

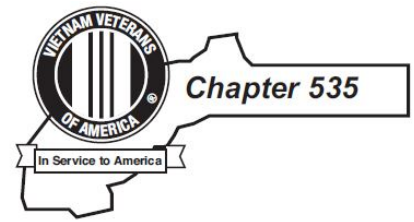


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Gentleman and Ladies,

With the advent of a new VVA – 535 administrative year, assuming the reins from outgoing President Chuck Holmes, looms as a challenge with an indeterminate outcome. I extend appreciation to those who have helped carry the torch during Chuck’s leadership year, and going forward I truly seek the collective assistance of all Officers and Directors.

“*Every Member Counts*” will be our theme over the ensuing twelve months. No organization can be a success without the active participation of its membership. As your incoming President, know that everyone is asked to mark his or her calendar with meeting dates and then make a bona fide effort to attend at least 80 percent of our meetings. With robust participation, we’ll be inherently stronger.

As time passes, I trust my fellow Officers and Directors will lend a hand and assist me in assimilating the operational skills that will make your membership in “535” an ongoing and worthy investment. Together, and with the knowledge that *Every Member Counts*, we can have a good year, a year filled with fellowship and concern for our fellow veterans and their families. Along the way, together, we’ll be successful with our traditional projects and perhaps break new ground with activities that strengthen our presence in Nevada County and beyond.

Your individual thoughts and concerns are important. In a sense, every member is an ad hoc Director. This is your Club and you are a Team Member. Thank you for your commitment! Let’s roll.

- Bart

Attention

If you do not drive and need a ride to a meeting or any VVA-535 function, please contact Bart Ruud or any local VVA -535 member and we will do our best to arrange transportation for you.

Presidential Visions for 2018 – 2019 “Every Member Counts”

1. Improve attendance. My goal is that our local members will attend at least 80% of our meetings. Plan to help us achieve that goal.
2. Increase membership in VVA 535 by a few percentage points.
3. Coordinate for occasional refreshments/snacks.
4. Institute a self-directed Take-Home Challenge Fitness Program.

5. As needed, update our roster booklet that has been organized by Leo LaBrie.
6. Create a long-term calendar for planning purposes.
7. A president alone cannot meet our operational challenges. Collaborative volunteerism and participation in the several activities we engage in is sought.
8. Establish or reinstitute a "Sunshine" Committee.
9. Improve communication with and among all members.
10. Continuously update our recently organized Annual Budget.
11. Collectively, we want to try to remember that we are here to talk about ideas, solutions, plans and decisions that are important to our Chapter and to our community.
12. Organize a field trip or two.
13. Consider a joint meeting with the VFW, Marine Corps League, and the American Legion. If we do that, perhaps there will be a reciprocal invitation.
14. Increase member participation in our Chapter fundraiser and outreach activities.
15. Recognize member's birthdays on a monthly basis.
16. Institute a spouses or friends night, perhaps once per quarter.
17. This not a boy's club. Guests - meaning your friends, relatives, spouses and significant others - are welcome at any General Meeting of the membership.
18. Institute biographical talks by individual members.
19. Make a quarterly contribution to a local charity. Fund the contribution with a monthly 50:50 raffle with 50% going to a VVA winner, 25% to VVA-535 and 25% going to a Charity Fund for distribution to an organization selected by the Board of Directors from suggestions made by our membership at large.
20. Assist the Salvation Army red kettle bell-ringing outreach during the yuletide season.
21. Write Christmas greeting cards to troops serving our country.
22. Participate in the Pop Tab Program in support of a Ronald McDonald House.
23. Continue to seek guest speakers to enlighten us on a regular basis.
24. Solicit a member to attend State Council meetings as scheduled.
25. Help individual members grow into a leadership position – just as our members will help me

grow in my position as your newly elected President.

The overall goal is simple: I want your participation with VVA- 535 to be worthwhile, interesting and productive. In looking at the big picture, what we're addressing is something like Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs. Maslow talked about *basic needs* evolving to meeting needs of achievement in terms of *personal growth*

and development. He listed those needs as, Physiological; Safety; Love & Belonging; Esteem; and, Self-Actualization. We can find analogies in strategies that make an organization worthwhile and fun.

Thank you for your indulgence.

- Bart Ruud

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Upcoming Events

- Rhythm Riders Concert April 28, 2018
- General Meeting May 3, 2018
- NCCVC meeting. 10:00 a.m. May 3, 2018
- Director's Meeting May 17, 2018
- CSC Full Council - April 27– 29,2018,Fresno
 - August 24 – 26, 2018, Fresno
- Rhythm Riders* Concert – April 28, 2018
- VVA 535 BBQ May 12, 2018
- VVA Leadership Conference, Palm Springs, CA
 July 22 – 30, 2018
- Nevada County Fair – August 8 – 12, 2018
- Victorian Christmas... Dec 2, 9, 12, 16, 19, 2018

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Suzi Vinci 916-780-3290.
 1000 Sunset Blvd, Suite 115, Rocklin, CA
 Monday – Friday, 8:00 – 12:00 and 1:00 – 5:00
 p.m.

In Memory

Let it be known that our hearts and prayers go out to all the residents and staff at *The Pathway Home*, Yountville, CA. The March 9, 2018 tragedy and the loss of three highly qualified Veterans’ assistance professionals must serve as a reminder that battlefield stress does not end with discharge from active duty.

Matters of interest as outlined at Board Meeting of April 19, 2018

The Board is working on development of a Mission Statement specific to VVA-535.

A draft Member Handbook is a work in progress. This will include a long-term monthly planner.

The strong possibility of a Texas Hold-Em poker tournament in September or October is evolving at the hand of Dave Middleton.

Gary Barnes is heavily involved in final coordination of planning for our *Rhythm Riders* concert at the *Center for the Arts* on April 28, 2018. Go online to the Center for the Arts now to purchase your concert tickets.

www.thecenterforthearts.org

Volunteers assisting in all manner at the concert should report in by 6:00 p.m. on April 28th. Wear your VVA hats and polo shirts if you have them.

A large legacy fund – more then \$2,000 - is evolving from donations made in memory of Harold Graves. Please give thought to how this fund could enhance VVA 535’s viability in perpetuity.

We’re going to hold our next Board Meeting at 5:00 p.m. prior to the general membership meeting at 6:00 p.m. on May 3, 2018.

There will be a 50:50 raffle at the next general membership meeting. Come prepared with a dollar or two to buy in if you choose to participate.

**VVA-535 Camaraderie
Repeat Announcement**

Known to all for his BBQ prowess, **Jose Gonzales** has volunteered to organize a BBQ for all comers, and that means family and friends, on **Saturday, May 12, 2018**. The BBQ will be a potluck affair, and Jose will prepare BBQ ribs and tacos for the main course. As this is a potluck event, bring the dish of your choice, adequate for 8 guests, to the BBQ.

More detail will follow in the coming weeks but the BBQ will likely commence at 11:00 a.m. at the Kentucky Flat Community Hall, located at 132281 Newtown Road, Nevada City, CA. We will seek RSVPs in the future so that adequate food products can be determined.

From the Veterans Memorial Hall at 255 S. Auburn St., Grass Valley, drive 0.3 mile north toward Mohawk St. Turn left onto W. Main St. and travel 0.8 mile before continuing onto the Rough and Ready Highway. Drive 2.0 miles and turn right onto Bitney Springs Road and continue for 1.4 miles. Turn right onto Newtown Rd. for 0.7 miles. Destination will be on the right.

Guest Speakers May 3, 2018

Pat Nelson, a member of the Blue Star Moms will briefly share information regarding Veteran-related events planned for Memorial Day.

Our guest speaker for May 3 will be Sean Botheilo, a retired USAF Major. Major Botheilo will speak about his Search & rescue activities in Afghanistan. Appreciation is extended to Tom Woollard for his ongoing volunteerism to schedule speakers.

Blue Star Moms

The *Blue Star Mothers of America* was formed during WW II. The organization is a non-political, non-sectarian, non-racial and non-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt charity, support and service group. In broad terms, the group came together to share their pride and devotion to their sons and daughters currently serving in all branches of the Armed Forces of the United States.

Article II of the *Blue Star Mothers of America* charter states,

The mission of the Corporation shall be:

- To support the Armed Forces of the United States of America and its Veterans
- To advocate for America's Armed Forces and those men and women who have served their country with honor
- To maintain allegiance to the United States
- To educate our members and others not to divulge military or other government information
- To assist and participate in ceremonies which honor, remember and support our military men and women, and veterans
- To honor those families whose children have died in service to our country
- To assist in the care of unsupported mothers who gave their children to the service of the Nation
- To foster true democracy
- To assist in Homeland Security
- To uphold the American principles of freedom, justice and equal rights, and to defend the United States from all enemies, foreign and domestic.

Locally, *Blue Star Moms* assist with Veteran projects and events including Memorial Day and the Nevada County Stand Down.

Navy's new attack submarine Colorado joins the fleet

By: The Associated Press. March 18, 2018



< Pre-Commissioning Unit Colorado (SSN 788) sits pierside prior to commissioning March 15, 2018. The Colorado was commissioned on March 17, 2018.

GROTON, Conn. — The U.S. Navy's newest attack submarine, the USS Colorado, joined the fleet Saturday in a ceremony at Connecticut's Naval Submarine Base.

Navy Secretary Richard Spencer says the

submarine is a “marvel of technology and innovation.” U.S. Sen. Michael Bennet, a Colorado Democrat, said the people of Colorado are remarkably proud this submarine will silently protect the nation’s interests.



Sailors of Pre-Commissioning Unit Colorado (SSN 788) salute in front of the sail during a rehearsal in preparation for Colorado's commissioning on March 17, 2018. Colorado is the U.S. Navy's 15th Virginia-class attack submarine and named for the State of Colorado.

Annie Mabus, the daughter of former Navy Secretary Ray Mabus, gave the order to bring the ship to life before the crew boarded the vessel at the end of the ceremony, which is a Navy tradition.

The 377-foot-long sub weighs about 7,800 tons submerged. It can fight submarines and surface ships, conduct surveillance and deliver Special Operations troops. It has two large tubes that can launch six Tomahawk missiles each. It's the first attack submarine where sailors use an Xbox gaming system controller to maneuver the photonics masts, which replaced periscopes, according to Cmdr. Reed Koeppe, the Colorado's commanding officer. Other submarines have joysticks.

Koeppe leads 130 men. Women serve on submarines but they haven't been assigned to the Colorado. One-fifth of submarine crews are integrated. It took submarine supply businesses nationwide and thousands of shipyard employees in Connecticut, Rhode Island and

Virginia to build the Colorado, the 15th member of the Virginia class of submarines. The newly launched attack submarine Colorado might be a first in a number of ways, but it's fourth in one crucial aspect: its name.

Attack submarines are built in a partnership between General Dynamics Electric Boat in Connecticut and Newport News Shipbuilding in Virginia. They cost about \$2.7 billion apiece.

Joseph Walsh, who oversees the Virginia-class program at Electric Boat, said building the Colorado over the past five years was an incredibly complex task that required a team effort between the shipbuilders, crew and the Navy. It's the fourth U.S. Navy ship named Colorado. Navy officials, politicians, shipbuilders, local community leaders and guests of the crew attended the ceremony.

Brief Biography of Bart Ruud

1. I was born, along with my twin sister in May 1945 at Mercy Hospital in Sacramento and came home to the family farm on the outskirts of Auburn to join our older sister. The farm still gets some of my attention.
2. I attended local Auburn area schools and went on to Oregon State University in Corvallis, OR where I earned a degree in Forest Management.
3. When I graduated OSU I moved to Ketchikan, Alaska and worked in the forest industry until I was drafted into the U.S. Army in Sept. 1970.
4. I was deployed to Vietnam as the Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of a counter-mortar, counter battery radar section. I returned from Vietnam in June 1972 and left the active military upon reentry to the United States.

5. In 1974 I joined a mechanized infantry unit of the California Army National Guard and served with them for several years before I left with the rank of Staff Sergeant.
6. Post military I worked for the U.S. Forest Service part-time seasonally and spent time in timber and recreation areas as well as ten seasons in wildland fire where I served as a crew boss for a 20-person Type II contract fire crew.
7. In 1974 I took a position with Sierra College and taught full-time in the Forestry Department for 19 years. In the mid-1970s I became a Licensed Professional Forester in California. After earning a Masters Degree in educational counseling, I transitioned to the Counseling Department and spent an additional 14 years teaching forestry part-time and working full-time as an academic advisor and counselor.
8. I retired from Sierra College in May 2007 and have since spent considerable time in volunteer activities, many associated with Rotary International, the Friends of Vinh Son Orphanage and the Fire Technology Advisory Committee at Sierra College. In addition, I have served with several charitable organizations as an officer or director. I hold memberships with the Auburn Community Cancer Endowment Fund, Arts & Kids, Auburn Rotary, the Nevada County Beekeepers Association, the Society of American Foresters, the California Licensed Foresters Association, and the Associated California Loggers. I am also a member of the American Legion Post 84, the American Legion Riders, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 904, and VVA Chapter 535.

Writing Your Story for INCOMING

(Ongoing repeat solicitation)

Ideas for your story:

- Think about what you appreciated about the Vietnam experience. There is surely a means to segue into that with very little reflection on the negative aspects of war.
- What did you appreciate about the Vietnamese people during your deployment?
- Can you steer away from the bad stuff and reflect on the best experience you had in the Nam?
- Surely you had a close buddy and you supported each other. Maybe there is a story in that.
- What really got you through the day-to-day anxieties and fears? There might be a positive recollection in that regard.
- How did your experience instill in you a sense of patriotism that you possibly express every day of your life.

So far we have heard from Ruud, Epps, Chaix, Hamer, Chuck Holmes, current Marine LCpl. Jesse Hernandez, Kent Hawley, and Mike Laborico. (Thank you!)

No writer needs to dwell on the negatives of war. Each of us who was there lived the negatives, and all of us are better people for having served, especially when we look at how we matured as a result of our experiences. Each of us has derived a sense of being and an energy that is different from what it might have been had we not been sent across the pond.

Do share with us, in your own words, something of that chapter of your life. And, thank you for your service.

Forward your story to Bart Ruud at bruud45@gmail.com or hand deliver to Bart.

SOBERING STATISTICS FOR THE VIETNAM WAR

Posted by VFW Post 4238. Dixon, Missouri.
April 10, 2016

In case you haven't been paying attention these past few decades after you returned from Vietnam, the clock has been ticking. The following are some statistics that are at once depressing yet in a larger sense should give you a HUGE SENSE OF PRIDE.

"Of the 2,709,918 Americans who served in Vietnam, Less than 850,000 are estimated to be alive **today**, with the youngest American Vietnam veteran's age approximated to be 60 years old."

So, if you're alive and reading this, how does it feel to be among the last 1/3rd of all the U.S. Vets who served in VietNam? I don't know about you guys, but it kinda gives me the chills, Considering this is the kind of information I'm used to reading about WWII and Korean War vets...

So the last 14 years we are dying too fast, only the few will survive by 2025...if any.. If true, 390 VN vets die a day. So in 2190 days...from **today**, lucky to be a Vietnam veteran alive... in only 6-10 years..

These statistics were taken from a variety of sources to include: The VFW Magazine, the Public Information Office, and the HQ CP Forward Observer – 1st Recon **April 12**, 1997.

*STATISTICS FOR INDIVIDUALS IN UNIFORM AND IN COUNTRY VIETNAM VETERANS: *

9,087,000 military personnel served on active duty during the Vietnam Era (**August 5**, 1964 – **May 7**, 1975).

8,744,000 GIs were on active duty during the

war (**Aug 5**, 1964-**March 28**, 1973).

2,709,918 Americans served in Vietnam, this number represents 9.7% of their generation.

3,403,100 (Including 514,300 offshore) personnel served in the broader Southeast Asia Theater (Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, flight crews based in Thailand, and sailors in adjacent South China Sea waters).

2,594,000 personnel served within the borders of South Vietnam (Jan. 1, 1965 – **March 28**, 1973). Another 50,000 men served in Vietnam between 1960 and 1964.

Of the 2.6 million, between 1-1.6 million (40-60%) either fought in combat, provided close support or were at least fairly regularly exposed to enemy attack.

7,484 women (6,250 or 83.5% were nurses) served in Vietnam.

Peak troop strength in Vietnam: 543,482 (**April 30**, 1968).

Agent Orange is taking a huge toll on Vietnam Veterans with most deaths somehow related to Agent Orange exposure. No one officially dies of Agent Orange, they die from the exposure which causes ischemic Heart Disease and failure, Lung Cancer, Kidney failure or COPD related disorders.

CASUALTIES:

The first man to die in Vietnam was James Davis, in 1958. He was with the 509th Radio Research Station. Davis Station in Saigon was named for him.

Hostile deaths: 47,378

Non-hostile deaths: 10,800

Total: 58,202 (Includes men formerly classified as MIA and Mayaguez casualties). Men who have subsequently died of wounds account for the

changing total.

8 nurses died — 1 was KIA.

61% of the men killed were 21 or younger.

11,465 of those killed were younger than 20 years old.

Of those killed, 17,539 were married.

Average age of men killed: 23.1 years

Total Deaths: 23.11 years

Enlisted: 50,274; 22.37 years

Officers: 6,598; 28.43 years

Warrants: 1,276; 24.73 years

E1: 525; 20.34 years

Five men killed in Vietnam were only 16 years old.

The oldest man killed was 62 years old.

Highest state death rate: West Virginia – 84.1% (national average 58.9% for every 100,000 males in 1970).

Wounded: **303,704** — **153,329** hospitalized + 150,375 injured requiring no hospital care.

Severely disabled: **75,000**, — **23,214**: 100% disabled; 5,283 lost limbs; 1,081 sustained multiple amputations.

Amputation or crippling wounds to the lower extremities were 300% higher than in WWII and 70% higher than Korea.

Multiple amputations occurred at the rate of 18.4% compared to 5.7% in WWII.

Missing in Action: 2,338

POWs: 766 (114 died in captivity)

As of **January 15**, 2014, there are 1,875 Americans still unaccounted for, from the Vietnam War.

DRAFTEES VS. VOLUNTEERS:

25% (648,500) of total forces in country were draftees. (66% of U.S. armed forces members were drafted during WWII).

Draftees accounted for 30.4% (17,725) of combat deaths in Vietnam.

Reservists killed: 5,977

National Guard: 6,140 served: 101 died.

Total draftees (1965 – 73): 1,728,344.

Actually served in Vietnam: 38% Marine Corps
Draft: 42,633.

Last man drafted: **June 30**, 1973.

RACE AND ETHNIC BACKGROUND:

88.4% of the men who actually served in Vietnam were Caucasian; 10.6% (275,000) were black; 1% belonged to other races.

86.3% of the men who died in Vietnam were Caucasian (includes Hispanics);

12.5% (7,241) were black;

1.2% belonged to other races.

170,000 Hispanics served in Vietnam; 3,070 (5.2% of total) died there.

70% of enlisted men killed were of North-west European descent.

86.8% of the men who were killed as a result of hostile action were Caucasian; 12.1% (5,711) were black; 1.1% belonged to other races.

14.6% (1,530) of non-combat deaths were among blacks.

34% of blacks who enlisted volunteered for the combat arms.

Overall, blacks suffered 12.5% of the deaths in Vietnam at a time when the percentage of blacks of military age was 13.5% of the total population.

Religion of Dead: Protestant — 64.4%; Catholic — 28.9%; other/none — 6.7%

SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS:

Vietnam veterans have a lower unemployment rate than the same non-vet age groups.

Vietnam veterans' personal income exceeds that of our non-veteran age group by more than 18 percent.

76% of the men sent to Vietnam were from lower middle/working class backgrounds.

Three-fourths had family incomes above the poverty level; 50% were from middle income backgrounds.

Some 23% of Vietnam vets had fathers with professional, managerial or technical occupations.

79% of the men who served in Vietnam had a high school education or better when they entered the military service.

63% of Korean War vets and only 45% of WWII vets had completed high school upon separation.

Deaths by region per 100,000 of population:
South — 31%, West — 29.9%; Midwest — 28.4%;
Northeast — 23.5%.

DRUG USAGE & CRIME

There is no difference in drug usage between Vietnam Veterans and non-Vietnam Veterans of the same age group.

(Source: Veterans Administration Study)

Vietnam Veterans are less likely to be in prison – only one-half of one percent of Vietnam Veterans have been jailed for crimes.

85% of Vietnam Veterans made successful transitions to civilian life.

82% of veterans who saw heavy combat strongly believe the war was lost because of lack of political will.

Nearly 75% of the public agrees it was a failure of political will, not of arms.

HONORABLE SERVICE:

97% of Vietnam-era veterans were honorably discharged.

91% of actual Vietnam War veterans and 90% of those who saw heavy combat are proud to have served their country.

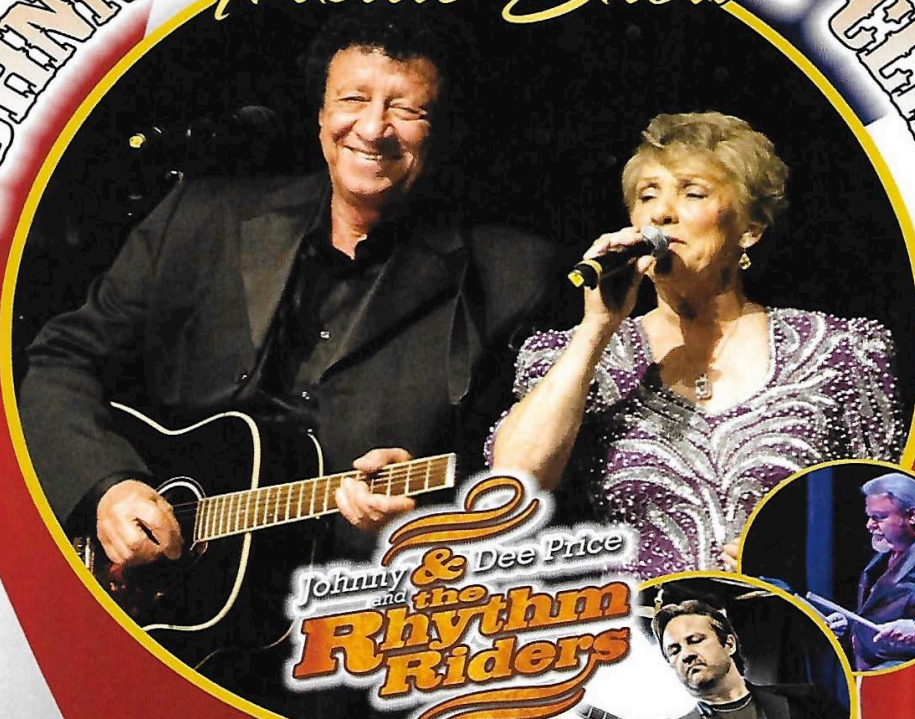
74% say they would serve again, even knowing the outcome.

87% of the public now holds Vietnam veterans in high esteem.

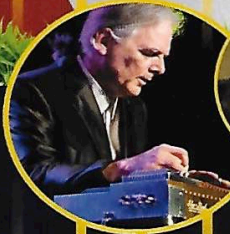
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A CONCERT TO BENEFIT VETERANS

JOHNNY CASH ★ PATSY CLINE
Tribute Show



Johnny & Dee Price
and the
Rhythm Riders



Saturday

APRIL 28, 2018

8:00 pm

Tickets \$30 General / \$40 Reserved



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Grass Valley, CA 95945
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CHAPTER 535

Application For Membership
VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, INC., CHAPTER 535

P.O. Box 37, Grass Valley, CA 95945

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.

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ Cell Phone: (_____) _____

Email Address: _____ Gender: _____

(Optional) Chapter Number: _____ Sponsor: _____

_____ I am already a VVA member and I want to become a Life Member. My VVA Number is _____.

Type of Membership: Individual _____ 1 year @ \$20. Individual _____ 3 years @ \$50.
Life Membership: _____ \$100. (Check type of membership)

ATTENTION New members and new life members: You must submit a copy of your DD-214 form along with this application and dues payment.

Payment Method: ___ Check ___ Money Order ___ Credit Card (Visa, MasterCard, AMEX, Discover)

Credit Card Number _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature _____

Return your completed application, payment and a copy of your DD-214 to:

Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc., Chapter 535
P.O. Box 37
Grass Valley, CA 95945

Revised: January 2017

Nevada County Fair VVA-535 Booth Schedule **V.5 April 6, 2018**

August 8, 2018 - August 12, 2018

Project Chair: Bart Ruud

Set-Up: Tuesday, August 7, 2018. Volunteers – **D. Chaix; B. Ruud;**

Take-Down: Monday, August 13, 2018. Volunteers – ??????????????????????

Time Slot	10:00 – 2:00	2:00 – 6:00	6:00 – 10:00
Wed. Aug. 8, 2018 Booth Captain: Dave Chaix	Name: D. Chaix Phone: Name: B. Ruud; T. Eberlein Phone:	Name: D. Chaix Phone: Name: B. Ruud Phone:	Name: D. Chaix Phone: Name: B. Ruud Phone:
Thurs. Aug. 9, 2018 Booth Captain: Dick Corn	Name: C. Holmes Phone: Name: M Laborico Phone:	Name: E. Vasquez Phone: Name: Craig Johnson - (maybe) Dick Corn Phone:	Name: Phone: Name: Phone:
Fri. Aug. 10, 2018 Booth Captain: Gary Barnes	Name: C. Holmes Enrique Vasquez Phone: Name: C. Johnson Phone:	Name: Dale Epps Phone: Name: C. Johnson Phone:	Name: Dave Middleton Phone: Name: Phone:
Sat. Aug. 11, 2018 Booth Captain: _____ Peter Hidalgo	Name: Dale Ferguson Phone: Name: Peter Hidalgo Phone:	Name: Peter Hidalgo Phone: Name: Dale Ferguson Phone:	Name: Kent Hawley Phone: Name: Phone:
Sun. Aug. 12, 2018 Booth Captain: _____	Name: Dave Johnson Phone: Name: Rick Sheridan Phone: 13	Name: Phone: Name: Phone:	Name: Phone: Name: Phone:

April

2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Easter Sunday	2	3	4	5 VVA General Meeting VVA-535 Elections	6	7
8	9	10	11 Persian Gulf War Official Cease Fire (1991)	12	13	14 Celebration of Life for Harold Graves
15 Income Tax Day	16	17	18	19 VVA Board Meeting	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Rhythm Riders Concert
29	30	27				

May

2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 VVA Board Meeting & General Meeting	4	5
6	7	8 VE Day declared (1945)	9	10	11	12 VVA -535 BBQ
13 Mother's Day	14	15 Peace Officer's Memorial Day	16	17 VVA Board Meeting	18	19 Armed Forces Day
20	21	22 National Maritime Day	23	24	25	26
27	28 Memorial Day Observed Ceremony at Memorial Park	29	30			

June

2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6 D-Day: Allied Invasion of Europe (1944)	7 VVA Board Meeting & General Meeting	8	9
10	1	12 Peace Officer's Memorial Day	13	14 Flag Day US Army founded (1775)	15	16
17 Father's Day	18	19 National Maritime Day	20	21 VVA Board Meeting 1 st day of Summer	22 Pledge of Allegiance recognized by Congress (1942)	23
24	25 Korean War began (1950)	26	27	28	29 First US ground forces arrived in Korea (1950)	30