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## Meetings

The Chapter 120 membership meeting will be held on Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 7:00pm in the Machinists Union Hall, 357 Main St., East Hartford.

The Board of Directors will meet on Thursday, December 27 at 7:00pm. Call the Chapter office for any changes in schedule. Chapter members are welcomed to attend.

## Notice

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## Holiday Dinner Dance

Saturday – December 1, 2018

7 – 11:30pm

Dinner at 7:45pm



**Machinists Union Hall**

357 Main Street

East Hartford, CT 06118

Phone: (860) 568-9212

Music By

DJ Jeff Morgan



Singles - \$20

Couples - \$35

BYOB/Setups Available – Raffles - Prizes

**Open to the Public**

**Bring Your Family and Friends!**

*Proceeds Benefit Area Veterans and Their Families*

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***Happy Holidays to All!***

*From The  
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*Chapter/State News*

**Chapter 120 Life Member shares Father's Poem**



After his father passed away on October 18th of this year at age 96, Chapter 120 Life member Chuck Slenker found a poem his father had written about the Vietnam War – “Honor At Last”.

Chuck's father, Charles A. Slenker, served with the 631st Tank Destroyer Battalion under General Patton's 3rd Army during World War II. He was very proud of serving.

**Honor At Last**

*From every corner of these United States they came;  
For a costly war was the name of the game.  
Then sent to a remote corner of the world to fight;  
Yes! To fight for what they believe was right.  
Each one was something special to someone;  
They were someone's friend, sweetheart, daughter, or son.*

*We cannot escape the facts of war, this is true;  
The death and destruction has affected both me and you.  
We have all paid the price in many, many ways;  
Our loved ones went to war, while we counted the days.  
These young men and women were our country's pride;  
They served our country well, while many have died.*

*After many years we still reflect on healing the wounds of war;  
With memorials to remember those who have gone on before.  
The inescapable scars of war can never be left behind;  
Like indelible ink, memories are scarred in their mind.  
They have given nothing short of their very best;  
As veterans, they'll historically join all the rest.*

*Now they've found their way back into society's mainstream;  
For a peaceful life has always been their dream.  
Recognizing their deeds should be the order of the day;  
Honor at last, each have earned in their own way.  
They gave so much for so many for so little acknowledgement;  
As it was not their choice where they were sent.*

*It was an unpopular war with seemingly nothing to gain;  
Whether we won or lost the controversy will remain.  
They answered our country's call as many have done before;  
They were jeered and shunned as they returned from that war.  
Now may we honor these here and also of the past;  
For they served their country well, now it's Honor At Last.*



**Birthday Wishes**

Birthday wishes go to our members born in December. May you have many more!

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|---------------------|-------------------|
| Donna S. Anderson   | Albert J. Couture |
| Patrick L. Dube     | Craig Jordan      |
| George R. Koehler   | Robert A. Lathrop |
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| Jeffrey Rohan       | Claude D. Roy     |
| Mitchell A. Slowick | Karl Smith        |
| L. David Waggoner   | Brian Wall        |
| Chris B. Williams   |                   |

***Happy Birthday!***

## Chapter Member Visits School for Veterans Day

Peter Lund, Chapter 120 Life member, visited the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class at Somers elementary school for Veterans Day. Pete's daughter, Jill, teaches the class and has invited Pete to her class for the past several years. "Kids loved it", Pete told the newsletter editor.



## Fallen Star Memorial established to honor fallen heroes, families in East Hartford

Dozens gathered to see plans for a new memorial dedicated to honor the lives of fallen heroes and their families on Saturday Nov. 17 in East Hartford.

Unveiled on Saturday afternoon, volunteers and families who helped foster the project attended a showing of plans on how to best honor Connecticut's 30,000 men and women who have given their lives in services to our nation.



The Fallen Star Memorial, which will consist of three bronze statues, will be located on the campus of Goodwin College.

Money is being raised to support the project, estimated to be approximately \$300,000.

Volunteers are planning a star in the center of the design and the imagery of a seated woman holding a photo and dog tags of her beloved hero, contemplating the fallen star. The design will also feature a man and a child paying their respect to their fallen heroes.

For more details and donations, please go to: [www.goodwin.edu/CTfallenstar](http://www.goodwin.edu/CTfallenstar)

## VVA Membership Change

On October 20, 2018, VVA's National Board of Directors passed a motion to have one class of membership: Life membership. All active and pending three-year members have been converted to life members. This change is reflected on the October 2018 membership roster.

After October 31, 2018, all dues payments received for one-year membership will be refunded along with instructions for renewing as a life member. Active one-year members will remain active until their current term expires and are invited to renew as life members thereafter. The link to the new membership application is <https://vva.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/APPLICATION-FOR-MEMBERSHIP.pdf>.

## POW/MIA News



From Military.com

## South Korea Unearths Nine Sets of War Dead Remains inside DMZ

South Korea has unearthed nine sets of remains of war dead on Nov. 19, including a rare, relatively intact skeleton, during a mine-clearance operation inside the heavily fortified border that divides the peninsula, the

military said.

The defense ministry announced it had recovered five sets of remains, including one that "appears to be complete," during work in the Cheorwon area northeast of Seoul. It released a photo of the skeleton, which still had a shoe on one foot.

"All the five sets have been determined during the on-site investigation to be the remains of war dead," the ministry said in a press release. They will be sent to the ministry's agency for the recovery and identification of troops killed in action, known as MAKRI, for DNA analysis and further identification.

The total number of remains found since the operation began Oct. 1 at Arrowhead Hill is now nine. The site saw fierce fighting during the war, which ended in an armistice instead of a peace treaty.

Major fighting at Arrowhead, also known as Hill 281, involved American, French, South Korean and Chinese forces, according to retired Lt. Col. Steve Tharp, a military history expert who is researching the battles. The North Koreans were farther east and would not have been involved, he said.

The joint effort to remove land mines and excavate remains from the DMZ, a 2.5-mile wide, 155-mile long no man's land, is part of an inter-Korean military pact that was reached during a summit between the two countries in September.

Some 7,675 Americans remain unaccounted for since the war, with an estimated 5,300 believed to be on the North Korean side. More than 133,000 South Koreans are still missing from the conflict, according to the defense ministry.

The Americans initially captured Arrowhead in 1951 and suffered major losses in attacks in August 1952 when the 9th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division, was in control, according to Tharp.

A French battalion took over in October 1952 and fought with South Korean soldiers on nearby White Horse Hill as the area came under heavy attack by the Chinese, who also released a dam upstream to flood the river and block the U.N. from sending reinforcements, he said.

“The French hung on, but they did lose some people there,” Tharp said.

The next major battle in the area occurred toward the end of the war when the Chinese attacked South Korean soldiers as part of a surge in fighting to gain ground before the armistice was signed on July 27.

**On The Hill**



**Here's What Incoming Democratic Leaders Have in Mind for VA**

Rep. Mark Takano, D-Calif., is set to become the Veterans Affairs Committee chairman after the current ranking member, Rep. Tim Walz, D-Minn., leaves the House to become governor of his home state. He laid out his vision for what a Democratic-controlled committee would look like when addressing the American Legion earlier this year. Takano vowed to work across the aisle, with the Trump administration and VA Secretary Robert Wilkie and veterans’ service organizations. He said with “proper staffing” and a “new focus” on

improving management, VA could deliver the care veterans deserve.

“Next Congress, I am going to work with you to fill the more than 30,000 employee vacancies across the VA that prevent veterans from accessing the benefits they have earned,” Takano said. He added, “While there will always be some form of care in the community to support the mission of the VA to serve veterans, I have great concerns about potential efforts to profiteer off of veterans. This would undermine veterans’ health care and as long as I’m in Congress, I will never let VA health care be privatized.”

In a Military.com op-ed, Takano said Democrats would release a 10-year plan that will “reimagine how the VA can deliver

high-quality care, improve management, ensure proper staffing and fill essential employee vacancies.” He also promised “proper oversight of the VA and the Trump administration.”

**Veterans Affairs News**



*From Government Executive*

**VA Secretary Expects Budget Increase despite Trump’s Order to Slash Spending**

The head of the Veterans Affairs Department expects his agency will see

its largest budget ever in 2020, despite a request from President Trump for all agencies to slash spending by 5 percent.

Asked at a National Press Club event in downtown Washington on Friday Nov.9 if VA will be subject to the cuts, VA Secretary Robert Wilkie conceded he has been “asked to offer ideas” on reductions. He declined to discuss what those ideas might look like, noting that he has yet to share them with the president. He added, however, that the administration is in just the opening stages of fiscal 2020 budget negotiations.

“Regardless of what comes out of budget process,” Wilkie said, “I am convinced that the veterans’ budget by the time it gets through both chambers of Congress will replace this last veterans’ budget as largest in our history.”

Congress allocated \$209 billion to VA in fiscal 2019, a 6 percent increase over the previous year.

Wilkie laid out his broad vision for VA during his address on Nov. 9, promising a smoother operation than the one overseen by his predecessor David Shulkin. Trump fired Shulkin earlier this year following an ethics scandal and after the secretary waged open war on White House staffers and other political appointees at the department. He called the state of VA “better,” citing a “more experienced team in place.”

“The turmoil of the first half of this year at the department of Veterans Affairs is over,” Wilkie said, later adding that his “job has been to calm the waters.”

Shulkin has, for his part, fired back at Trump, calling the president’s administration chaotic and driven by political motivations rather than outcomes that would best serve veterans.

Wilkie praised Congress for giving VA a “roadmap for success,” pointing to the VA Accountability and Whistleblower Protection Act for making it easier to fire badly behaving or performing employees and the VA Mission Act for enabling more veterans to seek health care outside of the department. Wilkie also spelled out four broad areas he will prioritize as secretary.

First, as many previous secretaries have done, Wilkie promised to improve customer service. That will include “cross-pollinating ideas” so people are “no longer homesteading in one

office.” In implementing the Mission Act, he said VA would consolidate community care programs to make accessing private care easier for veterans and providers to navigate.

Second, he vowed to make progress on standing up an electronic health record platform that would seamlessly communicate with the Defense Department, though recent reports suggest the project is mired in technical shortcomings and infighting. Wilkie said the system would connect VA not just to Defense but also to the private sector, while promising to keep his department as the “central node in all of our veterans’ health.”

Third, the secretary said VA was “doing miracles” in addressing the opioid crisis, pointing to the 51 percent decline in the department’s opioid prescriptions. He said VA was working to improve communication with the private sector so the department could track all veterans’ prescriptions to know when they were on a “dangerous spectrum.”

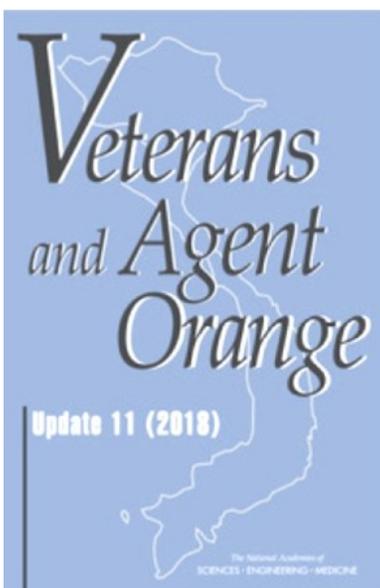
Finally, Wilkie said he would “transform” VA’s business systems. He suggested the department is facing the same operational problems it has dealt with for decades and said specifically he will improve its supply chain and acquisition management.

With Democrats soon to take control of the House, Wilkie said he expects to “answer more questions,” although he recently told Democrats on the House Veterans Affairs Committee he would not discuss the controversial influence members of the Trump-owned Florida resort Mar-a-Lago had over decision-making at VA, citing an ongoing lawsuit.

*From The National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine*

## National Academies Veterans and Agent Orange Report Update 11

*Hypertension Upgraded in Latest Biennial*



The latest in a series of congressionally mandated biennial reviews of the evidence of health problems that may be linked to exposure to Agent Orange and other herbicides used during the Vietnam War found sufficient evidence of an association for hypertension and monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS). The committee that carried out the study and wrote the report, Veterans and Agent Orange: Update 11 (2018), focused

on the scientific literature published between Sept. 30, 2014, and Dec. 31, 2017.

Hypertension was moved to the category of “sufficient” evidence of an association from its previous classification in the “limited or suggestive” category. The sufficient category indicates that there is enough epidemiologic evidence to conclude that there is a positive association. A finding of limited or suggestive evidence means that epidemiologic research results suggest an association between exposure to herbicides and a particular outcome, but a firm conclusion is limited because chance, bias, and confounding factors could not be ruled out with confidence. The committee came to this conclusion in part based on a recent study of U.S. Vietnam veterans by researchers from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), which found that self-reported hypertension rates were highest among former military personnel who had the greatest opportunity for exposure to these chemicals.

The committee concluded that there was sufficient evidence of an association between exposure to at least one of the chemicals of interest and MGUS, a newly considered condition. This finding is based on a recent study in which investigators found a statistically significant higher prevalence of MGUS in Vietnam veterans involved in herbicide spray operations than in comparison veterans. MGUS is a clinically silent condition that is a precursor to the cancer multiple myeloma, but only an estimated 1 percent of MGUS cases progress to multiple myeloma each year.

While some new studies suggest an association might exist between exposure to the chemicals of interest and Type 2 diabetes, the committee could not come to a consensus on whether this and the other available evidence continued to be limited or suggestive, or merited elevation to sufficient. Both newly and previously reviewed studies consistently show a relationship between well-characterized exposures to dioxin and dioxin-like chemicals and measures of diabetes health outcomes in diverse cohorts, including Vietnam veteran populations. The risk factors for diabetes, such as age, obesity, and family history of the disease, were controlled for in the analyses of most studies reviewed. However, some members of the committee believed that the lack of exposure specificity and the potential for residual uncontrolled confounding influences complicated attribution of the outcome to the chemicals of interest.

In addition, VA asked the committee to focus on three health outcomes: possible generational health effects that may be the result of herbicide exposure among male Vietnam veterans, myeloproliferative neoplasms, and glioblastoma multiforme. The evidence of association for exposure to the chemicals of interest and glioblastoma (and other brain cancers) remains inadequate or insufficient, the committee concluded. While it is appropriate for VA be mindful of the concerns raised about the possible association between Vietnam service and glioblastoma, the outcome is so rare and the information concerning herbicide exposures so imprecise, that it is doubtful that any logistically and economically feasible epidemiologic study of veterans would produce meaningful results regarding the association between exposures and the disease. For this reason, the committee recommended that VA should focus on fostering advancements to inform improved glioblastoma treatment options.

There are relatively few studies on the health effects of paternal chemical exposures on their descendants, and none address Vietnam veterans specifically. Therefore, the committee recommended further specific study of the health of descendants of male Vietnam veterans.

Myeloproliferative neoplasms and myelodysplastic syndromes are diseases of the blood cells and bone marrow. The committee's search of epidemiologic literature yielded only one relevant paper on these diseases – a study of these cancers in Vietnam veterans that was reviewed in a previous update. Given this paucity of research, the committee recommended that investigators should examine existing databases on myeloid diseases to determine whether there are data available that would allow for an evaluation of myeloproliferative neoplasms in Vietnam veterans and others who have been exposed to dioxin and the other chemicals of interest.

Although progress has been made in understanding the health effects of military herbicide exposure and the mechanisms underlying these effects, significant gaps in knowledge remain. The committee restated recommendations for research activities outlined in previous updates in this series, including toxicologic, mechanistic, and epidemiologic research. Such work should include efforts to gain more complete knowledge through the integration of information in existing U.S. Department of Defense and VA databases.

The committee noted that the difficulty in conducting research on Vietnam veteran health issues should not act as a barrier to carrying out such work. There are many questions regarding veterans' health that can only be adequately answered by examining veterans themselves, thereby properly accounting for the totality of the military service experience.

The study was sponsored by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine are private, nonprofit institutions that provide independent, objective analysis and advice to the nation to solve complex problems and inform public policy decisions related to science, technology, and medicine. They operate under an 1863 congressional charter to the National Academy of Sciences, signed by President Lincoln. For more information, visit [nationalacademies.org](http://nationalacademies.org).

*From Associated Press*

## Judge allows class-action lawsuit by mentally ill veterans denied VA health benefits



Thousands of Navy and Marine Corps veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan who developed post-traumatic stress disorder but were denied Veterans Affairs health benefits have been given a green light to sue the military, under a ruling by a federal judge in Connecticut.

Senior U.S. District Judge Charles Haight Jr. in New Haven on Thursday Nov. 15 certified a class-

action lawsuit against Navy Secretary Richard Spencer by veterans who say they were unfairly given less-than-honorable discharges for minor infractions linked to their untreated mental health problems.

The discharge designation prevents them from getting VA benefits including mental health treatment.

“This decision is a victory for the tens of thousands of military veterans suffering from service-connected PTSD and TBI (traumatic brain injury),” lead plaintiff and Marine veteran Tyson Manker, of Jacksonville, Illinois, said in a statement on Friday Nov. 16. “The fact that the Court has now recognized this class of veterans is further evidence of the Department of Defense's disgraceful violation of the legal rights of the men and women who have served their country.”

Navy officials did not immediately return messages seeking comment. The Connecticut U.S. Attorney's Office, which is defending the Navy against the lawsuit, declined to comment.

In a court filing, a federal prosecutor listed several reasons why a class-action lawsuit should be rejected, including that the plaintiffs could reapply for discharge upgrades under new rules put in place last year that call for more leniency for veterans with mental health problems.

Yale Law School students are representing the veterans and have filed a similar lawsuit against the Army. They say nearly a third of the more than 2 million Americans who served in Iraq or Afghanistan suffer from PTSD and related mental health conditions and the military is issuing less-than-honorable discharges at historically high rates, often for minor infractions attributable to undiagnosed mental illness.

Last year, the discharge review boards for the Army and Air Force granted about 51 percent of discharge upgrade applications involving PTSD, while the Navy board granted only 16 percent. Haight called the discrepancy “stark.”

*From Momentum (The National MS Society magazine)*

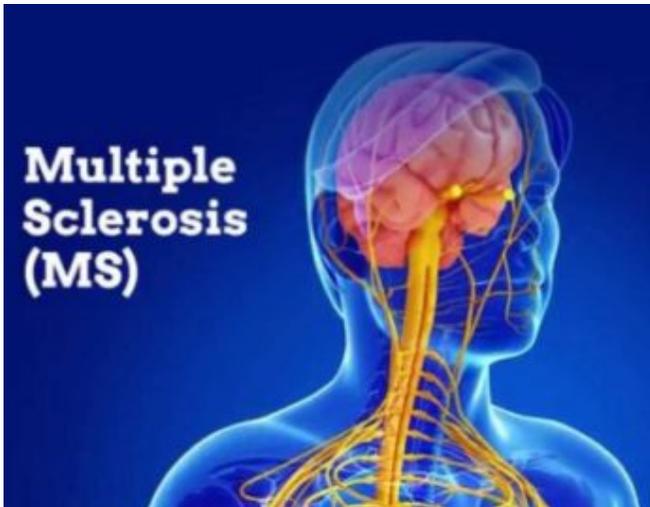
## 60,000 U.S. military veterans live with Multiple Sclerosis

The men and women of the U.S. military serve in many ways and on many different fronts. And thousands of these veterans also face a unique challenge: multiple sclerosis.

An estimated 60,000 U.S. military veterans live with MS. The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) provides care to more than 20,000 of them annually. Many receive care and treatment at the VHA-affiliated MS Centers of Excellence (MSCoE), a network with dozens of clinics across the country that offer comprehensive care to veterans with MS. This care is provided by a highly trained team of specialists that includes neurologists, psychiatrists, psychologists, physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech-language pathologists, nurses and social workers.

“Some veterans living with MS get treated in the private sector without realizing the fabulous benefits they may be able to

access at the VHA,” says Jodie Haselkorn, MD, director of the MSCoE-West, located jointly in Seattle and in Portland, Oregon. “The VHA has access to all the FDA-approved disease-modifying therapies (DMTs) for MS. That’s not always the case in the private sector, and it enables us to make sure that veterans living with MS get on a safe, appropriate treatment that will have the most benefits.”



The centers coordinate and provide clinical care, rehabilitation services, education and information processing, and telehealth services. To gain a better understanding of MS, the centers conduct laboratory, clinical, epidemiological and health services research.

To help prevent burnout among caregivers, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) provides respite care services for eligible veterans whose caregivers need some relief. Home health aides, adult day health centers and community living centers are available. The services show that “the VHA recognizes how important caregivers are in helping veterans to manage living with MS,” Dr. Haselkorn says.

One ongoing research initiative at the VA—the Million Veteran Program—seeks to collect and perform whole genome screening on 1 million veterans as part of an effort to help untangle links between genes and MS. “MS is a complex disorder with a genetic component, but it’s unclear how much of an effect each gene has on the disease,” says Mitch Wallin, MD, director of the MSCoE-East in Baltimore, Maryland, and Washington, D.C. “We can only hope to sort out these connections if we can analyze a large number of genomes, so I would encourage any veteran with MS to sign up for the program.”

### Service-connected status

Service-connected (SC) status plays an important role in determining a veteran’s priority group rating with the VHA. Veterans with a higher priority group rating may have access to more health care benefits at lower or no cost in the VHA system. Other factors such as financial resources, wartime service and honors also play a role in determining a veteran’s priority group status and access to the VA’s health system.

Since MS can be difficult to diagnose promptly, the VHA generally presumes veterans are eligible for SC status if they are diagnosed with MS while on active duty or within seven years after an honorable discharge.

Dr. Wallin notes that veterans who are diagnosed with MS more than seven years after they have been discharged may still be able to obtain SC status if they can show evidence that their MS symptoms occurred during active duty or within seven years after they were honorably discharged.

While some veterans living with MS opt for private care, Dr. Haselkorn says there are other good reasons for them to seek treatment at a VHA facility. “At the VHA, we’re accustomed to dealing with veterans living with MS. We appreciate and honor their service,” she says. “I believe many of our patients benefit from the camaraderie they find at the VHA. When they roll or walk into one of our facilities, they find a group of people who really understand them, where they have been and what they are going through now.”

## 50 Years Ago

**December 1 - OPERATION SPEEDY EXPRESS.** Elements of the 9th Infantry Division begin a multi-month counter-insurgency operation against Viet Cong troops in the northern Mekong Delta. The operation lasts until the end of May 1969, by which point official reports record almost 750 captured enemy weapons and nearly 11,000 enemy casualties. Approximately 40 U.S. personnel are killed while about 300 are wounded during the operation. Multiple journalists question the high ratio of enemy casualties to weapons captured, and some allege that a significant number of civilians were killed. Army officials reply that the recovery of enemy weapons during the operation had been difficult due to the nature of the swampy terrain and the fighting, as well as the number of engagements occurring at night or involving aviation units.

**December 3 - JOHN NOBLE HOLOCOMB, MEDAL OF HONOR**

**December 6 - NAVY BEGINS PATROLS NEAR CAMBODIA IN OPERATION GIANT SLINGSHOT.** Navy riverine forces begin regular patrols on the Vam Co Dong and Vam Co Tay rivers west of Saigon, South Vietnam, as part of Operation GIANT SLINGSHOT, an effort to stem the flow of supplies from the so-called Parrot’s Beak area of Cambodia. The operation is turned over to the Vietnam Navy on May 5, 1970 after 1,200 firefights with the enemy.

**December 8 - KARL G. TAYLOR, SR., MEDAL OF HONOR**

**December 29 - DAVID P. NASH, MEDAL OF HONOR**

**December 30 - ROBERT L. HOWARD, MEDAL OF HONOR**

## Helping Hands for Our Fellow Veterans



### ***Won't You Please Give a Helping Hand to a Brother or Sister Veteran?***

Several veterans have contacted Chapter 120 asking for help in paying the most basic of needs for themselves and their families. These veterans are those who do not qualify for regular federal, state or local assistance – they fall into that financial category where they make too much to qualify for assistance, but not enough to afford basic needs for their families, like food, fuel for heat, or clothing for their children.

Chapter 120 has decided to ask you – our members – to lend a helping hand to your fellow veterans and their families. Won't you please consider donating for this worthy cause? Even a small amount of \$5 can make a difference – or more if you can afford to help a fellow veteran and his or her family.

Please send your generous gift, made out to Connecticut Chapter 120, to:

Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc.  
Connecticut Chapter 120  
Attention: Helping Hands for Veterans  
P.O. Box 4136  
Hartford, CT 06145

Chapter 120 has established a separate line item in the budget to collect donations to assist these fellow veterans and their families in need. *And don't forget, your donations are tax deductible.*

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