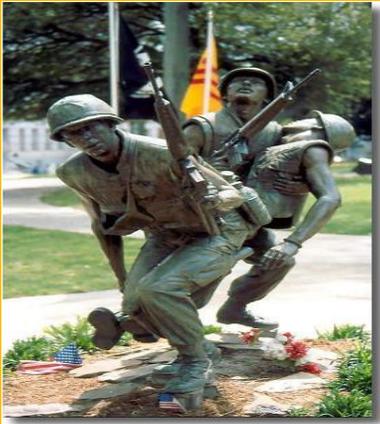


# North Carolina Vietnam Veterans, Inc. The Veteran's Voice



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**NCVVI Website:**

[www.ncvvi.org](http://www.ncvvi.org)

**Bridge Back Foundation**

**Website:**

[www.bridgebackfoundation.org](http://www.bridgebackfoundation.org)

**President:**

*Ron Wagoner*

**Vice President:**

*Joe Harsch*

**Treasurer:**

*Bud Gross*

**Secretary/ Newsletter:**

*Volunteer wanted*

**Directors:**

*Bill Dixon*

*Dennis Abels*

*Bo Williams*

*Lee Booher*

*Bob Allen*

The meeting was called to order. Those present were Dennis Abels, Bob Allen, Lee Booher, Monica Cash, Mike Cook, Bill Dixon, Bud Gross, Ron Harris, Joe Harsch, Bonnie Kuhr, Bob Krzynowek, Bob Matthews, Bert Rosefield, Dave Samuels, Robert Smith, Ron Wagoner, Paul White, Bo Williams and new member Kirby Smith. Bob Krzynowek provided us with a fine meal; thanks Bob (and Mary).

Treasurer Bud Gross gave his report, which was approved. Minutes of the last meeting were submitted online to the membership; they were also approved.

As we had a new member, the group went around the tables, as is customary, and gave a brief description of their Vietnam service. Kirby (Kirb) Smith, the new member, was a combat and Dust Off medic.

Bob Matthews gave the Bridge Back report. The project to raise money and educational supplies for the orphanage was nearly complete and soon to be shipped to Vietnam. Bridge Back has been asked to speak at the national social studies teachers' convention in Seattle this November. Several trips are being planned, among them Allentown, PA and Angel Fire, NM. Bob and others are scheduled to be on David Crabtree's "On the Record" on WRAL.

Bill Dixon gave us the monthly biography on a North Carolina POW/MIA. This month it was Melvin Lee Weeks.

A GI party was scheduled for July 14 in order to clean and wax our statue. Also, deeper flag pole holders were to be installed.

This year, the membership voted not to participate in the July 4th ceremony at the state capitol. We still plan to hold our regular POW/MIA ceremony on Saturday, July 7th.

There was no old business brought up.

Under new business, Ron Wagoner noted that all T-shirts had been sold and that most of the 1,000 POW bracelets were gone. It was decided to order fifty more shirts (with a different design) and 1,000 more bracelets (slightly bigger). We are trying to kick-off a monthly get together to watch movies and TV shows about Vietnam. Bob Allen has a large collection that he is willing to share with us.

A permit has been issued to us for National POW/MIA Remembrance Day on September 21st at the Capitol.

Bert Rosefield volunteered to cook dinner for the July 24th meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



# Membership Renewal and Application

NCVVI is proud to have **you** as a member.

**Note: DD214 showing Vietnam service required for Full Membership**

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(Last Name) (First Name) (MI)

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(City) (State) (Zip code)

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(Home Phone) (Work Phone) (Occupation)

\_\_\_\_\_ Full Membership (\$25 per Year) \_\_\_\_\_ (check amount)

\_\_\_\_\_ Associate Membership (\$10 per year)

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(E-MAIL ADDRESS :) **{Need this to send the unit's monthly newsletter}**

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**(Signature)**

**(Date)**

***Reminder: NCVVI holds a remembrance service on the Capital grounds, Raleigh, NC, the first Saturday of each month (12:00 noon) and the monthly business meeting on the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) Tuesday of each month at VFW 7383, 522 Reedy Creek Road, Cary, NC. (Dinner at 6:00 PM)***

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