Gamewardens of Vietnam Association Northeast Chapter #4 Robert W. Kilkelly Secretary

Well I guess it is about time to get a newsletter out to everyone. We all need to know what has and is going on with the chapter.

The last meeting was at Pleasant Valley Campgrounds in Ryegate, Vermont. This year was well attended. It was sunny for a change and the weather held out for a great picnic and reunion. Lots of "Goodies "were sold and the drawing was expanded this year with the addition of Items donated by Jack Babcock. Some of the boxes were kept by me and were a welcome addition of resources to provide the chapter. Thanks, Jack.

The business meeting opened at 1:50, after a fine feed arranged by Ray Snow. Ray led the group, in a pledge to the US flag. Then Gail Snow led us in prayer along with a silent moment for our lost and ill comrades. Then the orders for business were read and voted upon.

- 1. Secretaries report, read and accepted.
- 2. Treasurers report read and accepted.

3. Old business, talk about Branson for a national reunion in the future. The next after Houston in Aug., is in 2006 in Denver.

A discussion of the income based scholarship, and the San Diego memorial. A \$300 donation to the East Coast Memorial in VA was approved by the membership, after contact was established with the representatives there.

Our next picnic annual meeting is being arranged by Dennis. It is tentatively at the Berkley American Legion Post 121 Berkley, Ma. On the 25th of June 2005. The legion post is located at route 79, 80 It is 8 miles to the nearest local hotel.

Our next meeting will be on the Sunday prior to Veterans Day. November the 7th 2004. The parade at Bourne National Cemetery is started at 12 noon. We have had a good turnout each year for marching (map & directions next page).

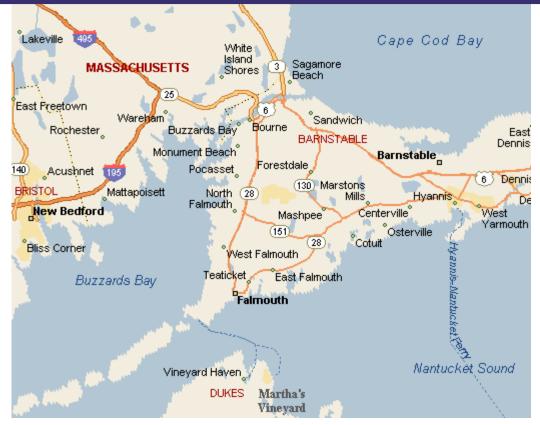
A business meeting is scheduled after the parade, at Apautuxet ,VFW Post in Bourne . If you aren't familiar with the area , call or write Bob Kilkelly Secretary. I will have my cell phone with me if you get lost. 1-603-986-9453. I will also post directions on the <u>chapter website</u>.

Under new business Scott Kraska gave a report on the progress he is having with the PBR he has in Naples , FI. He also has a helicopter gunship, from Vietnam, he is going to start. The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 PM after a short prayer and pledge. We are really looking forward to seeing you all in Bourne.

Check the <u>website</u> on news of the DDG-95 James Williams in Charleston SC, on Dec.11. All will be getting an invitation to attend. James was a Gamewarden who became the most decorated man in the US Navy. National is making hotel arrangements and I will bring all the info to Bourne. Also check the <u>chapter website</u>.

Respectfully, Bob Kilkelly Sec.

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Directions to Bourne:

Rt. 495(s) go over Bourne Bridge & follow Rt. 28

At second rotary follow signs to National Cemetery on Otis Air Base. After the ceremony we will meet at Apucxet VFW post 5988 for a light buffet and business meeting.