

Press Release – For Immediate Release

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Davidson, NC

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Veterans of Military Service to Offer Community Forum

Local citizens of the greater Lake Norman area community are coming together for an inaugural “Vets Town Hall”. The mission is to help bridge the gap between Veterans and the civilian community. Veterans will be afforded a place to meet and have the opportunity to address other veterans and the public in a Town Hall style format that is outlined below.

Why

At the conclusion of traditional Veterans Day events, vets leave with their own personal story and rarely have a chance to express it to each other nor the public. The “Vets Town Hall” will be scheduled for two hours and will allow any Combat Veteran to speak for approximately five to ten minutes to other Veterans and civilians that are present. The public is encouraged and welcome to listen to vets and their stories. The premise is simple: the more veterans and civilians understand the complications from war the better it is for both. Speakers will be individuals who have served in any of the military branches and experienced a combat deployment. The moderators ask that the Veteran speak freely about their combat experience, what it felt like, and anything else they would like to share about their transition back to the civilian community. No self-promotion, promotion of a particular business, or promotion of a religious or political ideology will be viewed upon favorably by moderators. This is a focused opportunity to community build and reveal a more human side of personal experiences that occur at war, in a Town Hall Style format.

Details About the Format

This event will be moderated by veterans of the Vietnam War and the Iraq/Afghanistan war and will take place at approximately 15 minutes AFTER the conclusion of the Davidson Town Hall Veterans Day Event which occurs on November 11th at 11am ET. The organizers anticipate a 12:15pm ET start time and will begin the forum no later than 12:30pm ET. The Town of Davidson Veterans Day Event occurs on the steps of the Davidson Town Hall, located at 216 S Main St, Davidson, NC 28036. The “Veterans Town Hall” will take place nearby at the Davidson College Presbyterian Church Congregation House, located at 208 Concord Rd. Davidson, NC 28036. The idea and format for this event has been suggested by Sebastian Junger, prominent author and documentarian known from his work “The Perfect Storm”, “Tribe”, and the documentary Restrepo. A more detailed description of the event format can be found here: <http://www.sebastianjunger.com/vets-town-hall>.

Contact

This event is being organized by Tom Rynne, USMC; Bob Doran, USMC; Christian Boggiano, Army; and Mike Murphy, Army. The day-of event will be moderated by Christian Boggiano and Mike Murphy. If you have questions prior to this event, please contact the organizers via the event information website at <http://veterantownhall.com> and allow 24-48 hours for a response.

Information

Town of Davidson Veterans Day Event Details
<http://nc-davidson2.civicplus.com/766/Veterans-Day>

Inspiration for the Format
<http://www.sebastianjunger.com/vets-town-hall>

Veterans Town Hall Information & Event Website
<http://veterantownhall.com>