

*“Never again will one generation of veterans abandon another”*



*‘In Service to America’*

*Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 920*

# *The 920 ‘Sit-Rep’*

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## **Events Calendar**

- July 23.....VVA 920 Mtg  
VFW Post 2205, Denton  
Dinner 1800 hours, Meeting 1845 hours
- August 7<sup>th</sup> .....Troop Support Meeting  
Trinity Methodist Church  
Hobson Ln., Denton
- August 12<sup>th</sup> .....Honor Guard Meeting  
1730 hours, Green Valley School
- August 14<sup>th</sup> .....Board Meeting  
Raines Residence
- August 16<sup>th</sup> .....North Texas State Fair  
Officially begins, Parade August 17<sup>th</sup>, 0900
- August 19<sup>th</sup> .....Breakfast @ Mama’s  
0830 hours, Main St., Lewisville
- August 27th.....VVA 920 Mtg  
VFW Post 2205, Denton  
Dinner 1800 hours, Meeting 1845 hours

## **Busy time of Year!**

Denton, TX – Independence Day starts a robust time for VVA 920. The North Texas State Fair begins August 16<sup>th</sup> and that means a raffle for a great shotgun! This is one of the biggest money raisers for 920. Come volunteer to sell at the Fair!

August is full of ‘normal’ activity for our chapter and then comes the Golf Tournament, in September. This, too, is a major fund raiser. We operate on donations and these fund raisers. Sell those hole-sponsorships and get those teams signed up.

**CORRECTION:** Last issue noted the Connex contribution by D. Boots. The Connex was purchased from Boots by Chapter 920.

*Vietnam Veterans, Brothers Forever*

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



**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.**

## **Meeting Reminder!**

**Date: July 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**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.

**“BRING THOSE  
PULL TABS!”**

**VVA920 - BREAKFAST**

**Mama's Daughters**

**On Main Street in**

**Lewisville,**

**3RD MONDAY, 0830**

**DON'T FORGET!**

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

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## **OUR 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 the  
Vietnam veteran.***

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**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.**

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“America is the only country where a large proportion of the people think wrestling is real and the moon-landing was fake.”

David Letterman

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**[U.S.A. Military Records - Militaryrecords.us.org](http://www.militaryrecords.us.org)**

**Enter Any Name & Search It!**

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**Visit our website at <http://www.vva920.org>.**

**Kudos to Jim Poloczek for keeping 920 current.**

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**To stay on top of the Schoolhouse Project progress, go to [www.greenvalleyshs.org](http://www.greenvalleyshs.org). Take a look. Great Work!**

## **Before**

In the beginning there was a 'leaning', followed by a 'shoring', a great many hours of manual labor, VVA capital, grateful donations, and some blood, sweat, and tears.



## **After**

She's straight, proud, and ready to begin internal work. We can be grateful to all who donated so much of themselves to this project. We will have a place to call home. The new marker shows the history of the Green Valley Schoolhouse.

# VVA 920 Scholarship Program

And we have a winner! Our scholarship will be awarded at the July 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Just in time for Fall Semester for our winning entrant. A big thanks to Charter Member Tom Klinck, who doggedly brought attention to what we, VVA 920 vets could do for the next generation. A special thanks, too, to the past Presidents and Executive Boards, whose due diligence maintained a balance in the funds so it currently is maintaining itself, year to year.

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## *Path of a warrior*

In every society there are many callings; Teacher, Caregiver, Statesman. Of these, the path of the Warrior is most difficult. It is the hardest of the paths of service.

Throughout history warriors have been called upon to protect their families, communities and countries; to fight for others safety and freedom, knowing that this 'path of service' may include their life or the suffering of their loved ones.

**“We seek peace, knowing that peace is the climate of freedom.”**

Dwight D. Eisenhower

The path of the warrior requires the qualities of courage, commitment, and resilience; Courage to face to horrors and brutality of war. Commitment to leave your loved ones behind, to make sure they will remain safe and Resilience to keep your faith in humanity, in the face of inhumanity.

Politics and public opinion ebb and flow like the ocean's tide, but the path of the warrior is steadfast. They understand duty and honor. No one desires peace more than the warriors and their families. For they know the true 'cost' of war.

They know that freedom has never been free; that the 'price' of freedom has always been the blood of the warrior. These warriors have never sought war, but never flinched when their country called.

It is through the tears of the families that we have the freedoms we often take for granted. Thanks to all who serve, who have served, and to their remarkable families.

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**In World War II, 11.2% of the nation served in four years.**

**In Vietnam , 4.3% served in 12 years.**

***Since 2001, only 0.45% of our population has served in the  
Global War on Terror.***

***How do you explain freedom to the other 99.55%???***

# Health Fair in Lake Dallas!

**When: Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

**Where: Lake Cities United Methodist Church, located in Lake Dallas at 300 E. Hundley Street (across from the Lake Dallas Middle School)**

**What: The Lake Dallas United Methodist Church is hosting a 'Health and Wellness Fair' for the communities around Lake Dallas. The church will host:**

## Elite Medical Imaging (EMI)

EMI will conduct eight ultrasound screenings for those interested:

Carotid Arteries - \$49	Thyroid - \$49
Abdominal Aorta - \$49	Liver - \$49
Spleen - \$49	Gallbladder - \$49
Kidneys - \$49	

OR, get a full preventive package (8 screenings) for \$179

**Appointments needed Call 855-303-0667**

[www.emi.us.com](http://www.emi.us.com)

## Guest Speaker

**Dr. Juanee Surprise from Wellness Professionals.**

**Topics and Times:**

10:15 - The Solution to Stress Related Health Problems

11:15 - Take Control of Your Arthritis & Peripheral Neuropathy Pain – Naturally

12:45 - 5 Secrets to Permanent Weight Loss

Dr. Surprise will present informative and thought-provoking information regarding these topics. There will be a question and answer period following each presentation.

**Anyone may come to the Health and Wellness Fair. Appointments are necessary for screenings. Information you receive may save your life.**



# You go “W”!

*Green and white shirt, black tee shirt, gray pants and tennis shoes.*

*How many people know that he hosts a few Wounded Warrior 10 weekends at his ranch every year? Every year!*

*Not what you expect to see!*

*Dancing with a "Wounded Warrior" who lost a leg but still dances.*

***If Walking is  
good for you,  
Randy Grizzle  
must be  
Immortal!***

When God solves your problems, you have faith in His abilities; when God doesn't solve your problems, He has faith in *your* abilities.



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