Veterans Day!

In Memory of those who Served....

In Honor of those who serve us now!
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Fry, George Harold 11-7-1943
Mattaro Jr., Donald J. 11-9-1944
Dailey, Gerald Lee 11-9-1946
Van Reyren, Robert Julius 11-9-1946
Stymus, Gary Lee 11-10-1941
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Widener, James Edward 11-12-1948
Bechtold, Francis Scott 11-20-1947
Lambooy Jr., John P. 11-22-1946
Logsdon, Clifford Douglas 11-22-1949
Owen, Timothy Samuel 11-25-1946
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Graves, Donald LaVerne 11-29-1946
Barnard, Richard George 11-30-1937
Gell, Jack Earl 11-30-1940
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The Veterans Walk Committee of Chapter 20, VVA wants to thank you for your purchase of a personalized, engraved paver brick.

Each paver brick (4” x 8”) can have from one to three lines of engraved information. The cost will be $50.00 per brick. Make checks or money order payable to:

VVA Chapter 20, Veterans Walk

The engraved line(s) can include any of the following information:

Full name
Branch of service, rank
Dates of service (1967-1969, etc.)
Conflict (WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Persian Gulf, etc.)

Please print the information you would like engraved on the brick below. (Maximum of 14 letters/numbers, including spaces per line).

1. ____________________________________________________________
2. ____________________________________________________________
3. ____________________________________________________________

Return the completed form to the - Veterans Walk Committee, c/o Chuck Macaluso, 154 Mendota Drive, Rochester, New York 14626.
Include: Payment and “Proof of Service” for above recipient.

Please Note: Engraved bricks will be installed prior to Memorial Day and Veterans Day (twice annually).
Questions please call Chuck or Joan Macaluso as 585-225-8288
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You weren’t able to be there? You were out of town? But you still would like one or more of the mementoes from the event? Good news – the mementoes will be available for purchase at the November meeting.

- Window Decal
- Lapel Pin (actual pin does not have dates)
- Deck of Playing Cards
- Mini - Bollard
- Challenge Coin
At Last!!

The new monument has been installed at Charlotte honoring our POW/MIAs.
Yet another month has passed with no new reports from the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) and the National League of Families this month. The total number of Americans who are still missing from the Vietnam War still stands at 1618.

There have been reports of the recoveries and identifications of individuals from the following wars:

- Cpl. William H. Smith, US Army was lost in North Korea. He was accounted for on September 12, 2016 and laid to rest with full military honors.
- Cpl. Roy C. Fink, US Army was lost on December 2, 1950 in North Korea. He was accounted for on September 14, 2016 and laid to rest with full military honors.
- 1st Lt. Ben B. Barnes, US Army Air Corps was lost December 5, 1944 in Germany. He was accounted for on September 17, 2016 and laid to rest with full military honors.
- Pfc. William V. Giovanniiello, US Army was lost on April 25, 1951 in South Korea. He was accounted for on September 19, 2016 and laid to rest with full military honors.
- Pfc. Everett E. Johnson, US Army was lost on September 3, 1950 in South Korea. He was accounted for on September 19, 2016 and laid to rest with full military honors.
- Pfc. William W. Cowan, US Army was lost on February 12, 1951 in South Korea. He was accounted for on September 23, 2016 and laid to rest with full military honors.
- Cpl. Milton T. Bullis, US Army was lost on December 1, 1950 in North Korea. He was accounted for on September 28, 2016 and laid to rest with full military honors.
- Cpl. Warren G. Nelson, US Marine Corps was lost on November 20 1943 on Tarawa Atoll. He was accounted for on October 5, 2016 and laid to rest with full military honors.

Until you are all accounted for,

You will never be forgotten
Fred Hungate presented a check for over $1,000 from Louie’s Run.

Jim Visconti won the flag drawing.

Fred Elliott won the 50/50.

University of Buffalo students talked about their project to record Vietnam Vets.

241 Years of Naval Service.

Proud Navy Vets.
Chapter 20 Membership currently is at 628 members and AVVA is at 40 members as of 09/30/16. Membership is growing, (only 2 new members in the last 2 months) but we still need your help in recruiting new members. Don’t forget to renew on time. Don’t let your membership expire.

Please Renew Your Membership!

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS ARE ONLY $100

If you are renewing as a “Life Member”, please remember to include a copy of your DD-214 with your application. PLEASE NOTE: Time payment option (Charge Card) for “Life Membership” has been dropped by National.

When you have an address change, please notify Mike General so we can keep our Roster up to date and notify National.

Need your help in recruiting new members.

Chapter 20 Membership is open to U.S. Veterans who served active duty (other than training purposes) in the Republic of Vietnam between February 28, 1961 and May 07, 1975, or any duty location between August 05, 1964 and May 07, 1975.

Membership includes a subscription to our award-winning newspaper The BTL, and The VVA Veteran, bringing you updates on issues and legislation affecting veterans, as well as unique articles on the people, places, and history of the Vietnam experience.

Associate Membership is open to anyone; you do not need to be a Veteran.

WE Need New Members!

Membership Applications are available on our Website, in this issue of the BTL, or by contacting me at (mwgeneral@aol.com)

NEW: We are offering an “Honorary Membership” to Chapter 20 to all spouses who husbands have passed away. If you know of someone who has lost their loved one, please contact Mike General.
USMC Birthday Breakfast - All Hands on Deck!

When: Thursday November 10th

Time: 0900

Location: Denny's 2890 W Ridge Road Greece 585- 252 - 8350

Mess Hall Charge: about $5 - $9 (lots of choices)

POC: Bruce Van Apeldoorn 585-613-6564
bvanapeldoornsr@gmail.com
October 25, 2016

Dear neighbor,

Throughout the year we recognize the service of the men and women who fought and continue to fight for our country’s freedom. On Veterans Day, we are especially reminded of their bravery, heroism and we honor their contribution to our nation.

On Friday, November 11, Tops Friendly Markets will once again honor an 11 percent discount off of a total order to all veterans and their immediate family members who shop at any Tops location. Customers should present proof of service that they, or a family member living in the same household are a U.S. Veteran, active duty, reserve or retired military personnel to automatically receive an 11 percent discount off of their total purchase that day.

Tops is proud to be a long-time supporter of military associates and customers, including our support of the American Veterans Tribute Traveling Wall, Honor Flight Missions, sending care packages for troops serving domestically and overseas, VA hospital visits and participation in veteran job fairs, parades and expo’s. We wanted to take further action by giving back to our associates and customers who have courageously defended our country and made many sacrifices through their military service.

The respect and gratitude we have for our veterans is immeasurable - this is just our small way of saying “thank you.”

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Frank Curci
Chief Executive Officer and Board Chairman
Tops Friendly Markets
Central Library of Rochester & Monroe County

Veterans Day: Local Authors Read

Thursday, November 3, 2016
12:00 – 1:00 pm
Kate Gleason Auditorium
Bausch & Lomb Public Library Building
115 South Avenue, Rochester, NY

Join us in honoring the service and sacrifice of our military veterans and their families.

Come hear Rochester-area authors read from their published works. Listen as these veterans and family members of veterans tell their stories.

Our featured authors include:

Rod Christian, author of His Service to Our Country: the Story of the 754th Tank Battalion, and son of a World War II veteran.

Gail Hosking, author of Snake’s Daughter, The Tug, and numerous other published essays and poems, and daughter of a Vietnam War veteran.

Jim DeCamp, Tony Gurak & Roger Johnson, authors of The Blue Devils in Vietnam (edited by Arnie Alden), and Vietnam War veterans.

Free and open to the public. Co-hosted by the Arts & Literature Division and the Science & History Division. Please call 428-8375 or 428-8196 for additional information.

The Central Library is accessible to people with disabilities. To request specific accommodations, call 585-428-8304 ten days prior to the program.
Tuesday, November 8th is Election Day and your military service helped protect your right to vote.
The Black Knights hockey team of West Point will play the RIT Tigers at RIT’s ice rink on Saturday, November 19th at 7:05 pm. The parking is plentiful and free. Tickets for the game are a paltry $8 each. And best of all, Chapter 20’s own West Pointer, Hank Wallace, will be part of the group.

If you want to attend (and who wouldn’t) this event, please email Hank at whwnbt@rit.edu or tell him at the Chapter meeting on November 10th. You can also call him at 585-334-5352.

Payment may be made in advance (talk to Hank) or on game night. Hank will need your mailing address to send you your tickets.
Santa Claus is coming to town
December 10th from 1-4 P.M.

Join Vets H.E.R.D. and the George F. Lamm Post
for a joyous afternoon to celebrate the Christmas Season
Contact: Jack Michel @ 716.435.7210

George F. Lamm Post #622
962 Wehrle Drive Williamsville, NY14221
Tel: 633-7242
Come Fly A Kite For Homeless Veterans  
please join us for a fun family event  

June 3rd, 2017  
12 noon – 4 p.m.  
Bratwurst Waterfront Park  
North Tonawanda, NY  

Food & Refreshments will be available  
(please do not bring any alcohol)  

Kites will be available for everyone  
Any questions please call  
(716) 435-7210 or (716) 515 58 44  

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North Tonawanda, NY 14020  
www.vcwny.org  

Veterans One-stop Center of Western New York, Inc.  
www.VOCWNY.org  

Donations will be accepted. All proceeds will go to help Homeless Veterans in WNY.
November 1 – The Viet Cong (VC) stage two separate guerilla attacks in Saigon to coincide with celebrations for South Vietnam’s National Day.

November 3 – The U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) plans intensified bombing of the North as reports emerge that attacks on oil facilities have done little to slow down the passage of arms and supplies into the South.

November 5 – Defense Secretary McNamara reveals that we will increase our troop presence in 1967 although the number of men drafted will be less than current levels.

November 7 – While visiting Harvard University, Defense Secretary McNamara faces student protests.

November 12 – A report in the New York Times claims that because of corruption and black marketeering in Saigon, 40 percent of aid to Vietnam fails to reach its destination.

November 14 – Defense Secretary McNamara issues a report claiming that increasing the number of U.S. troops in Vietnam has failed to bring about a significant rise in enemy casualties.


November 23 – U.S. destroyers bombard a flotilla of communist supply barges off the south coast of North Vietnam.

November 29 – The Headquarters Battery of the U.S. Army’s 1st Field Artillery Group arrives at the Marine base at Chu Lai. It has been sent there to provide artillery support against the VC and NVA.
When the simple act of placing flowers on a casket or placing stones on a headstone does not seem to be enough to honor the memory of a special someone who has passed away, one may choose to make a donation in his or her honor to commemorate the values and beliefs of the deceased. Chapter 20 VVA is committed to recognizing the sacrifices made by all military personnel in every branch of the armed forces. The memory of the deceased veteran is honored in the continuous work and service carried out by the dedicated Chapter members and associates. The monetary donations sent by individuals help make it possible to continue serving veterans and their families. The combined efforts of donors, lawmakers, members, and associates have far-reaching effects on the quality of all our lives.

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 20 offers several ways of commemorating a special person. One of those ways is the Memorial Walk at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial at Highland Park. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Walk is a pathway of bricks inscribed with the names of individuals who have served their country with valor. Their names will forever remain a reminder of the dedication and tenacity demonstrated by the thousands of men and women who have served in the U. S. Armed Forces.

If you wish to make a monetary donation directly to Chapter 20 in support of all the functions and services they provide to veterans and their families, send your check or money order payable to Chapter 20, VVA:

Vietnam Veterans of America
Chapter 20
P.O. Box 12580
Rochester, NY 14612
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION  
Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 20

Name: ________________________________  Date of Birth: ________________ Sex ( )M ( )F
Address: _____________________________________________________________________
City: _________________________________  Home Phone: ( 555 )__________________
Zip: _______ County: __________________  Work Phone: ( 555 )__________________
Email Address: ________________________
Sponsor: ______________________________
Payment Options: ( ) Check ( ) Money Order
Return this application, along with a copy of your DD214 to:

Chapter 20, Vietnam Veterans of America  
P.O. Box 12580  
Rochester, NY 14612

I am not a Vietnam Veteran, but I want to help Vietnam Veterans and their families.
Please accept my donation:  
( ) $10  ( ) $20  ( ) $50  Other ($__________)


Term: ( ) 1 Year $20  ( ) 3 Years $50  ( ) Life Membership $100

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BETWEEN THE LINES:

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We welcome letters to the editor, poetry, original articles, and suggestions. Submissions should include name and phone number and Can be sent to Between the Lines, P.O. Box 12580, Rochester, NY 14612 or emailed to felliott@rochester.rr.com. We reserve the right to edit for space and clarity and to not use materials we think inappropriate for the publication. Deadline for submissions for each issue is the 10th of the preceding month. Exceptions may be granting by contacting the Editor.
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Monthly Membership Meetings start at 6:30 pm
At the Italian American Sports Club, 1250 Buffalo Road, Rochester

Driving Directions to the Italian American Sports Club:

The Club is located at 1250 Buffalo Road close to the intersection of Howard Road, directly across from the stone quarry, next to the Eagles Club and the Catholic Diocese of Rochester.

From the East: Heading west on 490, exit Mt. Read Blvd. and turn left; south on Mt. Read to Buffalo Road circle, turn right, west on Buffalo Road, 1.4 miles, the Italian-American Sports Club is on the right side.

From the West: Heading east on 490, exit 33 east, Buffalo Road (Gates Center); head east on Buffalo Road; continue past Howard Road; the Italian-American Sports Club will be on the left side in about .5 mile.
Contact Chapter Treasurer, Alan Frisa (afrisa@rochester.rr.com), for details.
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E-Benefits Portal Site
https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/ebenefits.portal

Enrollment/Eligibility
http://www.va.gov/healtheligibility
Health Resource Center 1-877-222-8387 (VETS)

OEF / OIF
http://www.oefoif.va.gov

Women Veterans
http://www.va.gov/womenvet
Benefits Line 1-855-829-6636

Dental Care

Copays
http://www1.va.gov/CBO/brochures.asp
Health Resource Center 1-877-222-8387

Suicide Prevention Hotline
1-800-273-8255 (TALK)

Prosthetics
http://www.prosthetics.va.gov

My HealtheVet
http://www.myhealth.va.gov

Homeless Veterans Hotline
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VA Vet Center  
332-5040
Veterans Administration  
800-827-1000
Monroe County Veterans Service Agency  
753-6040
National League of Families  
516-822-5930
e-mail: serviceofficer@yahoo.com
VA Veterans Benefits Hotline  
800-827-1000
Women Veterans Call Center  
888-829-6636
VA Medical Center in Batavia  
297-1000
VA Hospital in Buffalo  
716-834-9200
VA Medical Center in Canandaigua  
394-2000
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607-664-4000
Vietnam Veterans of America National Office  
800-882-1316
Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund  
202-393-0900
National League of Families  
P.O.W./M.I.A. Updates  
202-223-6846
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506-9060
The Resource Center at V.O.C.  
546-4250
Stars & Stripes – The Flag Store  
546-3524
National Caregivers Support Line  
855-260-3274
Homeless Hotline  
877-424-3838
Crisis Hotline  
800-273-8255

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www.nyvietnamvets.org
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