

VVA 1069 BENEFITS PRESENTATION 6/10/2015

1. **Dwight Winkler**, aka "Henry"; 2254 CR 291, East. Bernard, TX 77435, (979) 335 4464, lerwinkdd@aol.com.

2. **On July 4, 2015 and Veterans Day 2015** the following businesses will be offering 10% discounts on selected merchandise. Call your local store for the necessary proof of veteran identification and the merchandise that will be offered at a discount.

- **LOEW'S:** Rosenberg, (281)232-1838/ Brenham, (979)337-60001 Victoria, (361)573-7700
- **HOME DEPOT:** Rosenberg, (281) 239-2777, Brenham, (979) 277-9964, Katy, (281)599-91.701, Victoria, (361)575-47041, Tomball, (251)25778900
- **McCOY'S:** El Campo, (979)54a-38781, Victoria, (361) 578-5151
- **GANDER MOUNTAIN:** Sugar Land, (281) 239-6720.

3. **BIRTH DEFECTS RECOGNIZED BY THE VA AS CONNECTED TO AGENT ORANGE EXPOSURE.** On page 5 of "THE VA SELF-HELP GUIDE TO SERVICE CONNECTED DISABILITY COMPENSATION FOR EXPOSURE TO AGENT ORANGE (AO)" booklet, are the diseases recognized by the VA as connected to AO exposure for children born to both male and female VN veterans, Spina bifida (spina bifida occulta not included) is one disease for both male and female VN veterans. There are 18 diseases listed, for children born to female VN veterans. Page 15 of the VVA SELF-HELP GUIDE explains the process to follow for eligibility of children of VN veterans who were born with a birth defect. See me or a Veteran Service Officer to file a claim. Also, at the bottom of page 5, the NOTE states that veterans may obtain more information on birth defects and should register all children and grandchildren with birth defects, including cancers and learning disabilities at www.birthdefects.org.

4. **HONOR FLIGHT HOUSTON** recognizes American veterans for their sacrifices and achievements by flying the veteran to Washington, DC to see THEIR memorial at NO COST to the veteran. Top priority is being given to WW II and Korea and terminally ill veterans from all wars. For further information, call (817) 690-6300 or go to the web site www.honorflighthouston.org.

5. **RESOLUTIONS for the TOXIC EXPOSURE ACT OF 2015 and the BLUE WATER NAVY VIETNAM VETERANS ACT OF 2015.** The Toxic Exposure Act of 2015 would establish within the VA a national center for the diagnosis and treatment of health conditions of the descendants of veterans exposed to toxic substances during service in the Armed Forces. The Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2015 includes as part of the Republic of Vietnam its territorial seas for purposes of the presumption of service connection for diseases associated with exposure by veterans to certain herbicide agents while in Vietnam Please sign these resolutions on my table and I will mail them to Congressman Farenthold and Senators Cruz and Cornyn.