

The Veterans View



Thank you for your Service

Veterans Day 11/11/2015

Meet our new VUB Tutor



Introducing Brandon OreBaugh

A former Wichita North High Redskin Brandon graduation from North High school in the class of 2000. He attended Wichita State University and will graduate in the Spring of 2018 with a degree in Mechanical

Engineering. Following his high school graduation Brandon served in the U.S. Air Force from June 2001 to May 2012 as an Avionics Technician. He was deployed to the U.A.E., Diego Garcia, and Crete. PCS locations included Travis AFB in California, Tinker AFB in Oklahoma City, OK and Anderson AFB in Guam.

Brandon joined the VUB staff as a tutor in April of 2015. His special tutoring courses are Math, English, and Science. We are so glad to have Brandon to support one of the many services that the Veterans Upward Bound Program offers.



VUB Staff Reflects on the Meaning of Veteran's Day



I have much respect for the men and women who have served and protected this country, giving of themselves and asking for so little in return. I am so humbled. Veteran's Day is a special day where we all can take time to be thankful for our military friends and family, the lost and forgotten, and to honor them with love, kindness, prayers and thanks.

—Shukura Bakari-Cozart, Executive Director—TRIO Veterans Upward Bound

We should honor and respect our Veterans every day and 11 November is an extra special day to recognize those that have sacrificed and served in the Armed Forces of our country."

- Brad Webster, Program Specialist—TRIO Veterans Upward Bound

First I'd like to say that I am so privileged to work for a program that honors some of the finest human beings in the U.S. Veterans Day gives me the opportunity to show just how much I appreciate the men and women, who have sacrificed their lives to make my living safer and better. For all the challenges that these men and women have faced, this day makes sense. This day gives them hope and is a day that can bring about new beginnings. Thank you for your service!

—Sheri Daniel-Washington, Data Specialist/Office Coordinator, TRIO Veterans Upward Bound

To me, Veterans Day is a time to reflect upon the sacrifices made by those who have served this country. It is a day to honor all veterans and to spend time with those (veterans) in our families or otherwise. Don't be afraid to tell a random veteran "Thank you for protecting this country" on veterans day.

— Stacia Lyday, Program Specialist, TRIO Veterans Upward Bound

Veterans Day to me is a designated day to honor and give special thanks to the men and women who have served our country. Members of the military have fought to maintain civilian freedom and preserve the quality of this great nation. So on this momentous day (11/11/15) I would like to say THANK YOU!

—Shondella Umeh, Program Specialist, TRIO Veterans Upward Bound

VUB Legend

Leavenworth National Cemetery



Leavenworth National Cemetery is associated with the Western Branch of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers; one of 11 facilities which served as precursors for Veterans Administration Medical Centers. Today the cemetery encompasses 128.8 acres at the southeast portion of the facility.

Prior to the construction of the healthcare facility, the land had been part of a Delaware Indian reservation, and later the Stockbridge (Indian) Baptist Mission. The cemetery was designed concurrent to construction of the first buildings of the National Home; 17 structures were completed by 1886, the same year Thomas Brennan was interred. The design of the cemetery landscape is attributed to H. W. S. Cleveland, with roads that wind up the hill overlooking the Missouri River valley.

The "Old Soldier's Home," as it was known colloquially, became an integral component of the community. The first local trolley line connected Ft. Leavenworth and the soldier's home by way of the town of Leavenworth.

The medical facility was transferred to the Veterans Administration (VA) when it was formed in 1930. The cemetery was elevated to national cemetery status and transferred to the new National Cemetery System within VA in 1973. Among the noteworthy burials are the remains of 12 Native Americans that were discovered during the excavation for a new medical building and were reinterred in the National Cemetery. Six Medal of Honor recipients are buried here.

Historic structures in the cemetery include the rest house, a small rustic limestone structure erected in 1921; a 1928 tool house, and a Classical Revival limestone rostrum or "speakers stand," built in 1936. The cemetery was listed on the National Register of Historic Places as a component of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Medical Center Historic District, the former Western Branch of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, in 1999.

Monuments and Memorials

A limestone obelisk monument erected in memory of "Soldiers Who Died For Their Country" was dedicated in 1919. Situated atop the crest of a hill, the monument overlooks the Missouri River valley from the highest ridge of the cemetery. The monument was transported by the Santa Fe Railroad and moved to its present location in 1919 by prisoners and a team of oxen from the state prison in Lansing. Among the graves in this section are early governors (managers) of the soldier's home and their families.

The American Veterans (AMVETS) donated a carillon to the cemetery in 2000.

The "Fighting Fourth" Marine Monument was erected by the Fourth Marine Division Association and dedicated in 2002.

Medal of Honor Recipients

Private William W. Burritt, (Civil War), U.S. Army, Company G, 113th Illinois Infantry. Vicksburg, Miss., April 27, 1863 (Section 16, Grave 7).

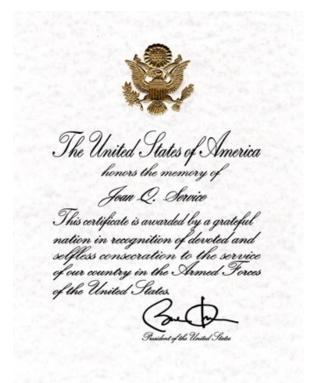
- First Lieutenant (then Corporal) Daniel A. Dorsey (Civil War) U.S. Army, Company H, 33rd Ohio Infantry. Big Shanty, Ga., April 1862 (Section 11, Grave 8).
- Sergeant John S. Durham, (Civil War) U.S. Army, Company F, 1st Wisconsin Infantry. Perryville, Ky., Oct. 8, 1862 (Section 33, Grave18).
- Sergeant William Garrett, (Civil War) U.S. Navy, Company G, 41st Ohio Infantry. Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 16, 1864 (Section 32, Grave 26).
- Musician (then Private) John Gray (Civil War), U.S. Army, Company B, 5th Ohio Infantry. Port Republic, Va., June 9, 1862 (Section 9, Grave 23).
- First Sergeant John H. Shingle, (Indian Campaigns) U.S. Army, Troop I, 3rd U.S. Cavalry. Rosebud River, Mont., June 17, 1876 (Section 22, Grave 2).

During the construction of Building 122 on the Medical Center grounds, the remains of 12 Native Americans were uncovered. They were reinterred in a single grave, Section 34, Row 21, Grave 8, the only group burial in the cemetery. It is believed that they belonged to a small band of Christian Indians, the Munsees, who during the early 1800s were permitted to settle on land now occupied by the Dwight D. Eisenhower Department of Veteran Affairs Medical Center

Presidential Memorial Certificates

A Presidential Memorial Certificate (PMC) is an engraved paper certificate, signed by the current President, to honor the memory of honorably discharged deceased Veterans. This program was initiated in March 1962 by President John F. Kennedy and has been continued by all subsequent Presidents. Statutory authority for the program is

Section 112, Title 38, of the United States Code.



FUTURE FOCUS

5th H.O.O.A.H. KS—Victory for 22 Ruck March

Join the 1st annual 2.2 Mile and 10km Suicide Awareness March on November 14, 2015. This event serves to raise money for Veteran suicide awareness and prevention. Since the most recent study shows 22 Veterans commit suicide every day, this event is a 2.2 mile rucksack march with a 10km route option for those who are adventurous and committed to this cause.

Wichita Veterans' Memorial Park 339 W Central Ave, Wichita, KS 67202

Registration: 7:00AM to 8:30AM Official Welcome: 8:30AM March Instruction...s: 8:40AM National Anthem: 8:55AM

Start: 9:00AM

Registration fee is \$22 and includes a *T-shirtIt will take place in Wichita beginning at Veterans Memorial Park and following the Arkansas River through many of Wichita's scenic attractions. - See more at: http://www.hooahinc.org/5thHOOAH/ruck-march#sthash.IkMXl67v.dpuf

Veterans Day Film:

Mulvane High School has opened up their auditorium to show this film twice on Veterans Day. 11 am and 6 pm. The school will also open up their commons area for organization to set up tables that offer assistance and help to veterans. There will also be counsellors available if any one needs to talk."

Veterans Preference Program

WSU- The university's new Veterans Preference program is designed to attract more veterans to work for the university. Wichita State University has initiated a new outreach program -- Veterans Preference in the Application Process -- in an effort to attract more veterans of military service to work for the university. Veterans Preference reflects Wichita State's recognition of the unique talents, skills and experiences that former service personnel offer. To discover career opportunities for veterans at Wichita State, go to wichita.edu/employment/wsuveterans.

Boots to Business Reboot Owning a Veteran-Owned Small Business

Friday, November 6 from 8:00—5:00 at WSU Metroplex, 5015 E. 29th N.

1-day entrepreneurship workshop we are offering for Veterans, Kansas National Guard, and Active Duty Service Members (and all spouses) set for Friday, November 6th at Wichita State University. The workshop is free but participants are required to register in advance as seating is limited.

To register visit www.boots2business.org/reboot, select the "Two-Day Course Registration" followed by "Wichita, KS $- \frac{11}{6}/2015$ " in the site selection menu. For additional information please contact Doug Clary at (316) 269-6571 or by email at douglas.clary@sba.gov.

The Spirit AeroSystems Veterans Day Parade Wichita, Kansas

Saturday-November 7, 2015—Start at 11:00 a.m.

Please attend the parade and help Commemorate the 70th
Anniversary of the end of World War II.

Presented in partnership with USD259 JROTC





FROM THE GREATEST GENERATION TO THE LATEST GENERATION THANK A VETERAN



In honor of our Hispanic/Latino men and women who have served our country in all branches of the United States Forces,

We invite you to join us for a celebration on November 10th at 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the Evergreen Park and Recreation Center.

Let's take this opportunity to thank our Veterans, and recognize the significant sacrifices they've made on our behalf.

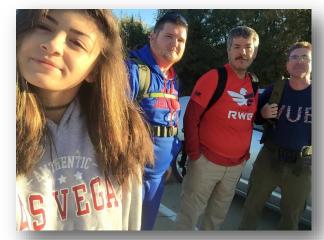
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ALPHA One Stuff the Truck



ALPHA ONE Drop Zone



CACG Computer Literacy Class

- ⇒ September 2—WSU West Campus Open House
- ⇒ September 11—VA Mental Health Summit
- ⇒ September 15 Healthcare for Homeless Veterans Annual Homeless Summit-
- ⇒ October 15—Returning Offenders Coalition
- ⇒ October 17—Operations Hero Wedding give-away
- ⇒ October 20—Career Quest
- ⇒ October 24- Stuff the Truck
- ⇒ October 25—Team RWB Four Miles Ruck March



WSU-RSC Wall of Fallen Kansas Service Members



Be sure you put your feet in the right place then stand firm

-Abraham Lincoln

Scholarship Announcements





Education Programs

Open to dependent children of Active Duty, Title 10 Reserve, Title 32 AGR, Retired, Retired Reserve, and Deceased Air Force members; spouses of Active Duty and Title 10 Reserve; and surviving spouses of Deceased Air Force members. One online application gives access to:

Gen Arnold Education Grant:

Awards: Range from \$500 to \$4,000 based on need

Must have: Minimum 2.0 GPA

Will be: Enrolled full-time as an undergraduate student
Apply: Online at Air Force Aid Society's website

(http://www.afas.org/education-grants)

Deadline: March 18, 2016 for the 2016-2017 academic year

Merit Scholarship:

Awards: Minimum of ten scholarships of \$5,000 each

Must: Apply for Arnold Education Grant; be a first-time

Freshman with verifiable GPA of 4.0

Eligible applicants will be contacted directly by AFAS for additional application requirements (essay, transcript, etc) in June.

Supplemental Education Loan Program:

Awards: Interest-free loans up to \$1,000 per student

Must: Apply for Arnold Education Grant; document out-of-pocket

education expenses; repay by allotment over 10 months

Eligible applicants will be contacted directly by AFAS in August with application

forms.

For additional information on these programs and other ways Air Force Aid Society can help, please visit our website at http://www.afas.org.

2015 Scholarships Available

Concussion Awareness Scholarship sponsored by gAm (Great Awareness Monologues)

No application fee required—Up to twelve 1,000.00 Cash Scholarships for 2015

Who can Apply: Any graduate or undergraduate student that has been accepted or attend a community college, technical/Vocational college or university may apply. The next deadline to apply for this scholarship is November 7, 2015

Contact your school's scholarship office and request an application or apply at http://www.thepassrusher.com/concussionawareness.html



If you've completed your pre-test please schedule an appointment to do your post-test.

Call (316)978-6742 or e-mail

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Jim Rohn

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