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## RETIREE ACTIVITIES OFFICE



# ON THE RADAR

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#### Retiree Appreciation Day Agenda & Exhibitors

Don't miss the **Retiree Appreciation Day** on Saturday, September 20 - a special day dedicated to honoring your service and connecting you with valuable resources. Questions? Call 801.777.5735

#### Agenda

#### **Briefing Room A**

1000 Mr. Michael Moore, 75ABW Director of Staff

1015 75FSS Marketing

1030 419<sup>th</sup> Retiree

1045 Medicare

1145 Veterans Service Officer

1215 Hill AFB Fire Chief

1230 75 ABW Legal

1300 Utah Cold War Victory Medal Presentation

**Briefing Room B** 

1015 AAFES

1030 VA Military Affairs

1115 Department of Workforce Services

1200 Hill AFB Casualty Officer

1215 75th Medical Group Health & Nutrition

1245 America First Credit Union

1300 Medicare

#### **Exhibitors**

- Veterans Affairs Service Officers
- Utah Cold War Medal Foundation
- Utah Dept of Workforce Services
- AAFES Army & Air Force Exchange
- America First Credit Union
- George E. Wahlen Veterans Home
- Social Security Administration
- Trio Veterans Upward Bound
- 75FSS Marketing, Tickets, Tours & **Fitness**
- Davis County Health Dept.
- American Legion Post 0139 Roy UT
- 75th Medical Group Health & Nutrition Reserve Retirees
- Retired Service Volunteer Program

- Hill AFB Thrift Store
- TRICARE
- Retiree Affairs Office
- 75ABW Legal Office
- **Canine Companions**
- Utah Honor Flight
- Commissary
- Warrior Revival
- USO
- Rivetin' Rosie's Project
- American Red Cross
- · Battlin' Betties
- · Hill Casualty Office

#### SEPTEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Please call 801.777.5735 to register for classes and activities:

No bowling in September!

Build a Binder Class - September 12, Friday, 1030

Make things easier for your loved ones by keeping all your important info in one place. Join us at the Retiree Activities Office, Bldg. 430, room 134.



Follow 75<sup>th</sup> Marketing on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/HillFSS/ for more great base events. (Page name: Hill FSS)



#### **BENEFITS BRIEFING**



Veterans Upward Bound Hosted by Weber State University

Since 1978, the *Veterans Upward Bound* program has assisted thousands of veterans in the Wasatch Front area to achieve their educational goals. The program helps veterans prepare for and succeed in post-secondary education, FREE of charge. They serve veterans attending or planning to attend colleges, universities, technical schools, certificate programs, and more.

Services offered include: higher education enrollment, preparation for higher education, academic advising, financial advice, tutoring in math, English, & basic computer skills, GI Bill application assistance and more. For more information visit <a href="weber.edu/vetsupwardbound">weber.edu/vetsupwardbound</a>, or call 801.626.7173.

#### **Burial Benefits for Veterans and Dependents**

Veterans and their eligible dependents may be buried at no cost in VA National Cemeteries, VA-funded state veterans cemeteries, and some private cemeteries.

Eligibiity for burial in national cemeteries is based on military service, with some limitation for dishonorable discharges. Burial in VA-funded state veteran cemeteries may include residency requirements.

Headstones are also provided at no charge for qualifying veterans (veteran served 24 continuous months or died on active duty).

Utah's Fort Douglas Cemetery is only open for second burials, but spaces are available at the Utah Veterans Cemetery in Bluffdale, as well as in Buhl, ID, and Cheyenne, WY. New cemeteries are opening soon in Cedar City, UT, and Elko, NV.

The VA may also provide allowances to help with funeral, burial, and transportation costs if not covered by other agencies. For details, visit <a href="va.gov/burial-memorials/veterans-burial-allowance/">va.gov/burial-memorials/veterans-burial-allowance/</a>

#### **HISTORICAL CORNER**



# Point Class Cutters by Sam Stubbs

The Coast Guard's 82-foot Point Class Cutters served from the 1960s until 2003, when they were replaced by the modern 87-foot Marine Protector Class. A total of 79 were built, most at the Coast Guard Yard in Maryland, replacing the aging wooden 83-foot cutters of WWII with stronger aluminum superstructures.

Though often lacking air conditioning, these "Patrol Boats" were versatile and vital—supporting search and rescue, coastal defense, fisheries, law enforcement, counter-smuggling, border security, as well as peace time operations.

During times of war the U.S. Coast Guard operates under the Department of Defense.

During the Vietnam War, Point Class Cutters were armed with .50-caliber guns and 81mm mortars as part of Operation Market Time, which blocked North Vietnam's coastal supply routes. This forced the enemy to rely on the slower Ho Chi Minh Trail. When U.S. forces withdrew, of the 56 that served, 30 of these cutters were transferred to the Republic of Vietnam Navy.

### FROM RAO HQ

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#### Office hours: Monday - Friday, 1000 - 1400

In addition to this newsletter, we offer outreach briefings in the community. Stop by the office or give us a call. We have lots of info and can help you locate service providers in several arenas.

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