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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
(914) 682-4949

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www.vietnamvets49.org

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Meetings: 1st Thursday of the month

7:30

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35 Bedford Rd.

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

May as usual is very busy; first event is the Plant sale at Lasdon Park on May 19th and 20th, we help with carrying the plants to their cars and in return we receive a big donation to Base Camp Westchester. Also on May 19th is the Honor Flight at Westchester County Airport. Next is May 26th we will hold our annual PTSD unit barbecue at 12:00, it will be held behind building 15 at the Montrose VA Hospital. On the next day the 27th will be the Veterans appreciation Day at Playland. Please call my office 995-2145 for your tickets. There will be free parking, free entrance, free barbecue, free rides and the Marines will land four helicopters. Later that night we will hold our annual "Watchfire" at the picnic area at the Montrose VA Hospital. On the next day; Memorial day, May 28th we will march in Yorktown Heights at 11:00. Afterward at 2:00 we will hold our Memorial Day ceremonies at the Vietnam Memorial at Lasdon Park.

The VA is going to issue new Medical ID cards; they will mail them to you. THEY WILL NOT CALL YOU! There have reports of scams; they call you and tell you that they are the VA and they need information from you so that you can receive your new card. Don't fall for it, they will never call you and ask for information.

Please check the calendars in this newsletter for upcoming events.

Take care of yourself and each other

Dan Griffin

Welcome to our newest members

**Tom Orrico life member from Cos Cob, CT
Ronald Pucci life member from Greenwich, CT
Andrew Scheer life member from Brewster
Michael Senitta from Yonkers**

2018 VVA CHAPTER 49 ELECTION RESULTS

CIRCLE 1 FOR EACH OFFICE

PRESIDENT: Robert Jordan

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NEW YORK STATE MEDAL OF HONOR COMMITTEE

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PUTNAM MEDAL OF HONOR DAY PARADE

SATURDAY

JULY 21, 2018

1:00 P.M.



Robert O'Malley
U.S. Marine Corps
Vietnam



Jack Jacobs
U.S. Army
Vietnam



Gary Beikirch
U.S. Army
Vietnam



Paul Bucha
U.S. Army
Vietnam



Peter Fiumefreddo
Commander / Chairman
MOH Founder



Rita Cosby
Emmy-Award Winner
MOH Co-Founder

**PARADE STARTS AT THE PALADIN CENTER ON SEMINARY
HILL ROAD AND ENDS AT FAIR STREET**

BANDS * MARCHERS * FLOATS
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Putnam County Executive: Mary Ellen Odell

VVA Chapter 49 Scholarship Recipients 2018

*The Pete Lambert Memorial Scholarship \$700—Julia Alcoba attended Harrison High School

*The Peter T. McCauley Memorial Scholarship \$700—Matthew Dorchak attended White Plains High School

*The Hamilton Fish Memorial Scholarship \$700—Charles Panzarella attended Westlake High School

*The William Sudderth Memorial Scholarship \$700—Christopher Panzarella attended Westlake High School

*The Anthony Shine Memorial Scholarship \$700—Antonio Leone Jr. attended Rye Neck High School

*The Jonathan Shine Memorial Scholarship \$700—Devyn Sheth attended North Salem High School

On behalf of the Officers, Board of Directors and Members of Chapter 49 we would like to congratulate these young individuals and wish them all the luck in their educational endeavors.

We would like to offer a special thanks to the Scholarship Committee for all the work they have done.

VETERANS ONLINE SHOPPING BENEFIT

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

The Department of Defense will soon allow Veterans of all United States Armed Forces to shop online at shopmyexchange.com



What is the Veterans online shopping benefit?

Veterans will be able to enjoy tax-free shopping, exclusive military pricing on name brand products, exclusive credit opportunities and more at shopmyexchange.com



Where can approved Veterans shop?

This benefit allows Veterans of all United States Armed Forces to shop online at shopmyexchange.com, as well as the other online military exchanges. This does not grant on-installation access.



When can approved Veterans shop?

The benefit launches on Nov. 11, 2017. However, millions of records have not yet been digitized, so Veterans should check their eligibility today! Veterans who verify early also increase their chances of being selected as an early shopper.

Veterans should go to **VetVerify.org** to check their eligibility.

The process usually takes about two minutes.



What is VetVerify.org?

VetVerify is a shared verification service that relies exclusively on secure data supplied by the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) to determine eligibility.



What information do Veterans need to provide?

Most Veterans only need to provide a name, date of birth, the last four digits of their social security number and a valid email address. Some Veterans will need to take additional steps for verification. Please visit VetVerify.org for more information.



Where can Veterans get more information?

Visit VetVerify.org/faq for more details.

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Web: <http://www.hudsonvalley.va.gov> | Twitter: @vahudsonvalley

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Castle Point Campus: 41 Castle Point Rd, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590 | (845) 831-2000

Great News!

Easier way to schedule your **Mobility Aid, Nutrition, Podiatry, Prosthetic Limbs** and **Wheelchair Clinic** appointments.

You no longer need a referral from your Primary Care Physician to schedule a routine

Mobility Aid (cane/walker/crutches), **Nutrition** (diet/weight), **Podiatry** (foot), **Prosthetic Limbs** and **Wheelchairs**

See information below to schedule your routine appointments

Mobility Aid:

Montrose - ext. 2524

Castle Point - ext. 5702

Podiatry:

Montrose - ext. 2446

Castle Point - ext. 5633

Nutrition:

Montrose - ext. 3085/3852/3832

Castle Point - ext. 5139/4078/5450

Prosthetic Limbs:

Montrose & Castle Point - ext. 5647

Wheelchairs:

Montrose & Castle Point - ext. 5647

We look forward to seeing you!



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

MAY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 meeting 6:00 Board 6:30 dinner 7:30 meeting	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Mother's Day	14	15	16	17	18	19 Honor Flight Plant sale
20 Plant sale	21	22	23	24	25	26 PTSD unit Barbecue 12:00
27 Playland Watch Fire	28 Parade 10:00 Lasdon 2:00	29	30 Memorial Day	31		

JUNE 2018

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

JULY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Independence Day	5 meeting 6:00 Board 6:30 dinner 7:30 meeting	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 MOH parade Carmel 1:00
22	23	24 pizza Party FDR Stress Unit 5:00	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

AUGUST 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 meeting Board 6:00 Dinner 6:30 Meeting 7:30	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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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

circle dues amount if applicable

_____ Vietnam-era Veteran Application: 1 year - \$20 3 years - \$50 Life Membership - \$100
 Individual Membership
 (must provide a copy of applicant's DD-214)

_____ Non-Vietnam-era Veteran Application: 1 year - \$20 3 years - \$50 Life Membership - \$100
 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

www.VietnamVets49.org



**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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