



Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #920 Denton, TX

**JULY & AUGUST
2026**

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VVA 920 Events

July 2026

TBD – Honor Guard Practice

4th—Independence Day

America's 250th Birthday

Yankee Doodle Parade

VVA 920 Family Gathering Noon

22nd — VVA 920 Board Meeting

28th – **VVA 920 Stated Meeting**

August 2026

TBD – Honor Guard Practice

20-30th —N Tx Fair & Rodeo

Annual Fundraiser

19th – VVA 920 Board Meeting

25th – **VVA 920 Stated Meeting**

September 2026

TBD – Honor Guard Practice

16th – VVA 920 Board Meeting

22nd – **VVA 920 Stated Meeting**

October 2026

TBD – Honor Guard Practice

21st – VVA 920 Board Meeting

27th – **VVA 920 Stated Meeting**

Fallen Brothers Ceremony

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NORTH TEXAS FAIR & RODEO

AUGUST 20 – 30, 2026

**ANNUAL
FUNDRAISER**

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**“Never Again Will One Generation
of Veterans Abandon Another”**



President's Corner

Brothers and Sisters,

We had a good turn-out for our 4th of July celebration. Food was excellent!!

Next activity is our **Annual Fundraiser at the North Texas Fair**. We have the Rifle and DFW Safes is providing a safe again this year. Be ready to buy & sell tickets. Sign-up sheet for working the Fair booth is complete. See Dan if you have questions.

We have lost another long-time volunteer and friend to VVA 920; Barbara Lessard passed away July 2nd. Please keep Alan and the family in your prayers. Also, AVVA member Al "Cowboy" Moreno passed on August 11 in Sweetwater, TX.

HOT weather is here. Stay hydrated and out of the sun. Check on family and neighbors.

Hope to see you at the Fair!

Thanks,

Dan Washburn

VVA 920 President

4th of July – America's 250th Birthday



Little Bill (jeep) made the parade – driven by Norma Cabanas



Decorating Crew (Shareen, Anita, Sharon & Barbara) & Kurt Hyde brought his Liberty Bell.

Meeting Information:

Date: Meet the **4th Tuesday** of Each Month

Loc: **6900 FM 2153, Aubrey, TX 76227**

Meal At – **Noon**

Meeting Start Time: **12:45 pm**

Officers (2025-2026)

President: Dan Washburn

Vice President: Al Judkiewicz

Secretary: Steve Knox

Treasurer: Robin Kain

Director: Garrold Roberts

Director: Bill Roberson

Director: Alan Lessard

Sergeant at Arms Randy Grizzle

Sgt. of the Guard Alan Lessard

Committee Leads

Chaplains - Tom Silva & Rev. Bill Coburn

Historian – Alan Lessard

Honor Guard - Alan Lessard

Membership – Steve Knox

Motor Pool Sergeant - Horst Poethke (AVVA)

Newsletter Editor - Anita Washburn (AVVA)

Public Affairs – Frenchy Rheault

Quarter Master - Horst Poethke (AVVA)

Scholarship – Lloyd Kinnison (AVVA)

Steward – Horst Poethke (AVVA)

Support Services – Steve Knox

Webmaster - Anita Washburn (AVVA)

Honor Guard Activities:

Alan Lessard, SOG

Honor Guard Practice

Alan will notify for

July & August 2026

June Military Rites

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July Military Rites

Monty Slaugh USArmy

**Support Services**

If you need assistance, please visit the Support Services at:

<https://www.vva920.org>

or call 940.387.9920 & leave message.

Support Services works with Denton County Veterans Coalition Navigators to access county-wide resources.

Support Services also mails Care Packages to active duty, deployed soldiers in addition to card support for VVA members & families.

VVA 920 - Quilts of Valor

If you have not received a Quilt of Valor, the RWB Bee would like to honor you and your service to our country.

If you know a member or other veteran who has not yet received a quilt, let me know and we will reach out to them.

Please call or text your contact information to Barbara Angel at 940-206-3027.

Thank you.



Green Valley School Historical Society

The Green Valley School, now a community center, has a rich past, dating back to 1919 when it served as a schoolhouse for local children. Over the decades, it became a cherished gathering place, but after its closure in 1949, the building began to decay slowly. In 2008, the members of **Vietnam Veterans Chapter 920** stepped in, dedicating over 15,000 volunteer hours to restore it. By 2013, it opened its doors as a modern community center under the care of the **Green Valley School Historical Society**.

Fast forward to 2026, we are facing a new challenge. Significant repairs are needed, including replacing rotting siding and updating the aging facilities. Many of the Vietnam Veterans who worked on the original restoration are deceased and the remainder are no longer physically able to help due to advance age. We urgently need your support. Every donation will help cover the current repairs and ensure the center remains a vibrant part of our community for generations to come. Your contribution is tax-deductible, and together, we can continue this legacy.

Thank you for your support!

<https://gofund.me/9e9e02c9>

The **4th Annual Sewing FUNdraiser** to support the **Green Valley School Historical Society** was held the first week of June.

The total donation was \$2326, with 18 sensational sewers participating.



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