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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Dec	2	AMVETS Pearl Harbor Ceremony
Feb	10	LINC MO Meeting 11:30 AM
Mar	9	LINC MO Meeting 11:30 AM.
Apr	13	LINC MO Meeting 11:30 AM
May	25	LINC MO Memorial Day 2 PM
Jun	8	LINC MO Meeting 11:30 AM.
Sept	7	LINC MO Meeting - Nomination & Election of Officers 11:30 AM.
Oct	12	Installation of Officers AMVETS Post, Massapequa 1 PM
Nov	2	LINC MO Veterans Day Svcs 2 PM



40/8 Chef de Gare, Joseph P. Slattery, Jr., The State American Legion Commander William H. Burnett and the N.Y. State Detachment Commander

**REPRESENTATIVES**

We are asking all member organizations to have their Commanders, Presidents or Chief Officer recertify the two representatives from each member organization so that we can make up a new roster.

The information should be on the organization letterhead and signed by the top officer of the Unit. It should show:

- Name:
- Address:
- Town: NY Zip
- Phone #
- E-Mail Address (If they have one)
- For each Rep.

Joe Slattery, Jr. Secretary



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Memorial Garden

**PRESIDENTS MESSAGE**

Dorothy Oxendine

We had a fair turnout for the Veterans Day Ceremonies at L.I. National. The program was short and the speakers brief. The weather was fair and everything seemed to go without any problems. I had hoped to see more people come to the ceremony but the veterans community was well represented.

I feel that we must get more information out to the public to remind them that we are holding ceremonies. A reminder should be sent to our elected officials as they were also absent. We can never let them forget that they have an obligation to participate in this community remembrance for our Veterans and our Honored Dead.



**WE PROUDLY DISPLAY THIS BLUE STAR BANNER FOR ALL THE TROOPS NOW SERVING IN THE SERVICE OF OUR COUNTRY !.**

With the donations coming in we now have three benches already paid for and some money left over for the flowers. We still need funds for the fourth bench and all the shrubs and flowers. We still need to raise about \$5,000.00 to complete the project, so if your organization has not sent a check yet please remind them to do so. The new target date is for Memorial Day 2008. But the benches must be ordered and shipped in from the mid-west and the foundations laid for the benches.

Please make all checks payable to LINC MO and send to Ken Cadieux, Treasurer at 121 Powell Avenue, Rockville Centre, N.Y. 11570.

Our thanks goes out to those who have answered our request for funds. Don't be left out, every member organization should support this project.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF LINC MO WILL BE ON SUNDAY , DECEMBER 2, AT 11:30 AM.**

## ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY

The nation's shrine to its military dead had 6,785 funerals in the just-concluded fiscal year, an all-time record. Now, as the dying of the World War II generation peaks, the cemetery is so busy that despite careful choreography, people attending one funeral can hear the bugle and rifle salutes echoing from another. As a result, the cemetery is about to begin a \$35 million expansion that would push the ordered ranks of tombstones beyond its borders for the first time since the 1960s. The Millennium Project has been in the works for years as the cemetery has grown busier, dead from the Iraq war have been laid to rest with the veterans of wars past, and visitors have flocked to see the Tomb of the Unknowns and the graves of such figures as President John F. Kennedy. Timing at Arlington has become critical. Some of the funerals can be fairly elaborate, with a band, a procession and a horse-drawn caisson, and can take up to 2 1/2 hours. Others might last only 35 or 40 minutes. All must be meticulously scheduled to minimize distractions and avoid traffic tie-ups on the cemetery roadways.

The Millennium expansion has involved, among other things, the sensitive transfer of 12 acres within the cemetery from the National Park Service's historic Arlington House, the onetime home of Robert E. Lee. The Park Service has lamented the likely loss of woodland and

the cemetery's encroachment on the majestic hilltop home, which dates to 1802. The project, which focuses on the northwest edge of the cemetery, includes expansion into about 10 acres taken from the Army's adjacent Fort Myer and four acres of cemetery maintenance property inside the boundaries, officials said. The extra space would provide room for 14,000 ground burials and 22,000 inurnments in a large columbarium complex, officials said. The project comes on the heels of extensive work underway to utilize 40 acres of unused space in the cemetery, creating room for 26,000 more graves and 5,000 inurnments. And there are plans for further outside expansion in the years ahead.

The cemetery, established in 1864, covers more than 600 acres, and more than 300,000 people are buried there. The expansions are, in part, a response to the deaths of members of the country's World War II generation, about 16 million of whom served in the armed forces. The Department of Veterans Affairs says more than 3 million World War II veterans are alive. About 1,000 die each day. The department's National Cemetery Administration says the number of veteran deaths is peaking, at about 680,000 annually, and is expected to fall gradually to 671,000 in 2010, 622,000 in 2015 and 562,000 in 2020. At Arlington, which is run by the Army, the steady death toll from Iraq and Afghanistan has added to the numbers, although the cemetery gets

only about 11% of those cases. More than 400 members of the armed forces who have died in Iraq and Afghanistan have been buried there.

The initial work, to be contracted through the Army Corps of Engineers, would control drainage into the new sections. Katherine Basye Welton, cemetery project manager for the Corps of Engineers, said the first contracts were to be awarded by this month, but because of inadequate bids, the work might not be awarded until the end of the year. The project is expected to unfold over the next 10 years with funding hoped for from Congress. But it has not thrilled everyone. Although the transfer of the Arlington House land from the Park Service was decreed by law five years ago, it still rankles there. The parcel, which could lose many of its trees, has not been logged since the Civil War. The cemetery also plans to acquire the Navy Annex in 2010 and demolish it in 2013, and move underground utility lines within the next year or so, to gain more space. The projects should keep the cemetery open through about 2060. Meanwhile, the pace at Arlington remains brisk. The cemetery handles 25 to 30 funerals a day. Some, involving cremated remains, are scheduled for next year. [Source: Washington Post Michael E. Ruane article 7 Oct 07++]



Dorothy Oxendine, President of the LINC MO Organization (R) poses with Nadine and Guest speaker Keith Butcher before the Veterans Day ceremonies.



1st V.P. Chet Smiley, Tom Banks and Morris Miller pose after the program.



Al Deichler, SAL, Dept A.L.Cmndr Burnett, Nassau Aux President Maxine Deichler and the State SAL