

“Never again will one generation of veterans abandon another”



‘In Service to America’

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 920

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Upcoming Events

February 26thStated Mtg
VFW Post 2205, Sunset Ave.

March 6thTroop Support Mtg
Trinity UMC
Hobson Ln, Denton

March 11thHonor Guard Mtg
Green Valley School, 1730 hours

March 13thBoard Mtg
Jimmy’s Place

March 18thBreakfast @ Mama’s
Main St., Lewisville, 0830 hours

March 26thVVA 920 Mtg
VFW Post 2205
Dinner -1800 hours, Mtg – 1845 hours

Ten-Hut!

Denton, TX – Spring is just around the corner and activities at VVA 920 or popping up everywhere. The Medal of Honor Parade in Gainesville is in April, but now is the time to plan and reserve your place at this ‘honors’ event.

Be sure to check our website at www.vva920.org to catch all the associated publications and events that are always going on at 920, in Denton County, as well as the State of Texas.

If you’re not a part of the ‘breakfast group’, give Tom Grizzle a growl. The guys meet at Mama’s Daughters, on Main Street in Lewisville, on the third Monday of each month to eat and commiserate. Good times! Good eats. Great guys.

Vietnam Veterans -Brothers Forever

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

**I hate it when people say “He’s a
nice person, once you get to know
him.”**

**They might as well just say “He’s a
real Dickhead, but you’ll get used
to it.”**

**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**

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

Meeting Reminder!

Date: February 26th

**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.

**When I was little, my Dad
convinced me that the Ice
Cream Truck only played
music when it was ‘sold out.’**

**Well played, Dad. Well
played.**



Together Always

AVVA Mission Statement

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



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”

Share this with a friend

(Return to: VVA Chapter 920, P.O. Box 241, Denton, Texas 76202-0241)

Name _____ **Sex** _____ **DOB** _____
Address _____
City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____
Home Phone () _____ **Work Phone** () _____
E-mail _____
Type: ___ Individual member – 1 year @ \$20 ___ Individual member – 3 years @ \$50
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 prayers, counseling, 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.

BREAKFAST WITH VVA920 at Mama's Daughters
On Main Street in Lewisville, 3RD MONDAY, 0830 HRS
DON'T FORGET!

920 'Sit -Rep

For many years the 920 Newsletter was called the "Gazette". A few months ago, tiring of the old Gazette 'handle', I started calling it the "920 Situation Report". The last two months it began reading "The 920 Sit-Rep".

This is a term given by our combat units regarding normal watch updates. It was a short and simple way to let the commanding officer(s) know the state of the perimeter. During watch hours, 'line' troops, Listening Posts (LPs), and Observation Posts (OPs) would update the Commander (CO) or his designate (X-Ray) on the situation at their posts. These would be executed 'in order' as the posts reported. A typical night watch report might sound like: "Charlie 6 this is Lima Papa 1 (for listening post 1), 'Sit-Rep' negative, over." The response would be "Lima Papa 1, Charlie 6 (or if his designate Charlie 6 X-ray) roger, out." After LP 1 reported, LP 2 would follow with "Charlie 6, this is Lima Papa 2, sit-rep negative, over." Again the response would be "Lima Papa 2, Charlie 6, roger, out." This was conducted on the hour except when in 'hot' locales where enemy activity was more predominant. Failure to report prompted an 'alert'.

Of course there was the "Charlie 6, this is Lima Papa 4, we have movement to our 2 o'clock." The response was usually "Lima Papa 4, roger that, over" (which meant give me more info). Meanwhile platoons were being alerted and 'it was about to hit the fan'. Hope you enjoy your 'sit-rep'. These reports are positive.

A Note about the Web Master

Each month Jim Polozeck does his magic on our chapter website. We owe him a real big 'thank you' for his due diligence in keeping us aware of what is going on, with a website tailored to 920. He recently updated: the Events Calendar Page added updates and Feb and March items; the Members Page; the Deceased Members Table; Added pix of VVA920 Caisson (still has 2010 and prior pix and obits to add to this table); Home Page updates; and, the Breakfasts and meeting schedules.

All in a months' work, huh Jimmy?

Say thanks to him at the meeting Tuesday,

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!



“Gracious God, we give thanks for your blessing of Jesus who redeemed our lives. Fill us with your Holy Spirit this Lenten Season that we may better understand and appreciate his sacrifice for us.

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. Help us to restore this broken country to ‘one nation under God’.

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.”

GOALS

VVA's goals are to promote and support the full range of issues important to Vietnam veterans, to create a new identity for this generation of veterans, and to change public perception of Vietnam veterans.

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

Let us not seek the Republican answer or the Democratic answer, but the right answer. Let us not seek to fix the blame for the past. Let us accept our own responsibility for the future. [John F. Kennedy](#)

Medal of Honor Parade in Gainesville

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming Medal of Honor Parade in Gainesville, TX on Saturday 13 April 2013. At this point we are expecting a good turnout of MOH Recipients this year. They will be arriving Wednesday at DFW and will convoy up I-35 and passing through Denton. 920 Personnel will keep those in Denton informed as to the time.

There will be a fish fry dinner Thursday evening at the High School around 6 PM and tickets are available at the door. MOH Recipients will be there to sign autographs. This is the best opportunity to meet the men and listen to what they have to say. The formal banquet will be Friday evening and tickets go on sale next month. The organizers are supposed to let us know when and how much. If you want to go...move fast on this as they do not last long. If you have a vehicle and want to participate contact, Chantel Tennyson, President of the Red River MVPA Chapter and longtime participant of the MOH Parade. She will be handling the details this year...her address is Pres@redrivermvp.org



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