

**VIETNAM WAR COMMEMORATION
AFTER-ACTION REPORT**

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INSTRUCTIONS

Please file an After-Action Report no later than 30 days after your event is complete. Your information will help other organizations in their planning of commemorative events. We encourage you to share your photos and articles of the events on the Commemorative Partner Portal on our Commemoration website to show other Vietnam veterans from around the United States how you recognized their service to our country. Submit reports using one of the following four preferred methods:

1. Through the Commemorative Partner Portal online: <http://www.vietnamwar50th.com/partners/login> (preferred)
2. Email to: WHS.VNWar50th_CPP_EVENTS@mail.mil
3. Fax to: 703-692-4691
4. U.S. Mail to: The United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration
Attn: Events Team Chief
1101 Wilson Blvd., Suite 810
Arlington, VA 22209

FOR EACH EVENT, PLEASE SUPPLY THE FOLLOWING:

1. NAME OF ORGANIZATION: The EC-47 History Site	2. NAME OF EVENT: VFW Post 9196 Veterans Appreciation Dinner
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3. ADDRESS OF ORGANIZATION:			
a. STREET ADDRESS: 4213 Green Meadow Drive	b. CITY: San Angelo	c. STATE: Texas	d. ZIP CODE: 76904

4. LOCATION OF EVENT <i>(Site name; e.g., The Pentagon)</i> VFW Post 9196 307 Depot Street, Rowena, Texas	5. START DATE OF EVENT <i>(DDMMYYYY):</i> 16082015	6. END DATE OF EVENT <i>(DDMMYYYY):</i> 16082015
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7. ACTUAL ATTENDANCE 40	8. HOW MANY VIETNAM VETERANS WERE PRESENT? 7	9. HOW MANY VIETNAM VETERAN FAMILY MEMBERS WERE PRESENT? 5
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10. SUMMARY: *(Include the following information and anything else you would want other Commemorative Partners to know, such as: Was your event a success? How were your objectives fulfilled? Were there any issues that came up? Any media coverage? List any helpful suggestions or changes for future and lessons learned. Attach additional pages as necessary.)*

VFW Post 9196 and its Auxiliary members organized a chicken dinner special event to honor Korean War and Vietnam War era veterans living in the District 8, Rowena, Texas area. One of the Post members had been previously recognized at the EC-47 History Site Congressional Ceremony and Vietnam Display Closing Ceremony event held in San Angelo on August 14, 2015. He asked the EC-47 History Site representatives to assist their Post in conducting a similar ceremony for their small group of Vietnam veterans.

The EC-47 History Site Commemorative Partner chairman and his wife attended the dinner event. They displayed the commemoration flag, the organization certificate, and the Fact Sheets explaining the commemoration program, seal, and lapel pin. He also made remarks that included comments about the commemoration objectives, the live streaming Congressional Ceremony, the Vietnam: Through the Lens Display project at Angelo State University (ASU), the War Stories on-going grant initiative by the ASU History Department, and the background and eligibility for the Vietnam War Veterans lapel pin. Five attending Vietnam War era veterans were called forward, introduced to the audience, thanked for their courage and war-time service, and presented with a lapel pin. These actions fulfilled Objectives #1, #3 & #4.

Summary

This short notice event was very successful. The VFW Post 9196 program was announced in the San Angelo Sunday Standard Times newspaper, it was well attended, and the meeting hall was a perfect venue. The Post and Auxiliary members were warm and friendly - they conducted their joint meeting business in an orderly manner. The recognition ceremony for the Vietnam War era veterans was meaningful and heartfelt. The veterans clearly appreciated the extra effort made by the Post members and the EC-47 History Site representative for his remarks and presentation of the official lapel pins. The meal was sumptuous. There was no local media present for this event, but the Post leadership did provide a photographer and record this event in their organization records. See photos attached.

We had enough lapel pins in inventory to make presentations at this event. No other materials were used. As of August 16, 2015, The EC-47 History Site has an ending inventory of 71 lapel pins.

11. MATERIALS ACTUALLY USED: *(For each category of materials below, subtract the amount remaining from what was sent to you.)*

(1) ITEM NOMENCLATURE	(2) QUANTITY	(1) ITEM NOMENCLATURE	(2) QUANTITY
Brochures	0	Stickers: Eagle	0
Tin Pin: Eagle	0	Stickers: Seal	0
Tin Pin: Seal	0	Stickers: Flag	0
Tin Pin: Vietnam Veterans	0	Presidential Proclamations	0
Bumper Stickers	0	Other: Official Lapel Pins	5