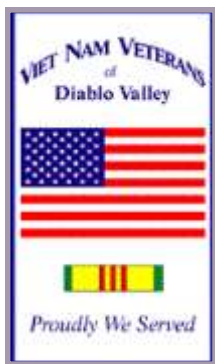


INCOMING NEWS



JUN 2026

**Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley
Help Distribute 10,000 American Flags with the VNVDV
Danville's Kiwanis 4th of July Independence Day Parade**

**VNVDV JUNE 4TH MEETING
BRIDGES GOLF CLUB, SAN RAMON**

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

May is always our busiest month with three events within 8 days.

The **Walk of Honor** went smoothly and we were able to raise \$15,000 for the VNVDV.

Many thanks to Aimee, Phillips 66, the WHO Committee, and all who helped out or contributed to the event.

The **Swearing-in Ceremony** also went very well. We were able to swear-in 6 Navy, 3 Coast Guard and 3 Army recruits as well as honoring 5 students going off to various military academies. A heartfelt thanks to the **Mary O'Donnell** and her Committee, the many Scouts, and all those who helped to make this very important Ceremony happen.

The **Phillips 66 Rodeo Renewable Energy Complex** Management and Employees sponsored the 2026 - 17th annual **WALK of HONOR** held on **May 16, 2026**. The *VietNam Veterans of Diablo Valley* **THANK Phillips 66** for their

Sponsorship and special appreciation goes to **Aimee and Derrick Henry** for their support of Veterans & local community on *Armed Forces Day* in Crockett and singing of the National Anthem.



White
Elephant
Technology

50 Crazy Inventions
That Should Have Been Built
And What We Can Learn From Them



SPEAKER for the **JUNE 4TH MEETING** WILL BE **John Geoghegan** presenting a discussion of, **WHITE ELEPHANT TECHNOLOGY: 50 CRAZY INVENTIONS THAT SHOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN BUILT AND WHAT WE CAN LEARN FROM THEM**

And then there was the **Memorial Day Ceremony and All Wars Memorial Ribbon Cutting.**

I believe it was our best ever. Gold Star Mom, **Roxanne Langevin**, gave us a heartfelt and poignant tribute to her son, Sean. Abraham Lincoln led us to the **All Wars Memorial** and reenacted the Gettysburg Address. Thanks to all those who participated in some way to make it a fitting tribute to those who gave their all.

June, we rest. Then **July we have the parade.** Please sign up with Slatts to carry a flag or banner. If you cannot walk, perhaps you could ride in the Huey. Others will walk alongside and give out flags to the crowd.

If you haven't come down to the Veterans Memorial Building lately, and enjoyed the camaraderie of **Saturday Morning Coffee** and sweets, please do. Every week it gets more popular, and now that it is sunny, the patio is the place to be.

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FOURTH OF JULY PARADE WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY JULY 4, 2026

680 NORTH OR SOUTH EXIT EL CERRO WEST. DANVILLE BLVD ONLY RIGHT TURN ALLOWED. LEFT DEL AMIGO TO LEFT VERONA TO LEFT LOVE LANE TO HIGH SCHOOL PARKING LOT UNDER SOLAR PANELS.

PARADE START 0900 MUSTER 0800.

VNVDV WHITE COLLARED JERSEY SHIRT, DARK SLACKS OR SHORTS, WHITE VNVDV CAP.

VNVDV MEMBERS WILL HAND OUT FLAGS TO PARADE SPECTATORS.



JULY 4TH 2024



Thank You to Sponsors and Exhibitors and all who Supported the



WALK OF HONOR FOR OUR VETERANS



Phillips 66 Walk of Honor HUGE Success!



RODEO RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPLEX

17th Annual WALK OF HONOR FOR OUR VETERANS

May 16, 2026

Crockett Community Center
&
Al Zampa Memorial Bridge



The 2026 Swearing-In Ceremony Sunday May 17 recognized graduating High School seniors who are entering military service or the Academies.



Welcome to the 2026 Recruit Recognition & Swearing In Ceremony

Sunday, May 17, 2026

Today we honor High School students
graduating in 2026 and enlisting in the
United States Military or
entering a Military Academy.



Roll Call of Recruits



US Navy:
Austin Bugaj, Livermore High School
Jackie Frankers, Granada High School
Alexander Vovanko, Amador High School
Matt Daniel Morejon, Mt. Diablo High School
Tessa Louisa Dowhan, Clayton Valley High School
Blakely Kiprin, Clayton Valley High School



US Coast Guard:
Ethan Martinez, Mt. View High School
Julian Lehto, SF Waldorf High School



US Army:
Tyler Dedej, Dublin High School
Brittany Rosales Archigo, Granada High School
Max Wang, Foothill High School
Taino Williams Mesa, Granada High School
Enrique Rodriguez, Washington High School
Suhyeon Kim, UC Santa Cruz

Roll Call of Military Academy Appointees



Christian Egl, Annapolis US Naval Academy - Monte Vista HS
Dylan Zugenthus, Annapolis Naval Academy - Monte Vista HS



Samuel John, West Point - Berean Christian HS



Anthony Griffin-Yah, US Air Force Academy, Los Lomas HS
Markos Matsis, US Airforce Academy, San Ramon Valley HS



ARMY RECRUITS



NAVY RECRUITS



COAST GUARD RECRUITS



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MAY 2026 VNVDV DINNER MEETING



VetsBoats.org offers an opportunity for a wonderful day on the SF Bay for Members of The Vietnam Veterans of the Diablo Valley to join with other veterans during the delightful sailing experience. Special thanks to the generous donors who make this possible and the Vets-Boats Team without whom these events could not happen! You can learn more about Vets-Boats: <https://VetsBoats.org> **DAO NGUYEN CAN PROVIDE MORE INFORMATION**



Healing Through Camaraderie



VetsBoats shares the magic and beauty of wooden boats to help restore health and well-being to military veterans who suffer from PTSD and Traumatic Injuries. We are here to inspire and motivate them to participate in marine education, exploration, and sail training on San Francisco Bay and across the country.

Through common purpose and teamwork, veterans rediscover inner strengths and share in the camaraderie of fellow veterans. The VetsBoats method brings them out of isolation and helps them engage in a variety of activities that promote mindfulness. VA studies have shown that learning to sail and taking part in sailing activities, when paired with a therapeutic treatment program led by a medical healthcare provider, significantly increase lasting positive outcomes for participants.



In supporting ~~VetsBoats~~, you help create real, human impact through powerful, hands-on experiences where veterans find purpose, connection, and renewed strength. Your involvement directly fuels moments of teamwork, learning, and camaraderie that allow healing to happen naturally from veteran to veteran.

From Isolation/Loneliness to Participation/Community
to Purpose/Power



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VIET NAM VETERANS DIABLO VALLEY *JUNE* BIRTHDAYS

Gordon Dunne	Army	Dave Turner	Navy
Don Schroeder	Army	Pete Longoria	Marines
Lee Halverson	Marines	Bill Green	Army
Bobby Dunton	Navy	Ed Gaede	Marines
Mike Youngblood	Army	Saber Zell	Marines
Ken Jones	Navy	William Hendley	Air Force
Dave Farkas	Navy	Mark Marcum	Army
Virgil Stanger	Navy	Dennis Kline	Navy
Bob McDonnell	Army	Mike Youngblood	Army

Thanks to the May Speakers **VIC MACAIS AND VIC MACAIS JR.** presenting **VIC'S** Vietnam experiences while a member of a scout helicopter crew that was directly involved in the rescue of SP5 Henry Jackson a member of the 7th Squadron of the 17th Cavalry.



Henry Jackson

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SP5 7SQ 17 Air Cavalry

Vietnam PH

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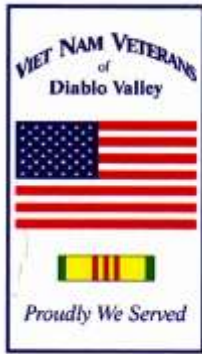
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VNVDV SHIRT HAT DISPLAY AT SEPT MEETING

VNVDV Members THANK David Behring

Wheelchair Foundation



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Looking for a unique BIRTHDAY Gift? Donate a new WCF wheelchair in their honor... great for someone who has everything!

The VietNam Veterans made 3 Wheel Chair distribution trips, 2006, 2012, 2019 and 2024 to VietNam.. Wheel Chairs Provide freedom of mobility for those lacking this basic need.

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

The VNVDV participated in the distribution of 460 Wheelchairs during the NOV 2019 and 2024 trips to Vietnam. Thanks to the support of the Wheelchair Foundation & Supporters

VietNam 50th Commemoration Honors our VietNam War Veteran Members

VNVDV LIFE MEMBERSHIP Special 50th VN Commeration - Honoring Your Service - ONLY \$50.

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All Wars Memorial

Oak Hill Park Memorial Expands The New Paver Section with 600 Pavers Do you have an AWM Paver? Don't wait - Honor a veteran, friend, neighbor, family member or patriot with a special AWM Paver Tribute!

1st ENGRAVING COMPLETED—Hopefully 1 in May! 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 - Call the County VSO Office for Assistance - 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

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"VETERAN VOICES" THE SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

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Join us live on the 2nd Monday of each month to discuss relevant issues facing our veterans.



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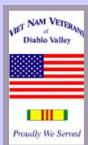
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VNVDV Members & VIPs

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 **Bridges Golf Club, San Ramon.**

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!*

DINNER MEETING
THURSDAY JUNE 4TH
BRIDGES GOLF CLUB SAN RAMON
5 PM SOCIAL 6 PM DINNER
DINNER COST WILL BE \$35