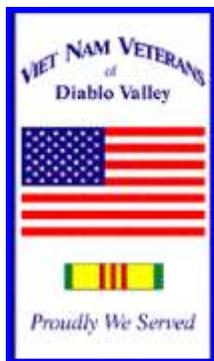


INCOMING NEWS



Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley

VMB Tips for Change Fundraiser Gianni's AUG 12th VNVDV Distribute Over 10,000 American Flags in 2019 Kiwanis 4th of July Parade

JUL 2019



Gary Estrella
VNVDV
President



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I was trying to recall when the first time our 1st Thursday of the month meeting was moved to the 2nd Thursday, July 11th. There has been some discussion among a few of us on how many would show up on July 4th for this month's meeting. John Reese and Jon Robbins have made it a point to remind people that the meeting is July 11th. If you showed up at Crow Canyon Country Club on the 4th, this missive will be too late to help avoid the embarrassment of forgetting or not paying attention to our reminders. What would be truly embarrassing is if you participate in the July 4th parade and then planned on going to our meeting later that same day. As mundane as the introduction to this month's President's Message may seem, it indicates your President hasn't found anything profound to pass on this month.

There are noteworthy items to mention, the first being our Nation's birthday – 244 years. We had a terrific turnout for the Parade.

4 th of JULY 2019 PARADE HONORS THE 100TH ANNAVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN LEGION



JUNE SPEAKER

PAT LEARY

will discuss his experiences with helicopters in the Central Highlands plus his continuing activities with the Vin Son Montagnard orphanage in Kontum.



Thanks to all those who participated in the 4th of July Parade Flag Distribution Great job!

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Donation of \$50.

President's Message (Continued on Page Two)

Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley Color Guard for the 4th of July 2019 Parade

Our VNVDV continued the effort to ensure that every young person along the parade route had a Flag. Also, did anyone attend the VFW barbeque after the parade at the Veterans Memorial Building?

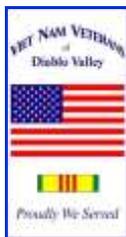
Bill Green again hosted his barbeque event for all the VNVDV Parade walkers. I always hear it is well attended and enjoyed by all. I am embarrassed to admit that to date I have not been able to attend. Since 1975, our neighborhood has had a July 4th block barbeque and for the last 30 odd years, its been in my backyard. The "War Department" each of the last few years threatens that it will be the last. When that happens and Bill still hosts, I'll be there.

On a rather sad note, we mourn the passing of Ken Behring, father of one of our Honorary members and the Founder of the Wheel Chair Foundation. Condolences to the family and friends of Mr. Behring. His accomplishments and philanthropy are known nationally and internationally.

Mike Slattengren has stepped forward to replace Del Lowe as a Veterans Memorial Board Trustee. Del has served as a Trustee for over 7 years. In his retirement he has been traveling more and, in his words, does not want his attendance to be unreliable. After some discussion, the Board decided to thank Del for his service as he has earned the right to pursue his travels without burden of VMB trustee business. The VNVDV Board thanked him, accepted his resignation, wished him safe travel, and invited him to stop by when he is in town.



Gary Estrella
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VNVDV Pass Out Flags To Celebrate The Fourth





October 2018- July 2019

The USS Hornet Sea, Air & Space Museum welcomes you aboard for an extended celebration of the Apollo Program in commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of Apollo 11, Man's first steps on the Moon!

USS *Hornet* recovered the Apollo 11 astronauts from the Pacific after their splashdown on July 24, 1969 and now in 2018-2019 we are celebrating this historic event with events and programming throughout the upcoming year!

Splashdown 50 Celebration Events

Tuesday, July 16 – Wednesday, July 24, 2019

Our upcoming events are special activities or programming held between October 2018 – July 2019 as we commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Apollo program benchmarks leading to the Apollo 11 mission. General Museum admission applies for many of these events, but all are free or discounted for Museum Members!

In later July, the Museum will hold an 8-day event in honor of Apollo 11's 8-day mission, building up July 24th, Splashdown Day where USS *Hornet* recovered the Apollo 11 astronauts.

Schedule of July Celebration

Tuesday, July 16: Hornet Day at the Oakland A's Stadium! Visit us at the game! Bring your ticket to the Oakland A's July 16th game aboard the Museum during the month of July for discounted admissions!

Wednesday, July 17: A special behind-the-scenes look at the enhanced Apollo exhibition on board, with opportunities to speak to the Museum's Exhibition team!

Thursday, July 18: Model Rocket Day aboard USS Hornet! Come aboard to build and test your own rocket as we explore the science, technology, and engineering of getting astronauts into outer space!

Friday, July 19: A special Live-Aboard Overnight with lunar and star gazing from the Museum's Flight Deck after an evening tour around the ship.

Saturday, July 20: Splashdown 50 Celebration! This community day will feature organizations and museums who will share family activities and information, with additional programming and speakers throughout the day.

Evening Saturday, July 20: Splashdown Anniversary Dinner & Reception! Please join us for a dinner honoring the USS Hornet Association. Celebrate the legacy of Splashdown with the ex-crew of this historic ship! Meet and dine with ex-crew men who were on board during the Apollo 11 Recovery Mission! Special Guests and Presentations! Hosted Buffet Dinner, Music from the 1960's, and full cash bar. **TICKETS**

Sunday, July 21: USS Hornet Association Meet-and-Greet. Come aboard for a special welcome to the various Hornet crew members who served on board during her years of service, including the Apollo 11 and 12 recoveries.

Monday, July 22: An aerospace film day! The Museum will be screening Smithsonian and NASA space films throughout the day in our Hangar Deck.

Tuesday, July 23: A unique STEM day for educators to come and experience STEM activities that introduce science, technology, engineering, and mathematics in a hands-on way with real life examples of it in use all around them! **Teacher Registration**

Wednesday, July 24: Apollo Retrospective. Come aboard as we look back at the history and legacy of Apollo 11 and relive the recovery of the astronauts and capsule with some of the men who actually participated in the event! We will then follow with another presentation as we explore the past, present, and future of space exploration and space travel with experts from NASA and the private aerospace industry!

28th Anniversary Memorial Day Remembrance

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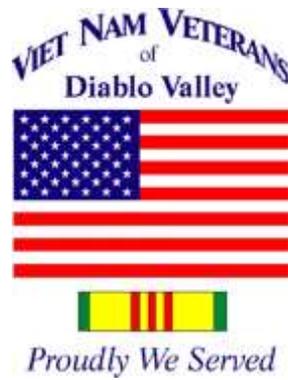
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\$50/opportunity/ticket, maximum 300 opportunities/tickets.

For more information on the Lodge go to the [King Pacific Lodge](#) website Here is the [flier with more information](#)

To donate for opportunities online (one donation per PayPal login):

<https://vnvdv.org/media/pdf/temp/2018KingPacificLodge-fundraiser.pdf> - **ONLINE DONATION IF NO WILL BE UPDATED**

Drawing at the VNVDV annual 2020 Super Sunday Crab Feed –

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June has arrived & Bill Green with his Duck Club Members Salute **"GWOT"** Veterans with the VNVDV Annual Retreat

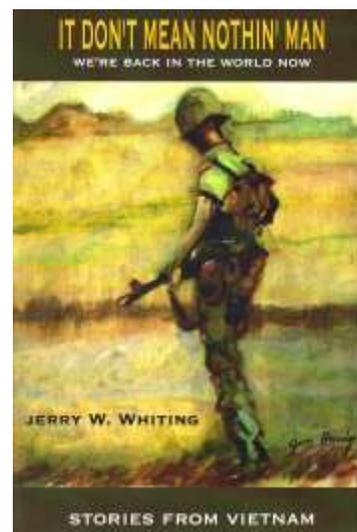
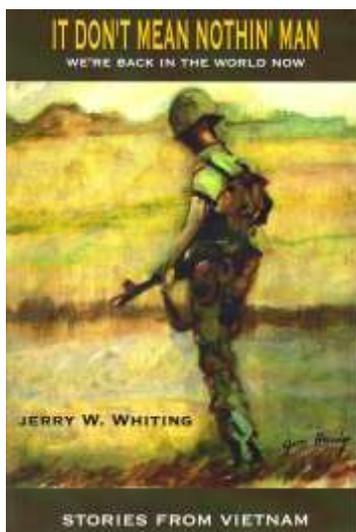
One of the VNVDV's less publicized efforts is a special veteran service program designed by long-time VNVDV member & Director **Bill Green** - who serves as a volunteer "mentor" for Vet Center support groups. Created to assist our more recent returning vets - **"GWOT"** (Global War on Terrorism) giving them a safe, relaxed, social environment to aide in readjustment to civilian life & activities after combat military service.. This is a weekend retreat for this selected group of vets.

Assisting the VNVDV with counselor resources and Veteran support is **Contra Costa County Veterans Service Office & Concord Vet Center's "mentors & coaches"** allowing time for these younger vets to talk with other veterans. This worthy program was developed for returning / GWOT veterans - and made possible, largely due to funding received by the VNVDV through our partnership with **Phillips 66** & their support from the annual **"Walk of Honor"** on **Armed Forces Day**. We thank all those who supported this year's event. These younger veterans will be able to relax in a safe environment & enjoy various activities - fly casting lessons, skeet shooting, swimming, BBQs, horseshoes, movies, group campfires, lots of great food & fellowship with other vets & no drugs or alcohol.



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PSYCHARMOR® INSTITUTE OFFERS A LIFELINE

PsychArmor Institute, with the generous support of the NFL Foundation, launches this week the first 2 courses of its 15-course portfolio on "Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention" for people who work with, live with or care for Military Service Members, Veterans and their families.

Courses to watch



Barriers to Treatment



Postvention: Healing After Suicide

Shareable Content for Social Media & E-Newsletter



Social Post for Barriers to Treatment

Join Dr. Shauna Springer from @TAPSorg as she helps veterans encourage Veterans to need to seek mental health treatment in @PsychArmor's new online course "Barriers to Treatment." The course is part of a new portfolio on "Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention" sponsored by The NFL Foundation. #BeThere To watch full course, [Register here](#)

Social Post for Postvention: Healing After Suicide

Join Dr. Shauna Springer from @TAPSorg as she discusses how to support someone who has lost a loved one to suicide in @PsychArmor's new online course "Postvention: Healing After Suicide." These courses are both part of a new portfolio on "Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention" sponsored by The NFL Foundation. #BeThere To watch full course, [Register here](#)

E-blast

PsychArmor Institute Launches Online Courses on Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention

Watch the first of 15 upcoming online courses, "Barriers to Treatment" and "Postvention: Healing After Suicide" on Veterans suicide, including risk factors, warning signs and healing. Dr. Shauna Springer from the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors discusses barriers to Veterans' mental health treatment as well as actions following a suicide that can help promote healing. The courses are part of PsychArmor Institute's new portfolio on "Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention" sponsored by The NFL Foundation. To watch full courses, [Register here](#)



Dr. Shauna Springer
Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors

Dr. Springer serves as the Senior Director at TAPS and has helped hundreds of service members reconnect with their families, values, and lives.

The NFL Foundation funded a series of Suicide Prevention courses that will be produced by PsychArmor for broad dissemination. I was the author and SME for the first two courses, both of which just went live. Both courses are extremely relevant to our shared suicide prevention mission and to the goal of advancing veteran-centered care (especially the "Barriers to Care" course). I wanted to send the link so that you can re-view and share them out (they were specifically funded for dissemination without limit). I particularly want to get these into the hands of key people in the veteran support space (like you) who can share them out as widely as possible in the service of our common goal. PsychArmor created a social media kit which is attached here to this email if you can help.

The "Barriers to Care" course was scoped out very specifically to help providers engage *veteran patients* in care - and some of what I say is not applicable to Active Duty contexts. The point that needs to be made is that AD Psychologists and clinicians have a different role to balance with the mission of troop readiness (which is appropriate for the AD context) and this shapes Service members' perceptions of what mental health care is about. I have nothing but respect for providers who serve in roles in the military - especially the kind of "Docs" who build the level of trust with warfighters that is essential to keeping them in the fight at times.

VNVDV Member *July* Birthdays

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| Mike Weber | Army | Earl Conklin | Army |
| James Hill | Army | John Schafgans | Army |
| Larry Ashlock | Army | Marty De Venuta | Air Force |
| Ron Huesman | Marines | John Willing | Marines |
| Alex McElee | Navy | Frank Luna | Army |
| Wayne Norwood | Army | Bill Chew | Army |
| Daniel Harrington | Navy | Dick Seavey | Army |
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Thanks to the **June Speaker Frank Wallace** for his presentation on the Marine Corps assault of "Tarawa Atoll" (Betio Island) 21-23 November 1943



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Event Time 11:00a - 4:00p

Day of Event Registration Begins at 8:00 am

No Cars Admitted After 11:00 am

During the uneven years THE STAND ON THE DELTA 2019 supports Veterans – check to see where you can help



STAND DOWN ON THE DELTA 2019



STAND DOWN ON THE DELTA IS A FOUR-DAY, THREE-NIGHT EVENT IN WHICH VETERANS ARE PROVIDED FULL MEDICAL TREATMENTS, COURT AND LEGAL SERVICES, DMV, CHAPLAIN SERVICES, HOUSING, ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING, EMPLOYMENT, AND A MYRIAD OF OTHER COMMUNITY SERVICES. DURING THE EVENT, VETERANS ARE ALSO PROVIDED WITH CLOTHING, MEALS, SHOWERS, SLEEPING TENTS, AND A SAFE PLACE TO "STAND DOWN" FOR THE DURATION. THE NEXT STAND DOWN ON THE DELTA WILL BE HELD **SEPTEMBER 20TH - 23RD, 2019** AT THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS LOCATED IN ANTIOCH, CA.

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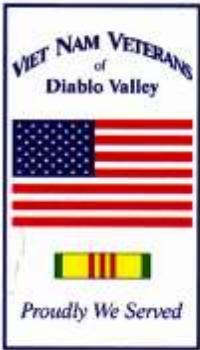
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Thanks to Procurement Director John "T.J." Trujillo for his monthly display of VNVDV Hats and Shirts. Order your VNVDV NAME TAGS contact "T.J."



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"T.J." has the new VNVDV Coffee Mugs that have been prepared for the Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley... **Nice! Order your set from TJ**

VNVDV Members THANK David Behring

Wheelchair Foundation



"Serving the World"



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

The Viet Nam Veterans made 2 distribution trips in 2006 & 2012 and the next trip is Fall 2019 to Viet Nam - providing freedom of mobility for those lacking this basic need.

We Thank David Behring & Joel Hodge for your support of VNVDV & our two amazing wheel chair distribution trip to Vietnam.

The VNVDV is planning on filling a container of Wheelchairs for distribution in Vietnam. Be a part of this exciting VNVDV project!

Viet Nam 50th Commemoration Honors our Viet Nam War Veteran Members

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

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 Opened JAN 2019
Do you have an AWM Paver? Don't wait - Honor a veteran, friend, neighbor, family member or patriot with a special AWM Paver Tribute!
New Walkway of 600+ Pavers to Open \$300.
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.cdbluestarmoms.org
VNVDV website to see more about the Vietnam Veterans of Diablo Valley at: www.VNVDV.org

VISIT THE VMB/SRV's WEBSITE - for the VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING at: www.VMBSRV.org



LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION

SB-562 Property taxation: exemption: principal residence: veterans and their unmarried surviving spouses.(2019-2020)

Veterans, WE NEED YOUR HELP, Please call Assemblywoman Autumn Burke at her Assembly Appropriation Committee office (highlighted below) and use the script to let the committee know you support this bill to support our California disabled veterans.

SB 562: Disabled Veterans Property Tax Exemptions

BILL SUMMARY

SB 562 would increase property tax exemptions for disabled veterans, in order to keep up with the rising cost of housing in California.

BACKGROUND

California has granted property tax exemptions to disabled veterans since the 1980s, however, the value of exemptions has only risen by \$34,706 dollars in nearly four decades. The increasing exemptions are failing to meet the needs of disabled veterans who are now paying significantly more for houses and taxes than the veterans of the 1980s. This bill contains two different exemptions, to address the majority of veterans as well as low-income veterans.

The Basic exemption would be increased from \$134,706 to \$200,000 and the Low Income exemption would increase from \$202,060 to \$250,000. Both rates would keep up with inflation moving forward. These exemptions are only available to veterans with a 100% disability rating, blind veterans, and veterans missing two or more limbs.

PROBLEM

Housing prices in California are continuing to rise, and property taxes rise with them. Many of California's disabled veterans are living off of small pensions and are losing the ability to keep up with a mortgage payment and the associated property taxes.

This problem is having a greater impact on the more recently separated veterans, from the post-9/11 era who are looking to return to California after their service and purchase a home. However, this does not mean that the Vietnam era veterans are not struggling to keeping up with the cost of housing.

The permanently and severely disabled veterans who would benefit from this bill are completely unable to work after their time in service. Their incomes rely solely on the small pensions they receive from the Department of Veterans Affairs. These pensions do not keep up with the rising cost of living, especially in California. California needs to ensure that disabled veterans do not have to worry about losing their home because they cannot keep up with their property taxes.

SOLUTION

SB 562 would ensure that disabled veterans will be able to maintain the cost of housing in California by increasing the amount of property tax exemptions granted to disabled veterans.

SUPPORT

Homes for the Troops

BILL STATUS

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"Hi my name is _____ and I am calling to urge Assemblymember Burke to pass SB 562 out of her committee. This bill will serve the needs of California's disabled veterans. Thank you."

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SB 562 Adjusts the Property Tax Exemption for Disabled Veterans



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VA's FLU SHOTS AVAILABLE - DROP-IN
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Get your Veteran Certification for DMV License

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.

Are You Watching CCTV "VETERAN VOICES" on 3rd Monday?

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

Contra Costa County Veterans Service Office is a FREE service for all Veterans!

Find out about all the Veteran Benefits You earned through your Military Service
Visit the County VSO Office NOW...
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Veterans Services

Because You Chose To Proudly Serve

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

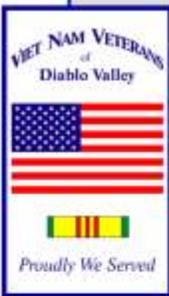
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The VietNam Veterans of Diablo Valley - established in 1991 as a local, grass-roots, non-profit, & all-volunteer Veteran Service Organization (VSO) to promote & enhance the image of the Viet Nam Veteran through Community Service & Support of our fellow 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!

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MONTHLY SOCIAL DINNER MEETINGS with FEATURED GUEST SPEAKERS

1st THURSDAY of each Month

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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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