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Those Who Have
Served*

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**Vermont Veterans' Home
Business Office
325 North Street
Bennington, VT 05201**

Please indicate to which fund(s) you are donating:

Members Assistance:

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Furniture
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Entertainment

Music & Memory Fund:

iPods
Headphones
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**** We will not be accepting books or magazines at this time. THANK YOU to all who have donated to our Veterans at VVH.**



4th of July Celebration



Chaplain's Corner...



Howdy Folks,

Many Theologians consider the Book of Psalms as the instruction manual on prayer and developing a relationship with God, and the book of Proverbs the handbook on acquiring wisdom, which is a precondition for developing a right relationship with Him. As Proverbs 1:7 relates, “the fear of the Lord is beginning of knowledge (wisdom)”. We can't become wise without fearing God - that is, having profound respect and reverence for Him, and putting Him first in our lives, which will help us to have more meaningful and moral lives.

Proverbs teaches us precepts for right and godly living, these revealed principles apply to all people, not just the Hebrews. They teach us, consistent with the admonition to fear God., that to become wise we must humbly accept our limitations. The acquisition of biblical wisdom involves our working through and studying of Scripture to gain the insight and knowledge to live Godly lives and then applying that knowledge to our daily experiences. We don't gain wisdom through book learning alone, but we learn from our experiences and mistakes and we further refine what we've learned by returning to and studying Scripture!

We can all grow wiser by reading and applying Proverbs. If you need a Bible, please let me know.

God Bless -

Chaplain Ken Coonradt



Fire Extinguisher Training





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Fulfilling the Promise

**325 North Street
Bennington, VT 05201**

The Vermont Veterans' Home was established in Bennington in 1884. It is governed by a Board of Trustees appointed by the Governor. The VVH offers a complete range of specialized care services for its residents. VVH goals focus on insuring the dignity, independence, and the highest possible care and quality of life for each resident.

VVH is licensed to meet all levels of care for its residents and the VVH's departments and staff work together to provide those levels of care.

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From the Administrator...
Melissa Jackson

The Staff at the Vermont Veterans' Home are simply awesome. Once again they achieved a deficiency free annual survey from the State of Vermont. We have now had 4 major annual inspections, 2 from the VA and 2 from the State, where no deficiencies were found. The survey results are a direct reflection of the hard work and dedication of our staff each and every day.

The last week of July, Al and I attended the National Association of State Veterans' Homes Summer Conference. Many great topics were presented and we plan on implementing some of them at VVH. One of the highlights of the conference was sharing with the other State Veterans' Homes the VVH's survey performance.

We are still awaiting final approval for our kitchen renovation, once we have a start date I will be holding meetings to explain to Veterans, Members and family members how this renovation will impact our food delivery system.

August has many community activities taking place at VVH. We hope that you will join us.

Take care,

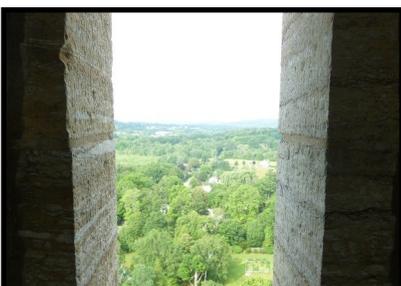
Melissa A. Jackson, BSW, LNHA
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Veteran takes a trip to the Bennington Monument



Veteran with Michelle Hunt,
Activities Aid.



Donations

On behalf of the Veterans/Members, we sincerely thank the following for their generous donations.

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American Legion Riders Give Donation



Melissa Jackson, CEO accepting a donation check from the American Legion Riders organization.

The Eagles Concert Band



Our very own Infection Control Nurse, Patricia Babcock, playing the clarinet in the Eagles Concert Band from Williamstown, Mass.





*From Deputy Administrator...
Colonel Al Faxon*



Where's Al?



Lost somewhere in Wyoming?

***VT Dept. of VFW and Auxiliary
Picnic***



Mark Your Calendars

Serenity Singers
Wednesday, August 10th
At 2:00 PM

Lagato Blues
Wednesday, August 10th
At 6:00 PM

**11th Annual
Rock, Rattle and Drum Pow Wow**
*Saturday, August 13th and
Sunday, August 14th*