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*Westchester
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Chapter #49*

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WESTCHESTER COUNTY VETERANS MUSEUM

HOURS:

11:00-3:30

SUMMER DAYS WEDNESDAY-SUNDAY

WINTER DAYS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

AND HOLIDAYS

864-7263

Chapter 49

Telephone / Fax Number
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www.vietnamvets49.org

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Meetings: 1st Thursday of the month

7:30

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Armonk, NY 10504

This newsletter is a publication of Chapter 49, however the opinions expressed herein are those of the contributors, and as such, they do not necessarily represent those of Chapter 49. All views are welcome for publication. Submit items of interest, including poems, short stories, photographs, etc., to the Editors at the Chapter address or call for other arrangements. Materials submitted will not be returned unless otherwise requested.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

I hope and pray that you and your families are healthy and staying safe.

We had an exceptionally good turnout at the Wreaths Across America ceremony on December 19th; there were over fifty people in attendance. And the next day at our annual Candlelight Vigil over sixty people attended.

Even though the calendar shows the pizza parties at the Stress unit, we still cannot attend because of Covid-19. I will inform you when we can attend again. The parties were moved from the fourth Tuesday to the third Saturday because since the outbreak of the virus, the residents are not allowed to leave on weekends. And since no therapy or classes are scheduled on weekends, there is nothing to do on weekends. The residents really appreciate the pizza parties.

Elsewhere in this newsletter is the information about our 2021 Scholarship, Chapter member's sons, daughters or grandkids do not have to live in Westchester County to apply.

Take care of yourself and each other.

Dan Griffin

Welcome to our newest members.

Frank Scalabrino from Dobbs Ferry

Duncan MacArthur from West Harrison

Vincent Aceste from South Salem

Joe Hunt from Bronxville

Chapter Nominations 2021

Nominations are now being accepted for all Chapter 49 officers and Board of Directors. The April 8th meeting is our annual meeting, which is when we hold our elections. Anyone interested should submit the candidate's name to the Chapter by phone, email or at the February, March or April meeting. Also you can nominate yourself.

Nominations thus far are as follows:

President: Bob Jordan_____

Vice President: Chet Edwards_____

Secretary: Jim LaManna, _____

Treasurer: Al Singerman,_____

Board of Directors (seven positions):

Peter Brown, Carl Diliberto, Ed Fox, Terry Keogh, Jim McCauley, Bill Rod , Al Zawiski_____

National/State Council Delegates (seven positions)

Ed Fox, Dan Griffin, Terry Keogh, Jim LaManna, Barney Puleo, Al Singerman, Al Zawiski,_____

To vote you must attend (no Proxies) at the April 8th Annual meeting.

Nominating Chairman: Dan Griffin

*VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA
WESTCHESTER COUNTY CHAPTER #49
SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS PROGRAM*

Vietnam Veterans of America - Chapter #49, awards six scholarships of \$700 each year to high school graduates in Westchester County. The awards are granted to assist with a college or vocational school education. These scholarships honor five outstanding individuals from our area and are named the Pete Lambert Memorial Scholarship, the Congressman Hamilton Fish Jr. Memorial Scholarship, the Peter T. McCauley Memorial Scholarship, the Anthony Shine Memorial Scholarship, the Jonathan Shine Memorial Scholarship, and the William Suddereth Memorial Scholarship.

ELIGIBILITY: Students who will complete high school in Westchester County this year, are the child or a grandchild of an active-duty service veteran, and plan to attend an accredited college/university or vocational/technical school are eligible to compete for the scholarships. **Please note** that service in the Reserves or National Guard does not constitute veteran status unless you were activated for more than 90 days for purposes other than training. **Also note** that the child/grandchild of any veteran is eligible; service does not have to be during the Vietnam era.

HOW TO APPLY: There are four selection criteria that the student must submit in order to be considered for a scholarship:

1. DD-214 or honorable discharge of parent/grandparent
2. SAT/ACT scores; no other test score will be accepted. **Note:** for those who will be attending a vocational/technical school this requirement will be waived.
3. A resume of extracurricular activities to include school clubs, sports and student government, work experience, volunteer experience and other interests. Relevant references, with addresses and phone numbers, should be provided.
4. A written statement, not to exceed two typed pages, on the topic "The affect (if any) of my parent's/grandparent's military service on my attitudes toward life and country."
5. Application must be signed by student, parent/guardian and School staff.

Students should complete the attached application and return it, along with the other requested items, by **April 1, 2021** to Vietnam Veterans of America #49
Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 224
Pleasantville, NY 10570

SELECTION OF AWARDEES AND PRESENTATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS: VVA Chapter 49 Scholarship Committee is solely responsible for the selection process. In April, the Committee will notify those selected and their high schools. The awards will be presented at our May meeting, at which time the student will present their acceptance and enrollment to an accredited college or technical school.

THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE WILL NOT CONSIDER APPLICATIONS THAT DO NOT CONTAIN ALL OF THE REQUESTED INFORMATION IN ITS REQUIRED FORM OR ARE RECEIVED AFTER THE SUBMITTAL DATE.

NOTE TO CHAPTER MEMBERS OUTSIDE OF WESTCHESTER COUNTY: YOU DO NOT HAVE TO RESIDE IN WESTCHESTER COUNTY TO APPLY FOR OUR SCHOLARSHIP. PLEASE CALL THE CHAPTER AND WE WILL SEND YOU AN APPLICATION package.



ATTENTION COMBAT VETERANS YOU ARE INVITED TO A WEEKLY VIRTUAL MEET-UP FOR COMBAT VETERANS

**HAVE A CUP OF COFFEE (BYOC) AND RELAX WITH YOUR PEERS
EVERY WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON AT 1700 H (5:00
PM)
VIA ZOOM OR DIAL-UP**

**THIS VIRTUAL 1-HOUR COFFEE BREAK IS AN OPEN FORUM
TO CHAT WITH OTHER COMBAT VETERANS ABOUT WHATEVER IS ON YOUR
MIND**

EACH CALL WILL BE LIMITED TO THE 1ST 15 COMBAT VETERANS WHO LOG IN

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BATTLEFIELD CROSS

MARCH 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 meeting 6:00 Board 6:30 dinner 7:30 meeting	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Daylight Savings Time	15	16	17 St. Pat's Day	18	19	20 Pizza party FDR Stress Unit 12:00
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

APRIL 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 meeting 6:00 Board 6:30 dinner 7:30 meeting	2	3
4 Easter	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 Pizza party FDR Stress unit 12:00
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

MAY 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6 meeting 6:00 Board 6:30 dinner 7:30 meeting	7	8
9 Mother's Day	10	11	12	13	14	15 Pizza party FDR Stress unit 12:00
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 30	24 31 Memorial Day	25	26	27	28	29

JUNE 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 meeting Board 6:00 Dinner 6:30 Meeting 7:30	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Pizza party FDR Stress unit 12:00
20 Father's Day	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

WE NEED YOU

IN THE VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA



MEMBERSHIP TYPES and ELIGIBILITY

Individual Membership is open to any Vietnam-era Veteran who served on active duty in the U.S. armed forces between January 1, 1959 and May 7, 1975.

Associate Membership in the VVA is open to all who share our concerns – both men and women, friends, supporters, and families – Veteran or not.

Life Membership / Associate Life Membership is available to all who wish to demonstrate a greater commitment to the ideals and work of the V.V.A. (Economically a great deal!)

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

check one

Life Membership - \$50.00

_____ Vietnam-era Veteran Application:
 Individual Membership
(must provide a copy of applicant's DD-214)

_____ Non-Vietnam-era Veteran Application: Life Membership - \$50.00
 Associate Membership

_____ Non-Member Financial Contribution: \$ _____

_____ Report of Address Change:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Date of Birth: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Please make checks payable to: V.V.A. Chapter #49

Send application and check to:

Membership Chair, V.V.A. Chapter #49 PO Box 224, Pleasantville, NY 10570

Questions? Call the Chapter: Phone/Fax (914) 682-4949

or e-mail: Chapter49@aol.com

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**Chapter #49 meetings are held the 1st Thursday of each month at:
 The Armonk American Legion Hall • 35 Bedford Rd. Armonk, NY 10504
 Dinner at 6:30 pm / Meeting at 7:30 pm**

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