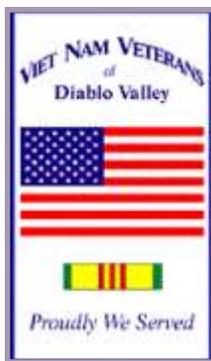


INCOMING NEWS



OCT 2020

**Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley
VNVDV HAVE ARRANGED A VIRTUAL MEETING
FOR THURSDAY OCTOBER 1ST - 6 PM
DETAILS WITH LINK WILL BE SENT BY E-MAIL**



Gary Estrella
VNVDV
President

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

October begins the last quarter of the 2020 year. Who would have thought what was in store for us in 2020 ten months ago? Still no in-person meeting at the Crow Canyon Country Club and no realistic expectation how soon we can resume. The optimist in me says probably year end or January 2021. A word of caution to those that take my prognostication seriously, my batting average equates to 1 month divided by 13 months - .076.

The business of the VNVDV continues regardless of the situation in which we find ourselves. **First up is our election of officers for 2021. Nominations are open for the Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley 2021 Officers & Board of Directors and information is included in the newsletter.**

President's Message (Continued on Page Two)

VIRTUAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 3RD HOSTED BY JERRY YAHIRO



**October Dinner Meeting
CANCELLED**

Virtual October Speaker

Tom Graves, an historian of the Joe Rosenthal Chapter of the USMC Combat Correspondents Association, where he leads the effort to name a Navy warship for Iwo Jima flag raising photographer Joe Rosenthal.

According to By-Laws only members in good standing are eligible.

The Board you elect preserves our presence in the community and your support and participation in the VNVDV are essential to our success.

Next, is our annual gift giving to those whom we recognize for their service to the community and our veterans. The Board is proceeding with this in keeping with our past practices.

As always, if you know of a member who is in distress or needs our help or attention, please let the Board know. As I said in last month's Incoming "Reach Out and Touch (Somebody's Hand)." A phone call or a helping hand on how to join our virtual meetings will keep up strong during these times.

Stay safe and be well.

Gary Estrella
President
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E: gamastar6@aol.com



VNVDV Salutes MICKY GANICH



MICKY GANICH celebrates his 100th Birthday with VETERANS VOICES DEC 2019.



MICKY GANICH speaker at the WALK OF HONOR MAY 2019



MICKY GANICH WITH WWII VETERANS at the WHITE HOUSE DEC 2017



MICKY GANICH HONORED by the RAIDERS NOV 2017

NOTE THIS GIANNI'S "TIPS FOR CHANGE" TO SUPPORT THE SENTINELS OF FREEDOM ON MONDAY OCTOBER 5TH. DEADLINE TO ORDER IS SUNDAY OCT. 4TH AT 6:00 pm

San Ramon Valley Rotary

presents...
TIPS FOR CHANGE TAKE OUT EVENT
benefitting



MONDAY, OCTOBER 5 PICK UP YOUR ORDERS BETWEEN 4:30 PM AND 8 PM

When the going gets tough, the tough get creative. Presenting the Tips for Change Take Out event. To place your order, go to www.giannisaranamon.com or call 925-820-6969. For online orders, click the "order online" button, then click on delivery or pickup (please note delivery is limited but can be made available.) Be sure to Click on **Oct 5** then choose your items and your desired time. **Deadline to order is Sunday, Oct 4 at 6 pm.** Please be flexible with your timing. The kitchen can't feed everyone between 5:30 and 6:30. Wine and cocktails available for take out.

As always, all tips and 10% of sales go to support the organization. You will enjoy a wonderful dinner and support a worthy cause. It's a **Win-Win**

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CANCELLED EVENTS INVOLVING THE VIET NAM VETERANS DIABLO VALLEY

OCT. 1, 2020 VNVDV MONTHLY MEETING (VIRTUAL)

PHOTOS FROM (SEPTEMBER 2019)



DANVILLE EXCHANGE CLUB 9/11 REMEMBRANCE (VIRTUAL 2020)

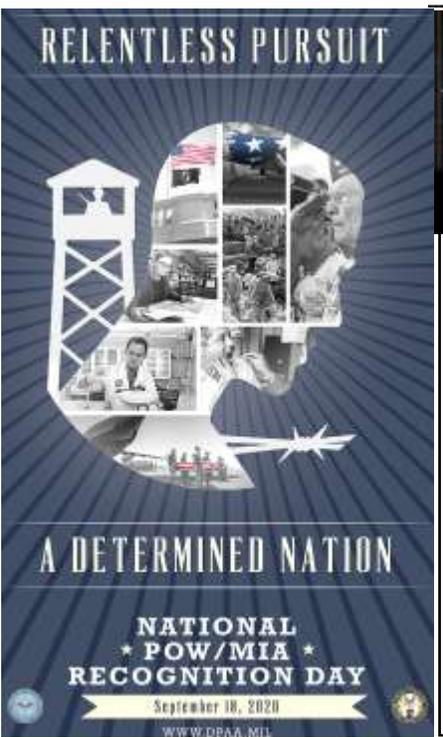
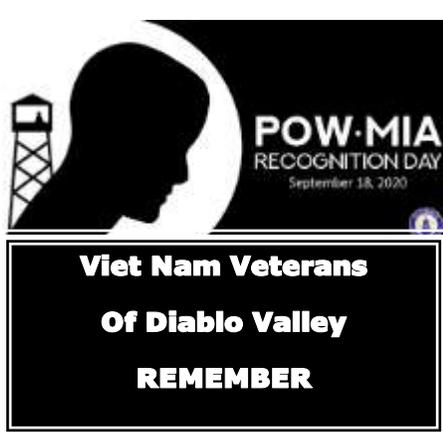


President Announces Nomination Committee for 2021 Officers & Directors!

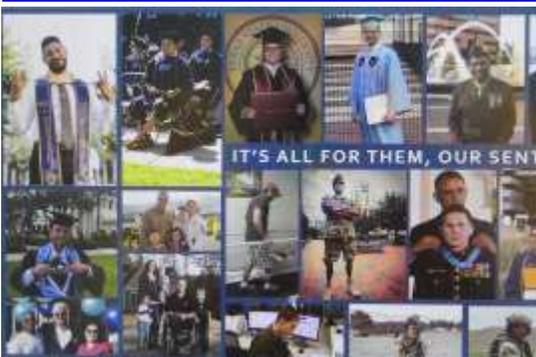
President **Gary Estrella** selected our 2020/2021 Nomination Committee. Gary selected the very experienced Past President **Rich Lambert** Chair to include additional VNVDV Past President to seek out new & future leaders & potential Board Members & Committee Chairs. President Estrella selected Past President **Mike Weber**. We encourage all VNVDV members to find out more about the organization and the various positions available. **VOLUNTEERING** in a leadership position can be

EXTREAMNLY REWARDING PERSONALLY! Find out **more... if you have any questions** about any position or the duties of any Board Positions please contact Rich or Mike. Elections are held at our Annual Meeting in the month of November by Ballot.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

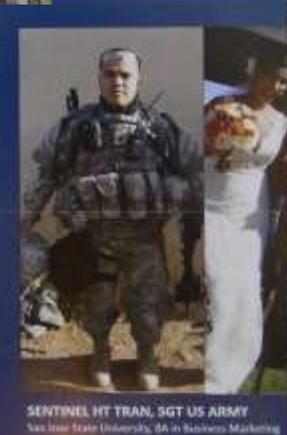


THANKS TO THE SEPTEMBER VIRTUAL SPEAKER MIKE CONKLIN, CEO OF THE SENTINELS OF FREEDOM. MIKE PRESENTED AN UPDATE OVERVIEW OF SENTINAL ACTIVITIES AND NEW MEMBERS.



BRIDGE TO EDUCATION PROGRAM

- 650 Veterans Served to Date
- 183 Current Veterans in the Program (1/1/20)
- Goal of 100 New Sentinels Each Year
- Graduate 80%+ of Sentinels in the Program
- 6 Student Veterans Resource Centers (SVRC) Serving 2,000 Veterans Per Year on College Campuses in 4 States
- 20 million raised



SENTINEL HT TRAN, SGT US ARMY
San Jose State University, BA in Business Marketing

MIKE HOFFSCHNEIDER RETIRES AFTER 48 YEARS of PUBLIC SERVICE



Please note "Hoff" is a recipient of the Gary Villalba Dedicated Service Award, the highest recognition from the VNV DV.

Contra Costa County

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NEWS RELEASE

Contact: Nathan Johnson
Date: September 23, 2020

Phone: 925-313-1481

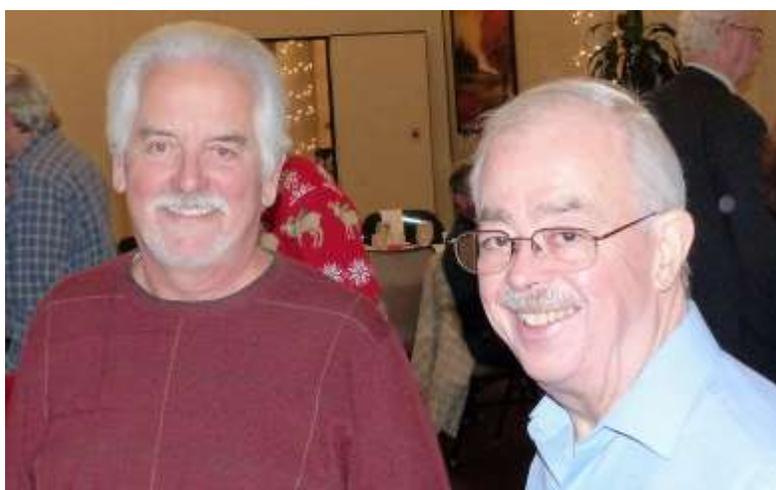
Contra Costa County Veterans Service Office announces the planned retirement of Army Veteran F. Michael Hoffschneider. After more than forty-eight years of public service, Mike will be retiring from the county on October 1, 2020. He has filled many roles during his county career including Acting County Veterans Service Officer, Training Coordinator, and Veterans Service Representative II. After his retirement, Mike will continue as a part-time volunteer as Training Coordinator and providing limited assistance for Veterans filing disability compensation claims.

Mike will be honored by a Board of Supervisors resolution during the annual Veterans Day Ceremony. This virtual event will take place on Tuesday November 10, 2020 at 11am. The event will be broadcast on CCTV on Comcast Channel 27, Wave Channel 32, and AT&T U-Verse Channel 99 throughout Contra Costa County.

Veterans Service Organizations are invited to present Mike with a certificate or plaque during this event. Please contact our office, if your organization intends to provide a recognition during this event.

For more information, please call the Veteran Services Office at 925-313-1481.

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*VA Palo Alto Health Care System Research/Partnership with
Sentinels of Freedom*

Understanding Gaps in Home-based Services from Informal Caregivers



You may be eligible for this study if:

You are a relative or friend who cares for a veteran.

This research study involves filling out questionnaires and participating in a 1 hour telephone interview. We will ask about your experiences using home and community resources for veterans and their caregivers, and get feedback to improve VA resources.

You will be compensated up to \$50 for your time.

Participant's rights questions, contact: 1-866-680-2906.

**Contact: Rashmi Risbud
650-614-9997 x 23434
VHAPALCaregiverCoE@va.gov**



VNVDV Member *October* Birthdays

Jim Murphy	Navy	Jon Robbins	Army
James Handlin	Army	Bob Sada	Air Force
John Reese	Navy	Tim Perry	Navy
Jerry Yahiro	Army	Phil Butler	Navy
Dennis Marguet	Marine	Henry Fanger	Navy
Mac McConnico	Army	David Behring	Honorary
Tom Bettencourt	Army	Pat Leary	Army
Les Chakurian	Army	Mike Huntsman	Navy
Joe Callaway	Army	Patty Chew	Army
Juan Kelly	Army	Robert Mitchell	Marine
Dave Smith	Air Force	Gary Slattengren	Navy
Patti Wernet	Army	Roy Warner	Navy
	Greg Brown	Marine	

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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Nominations Open for Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley 2021 Officers & Board of Directors Election at November 5th Meeting

Nominations are OPEN for 2021 Officers & Directors - as announced at the September Membership Dinner Meeting & mentioned in the INCOMING News. President Gary Estrella appointed Past President Rich Lambert as Chair of the Recruitment & Nomination Committee for 2020. He also appointed Past President Mike Weber to serve as official member of the 2020 committee for the Election of Officers & Directors for the VNVDV. Past President Rich Lambert expressed he is *looking for a few good men...* to serve on the Board in 2021. The President needs a solid team behind him... so all members are encouraged to find out more about these positions from any of these Past Presidents... Jerry Yahiro - Mike Weber or Rich Lambert. The Official Ballots will be distributed at the November 5th dinner meeting with the names of those nominated to-date. You can nominate yourself - or members can nominate other current members in good standing. Any election questions about the "responsibilities" of each office should be directed to any of these three members of the election committee. **Elections/Voting (turning in your written ballot)** will be held at the General Membership Meeting on **Thursday - November 5, 2020**. Ballots may also be returned **by mail** to the VNVDV official mailing address. All "mailed ballots" must be "completed in full" and received no later than **November 22, 2020** to be counted in the final results. Election results will be announced by the President & Election Committee at the **December meeting** & announced in the *Incoming* electronic newsletter.

The 2021 Election is for the VNVDV Officers & Board of Directors positions listed:

President

Vice-President

Treasurer

Secretary

Director of Public Relations

Director of Membership

Director of Events

Director At Large

Director of Information

Director of Procurement

Director of Speakers

The Election Committee has received nominations for each position and encourages members to find out about each leadership role and become involved in our Board of Directors meetings. All positions are OPEN and we encourage members to run for whatever position they desire by notifying the Nomination Selection Committee by e-mail (please copy Election Committee members). The duties & responsibilities of all "Officers & Directors" positions listed above are outlined in our organizational by-laws. We encourage new members - as well and those now with time available - to attend our October Board of Directors meetings this month on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Danville Veteran's Memorial Building at 1800. This is a good way to find out what each position is responsible for and gives you a better understanding and background of the organization. All members are welcome to attend any Board meeting. If you have questions about the positions - speak one of the members of the nomination/election committee. Co-Chairs and Assistants are "appointed" by the President - and are needed in most areas. This is a great way to learn about the duties - help in a significant way - and keep our organization strong & active in helping fellow veterans - those serving and our community. **Past President Jerry Yahiro noted... "The quality of an organization depends on its current leaders' and the members' willingness to participate in the administration of the organization."** We encourage all members to "strongly consider" becoming more active & involved in "the program of your choice" in our organization.

President Gary Estrella previously indicated there are many enjoyable positions to serve - making a difference in the direction of this amazing organization and he strongly encourages all members to consider joining the 2021 team which he promises will be another fun & exciting year. Our events & activities are so varied... there is truly something for everybody! You can make a difference. Join the team.

VETERANS' VOICES SERVING VETERANS



Next Show: Monday, October 12 @ 7:00 PM

Show Topic: **“Digital Literacy”**

Watch on: Comcast Channel 27

-or- Facebook: **veteransvoices1**



Nathan Johnson, Co-Host



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

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

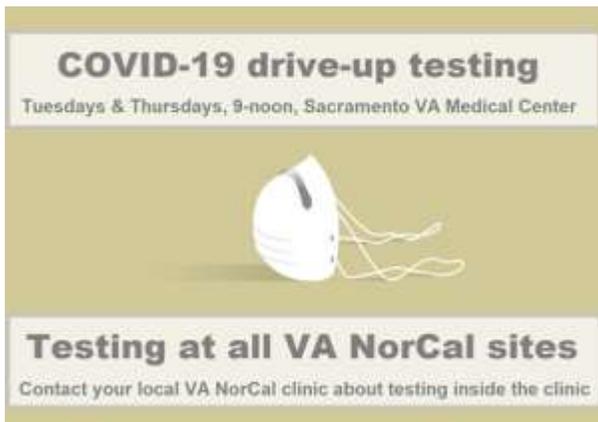
Beginning this Friday, June 26, VA NorCal will implement a new check-in procedure using VEText. This new feature allows Veterans with scheduled appointments to notify their care team when they arrive at the facility for further instruction (to use this feature, Veterans must have a text-capable cell 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
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.



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.



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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.

[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

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, 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.

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 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.

- Explore and apply for VA health care
- Learn about home loans, educational help and other assistance
- Access health resources

Learn more at www.choose.va.gov.



Your go-to for all VA services. Call this 24/7, toll-free number for all your VA needs: **1-844-698-2311**.



Confidential chat online at www.VeteransCrisisLine.net or text to 838255.



Sign up for a My HealthVet (MHV) account at www.myhealth.va.gov.

- Access your personal health information and keep records of your health services.
- Order VA prescription refills.
- Send nonurgent messages to your VA health care team.
- Get email reminders of upcoming VA medical appointments.



Learn about your health conditions, medications, medical tests, and more at www.veteranshealthlibrary.org.



Reach your VA Care Team over live video with this convenient and time-saving app you can download at mobile/va.gov/app/va-video-connect.

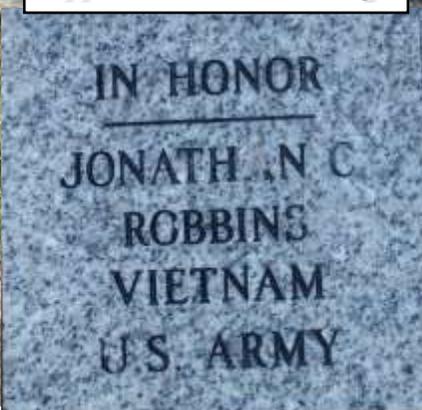
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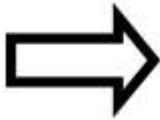
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Please provide **Contact Phone & E-Mail Address** (utilize separate
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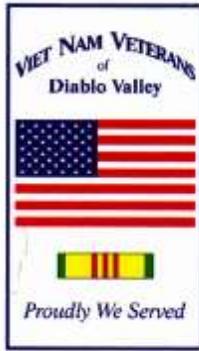
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Signature and Date... & mail to: AWMF (address above)

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



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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 and the Fall 2019 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 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

VNVDV LIFE MEMBERSHIP Special 50th VN Commeration - 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 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

SUPPORT OUR BLUE STAR MOMS "DROP-OFF" LOCATIONS



Department of Veterans Affairs



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Fax: (925) 372-2804

Remember CALL VA's Prior to ANY Appointment or Urgent Care Need! At the VA - all Veterans will be Screened prior to entering Clinic!

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.

FLU IS CAUSING SERIOUS ILLNESS & DEATH! Please visit one of our VA Clinics in Martinez - Oakland or other locations now to obtain your FLU shot - available to all Veterans! Don't Wait!

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

Advertisement for VETERANS' VOICES TV show. Includes text: 'Watch 7pm Mondays', 'A Live, Interactive TV Show for Vets by Vets!', 'Hosted by: Nathan D. Johnson, County Veterans Service Officer', 'Watch live every 2nd Monday at 7 pm on CCTV', 'www.ContraCostaTV.org/VeteransVoices', 'Call in Live: (925) 313-1170'.

"VETERAN VOICES" on SECOND MONDAY OF MONTH

TUNE-IN AND ASK YOUR QUESTIONS ABOUT VETERAN SERVICE OR VETERAN ISSUE.



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.

Pre-Planning Lifts the Burdens Off Your Loved Ones

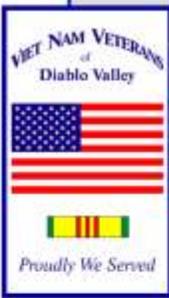
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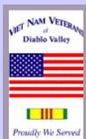
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The VietNam Veterans of Diablo Valley - established in 1991 as a local, grass-roots, non-profit, & all-volunteer Veteran Service Organization (VSO) to promote & enhance the image of the Viet Nam Veteran through Community Service & Support of our fellow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

Viet Nam Veterans of Diablo Valley
DINNER SUSPENDED DUE TO COVID

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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