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## PUBLICATION: NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 2019

## ***** NOVEMBER 2019 *****

| 2 | Saturday | All Day |
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| 4 | Monday | $8: 30 \mathrm{am}$ |
| 4 | Monday | $10: 30 \mathrm{am}$ |
| 3 | Tuesday | 7 pm |
| 7 | Thursday | 10 am |
| 7 | Thursday | 11 am |
| 10 | Sunday | $11: 30 \mathrm{am}$ |
| 11 | Monday | $11: 11 \mathrm{am}$ |
| 11 | Monday | $1: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| 11 | Monday | 5 pm |
| 12 | Tuesday | $8: 30 \mathrm{am}$ |
| 12 | Tuesday | 7 pm |
| 13 | Wednesday | 7 pm |
| 15 | Friday | 6 pm |
| 19 | Tuesday | 7 pm |
| 22 | Friday | $7: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ |
| 28 | Thursday |  |
| ***** | DECEMBER | 2019 ***** |
| 2 | Monday | $8: 30 \mathrm{am}$ |
| 3 | Tuesday | 7 pm |
| 7 | Saturday | $8: 30 \mathrm{am}$ |
| 7 | Saturday | 1 pm |
| 9 | Monday | $8: 30 \mathrm{am}$ |
| 11 | Wednesday | 7 pm |
| 17 | Tuesday | 7 pm |
| 25 | Wednesday |  |
| 31 |  |  |
| ***** | JANUARY 2020 | ***** |
| 6 | Monday | $8: 30 \mathrm{am}$ |
| 7 | Tuesday | 7 pm |
| 13 | Monday | $8: 30 \mathrm{am}$ |
| 14 | Tuesday | 7 pm |
| 15 | Wednesday | 7 pm |
| 21 | Tuesday | 7 pm |
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## President's Column

I would like to thank our members for their support this past year, in attending our events, ceremonies and programs. Our goal is to assist veterans \& the community; especially, the Gold Star Mothers \& Blue Star Mothers. November is full of Veterans Day Events - please attend these functions, if possible; visiting cemeteries, visiting the VA, marching in the parade or the free Veterans' breakfasts, lunches \& dinners. As for December, be careful of the other person driving after events or parties - drive responsibly. Don't forget visiting cemeteries for wreaths or the flags. Also, remember those overseas or stateside tours - being away from home \& loved ones, is a time to reflect, how lucky we are. Remember, when we were overseas \& away from home during Christmas?
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$* *$ If, any changes in our scheduled Dates-Places; we'll notify you of the corrected dates via FB and tccvev.com **
Albany County's HAV at Zaloga's Am Leg Post 1520
TCCVEV's General Mtg at Zaloga's Am Leg Post 1520
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Pearl Harbor's Annual Event at Zaloga's Am Leg Post 1520
Schenectady's HAV Ceremony in St. Luke's Pastoral Center @ 1241 State Street Rensselaer County's HADV @ Troy's LOB (DMV Bldg)
Capt. Wm. D. O'Brien Det 241 MCL General Mtg at Zaloga's Am Leg Post 1520
TCCVEV's Executive Board Meeting at Catherine St.'s Office
Merry Blessed Christmas
New Year's Eve - Welcome in 2020 \& drive safely.
1st Wednesday = Happy New Year - Have a Healthy 2020.
Albany County's HAV at Zaloga's Am Leg Post 1520
TCCVEV's General Mtg at Zaloga's Am Leg Post 1520
Rensselaer County's HADV @ Troy's LOB (DMV Bldg)
Joseph E. Zaloga's American Legion General Meeting
Capt. Wm. D. O'Brien Let 241 MCL General Mtg at Zaloga's Am Leg Post 1520 TCCVEV's Executive Board Meeting at Catherine St.'s Office by

Joseph Pollicino
Blue Star Mothers at Crossgates for Overseas Packages to Gl's
Albany County's HAV at Zaloga's Am Leg Post 1520
Annual Vets Day Luncheon at the Beltrone
TCCVEV's General Mtg at Zaloga's Am Leg Post 1520
Albany City's Living Vet Ceremony @ Cross gates - near Lord \& Taylor
"Keys for Progress" @ Goldstein Collision -Annual Auto giveaway (GI Mom with 7 kids)
Troy's Awards Breakfast @ Melvin Roads American Legion Post 1231

## Albany's Veterans Day Parade

Gold Star Mothers' Luncheon @ Joseph E. Zaloga's American Legion Post 1520
Vets Miracle Contr's Dinner @ Cap Center on Eagle St. (Rocky Bleier = VN Vet NFL)
Rensselaer County's HADV @ Troy's LOB (DMV Bldg)
Joseph E. Zaloga's American Legion Post 1520 General Meeting
Capt. Wm. D. O'Brien Bet 241 MCL General Mtg at Zaloga's Am Leg Post 1520
Marine Ball (Capt. Wm. D. O'Brien Let 241 ) @ Italian Comm. Cntr.on Wash. Ave. Ext
TCCVEV's Executive Board Meeting at Catherine St.'s Office
GROOVIN'...Rock Legends of the VN War - for GS \& BS Mothers @ The EGG
Happy Thanksgiving - we have a lot to be thankful for - FREEDOM, God \& Family
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2017's with those who are now in Heaven (Marie, Dorothea \& Henry) and 2019's GSM \& BSM's Ceremonies \& Events


4-30-17 Henry Rosenzweig receiving Award from Elmo Kearsing, Albany County American Legion Commander on Loyalty Day @ Robert L. Weininger VFW 8692 Post, in Colonie


9-29-19 Gold Star Mothers' Memorial Ceremony NYS Veterans Director, James McCough speaking


9-29-19 Gold Star Mothers' Memorial Ceremony Attendees with luminary bags for the occasion

9-11-19 TCCVEV's Honor Guard at Blue Star Mothers' 9-11 Event (Honor Guard, L-R: Bill Day, George LaMora \& Peter Nardolillo)

8-13-17 At China Beach 4 Gold Star Mothers's, L-R: Carrie Farley, Dorothea Rockenstyre, Marie Ladouceur and Cindy Roberts


9-29-19 Gold Star Mothers' illumiary event L-R: Con. Paul Tonko, Cindy Roberts GSM, Carrie Farley GSM, BSM Donna (Vicker) Abare and NYS Veterans Director, James McCough
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Remember those serving oversees - they're away from their families. Let's say a prayer for their safe return \& thank ALL serving our Country. REMEMBER to be PROUD of "OLD GLORY", many died for those "Red-White-Blue" colors!

Veterans Day is approaching. That is our time to especially honor and express gratitude to the men \& women who interrupt their lives to serve America. They have a code of honor and dedicated service to God and country; they take a knee to God alone or to aid a wounded or fallen soldier, and they stand to salute the flag or sing our national anthem. For America's finest, to do anything less would be considered unworthy. Let us stand proud and strong, in honor our veterans. Many were lost, but those that are with us, need our love, support and gratitude. They have worked diligently in their communities to ensure that NO returning veteran would experience the apathy and disrespect shown them. Thank them, buy them a coffee and if permissible, give them a long overdue hug. They put their lives on the line for you and your way of life, now let's do everything we can to pay it forward.

Stand tall and salute the flag they served and died under, feel gratitude for the blessings America's constitution have ensured for you and find a way to contribute...even the smallest action can make a big difference for a veteran! God bless them, everyone.
'For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he' Proverbs 23:7
'Be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind' Romans 12:22
Capital Region's Honor-A-Vet: ALBANY County = Vet. Dir., Ken Secor at (518) 447-7710 or LINK for ceremony info \& applications: http://www.albanycounty.com/Government/Departments/VeteransServicesBureau/ProgramsandServices/HonoraVeteran.aspx RENSSELAER County = Vet. Dir., Peter Goebel (518) 270-2760 or LINKs for info: 1) http://www.rensco.com/vet_hav.asp and 2) http://www.rensselaercounty.org/Honor\ A\ Veteran\ Ceremony.htm SARATOGA County = Vet. Dir., Frank McClement, for INFO at (518) 884-4115 or email = veterans@saratogacountyny.com SCHENECTADY County = Vet. Dir., Bill Frank at (518) $377-2423$ or email: William.Frank@schenectadycounty.com

NOTE: Every veteran is eligible to have this ceremony and family members may apply for the veteran at any of the 4 CAPITAL REGION Counties' Veterans Office - call for any info, applications or general news.
Computer: Check TCCVEV.com website for INFO, concerning any future events, ceremonies, dues or etc. View FB's 4 sites: 1) Tri-County Council Vietnam Era Veterans (Gene IS the Administrator for this site), 2) Gene Loparco, 3) Capital Region NY-Veterans' News AND 4) a 2nd TCCVEV site $=$ Gene is NOT the Administrator for this site.
quotations: "We few, we Happy few; we Band of Brothers, for he today that sheds his blood with me Shall be my brother" - One of the well-known lines from the St. Crispin's Day Speech of Shakespeare's Henry V.

Please Remember Me Foundation: YES, every year when Veterans Day arrives \& Albany has their Annual Parade; we need volunteers to carry our American Flags down Washington Ave. These 160 flags represent 1,900 men \& women, since WW1 who made the supreme sacrifice for our freedom. We meet at Partridge St. \& Central Ave at 10 am . That's if you are not marching with TCCVEV or other groups. We sure could use your assistance.

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Memembership News: 2019 DUES are now PAST due. Paid 2019 memberships is now 66 - Please stay in good standing, write your check, fill out the form below \& send in your dues. You are done with it for another year. Life Membership is now 182 with the passing of Henry Rosenzweig; he will be greatly missed by all of us and our sympathy goes out to his family. John Hoag, is our newest member, "Welcome Home". This is indicative of a healthy organization \& I sincerely hope; our members will continue this upward trend. Remember, Life Memberships make a great gift - 1 Payment of $\$ 150$ \& you're done with dues. So, write your check; filling out the form below \& send in your dues. You're done with it, for another year. Check your address label on this newsletter. After your name, if your \#, starts with a number, less than \# 19 - you are NOT paid for 2019. Example: \# 18-2356; the Prefix \#, 18, indicates the LAST YEAR, you paid your dues. Any "DUES" status or "Life Membership" request; please contact, Jerry D'Amelia, at: gdameli1@nycap.rr.com or CALL: (518) 281-3885.

2015 Regular DUES are $\$ 15$, Annually ----- JOIN or RE-UP NOW! OEF \& OIF Vets Welcomed! Membership is opened to Vietnam Era Veterans (1 May 1957-7 May 1975).
Also, anyone who served SINCE, 7 May 1975 or is still serving on Active Duty in the US Military.
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS are NOT Required to have Served in the Military

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## BRANCH \& PERIOD OF SERVICE

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Email Address
Complete and MAIL the above application; along, with your DD214 (not for Associate Members) AND your $\$ 15$ or $\$ 150$ check, to: TCCVEV, P.O. Box 11100, Albany, NY 12211
Note: Any questions or comments; concerning "SPOOKY"? Email - GENE (Editor): Loparco8888@yahoo.com

## God Bless America!

Remember OUR Veteran!
Many made the supreme sacrifice for the following......"Never take for granted, FREEDOM; because, it's NEVER free".


