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CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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<u>Upcoming Meetings and Events</u>	<u>Announcements From Our Adjutant</u>
10/04/2018 Hospice Memorial VAMC Lake City 10/08/2018 Columbus Day 10/13/2018 Navy Birthday 10/20/2018 Fall Festival VAMC Lake City 10/31/2018 Halloween 11/06/2018 Election Day 11/08/2018 Veterans Stand Down VAMC Lake City 11/09/2018 Veterans Day Ceremony VAMC Lake City 11/10/2018 Marine Corps Birthday 11/11/2018 Veterans Day 11/12/2018 Military Appreciation Night Golden Corral 5-9 PM 11/15/2018 VAVS Quarterly Meeting VAMC Lake City 11/22/2018 Thanksgiving Day	A nurse now must be present in order for snacks to be distributed to patients/residents at bingo and other events to determine which individuals are not allowed to have them. All efforts will be made to have a nurse present at the end of bingo and etc. However, if one is not there, no snacks may be distributed. A new off-site outpatient clinic will open in Lake City in October to relieve the space crunch and provide better parking and service. This clinic will be a primary care clinic only. Those patients who desire to continue to be treated onsite at the VAMC* will be allowed to do so, however, they may have to change to a primary care physician that will be located at the VAMC as most of the primary care teams will be relocating to the new clinic.
VAMC is Veterans Administration Medical Center	

Chapter 1 Has Wheel Chairs Available

Chapter 1 has wheel chairs available for Veterans who need one.
Contact the Chapter by email at davchap1@att.net or by phone at (904) 720-0244

From Department Jr. Vice Commander Duane Godfrey

Part of the National Defense Authorization Act for 2019 (HR 5515) contains several provisions for veterans, caregivers and certain spouses.

- Sec. 621. Extension of certain morale, welfare, and recreation privileges to certain veterans and their caregivers.
- Sec. 624. Space-available travel on Department of Defense aircraft for veterans with service-connected disabilities rated as total.
- Sec. 626. Access to military installations for certain surviving spouses and other next of kin of members of the Armed Forces who die while on active duty or certain reserve duty.

Read the above sections at:

congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/5515/text

Or you could Google [HR 5515](#)

In Memory



John S. McCain III - August 29, 1936 to August 25, 2018

Comments by Sen. McCain's daughter Meghan at his funeral:

"The America of John McCain is generous and welcoming and bold.

She is resourceful and confident and secure. She meets her responsibilities.

She speaks quietly because she is strong. America does not boast because she has no need to..."

Vietnam Veterans | Welcome Home & Healing

A free conference for Vietnam veterans, their loved ones and all interested in learning tools to provide hope and healing across generations.

Presentations Will Include:

- The Coming Home Experience
- Post-Traumatic Growth
- Panel on Services to Help

Areas of focus:

- Anger - Coming Home
- Healing - Programs to Help / PTSD
- Peace - Forgiveness / Understanding / Future

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Hosted by: ©2018 Community Hospice & Palliative Care

Friday, **October 19, 2018**

UNF - Adam W. Herbert, University Center

12000 Alumni Dr.

Jacksonville, 32224

Registration & Breakfast: 8:30 a.m.

Program: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Registration is free, and a complimentary breakfast will be provided.

To register, call **904.407.6790** or visit **militarycaregiver.eventbrite.com**.

A partnership with veteran leaders to bring awareness to programs and services designed for veterans.

Editorials

At the July 28, 2018 meeting I proposed that if any members of our Chapter and Auxiliary submitted input to me - without me having to ask for it - I would put it into a Newsletter and post it to our website. I also offered to do it monthly, aiming to publish it by our monthly meeting. There is no reason why Chapter 1 in Florida can't publish a monthly Newsletter. If Chapter Officers and Committees want to submit an item, then that's great.

So let's try this:

1. As Webmaster of our website I will continue to post all Newsletters to the site.
2. I don't mind consolidating any input into the Newsletter, but I will not ask for it.
3. My goal is to publish the Newsletter by the 4th Saturday of the month, the day of our monthly meeting. (I'll probably deviate in Nov. and Dec. when we have holiday meals instead of business meetings.)
4. Any input I receive by the Wednesday before the meeting will be included.
5. If I receive nothing, then I will include whatever I deem noteworthy.

If you have any comments, concerns, or questions, email me. (davjax1@hushmail.com)
If you'd like to compile the Newsletter, contact the Commander. (davchap1@att.net)
I'd gladly help you to get started with compiling the Newsletter.

/s/ John J. Donnangelo
Webmaster of Chapter 1 website at fl.dav.org/1.

A Comment by Tom Coughlin

Executive Vice President of Football Operations, Jacksonville Jaguars

"Our expectations are very high and anybody that comes on board has to understand there's a way to accomplish what we're trying to accomplish and it's through team, it's through individual improvement and it's through a relentless drive in team success."

As reported by Times-Union Sports reporter Sam Kouvaris

There's a way to accomplish what we're trying to accomplish and it's through team.



The DAV is part of the foundation for that team.