



NORTHERN CALIFORNIA VETERANS
CEMETERY SUPPORT BOARD

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Igo Neighborhood Watch Honors Veterans

It all started at a Neighborhood Watch meeting in Igo months ago with a comment by Kathy Dunn, an Igo resident, that it would be a great idea if the American flag would be more visible along Placer Road in Igo.

A project was then launched to have small flags placed along Placer and the project spread to include

Veterans Memorial Drive (Gas Point Rd.) out to the cemetery.

The group attached line Veterans Memorial Drive to the gates of the cemetery. Don Schroeder, Igo, or Jim Gaddis, Gas Point, can often be sighted on their tall ladders replac-

ing those flags that have been vandalized.

Jim Willson, Igo (often referred to as the honorary mayor of Igo) states that the Neighborhood Watch group would like to include more of Placer Road, with the objective that flags line the funeral procession routes from Redding to the cemetery.

NCVC SUPPORT BOARD

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Meetings are regularly held the first Thursday of each month (excluding July, August, and December) at 4:00 p.m. at the Veterans Hall on Yuba Street in Redding.

Volunteer BBQ Enjoyed by All



donors and their families. Chris McCandless and Ronnie Brackett provided musical entertainment for everyone; Mel Fisher helped dish up the potato salad while Steve Jorgensen and Tom Johnson manned the grill.

The youngsters and young-at-heart spent the day



taking the sightseeing hay ride, playing bocci ball, checking out the petting zoo provided by Bella Vista Farms, being entertained by the performance of the Agility Dogs and some of the very young got to take their first horseback ride.

FUN! FUN! FUN!

Thanks to host and Board Member "Col. Pete" Stiglich, the Second Annual Volunteers Barbeque was enjoyed by more than 130 veterans, Support Board members, members at large, community volunteers and



Cemetery Acquired Defibrillator

In July, the cemetery was provided two Automatic External Defibrillators (AED). These are to be used in the event of cardiac emergencies at the cemetery. One will be located in the Administration Building and the other in the Veterans Memorial Building.

Cemetery staff, Army Guard, and volunteers recently attended training allowing them to use the

AEDs.

As seen in this picture, during a recent CPR/AED Training session, Linda LeDue performed chest compressions as Frank Kohlberg awaited instructions from the AED. Jared Lawson oversaw the session.



**Veterans Day
11-11-11 at 10:45**

Dates of Interest:

Nov. 3 at 4 p.m.: Board meeting
Nov. 8 at 8 a.m.: CDVC presentations

Nov. 11 at 10:55 a.m.: Veterans Day ceremony at the cemetery

No Board meeting in December

December 12, noon: Wreaths Across America event

January 5 at 4 p.m. Board mtg.

Cemetery News

- Sections 8 & 9 of the cemetery have been recently reseeded after additional grading was done. These are the sections next to the Veterans Memorial Building.
- Construction on the new columbarium will begin shortly after the first of November.
- On November 8, a check will be presented by Frank Salvias, representing NCR's state Cemetery Construction Program, to CDVA Secretary Peter Gravitt for the construction of the new columbarium. At that same time, Secretary Gravitt will formally recognize

contributions made by the following:

(1) *Eagle Scout Ryan Parke*. Ryan has been constructing committal urn pedestals depicting all five branches of the service. These will be used during services in the Memorial Building.

(2) *Eagle Scout Zachary Havens*: Zachary constructed the shade shelter next to the Memorial Building as his project.

(3) *Chris McCandless*: Chris has faithfully provided his musical talents at cemetery events

with his voice and music. Chris is also a contributor at many other northstate veterans events that honor past and present heroes.

(4) *Home Depot Team #6682*: Team #6682 planted trees around the Memorial Building in October. The team will also be busy painting the shade shelters and smaller buildings. They will also repaint other buildings to match the colors of the Memorial Building

Time to Step Forward

The Support Board for NCVC has openings to fill.

- Veterans are given first consideration when applying for board membership.
- All board members assist in the staging and planning of events at the cemetery.
- It is a chance to become actively involved in the activities at NCVC, contributing to the planning and implementation of monuments and memorials, fundraising, and creating memorable programs.
- It is an opportunity to honor our heroes.

Please consider joining by submitting a board membership application that can be obtained by contacting the Board at the address below.

NCVC MISSION STATEMENT

Northern California Veterans Cemetery Support Board is proud to support an environment that invites the enthusiastic cooperation of the entire region that is served by the Northern California Veterans Cemetery (NCVC). The specific purpose of this organization is to support the mission and goals of the California Department of Veterans Affairs through the NCVC, by creating a fitting burial site and living shrine to honor California veterans.

The committee provides financial support and assistance in the enhancement and beautification of the NCVC through various fund raising activities. The NCVC Support Board is further responsible for organizing and presenting appropriate ceremonies on national holidays (including Memorial Day and Veterans Day programs) and other activities that benefit the NCVC.

NCVC is a California CC 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation and accepts donations to:

- (1) Events and enhancements to the cemetery grounds
- (2) Wreaths Across America program: December decorations of gravesites
- (3) Vietnam Veterans Memorial

You can contribute by writing your check *Pay to the order of:*

NCVSG—NCVC for (1) and (3)

or

NCVSG—Wreaths Across America for (2)

Note on the "memo" line the fund you are contributing to and mail to address noted on the right.

We greatly appreciate those that have contributed so generously in the past!

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