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DATES TO REMEMBER

- 2006
- Nov. 19 Catholic War Vets Svc
 - Nov. 20 Veterans Standown - Freeport Armory 9am-2pm.
 - Dec. 3 Sun LINC MO Meeting at 11:30 AM Constitution & By-Laws Changes
 - Dec. 3 Sun AMVETS Pearl Harbor Service at 1:30 PM Armory 9am-2pm.
- 2007
- Feb. 11 Sun LINC MO Meeting 11:30 am
 - Mar. 11 Sun LINC MO Meeting 11:30 PM
 - Apr. 15 Sun LINC MO Meeting 11:30 PM
 - May 6 Sun LINC MO Meeting 11:30 PM
 - May 27 Sun Memorial Day Service at L.I. National 2 PM
 - Jun 10 Sun LINC MO Meeting 11:30 PM
 - Sept 9 Sun LINC MO Meeting 11:30 PM
 - Oct 14 Sun LINC MO Meeting 11:30 PM Election of Officers
 - Nov 4 Sun LINC MO Vets Day Services at 2 PM

VET CEMETERY FLORIDA

A 569-acre property owned by the City of Jacksonville FL will become the site of a national cemetery to serve the burial needs of north Florida's veterans for 30 years or more.

VA could start burials in the summer of 2009.

VET CEMETERY NEW JERSEY

Recently the Department of Veterans Affairs announced the award of a \$3.8 million grant to the state of New Jersey to expand the Brig. Gen. William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery in North Hanover Township. The grant will cover the cost to develop approximately seven acres, which will result in an additional 1,556 single and 3,392 double-crypt gravesites.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Tony Arico, President

I wish to thank the members of LINC MO for their trust in me to fulfill the officer of President. With your help I will continue the great accomplishments of the LINC MO team.

President Graber's Testimonial Speech

Oct. 8, 2006

Comrades, distinguished guests, and friends of the veterans.

Some people have the extra ordinary gift of being able to speak extemporaneously, without notes or prompting. I am not one of them. I have too many thoughts simultaneously floating in my head and confusing my speech. So, I have made myself a few notes such as K I S S.

Each year we elect and install a new president and staff. We ceremoniously pass on the president's gavel and retire the ex-president with a gift and the opportunity to say a few farewell words. This is not my farewell, just a time out between rounds because we still have lot of work that has to be completed.

This past year is the culmination of five years of the dedicated work of going up the chairs as our new officers are doing. Chaplain Ken Cadieux, the American Legion; secretary Bob Fullam, Veterans of Foreign Wars; treasurer Chet

Smiley, Marine Corps League; vice president Dorothy Oxendine, American Gold Star Mothers; and president Tony Arico, Disabled American Veterans. I have represented the Jewish War Veterans.

Five years of working with the most cooperative, knowledgeable, energetic and patriotic team any leader could wish to lead. A team whose members are holding or have held high office in their respective organizations at County, State and National levels. People who respect the sanctity of the last resting place of hundreds of thousands of veterans who had put themselves in harms way, veterans, eternally resting side by side with their compatriots, irrespective of ethnicity or religious persuasion, in the hallowed grounds of one of the largest National Cemeteries in our nation.

Annually, many visitors come to help us pay homage to these patriots on Veteran's Day and Memorial Day. It is the voluntary obligation of the Long Island National Cemetery Memorial Organization to arrange the programs, conduct the services and see to the comfort of our welcomed guests. I believe we have done so.

We have provided two large tents to shelter our guests from the sun and weather as they sit on comfortably padded chairs. We also provide the Public Address system.



On Memorial Day and Veterans Day, we have arranged for a shuttle bus to meet the train at the Pinelawn railroad station and to return the passengers to the station at the end of services. Those visitors without transportation can now be transported to services or to visit gravesites, by a 4 person electric golf cart, donated through us by LIPA.

The Carillon which has lain dormant for many years due to disrepair and lack of funds will again be put back into use through the funds of our organization.

We aid in the annual flagging of over 330,000 graves by many volunteer groups and provide funds and personnel to feed them. Many of these groups are Boy scouts, Girl scouts and Cub scouts who are eligible for credit towards their merit badges.

When 26 aged flagpoles had to be replaced due to years of wear and weather, our member organizations with great enthusiasm underwrote the purchase of 50 new flagpoles and flags which we intend to dedicate this Veterans Day. Each flagpole will bear a brass plate engraved with the donor's name, thanks to the efforts of our Past President Frank Tobani.

We are great supporters for the installation of Columbariums (resting places for cremated remains) When the first unit of 5000 was installed, we supplied at great cost, the new plants and shrubs to be put into the very spacious flower holders.

Our latest project, which we have espoused for many years, is the creation and installation of a 'Memorial Garden', for the many visitors who travel long ways to visit our hallowed grounds. We believe their visit would be enhanced if they could retreat and rest in a place of beauty and quiet reflection The government has finally given us the go ahead and with your indispensable help, we intend to create a lasting, beautiful memorial garden.

We have received the highest order of cooperation from the cemetery administration in working to make this cemetery a National Shrine. I especially want to thank the Deputy Director Nadine and the power behind the throne, office manager Annette for their assistance in making this last year a heartfelt, wonderful experience. Thank you all for the high privilege of serving you and our honored interred veterans.



New Officers Sworn In

PP Frank Tobani Swears in the new LINC MO Officers for 2006-2007
(L-R) Secretary Bob Fullam (VFW) President Tony Arico (DAV) 1st V.P. Dorothy Oxendine, (Gold Star Mothers) Treasurer Chet Smiley, (M.C. League) & Chaplain Ken Cadieux (N.C. Legion)



Max Receives his Presidents Plaque from Frank Tobani
 PP



New Electronic Bugle for LINC MO

A New Electronic Bugle was presented to Max Graber by Robert Reahl, Nassau County Commander of the American Legion on behalf of all Veterans Organizations. To be used at the Cemetery by any veterans group.

The Bugle may be checked out at the Cemetery Office and used for any service on the cemetery grounds by any veterans organization and must be returned to the office after the service.

The \$525.00 cost was raised by the sale of items to all the participating veteran's groups who belong to LINC MO and the Nassau County Veteran's Advisory Committee.

Ken Cadieux Demonstrated the quality of the Bugle by playing taps.

FLAG POLES TO BE DEDICATED

On Veterans Day the 50 new flag poles will be dedicated. All poles have been tagged with the donor Organizations name and they will be displayed throughout the Cemetery for all to see. Our thanks to all who donated the funds to provide the poles.

Your LINC MO Board

Military Funeral Honors

Military funeral honors as organized under the Department of Defense military funeral honors program "Honoring Those Who Served," should be arranged through the funeral home.

Local numbers for Military Funeral Honors:

U.S. Air Force

Phone: (609) 754-1100 ext 4117

Fax: (609) 754-3711

U.S. Army

Phone: (718) 329-3926 ext 13

Fax: (718) 329-4599

U.S. Marine Corps

Phone: (866) 826-3628

U.S. Navy and U.S. Coast Guard

Phone: (631) 842-4850 ext 34

Fax: (631) 789-9168

The words for Taps

Day is done, Gone the sun
 From the lakes, From the hills,
 From the skies
 All is well
 Safely rest God is nigh
 Fading light Dims the sight
 And a star Gems the sky
 Gleaming bright From afar
 Drawing nigh Falls the night
 Thanks and praise, For our days
 Neath the sun, Neath the stars
 Neath the sky
 As we go This we know
 God is nigh