"Never again will one generation of veterans abandon another"



Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 920

The 920 Sit-Rep



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Upcoming Events

Tuesday January 22ndStated Mtg VFW Post 2205, Sunset Ave

Saturday February 2ndGround Hog Day

Monday February 11th......Guard Mtg Green Valley Schoolhouse.

Tuesday February 12...Lincoln's Birthday

Thursday February 14th.....Valentine's Day

Monday February 18th.....President's Day

February 22ndWashington's Birthday

February 26thStated Mtg VFW Post 2205, Sunset Ave.

A New Year!

Denton, TX – 2013 brings a fresh start to activities and events on VVA's calendar. Be sure to check our website at www.vva920.org to catch all the associated publications and events that are always going on in Denton County, as well as the State of Texas.

If you have not been a part of the 'breakfast group', give Tom Grizzle a growl. The guys meet once a month to eat and commiserate. Good times!

This year, as years past, flag-folding ceremonies at various schools and opportunities for general camaraderie at the School Project, Motor Pool, and Honor Guard practice sessions abound. Share the honor, integrity, and patriotism that few young people understand.

'Vietnam Veterans, Brothers Forever'

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Meeting Reminder!

Date: January 26nd
Time: 6:00 PM Dinner
6:45 PM Meeting

Place: VFW Post 2205 Get there early for dinner!

Directions from North: south on I-35 to University Drive/380. Turn Left, or East, at signal. Go to Sunset, on right. VFW is on the right.

From Corinth and South: north on I-35E to Ft. Worth Drive/Carroll Boulevard exit. Turn right at signal. Stay on Carroll to Sunset. Turn left, go straight at stop sign. VFW is on the left at end of street.

From Argyle and South: north on I-35W 35E/35W merge. Continue North and exit on to University. Turn right on University. Go to Sunset, on right. VFW is on the right.

Talk is cheap...except when Congress does it.

AVVA Mission Statement



To advance the work of Vietnam Veterans of America through cooperative projects and

Trogether Always programs to facilitate, enhance and improve communication with our members and the general public and to continue legislative efforts to ensure the rights and benefits for all veterans and their families.

Use that VSO and Outpatient Clinic. They are there for us and we earned them.



Blue Star Banners

The Blue Star Service Banner is a long-standing American tradition. First used during World War I, the banner was designed by a U.S.

Army captain who had two sons serving on the front line. Soon, it became an unofficial symbol of a child in the service, now it is the symbol of an active duty military person in the immediate family.



Pocket Prayer Quilt, Badges, Pins and Ribbon of a "Proud Blue Star Mother" The link below is a virtual wall of all those lost during the Vietnam war with the names, bios and other information on our lost heroes. Those who remember that time frame, or perhaps lost friends or family can look them up on this site. Pass the link on to others, as many knew wonderful people whose names are listed.

http://www.virtualwall.org/iStates.htm

Share this with a friend (Return to: VVA Chapter 920, P.O. Box 241, Denton, Texas 76202-0241 _____ Sex____ DOB_____ Name Address _____ | State _____ Zip ____ | Home Phone () ____ Work Phone () ____ City _____ E-mail Life member: ____ \$225 (ages 50-55) ____ \$200 (ages 56-60) ____ \$175 (ages 61-65) \$150 (ages 66+) Optional Life member time payment plan - \$50 down, \$25/month ___Associate member – 1 year @ \$20 Payment Method: Check Money Order Credit Card (Visa, Master Card, American Express, Discover) Credit Card Number _____ Exp. Date _____ Signature Eligibility: Membership is open to U.S. armed forces veterans who served on active duty (for other than training purposes) in the Republic of Vietnam between February 28, 1961 and May 7, 1975, or in any duty location between August 5, 1964 and May 7, 1975. New members and new life members must submit a copy of their DD-214 along with this application and dues payment.

Don't be too proud to let us know?

Need a Hospital visit? Need to talk to a Chaplain? Need a number to drop on a fellow Vietnam Vet that would like advice, a prayer or more information? Call (940) 387-9920. Someone will be back in touch within a week. And when you leave a message, let us know what it's about.

Just because you do not take an interest in politics doesn't mean politics won't take an interest in you! -- Pericles (430 B.C.)

A Note from the Web Master

I have updated the VVA920 Website with the following.

Please let me know if you see errors or have suggestions for improvements.

- Events Calendar Page added updates and Feb and March items.
- Members Page
- -- Updated Deceased Members Table w/ Taylor and Fitzpatrick info and loaded to site,
- -- Added Taylor and Fitzpatrick Pix and Obits to the memorial table.
- -- Added pix of VVA920 Caisson.
- -- I still have 2010 and prior pix and obits to add to this table.
- Home Page updates
- -- Breakfast and meeting schedule.

I hope to add vet data items and newsletter info Sunday.

I still do not have the contact us email function working to my satisfaction so I have that to handle also.

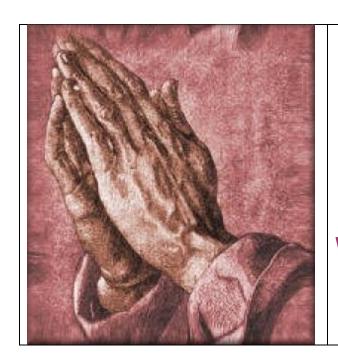
See you at the meeting Tuesday,

Jim Polozeck

Visit our website at http://www.vva920.org. Jim does a great job for 920 in keeping us current.

To stay on top of the Schoolhouse Project progress, go to www.greenvalleyshs.org. Take a look. Great Work!

"My reading of history convinces me that most bad government results from too much government." -- Thomas Jefferson



"Heavenly Father, thank you for your unending grace. Help us to restore this broken country to 'one nation under God'.

We thank you for your continued support of our brothers and sisters in arms. We ask that you be with them, and their families, in their time of need. We ask that you forgive our trespasses and bring us back to your favor.

We ask all these things so we may continue to honor and glorify you, O God, our Rock and our Redeemer.

In Jesus name, Amen."

Our 'Buglers', Doug Ebersole and Larry Crossman, do an incredible job bringing us "Taps" to our Honors Ceremonies and to the DFW National Cemetery. Below are the words to that majestic melody. Think of them, next time they play, or your hear "Taps". Thank you, Doug and Larry.

Day is done, gone the sun, from the lakes, from the hills, from the sky.

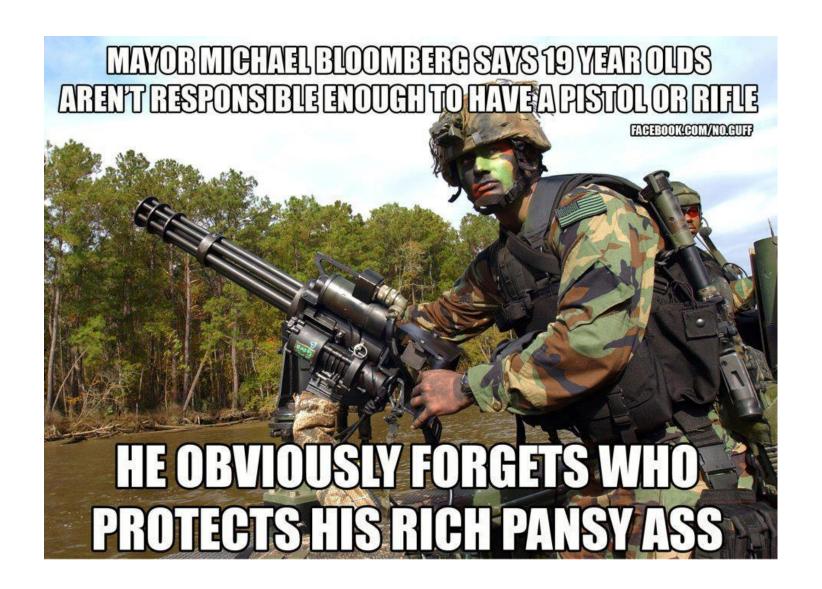
All is well. Safely rest. God is nigh.

Fading light, dims the sight, and a star, gems the sky, gleaming bright.

From afar, drawing nigh, falls the night.

Thanks and praise, for our days, 'neath the sun, 'neath the stars, 'neath the sky As we go, this we know. . . God is nigh

<u>U.S.A. Military Records</u> - <u>Militaryrecords.us.org</u> - Enter Any Name & Search It!





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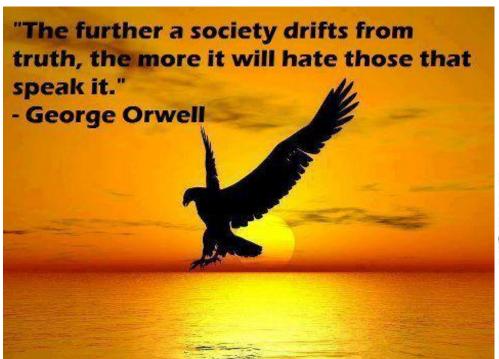
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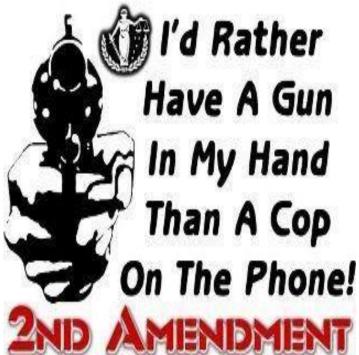
VETERANS EXPO

CLAIMS EMPLOYMENT EDUCATION GRANTS CLINIC CLINIC TRAINING

ENTREPRENEUR WOMEN VETERANS SEMINAR SEMINAR

Registration link: http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=wdpf7yiab&oeidk=a07e6ie7wkwb4fdb4f0







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