



VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA CHAPTER 1071 NEWSLETTER



Meeting held on the third Saturday each month at 10AM, Elks Lodge, 1455 Newland St, Lakewood, CO
a \$12 breakfast is offered at 8AM until 10AM

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November 1st – Daylight Saving Time Ends
November 3rd – Election Day
November 4th – Mountain Range High School honors veterans, 8:30AM to Noon starts in library
November 5th – Green Mountain High School honors veterans, 8AM to 9AM in the library
November 7th – Chapter 1071 Fund raising at King Soopers & Safeway locations. 9AM - Noon
November 10th – 251st U.S. Marine Corps Birthday
November 11th – Veterans Day
November 11th – Car show in Morrison, The Lodge at Red Rocks, 9AM – 11AM
November 11th – Dakota Ridge High School honors veterans, 9:30AM – 11:30AM, snacks follow
November 11th – Arvada West High School honors veterans, 9AM – 12PM breakfast served
November 11th – D'Evelyn High School honors veterans, 2:15PM – 3:30PM with snacks
November 12th – Golden High School honors veterans, 8AM to 11AM
November 13th – 1982: Vietnam Veterans Memorial Dedicated
November 14th – Board of Directors Meeting, CITC Building
November 14th – Veterans' Benefits Stand Down, a VETEFITS function, 1015 E 70th Ave, 12-5PM
November 14th – Honors Burial presentation to the Daughters of the American Revolution, Golden
November 21st – Membership Meeting, Lakewood Elks
November 26th - Thanksgiving

Is this economy making it hard to get by?

Our Chapter is here to support **YOU** and all of our fellow veterans in time of **NEED**. Please **DO NOT** hesitate to ask for **HELP**. That's what we are here for. Our "*Veterans in Need*" program is here to help **YOU** maintain a dignified quality of life. Contact **ANY** board member with your request. If you wish to remain anonymous, we will honor it. Also, if you know of a veteran that is too proud to ask for assistance, please let us know. "*Never again will one generation of veterans abandon another*".

Tony Lopez Scholarship Program

The 2027 Scholarship Program Application Form has been posted on the Chapter 1071 website". Goto "**Home**", then "**Scholarship**". Applications are due on or before January 31, 2027

Honored Guest Speaker at the November 21st Membership Meeting

Jennifer Seybold is from the Veterans Community Project, a program intended to transition Veterans from homelessness to permanent housing by constructing "tiny homes", to afford Veterans 240 square feet of dignity as a first step

Honor Bell Foundation needs help

The foundation needs help ringing the bell at Fort Logan National Cemetery. They are hiring positions for this with a starting wage of \$21.00 per hour. Contact (720) 295-8426 for info.

Our Chapter 1071's "Veterans in Need" program

David Nila requests that you please bring a flannel shirt to the next member meeting, sizes S,M,L,XL. It can be new or gently used. Make a difference with your donation. Don't forget these Vets as you walk down the aisles of Costco and Sam's Club. Winter is coming. It may be helpful to think about finding some "gently used" winter wear for these veterans and t-shirts, briefs and socks..

Wreaths Across America

Support a veteran and our chapter by purchasing a wreath and using Group Code CO 0340 P. Our chapter receives \$5 for each one ordered this way. Volunteers are also needed to place wreaths on December 19th at 10AM, Fort Logan section 37. Wreath recovery will be January 9th, 2027.

Pre-plan your no-cost burial at a National Cemetery

Frequently, including several this year, one of our brothers or sisters passed on without having planned their final affairs. Whether it is through a commercial funeral service, or with the National Cemetery Association, burials need planning so that your wishes can be honored. Why put an unnecessary burden on your surviving family?

Veterans are entitled to free burial within a National Cemetery, a headstone, an American Flag, and a signed letter from the sitting President of the United States, free of charge. And our chapter will provide Honor Guard arrangements for a full military style ceremony. Contact any board member today to get started, or, visit this link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= Oj-D1hiU6Y>

Cooper's Troopers meets on the third Thursday of every month at the Wilmore-Richter American Legion Post 161, 6230 W 60th Ave, Arvada, CO 80003.

Lunch is available 1100-11:30 am. Guest speakers present to the group.

Broomfield Veterans Museum invites you to "Coffee and Conversation" on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month at 10:00am. Presentations are available online through the museum's [YouTube channel](#). To view the full list of videos with their associated links, please click on this link: [Coffee and Conversation Digital Guide](#)

The PACT Act adds new presumptive conditions

Has this new legislation covered a condition that you have? Learn about what is covered by visiting the following link <https://www.va.gov/resources/the-pact-act-and-your-va-benefits/>

December Meeting – FREE Breakfast

This has become an annual event for our chapter members. Our holiday gift to you is a FREE breakfast, as cooked by the volunteer Elks Lodge members. Come early to the December meeting and enjoy breakfast on us.

Veteran's Day Special Edition Newsletter

The Lodge at Red Rocks
- Presents a -

VETERANS DAY

CAR PARADE

Let's show our Veterans
some love! ♥

Decorate
your cars,
trucks, and
SUVs with your
patriotic spirit!

Wednesday, November 11th
at 10:00 AM

Residents, families and staff are invited
to come out and line the halls, patios and
windows to cheer on our Veterans!

*Honoring
All Who Served*

VETERANS DAY

2026

FREE FOOD & MEAL GUIDE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2026
VETERANS & ACTIVE-DUTY MILITARY
A SMALL MEAL FOR A BIG THANK YOU

HONOR
SERVICE
SACRIFICE
FREEDOM
Thank You
Veterans!

★ ★ 2026 CONFIRMED / CURRENT OFFICIAL PAGES ★ ★
These restaurants have official or current 2026 Veterans Day information available.

Chili's  Free Veterans Day meal from a limited menu. Dine-in. Participating locations.	Applebee's  Veterans Day complimentary entrée tradition. Proof of service required. Final 2026 menu details may be updated closer to Nov. 11.	Texas Roadhouse  Veterans Day free-meal tradition for veterans and active military. Local details may vary.	IHOP  Official Veterans Day page says veterans and active-duty military should return in 2026. Final 2026 offer details pending.
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★ ★ ★ ANNUAL VETERANS DAY PARTICIPANTS ★ ★ ★
These restaurants regularly offer free meals or special offers for Veterans Day.
CHECK 2026 DETAILS WITH EACH RESTAURANT.

★ Red Robin	★ Cracker Barrel
★ Denny's	★ BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse
★ Hooters	★ Bob Evans
★ Golden Corral	★ California Pizza Kitchen
★ Olive Garden	★ Dave & Buster's
★ Buffalo Wild Wings	★ Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steakburgers
★ Starbucks	★ Twin Peaks
★ Krispy Kreme	★ O'Charley's
★ Chicken Salad Chick	★ Shoney's
	★ Wendy's (Breakfast Offer)
	★ 54th Street Grill & Bar

★ ★ Many chains announce final Veterans Day offers in late October or early November. @TheJBTalkShow

★ ★ BEFORE YOU GO ★ ★

 Bring proof of military service or veteran ID.	 Most offers are dine-in only and limited to participating locations.	 Call the local restaurant to verify the 2026 offer, hours, menu, and purchase requirements.
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.

OFFERS CAN CHANGE. VERIFY DIRECTLY WITH THE RESTAURANT BEFORE TRAVELING.

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GOLDEN HIGH SCHOOL VETERANS DAY BREAKFAST

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Thursday, November 12
8:30 am in the GHS Library

Mountain Range High School
Veterans Day Celebration
Nov. 4th, 2026
8:30 AM to 12:00 PM
Breakfast and lunch served

Green Mountain HS
Nov. 5th, 2026
8 AM to 9 AM
Lite breakfast snacks

Dakota Ridge HS
Veteran Celebration
Nov. 11th, 2026
9:30AM-11:30AM
Snacks following

D'Evelyn High School
Veteran Celebration
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**Chapter 1071 buys a wreath for every fallen member.
Act early, honor a fallen veteran
that you know and we will receive
\$5 for each purchase**



Remember, if we have a member in need, please inform the Board of Directors so that we can provide help/assistance

See y'all at the meeting,
Chapter 1071 Board of Directors

November

2026

VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA – CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Daylight Savings Time Ends	2	3 Election Day	4 Mountain Range HS Veteran Celebration	5 Green Mountain HS Veteran Celebration	6	7 Poppy Drive at Kings & Safeway stores
8	9	10 251 st US Marine Corps Birthday	11 Veterans Day Car Show at the Lodge at Red Rocks Arvada West, D'Evelyn & Dakota Ridge HS	12 Golden HS Veteran Celebration	13 1982: Vietnam Veterans Memorial Dedicated	14 BoD Meeting VETEFITS Stand Down 12-5PM
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Membership Meeting
22	23	24	25	26 Thanksgiving Day	27	28
29	30					

This calendar is suitable for printing and placing on a location of interest