



Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #920 Denton, TX

September
2023

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Meeting Information:

Date: Meet the **4th Tuesday** of Each Month
Location: **6900 FM 2153, Aubrey, TX 76227**
Dinner: At – **NOON 9/26/23**
Meeting Start Time: **12:45 pm 9/26/23**

Officers (2023-2024)

President: Dan Washburn
Vice President: Gary Raines
Secretary: Steve Knox
Treasurer: Robin Kain
Director: Garrold Roberts
Director: Rev. Bill Coburn
Director: Bill Roberson

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)
Sergeant at Arms - Randy Grizzle
Scholarship – Lloyd Kinnison (AVVA)
Steward – Horst Poethke (AVVA)
Support Services - Sharon Balsley
Webmaster - Anita Washburn (AVVA)

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2023 Raffle Winner Micky McNary



Micky is a 40-year Fair volunteer!

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



President's Corner

Brothers and Sisters

I want to give an update on this year's event at the North Texas Fair.

In a nutshell ... A great success. Even with the extreme heat and the attendance was down VVA chapter sales were very good.

As usual our members did a great job manning our booth representing VVA 920. As always many folks attending the fair come looking for us as they have in the past.

We shook many hands, pats on the back and even had some hugs from the folks. How blessed we are.

Unfortunately, we have had some of our members come down with Covid, I assume from interfacing with the hundreds of people.

Also, a special thanks to Bill and the folks at "Call To Arms Gun Store" here in Denton for doing the gun transfers and registration at no cost in supporting our Chapter.

So, for those that contributed financially and those that showed up in great numbers to man our booth. **"Job Well Done"**

Many Thanks,

Dan Washburn

VVA 920 President

North Texas State Fair & Rodeo VVA 920 Rifle & Gun Safe



VVA 920 Events

September 2023

11th – Honor Guard Practice

20st – VVA 920 Board Meeting

26th – VVA 920 Stated Meeting

October 2023

9th – Honor Guard Practice

18th – VVA 920 Board Meeting

24th – VVA 920 Stated Meeting

Fallen Brothers Ceremony

November/December 2023

No meetings

Dec. 12, 2023 - Noon
Annual Christmas Gathering

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 the Denton County Veterans Coalition Navigators to access county wide resources.

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

Honor Guard Activities:

Alan Lessard, SOG

Honor Guard practice

September 11th ~ 17:45 hours

August Military Rites

None



2023 Military Dates

Sept. 11, 2023 - Patriot Day

Sept. 15, 2023 - POW/MIA Recognition Day

Sept. 18, 2023 - Air Force Birthday

Sept. 24, 2023 - Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day

Oct. 13, 2023 - Navy Birthday

Oct. 26, 2023 - National Day of the Deployed

Nov. 10, 2023 - Marine Corps Birthday

Nov. 11, 2023 - Veterans Day

Dec. 7, 2023 - National Pearl Harbor Day

Dec. 13, 2023 - US National Guard Birthday

Dec. 18, 2023 - Wreaths Across America Day

Quilts of Valor
August 22, 2023



Don Marotta



Phil & Donna Moore



Ken Harris



Chris Livingston
(Friend of VVA)

If you have not received a Quilt of Valor, please contact Cathy Poethke at 214-763-9514.

BSA Troup #1656 (Richmond, TX) says “Thank You!”



The Troop used the building overnight July 9, 2023, and truly appreciated the accomodations!

They were returning from Camp Philmont in New Mexico.