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Honor Flight
San Antonio de Valero

Laredo Veterans

May 20th & 21st

The SSGT Dolores Gamboa Scholarship Fund has partnered with the Honor Flight San Antonio de Valero in the upcoming 2016 flight to Washington, D.C. The first 2016 flight has been scheduled for May 20th and 21st from San Antonio, Texas. A Laredo Committee will start contacting World War II Veterans and extend the invitation for them to participate in Laredo's 2016 Honor Flight. This trip will give them the opportunity to visit their War Memorial. World War II Veterans in addition to any veteran with a terminal illness will have priority for the trip. The trip is at no cost to the Veterans

On September 13, 2014 the City of Laredo and Webb County hosted a beautiful ceremony for 7 local Veterans as they departed for the first Honor Flight of San Antonio de Valero. It was a great experience for all of them and we want to continue the Honor Flight Program in Laredo.

We will be hosting a number of fundraisers and activities in the weeks to come to give the community the opportunity in sponsoring the Veterans for their flight along with several receptions in recognition of their service to our Country.

Please feel free to contact Event Coordinator Tonie Gamboa at 956-333-5096 for more information.

About

TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE

Based on recent statistics, we are losing World War II veterans at the rate of approximately 640 per day. Honor Flight San Antonio de Valero will continue do whatever it takes to fulfill the dreams of our veterans and help our heroes travel absolutely free to visit their Memorial. In the future, the Honor Flight San Antonio de Valero Network will also pay tribute to America's other heroes who served during the Korean and Vietnam Wars, followed by veterans of more current wars. They, too, have given so much and it's time we show them that their efforts are not forgotten. We will announce when we start taking applications for Korean War and Vietnam War Veterans on our Honor Flight San Antonio de Valero website and Facebook page.

The Honor Flight San Antonio de Valero mission is to transport veterans with a specific priority given to those residing within the counties listed below to Washington, D.C. to visit those memorials dedicated to honor their service and sacrifices and return them home to their families and loved ones.

Honor Flight San Antonio de Valero serves Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Kendall, Kerr, Kinney, and Wilson counties, as well as all the surrounding South Texas counties southeast to Calhoun, south to Cameron, southwest to Webb, and west to Val Verde counties.

HONORING ALL OUR VETERANS-ONE MORE TOUR

Honor Flight San Antonio de Valero, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, knows that our veteran heroes aren't asking for recognition. It is our position that they deserve it. Our program is just a small token of our appreciation for those that gave so much. All members of Honor Flight San Antonio de Valero are volunteers; 97% of your contributions go toward their flight to Washington, D.C. Please help us continue to make their dream of visiting THEIR memorial, a reality. Honor Flight San Antonio de Valero — our way of saying to all our veterans — one more TOUR with HONOR. All donations are tax-deductible.

WHAT WE DO AND WHY

MISSION STATEMENT: Transport America's veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit those memorials dedicated to honor their service and sacrifices.

GOAL: Helping every single veteran in America, willing and able of getting on a plane or a bus, visit THEIR memorial.

PRIORITY: Top priority is given to America's most senior heroes — survivors of World War II and any veteran with a terminal illness who wishes to visit THEIR memorial. The program will naturally transition to Korean War, Vietnam War and all other veterans who served, on a chronological basis.

ELIGIBILITY: All men and women serving stateside or overseas.

PHILOSOPHY: Since America felt it was important to build a memorial to the service and the ultimate sacrifice of her veterans, the Honor Flight Network believes it's equally important that they actually get to visit and experience THEIR memorial.

MOTTO: "We can't all be heroes. Some of us have to stand on the curb and clap as they go by." – Will Rogers