramon.com](http://www.giannissanramon.com) or by phone at (925)820-6969. To pickup your order call the restaurant at (925)820-6969 when you arrive and we will bring your order out and set it on the table or in your open trunk. Gianni's Italian Bistro is located at 2065 San Ramon Valley Blvd. in San Ramon

# THIS SEEMS TO IMPACT ALL OF US



Next Show: Monday, August 10 @ 7:00 PM

Show Topic: **“Aging With Pride”**

Watch on: Comcast Channel **27**

-or- Facebook: **veteransvoices1**



Nathan Johnson, Co-Host

## VNVDV Member *August Birthdays*

<b>Jack Enright</b>	<b>Army</b>	<b>Denver Mills</b>	<b>Navy</b>
<b>Ed Meshinsky</b>	<b>Army</b>	<b>Carl Swanson</b>	<b>Army</b>
<b>Bob Wright</b>	<b>Marine</b>	<b>James Hart</b>	<b>Marine</b>
<b>Bill Picton</b>	<b>Marine</b>	<b>Mike Martin</b>	<b>Navy</b>
<b>Mike Paul</b>	<b>Navy</b>	<b>Doye Sivils</b>	<b>Army</b>
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### VNVDV Member Bill "Wild Bill"

LaVigne (standing) used his vacation time to battle COVID-19. He has recovered but please consider giving him a post get well call or e-mail.

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**THE BLUE STAR MOMS, CHAPTER 20 AND CHAPTER 101 HAVE DEVELOPED A PROGRAM TO HONOR FALLEN VETERANS. MEMORIALS HAVE BEEN PREPARED TO BE LOCATED AT THE HIGH SCHOOL OF THE VETERAN. EACH MEMORIAL IS DEDICATED WITH A CEREMONY THAT PERMITS THE COMMUNITY TO JOIN WITH FAMILY MEMBERS IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR LOSS. VNVDV SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM AND ALL MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.**

**THE MEMORIAL DEDICATION FOR SSG DANIEL SCHEILE AND SGT JOHN ARAGON SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 4TH AT ANTIOCH HS HAS BEEN CANCELLED. NOTIFICATION OF THE RESCHEDULE DATE WILL BE IN THE NEWSLETTER.**



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## Email Updates

Good afternoon, Northern California Veterans. Below are several steps we've taken to ensure your access to VA health care is as smooth as possible during the COVID-19 pandemic.

### VEText

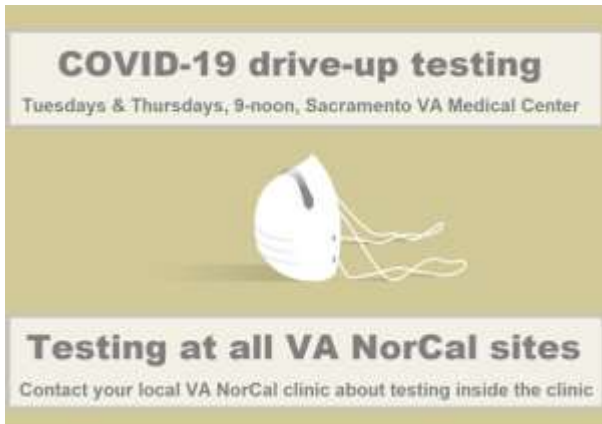
Beginning this Friday, June 26, VA NorCal will implement a new check-in procedure using VEText. This new feature allows Veterans with scheduled appointments to notify their care team when they arrive at the facility for further instruction (to use this feature, Veterans must have a text-capable cell phone number on file with us; contact your care team if you're unsure).

The process is simple!

Once you arrive on campus, text "HERE" to **53079** to alert your care team you're at the facility and waiting to be called to your appointment.

You will receive a text acknowledging your check-in status.

When your care team is ready for you, you will receive a text instructing you to proceed to your appointment.



The Sacramento VA Medical Center in Mather now offers drive-up, elective COVID-19 testing to Veterans registered as VA patients from 9 a.m. - noon each Tuesday and Thursday. Other VA NorCal sites also offer COVID-19 tests to Veterans inside their clinics, with plans to establish drive-up testing in the near future.

**CONTACT [JONATHANROBBINS@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:JONATHANROBBINS@HOTMAIL.COM)  
TO RECEIVE ACTUAL E-MAIL FOR THE TESTING**

### Fast-Track Screening



To speed up the COVID-19 screening process for VA NorCal Veteran patients and staff, we have created a QR code to help you fast-track your way through our screening stations. Just scan the QR code with a smartphone before leaving home, answer several questions about possible COVID-19 symptoms, and show your phone's green screen to our screeners when you arrive. No more waiting as you answer same questions at each and every appointment - show the green screen, get your wristband, and move on with your VA day!

### Appointment Arrival and Departure

To discourage foot traffic and reduce risk of COVID-19 exposure at our sites, VA NorCal is asking all patients to arrive no earlier than 30 min. prior to your appointment and to leave as soon as possible after your appointment is complete. We appreciate your cooperation.

WELCOME HOME—THANKS FOR YOUR SERVICE



## National Vietnam War Veterans Day

On March 28, 2017, President Donald J. Trump, signed into law [The Vietnam War Veterans Recognition Act of 2017](#), designating every **March 29** as *National Vietnam War Veterans Day*

National Vietnam War Veterans Day joins six other military-centric national observances codified in [Title 4 of the United States Code §6](#) (i.e., Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day, Navy Day, Veterans Day).

March 29 is a fitting choice for a day honoring Vietnam veterans. It was chosen to be observed in perpetuity as March 29, 1973 was the day United States Military Assistance Command, Vietnam was disestablished and also the day the last U.S. combat troops departed Vietnam. In addition, that same day Hanoi released the last of its acknowledged prisoners of war.

[The United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration](#) honors all U.S. veterans who served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces at any time from [November 1, 1955 to May 15, 1975, regardless of location](#).

**November 1, 1955** was selected to coincide with the official designation of Military Assistance Advisory Group-Vietnam (MAAG-V); **May 15, 1975** marks the end of the battle precipitated by the seizure of the SS Mayaguez.

The Department of Veterans Affairs estimates that today there are more than **6 million U.S. Vietnam veterans living in America and abroad**, along with **9 million families of those who served** during this time frame. We make no distinction between veterans who served in-country, in-theater, or who were stationed elsewhere during the Vietnam War period. All were called to serve and none could self-determine where they would serve.

**Additional Background:** U.S. involvement in Vietnam started slowly with an initial deployment of advisors in the early 1950s, grew incrementally through the early 1960s and expanded with the deployment of full combat units in July 1965. The last U.S. personnel were evacuated from Vietnam in April 1975.

This national commemoration was authorized by Congress, established under the Secretary of Defense, and launched by the President to thank and honor our Nation's Vietnam veterans and their families for their service and sacrifice.





# Veterans: Call before visiting your VA facility

Medical appointments possible at home via VA Video Connect

## VA APPOINTMENT PROCEDURE UPDATE

Got a fever, cold, cough or flu-like symptoms? Are you worried that you have a viral illness?

The last thing you want to do is get out of the house to see the doctor, exposing yourself (and others) to more potential bugs and viruses.

VA can make it easier and safer to get back to health with virtual care through My HealtheVet and the VA Video Connect app on your smartphone, tablet or computer.

What is virtual care? Virtual care means you can contact your VA provider (and health care team) through [secure messaging](#) or receive treatment by telephone or video. Last year, Veterans had over 20 million virtual engagements with VA.

Any Veteran who qualifies to receive VA care and lives in the U.S. is eligible to use virtual care.

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### [Long Description](#)

*Staying home – easier for you, safer for the community.*

Virtual care is personalized and can connect you with your providers more effectively than ever. Ask your health care team if virtual care can help meet some of your health care needs. Options include in-home health monitoring with tailored technologies, connection to specialists, or even remote scans and data.

Cold and flu care made easy

Virtual care is **safe and effective**. **Imagine the benefits to you and to your fellow Veterans if you don't have the hassle of going to the hospital or clinic with a cold, flu or other viral illness. You can stay at home and avoid battling for a parking spot and spending time in a waiting room. Most importantly, you won't put other Veterans at risk of a highly contagious illness. Staying home can be easier for you AND safer for the community by helping contain the spread of infectious diseases.**

You probably already know [My HealtheVet](#) is a great way to manage your care – with online Rx Refills, VA Appointments, and your labs and tests, radiology reports, and images.

With secure messaging and video appointments, reaching your providers while at home can be easy, too. While not for use in emergencies, a secure and private session begins with a simple request with a Secure Message for a video appointment. [Sign in](#) and request one next time you need to see your doctor or other providers.

Your health care team can also set up an in-person appointment, if needed. Call your VA health center if you have symptoms.

For more information, visit:

[VA Video Connect](#) (*allows you to test your equipment compatibility*)

[Reach Your VA Care Team Over Live Video](#) (*YouTube*)

[VA Telehealth Services](#)

# Veterans can search free resources through **Code of Support's PATRIOTlink**

## Find vetted, direct, cost-free services

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*Code of Support's PATRIOTlink*® platform is a free online resource database that includes thousands of programs tailored to the military and Veteran community.

Through **PATRIOTlink**, users can search vetted, direct, cost-free services specific to their needs. **PATRIOTlink** was recently redesigned to make it even easier to use. Now, users can complete searches by entering less information and they can view events and job opportunities in their area through a news feed feature.

### Working together, a partnership with VA

With over 40,000 Veteran Service Organizations offering resources, both VA and Code of Support recognize that collaboration is a key to ensuring military and Veteran families find the right help. This partnership between *Code of Support* formally started in December 2018 when VA's Veterans Experience Office signed a Memorandum of Understanding with *Code of Support*.

Through its ongoing collaboration with **VA**, Code of Support's **PATRIOTlink** database includes a list of VA resources along with program information for each resource. Listed resources include suicide prevention coordinators, Vet Centers, domiciliary units, and caregiver support services. Including these resources in **PATRIOTlink** makes it easier and more efficient for Veterans to access VA resources, which improves outcomes. The VA collaboration also ensures that awareness of available resources extends to more suicide prevention coordinators and caregivers across the nation.



[Long Description](#)

Together, VA and Code of Support hope to improve the access to and navigation of resources in local communities to best serve Veterans, families, caregivers and survivors. Code of Support provides case coordination, education and engagement, and a navigation platform that allows service providers to reduce the amount of time it takes to find resources to meet their client's needs. VA cannot do it alone, and partnerships like Code of Support help to augment and supplement VA services and benefits where needed.

VA is providing Code of Support the most up to date resource and contact information to access and navigate VA services and benefits that includes caregiver support services, suicide prevention and homeless coordinators, Vet Centers and domiciliary units. One of VA's goals is to ensure that access to services and benefits is easy, efficient, and creates positive experiences in receiving care and support where they live.

Veterans and their families should not have to struggle with finding resources and services, so VA encourages Veterans and their families to use the free services from partners like the Code of Support Foundation for easier access and navigation support.

### How do I join?

To get started, simply login at [www.patriotlink.org](http://www.patriotlink.org), enter a few keywords or select a service need, and filter the results by your specific eligibility criteria. You can then see a list of unique resources customized to your needs.

To learn more, visit [Code of Support Foundation](#) or [PATRIOTlink](#).

To request additional information, email [patriotlinksupport@codeofsupport.org](mailto:patriotlinksupport@codeofsupport.org).

# REAL ID REQUIREMENT IS OCTOBER 1ST 2020



## Now is the time to consider a REAL ID!



REAL ID is the next generation of identification recognized across the country.

Starting **October 1, 2020**, you will need a REAL ID, valid passport, or other federally approved form of ID to travel by plane within the U.S. or to access federal facilities and/or military bases.

If you decide not to get a REAL ID, your California driver license or identification card will display the phrase "Federal Limits Apply" while a REAL ID will display a California bear with a star.

DL 1400 (REV. 9/2019)

## Add "VETERAN" to your license!



## How to get a REAL ID

To convert your California driver license or identification card renewal to a REAL ID you must visit a field office. Beat the rush by making an appointment early, or check wait times online to visit as a walk-in.

You will need to bring:

1. **Proof of identity** (such as birth certificate, valid U.S. passport, or permanent resident card)
2. **Proof of Social Security number** (SSN card, W-2 or paystub with full SSN)
3. **Proof of CA residency** (2 documents, such as home utility bill, vehicle registration, property tax bill, or mortgage or lease agreement)
4. **Proof of name change** (if the name on your identity document is different than the name on your application)

Find out when, how and the best way to get your REAL ID at [REALID.dmv.ca.gov](http://REALID.dmv.ca.gov) or **1 (800) 777-0133**.

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## Access VA Services When You Need Them



ChooseVA is your one-stop for all the choices you have for VA benefits and services.

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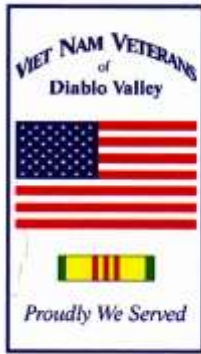
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[Blue Star Moms #101 website: www.bluestarmoms.org](#) & [Blue Star Moms #20 website: www.ccbluestarmoms.org](#)  
VNVDV website to see more about the Vietnam Veterans of Diablo Valley at: [www.VNVDV.org](http://www.VNVDV.org)

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

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Hosted by:  
Nathan D. Johnson, County Veterans Service Officer  
Kevin Graves, CalVet LINC & Gold Star Parent

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**"VETERAN VOICES"  
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**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](http://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 - JOIN US!**

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