

## INCOMING NEWS











MAR 2020





Gary Estrella VNVDV President



**UPCOMING EVENTS:** 

**WALK OF** 

**HONOR** 

**Registration OPENS** Soon

On-line

SFRWalkofHonor

To the Community

A Reminder... The East Bay's Largest

MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE

Monday - MAY 25

**ALL WARS MEMORIAL** 

In Oak Hill Park -3005 Stone Valley Road (Monte Vista High School) in the Town of Danville

FREE & OPEN

to the PUBLIC -

A FAMILY EVENT





**Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley** 

Armed Forces Day - the "WALK of HONOR" for our Veterans **THANK YOU to our Crab Feed Generous Sponsors & Supporters** 

## VMB CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER MAR 14TH

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

2020 March President's Message

Well, it goes without saying that the Crab Feed was an outstanding success. sold-out affair! Thanks to all the committee members and those that helped secure donations for the raffle and auction. Jim Murphy and Jim Hill organized a very successful donation campaign resulting in a lively auction and raffle. Patty Kintz and raffle staff, TJ and Pool staff, everyone in the Kitchen deserve Jon Robbins, Cliff special kudos. DeCuir and Interact runners kept the hors d'oeuvres and snack tables welltended. Slatts and the "bean counters" performed admirably. The only sour note, a Forty-Niner defeat. The **Dougherty Valley Interact students** provided essential services in support of the Crab Feed.

How about that Pasta at the Crab Feed? It was provided by Ravello of Danville, an Italian restaurant, who do Private Parties and Catering. They are just down the street from the Vets Building at 172 East Prospect Avenue in Danville. Besides the pasta we were treated to an Italian aria.

**President's Message** (Continued on Page Two)

Honor Veterans Walk in their Honor at the Phillips 66 WALK of HONOR SAT - May 16, 2020 **Guest Speaker** 

Shauna Springer

**Senior Director of Suicide Prevention and Postvention Initiatives at the Tragedy Assis**tance Program for Survivors



#### **DON'T MISS MARCH SPEAKER DAVID SMITH (AF)**



will discuss the rescue of Bat 21 Bravo, the call sign for Iceal "Gene" Hambleton, a navigator aboard an EB-66 aircraft shot down behind North Vietnamese lines, was the "largest, longest, and most complex search-and-

rescue" operation during the Vietnam War. Join us for our Mar 5th Dinner Meeting

The next effort needing our full support is the Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner on March 14th. Tickets are on sale now. Steve Burchik has tickets, \$45.00 each. Get them from him before they are gone. The success of this event is very important to the Veteran Service Organizations that meet at the San Ramon Valley Veterans Memorial Building in Danville.

Another fun event on the Veterans Building calendar is the American Legion Post 246 Chili-Cookoff on March 29<sup>th</sup> beginning at 2:00 pm. Brother Vietnam Veteran and Commander of the American Legion Eric Ardell said proceeds raised go to student veteran activities at colleges in District 9.

Also, on March 29 from 10:00am – 5:00 pm is the Vietnam War Veterans Memorial Day event on the USS Hornet. If you have a chance to visit the Hornet, be sure to see Steve Burchik and his photo exhibit on display as well as to hear Bill Green and Mike Martin present their VNVDV Speakers program.

In closing, I want to remind everyone of the big event coming on **Armed Forces Day, May 16<sup>th</sup>, the Phillips 66 Walk of Honor**. This event provides our organization with sizable funds which allow us to support our community and fellow veterans. Your participation would be greatly appreciated. Lots of events to honor veterans. Check out the future events calendar, pack your ditty bag and enjoy yourself.



**Gary Estrella**President

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# WALK OF HONOR for our Veterans 2019







#### WALK of HONOR

for our Veterans Sponsored by

PHILLIPS 66

Armed Forces Day Saturday
May 16th

Bridge Walk / BBQ & more in Crockett, CA

Crockett Community Center 650 Pomona - Crockett 8-1PM





IQ Bridge Walk



### MEET WITH VETERANS AND SUPPORTERS WHO TRAVEL TO THE TREMENDOUS EVENT



#### Walk of Honor

## Honoring the Men & Women who Served Our Nation

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, 2020. The 12th Annual "Walk of Honor for our Veterans" will be a short walk across the Alfred Zampa Memorial Bridge and back. Last years event was a huge success. Over 400 employees, contractors, local residents and volunteers participated in the celebration and together we raised in excess of \$40,000. 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.

#### **Saturday, May 16, 2020**

**Armed Forces Day** 

**8:30-9:30am** - Check-in at the <u>Crockett Community Center</u>, **850 Pomona Street** - **Crockett**. Transportation provided to and from the bridge.

10:00am - "Walk" begins.

11:45am - Luncheon Ceremony.

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

Many local government agencies & veterans service organizations will be on hand providing information regarding services - programs & benefits for Veterans

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

The VNVDV is dedicated to present & 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 <u>Crockett Veterans</u> 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: <a href="www.CenterforAmerica.org">www.CenterforAmerica.org</a> to post jobs at no cost.

For the Veterans Service Organization Fund Raiser donations are requested for the SILENT AUCTION-LIVE AUCTION. Contact Dennis Giacovelli houseworks@pacbell.net







## Community Friends & Supporters...

Help us celebrate again and enjoy our SIXTH annual combined

**Veterans Service Organization** 

CORNED BEEF AND

CABBAGE DINNER

**Fundraiser** 

**Tickets \$45.00** 

Saturday March 14, 2020 at 5:00 PM Veterans Memorial Building

400 Hartz Ave Danville, CA

SILENT AUCTION-LIVE AUCTION-RAFFLE-

DOOR PRIZES

All funds collected go directly to the Veterans Memorial Building Operating Committee to pay for the operating expenses of the Veterans Wing of the building

## Purchase Tickets NOW at the VMB in Danville

Or Contact Dennis Giacovelli at houseworks@pachell.net or Lee Halverson at lhazmateer@aol.com for tickets





## CHILI COOKOFF TO BENEFIT ALL STUDENT VETERANS ATTENDING CONTRA COSTA COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Host: Mt. Diablo Post 246, District 9, Department of California, American Legion Location: Community Hall, Veterans Memorial Building, 115 E. Prospect Avenue, Danville, CA

Time: 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM on Sunday, March 29, 2020

Purpose: Raise funds for the District 9 student veteran fund to support student veteran activities at colleges in District 9.

Preliminary plans for ticket costs follow (subject to change):

- Chili Cook-off Entrants: Free to Chili Cooks entering their Chili in the Cook-off
- American Legion (including Auxiliary) Members and other Veteran Service Organization Members: \$25 per person
- Student Veterans attending Contra Costa College, Diablo Valley College, Los Medanos College, and Saint Mary's College: Free
- General Public: \$30 per person
- Children 12 years of age and younger: \$5 per person
- Additional Tastings: \$10 for four tastings.
- Beverage Coupons: \$1 per coupon (Three coupons for beer and wine / One coupon for soft drinks and water)

American Legion members, other Veteran Service Organization members, members of the general public, and student veterans will receive tickets for ten tastings and a coupon for a beverage (i.e., beer, wine, soft drink, or water). Children will receive a ticket for a hot dog and a coupon for a beverage (i.e., soft drink or water).











### February Dinner Well Attended - 2020



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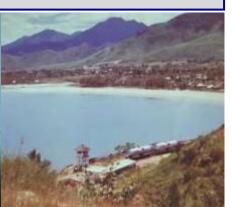


Thanks to the February Speaker *Mike Martin* for his presentation on his service in Vietnam as a Naval Supply Corps Officer at the Port of Da Nang.



#### QUOTE

"THE WILLINGNESS WITH WHICH OUR PEOPLE ARE LIKELY TO SERVE IN ANY WAR, NO MATTER HOW JUSTIFIED, SHALL BE DIRECTLY PROPORTIONAL TO HOW THEY PERCEIVE THE VETERANS OF EARLIER WAR WERE TREATED AND APPRECIATED BY THEIR NATION."



VIET NAM VETERANS DIABLO VALLEY COLOR GUARD IS AN ESSENTIAL COMPONENT OF OUR ORGANIZATION. THE FOURTH OF JULY PARADE AND THE MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY AT OAK PARK ARE THE MOST RECOGNIZED EVENTS.

OVER THE YEARS THE COLOR GUARD VOLUNTEERS ARE THE SAME MEMBERS. THIS CORE GROUP FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP COULD USE AN INFUSION OF NEW FACES.

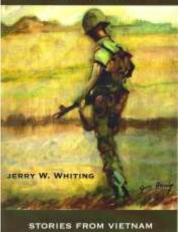
PLEASE CONSIDER PARTICIPATING IN THE COLOR GUARD EVENTS. THIS IS A REWARDING EFFORT AND OUR ORGANIZATION GIVES BACK TO THE COMMUNITY WITH THIS VERY VISIBLE DISPLAY OF OUR ORGANIZATION.



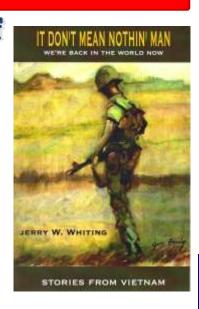


IT DON'T MEAN NOTHIN' MAN

Do YOU have your personal "autographed" copy of



JERRY WHITING's
new book about the VNVDV
"It don't Mean Nothin' Man
We're back in the world now"



Gold Star Parents Honor and Remembrance



The Blue Star Moms - East Bay Chapter 101 & the Marines Memorial Association Club & Hotel Honored & Remembered the Gold Star Families of California in a two-day Tribute in San Francisco at a Reception & Memorial Program to Honor our California Fallen Heroes. The VNVDV was honored to attend.



The VietNam Veterans of Diablo Valley thank the Blue Star Moms Chapter 101 & Marines Memorial Association for their dedication & tireless efforts to honor & support our Gold Star Families each year.





## LOS POSITAS RECOGNITION OF WOMEN VETERANS



## Honoring Women Veterans Wednesday March 11th, 2020





Las Positas College Veterans First Program presents its 8th annual "Honoring Women Veterans" during Women's History Month - March.

The event takes place from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11th, in building 1600, room 1620 A & B.

This program will feature, key note speaker: Lt. Colonel Jennifer L. Nolan, Garrison Commander Parks Reserve Forces Training Area. Also special guests from the California Department of Veterans Affairs, Xochitl Rodriguez Murillo, Deputy Secretary - Minority & Underrepresented and Lindsey Sin, Deputy Secretary - Women Veterans Affairs.

The event will start with the US Army Reserves - Camp Parks Honor Guard and singing of the National Anthem, followed by a Welcome from LPC President, Dr. Foster.

In addition to the speakers there will be a female student veteran Q & A panel discussion, and awarding of various Women Veterans Scholarships.

The event is free and open to the public; however parking is \$3.

Limited edition, Honoring Women Veterans t-shirts (\$30 min. donation each) - Available at the Las Positas College Veterans First Office

Free lunch will be provided to those that attend the event!

We will also hold a silent auction basket which includes 2 tickets for the Bay Area Military Golf Classic, 1 free night at the Marriott in Livermore, a golf ball and tee container, limited edition LPC Operation Gateway backpack, Veterans First Hydration Flask, T-Shirt, and more. Value is over \$500!

RSVP on

https://lpchonoringwomenveterans2020.eventbrite.com

We hope to see you at our "Honoring Women Veterans at Las Positas College!"

Supported by LPC Veterans First Program, LPC Student Veterans Organization, Safeway Foundation, and Pleasanton Military Families.

3000 Campus Hill Dr, Livermore, CA 94551 Veterans Resource Center, Building 1310



#### Dear Community Supporters:

January 1, 2020

The Veterans Memorial Building of San Ramon Valley, Operating Committee, would like to request tax deductible donations to use as raffle or auction items in our fifth Annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Fundraiser Dinner. This dinner will be held at our building located at 400 Hartz Avenue, Danville on Saturday March 14, 2020.

Our all-volunteer Veterans Wing includes both a small museum of veterans' memorabilia and war artifacts and also houses a significant military history research library. Both are open to the public Mon-Fri, 9-3. We are home to many Veterans Service Organizations including the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 75, American Legion Post 246, the VietNam Veterans of Diablo Valley, Marine Corps League Detachment 942, the Blue Star Moms, San Francisco Bay Area Chapter of the Military Order of the World Wars, the Bay Area Navy Nurse Corps Assoc. and the Military Officers Assoc. of America for which we provide support with both meeting and office space for their use.

We need raffle and or auction prizes from our community and businesses to support our corned beef and cabbage dinner annual fundraiser. This fundraiser is the primary project to fund our ongoing operations in the Veteran's Wing of the Veterans Memorial Building of San Ramon Valley.

Please consider us for a charitable contribution and contact me if you have any questions. We can be reached at (925) 362-9806. Our mailing address is: Veterans Memorial Building of San Ramon Valley, 400 Hartz Avenue, Danville CA 94526.

Thank you for your kind consideration

Dennis Giacovelli

Chair, Operating Committee

Veterans Memorial Building of San Ramon Valley

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Our Federal Tax ID is 51-0677131. The Veterans Memorial Building Development Committee of San Ramon Valley is a tax exempt organization under U.S. Code section 501(c)(3), is incorporated in the State of California and is registered with the Franchise Tax, Board, the Secretary of State, and the Attorney General.

P O Box 1092, Danville, CA 94526 (925) 362-9806 www.vmbsrv.org



#### DONATION RECEIPT

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To:	
The Veterans Memorial Building of San Ramon Valley (V donation to our annual charity fundraiser. The VMB is a rVMB provided no goods or services in exchange for your for your support of our annual Corned Beef and Cabbage	non-profit organization and the donation. We sincerely thank you
Your Donation Details	\$ Value
The money raised through our 2020 Charity Corned Beef will help support our ongoing operations in the Veteran's Building of San Ramon Valley. Item may be dropped off Veterans Memorial Building of San Ramon Valley 400 H	Wing of the Veterans Memorial or mailed to;

Thank you for your kind consideration

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## VNVDV Member March Birthdays

Frank Wallace Marine John Baker Navy

Alex Siddo Marine John Kelly Army

Steve Burchik Army Bob Paulson Army

Larry McKenzie Army Gary Phipps Navy

Dennis Petersen Army Skip Lausten Army



**Bob Crooker, WWII Veteran** and member of VFW Post 75 recently passed away. Bob participated in many Veteran Events and always brought warmth to those around him with his big smile. Bob served with the 97th Infantry Division which was formed as an amphibious unit for duty in the Pacific. When the Battle of the Bulge produced a need for more Infantry units in Europe the 97th was redirected to the Rohr Val-



ley in Germany and at the war's end was in Czechoslovakia. Bob, thanks for everything you gave to our community. There will be a Memorial Service on March 29, 2020 at Crow Canyon Country Club in Danville



THE 2020 STAND DOWN WILL BE HELD AUGUST 27-30 AT THE ALAMEDA COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS IN PLEASANTON, CA. VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION WILL OPEN 1 JULY 2020

EAST BAY STAND DOWN FIRST COORDINATION MEETING WAS HELD ON FEBRUARY 11TH. Future meetings the 2nd Tuesday of each month 6:00 PM at the VMB.

Jerry Yahiro introduced Scott Whitacre as the 2020 Director and Jerry is the new Executive Board Chairman. Over 100 Volunteers attended with a mix of previous and new volunteers.







Left: photo IBEW Minority Caucus \$500

Center: Konica Minolta Printers donation

Right: E.B. Vet Community Partnership Care \$1000

**Every Life Matters \$2000 (no photo)** 



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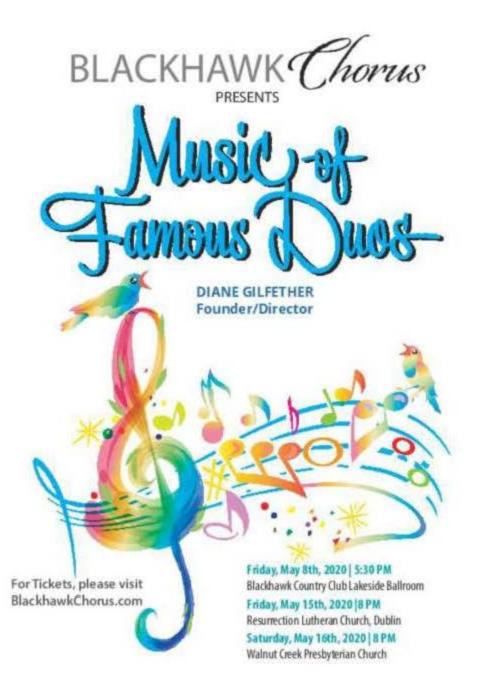
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### All Wars Memorial Granite Paver Order Form

Yes, I would like to make a tax-deductible donation to the All Wars Memorial Foundation or purchase an AVM Paver To honor the service or contribution made by an Individual Serving-Veteran or Patriot with a Paver - or Honor your Organization or Unit

PURCHASER'S INFORMATION: (If paying by credit card Use the information as on the billing statement) Name of Purchaser Address City / State / Zip Please provide Contact Phone & E-Mail Address (utilize separate sheet & attach, if needed to clearly provide requested information. INDIVIDUAL Paver - Granite 8" x 8" @ \$300.00 each IN MEMORY (for those who died while serving their country) IN HONOR (for all other pavers) NAME (to be shown on paver) Can add Rank for those who that served in the military. Up to two lines available - maximum of 15 characters on each line - including spaces. Please PRINT all letters. BRANCH of SERVICE: (circle one) U. S. Army - USMC - U. S. Navy - USAF - USCG - Army/Air Corps Merchant Marines - National Guard - or - PATRIOT (for all others) Organization / Unit Paver - Granite 8" x 8" @ \$300.00 each PAYMENT METHOD: Enclosed Check for: \$ → Payable to: ALL WARS MEMORIAL FOUNDATION - (AWMF) Post Office Box 158 - Danville, CA 94526 Mall to Charge my: Visa - MasterCard (Please Print) Card Number **Expiration Date** 

www.AllWarsMemorial.org

Signature and Date... & mail to: AVMF (address above)

#### ARF MOBILE CLINIC for VETERANS at VA Clinic in Martinez

Free Vaccines and Wellness Exams for Veterans' Pets

ARF's Mobile Clinic visits the Martinez VA and Livermore VA on an ongoing basis to perform free wellness exams, give vaccinations, provides flea & tick plus heartworm medication and answer questions about basic pet wellness for veterans.

Cats and dogs only – and a limit 2 pets per veteran [per visit].

Services are provided at no cost to veterans presenting Military ID or

**VA Photo Health Care ID Card.** 

Dogs must always be on-leash and under control.

Cats must be in carriers.

Please clean up after your pets.

Clinic Opens at 9 AM Wait times vary; please wear comfortable clothes.

Chairs & Water will be provided for people and pets.

The ARF Mobile Clinic travels throughout the regions of Contra Costa County working with residents who cannot otherwise access services and on Friday's works with our partners at our local Departments of Veterans Affairs [VA] to administer wellness checks for the pets of Veterans.

ARF's 33-foot, custom-built, state-of-the-art Stephen Ball Mobile Clinic is named in memory of Stephen Ball with gratitude for his generous legacy gift, a reflection of his love for nature and animals.

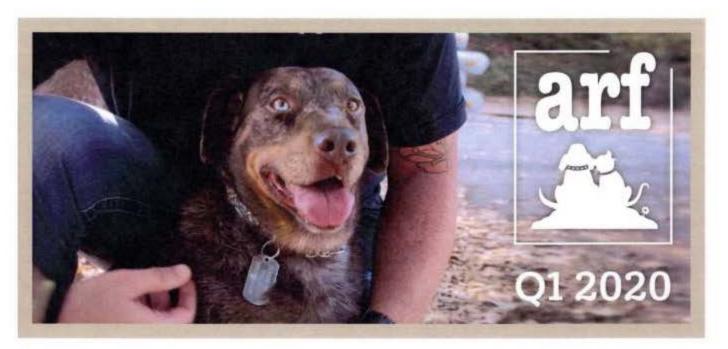
ARF's Mobile Clinic comes to VA Northern California Health Care System's Martinez Clinic at 150 Muir Road in Martinez (in parking lot next to Building 19) to administer free vaccines and wellness checks for the pets of veterans. Checkin begins at 9:00 AM & goes until 12 Noon or until full [usually 20 vets]

Must present military or Veteran Health ID. All services first-come, first served

#### **ARF Mobile Clinic Calendar at VA**

Every other Friday at Martinez VA Clinic from 9 AM until 12 Noon

Every other Friday at Livermore VA Clinic from 9 AM until 12 Noon



## Free Vaccines & Exams for Veterans' Pets at the Livermore VA

January 3 • January 17 • February 7 February 21 • March 6 • March 20

ARF's Mobile Clinic will be on-site to perform wellness exams, give vaccinations, and answer questions about basic pet wellness.

Time:

Check-in begins 8:45 am

Check-ins accepted until 11:00 am or FULL

First come, first served

Location:

4951 Arroyo Road, Livermore (behind Building 64)

Contact:

**Raul Morales** 

Admin. Assistant, East Bay Operations, (925) 373-4700, ext. 35129

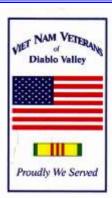
Cats and dogs only; limit 2 pets per veteran per clinic and 6 pets per household. Services are provided at no cost to veterans presenting military ID. Cats must be in carriers. Dogs must be on-leash and under control at all times. Bring pet's prior vaccination history with you.

Wait times may vary. Water will be provided for people and pets.

Please visit arflife.org/mobile-clinic at least 24 hours before the event in case of last-minute cancellations.

Thanks to Procurement Director John "T.J." Trujillo for his monthly display of VNVDV Hats and Shirts. Order your VNVDV NAME TAGS contact "T.J."

For all
your
VNVDV
Shirts and
Hats team
with TJ
and Power Stitch



#### John T.J. Trujillo

Director of Procurement

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## VNVDV Members THANK David Behring

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We Thank David Behring & the Wheel Chair Foundation for the support of VNVDV & our three amazing wheel chair distribution trips to Vietnam.

The VNVDV participated in the distribution of 460 Wheelchairs during the NOV 2019 trip to Vietnam.

Thanks to the support of the Wheelchair Foundation & Supporters

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

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

## All Wars Memorial

Oak Hill Park Memorial Expands
The New Paver Section with 600 Pavers
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#### **ENGRAVING DELAYED DUE TO RAIN!**

Custom Engraving is performed Spring & Fall.

Take time to visit the AWM - then the website for an application form. Order your AWM Paver www.AllWarsMemorial.org

Questions? See link on AWM Website

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

Marines Memorial Association / Hotel / Club in SF - Visit their website at: www.MarineClub.com

Sentinels of Freedom Scholarship Foundation - visit: www.SentinelsofFreedom.org

Wheelchair Foundation & Wine for Wheels - Support our those in need of mobility - Visit: www.WineforWheels.org

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

VISIT THE WEBSITE for the VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING at: www.VMBSRV.org

SUPPORT OUR BLUE STAR MOMS "DROP-OFF" LOCATIONS









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The VNVDV encourages all Veterans to Enroll in VA
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The VA Health Care System is the Best - get help

Visit our VNVDV Website for more Benefit details.

## Are You Watching CCTV "VETERAN VOICES" on 2nd Monday?

Monthly Show Topics IMPORTANT to VETERANS & Recently Discharged/Returning VETS SUPPORT Nathan Johnson - our Contra Costa County Veteran Service Officer



Kevin Graves, CalVet LINC & Gold Star Parent

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Pre-Planning Lifts the Burdens Off Your Loved Ones

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"VETERAN VOICES"
on THIRD MONDAY OF MONTH

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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. 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!



MONTHLY SOCIAL DINNER MEETINGS with FEATURED GUEST SPEAKERS

1st THURSDAY of each Month

at CROW CANYON COUNTRY CLUB in Danville, CA

Social Hour at 1700 - Dinner at 1815 - Guest Speaker - Join Us!

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

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