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DATES TO REMEMBER

2007		
Mar	11	LINCMO Meeting 11:30 Hours
Apr	15	LINCMO Meeting 11:30 Hours
May	6	LINCMO Meeting 11:30 Hours
	27	Memorial Day Services 2PM
June	10	LINCMO Meeting 11:30 Hours
Sept	9	Nomination & Election of Officers for 2007 - 2008
Oct	14	Installation of Officers
Nov	4	Veterans Day Services 2 PM

President's plaque pin tally, Feb 4, 2007

Please contact me Frank Tobani as soon as possible so that I may arrange to receive any pins that you may be able to provide.

Please understand that if I do not have your organization pin in time for the presentation of the Past President plaque, I will not be able to adequately represent all of the Veterans Organizations that make up LINCMO.

American Legion	5
American Merchant Marine Vets	0
AMVETS	3
Catholic War Veterans	0
Department of Veterans Affairs	1
Disabled American Veterans	6
Fleet Reserve Association	0
Forty and Eight	3
Gold Star Mothers	3
Jewish War Veterans	4
Korean War Veterans	8
Marine Corps League	4
Masonic War Veterans	2
Military Order of the Purple Heart	3
Polish Legion of American Veterans	1
Submarine Veterans of World War II	4
U.S.Submarine Veterans	7
Veterans of Foreign Wars	2
Veterans of the Vietnam War	0
Vietnam Veterans of America	7
LINCMO Pin	7

If your organization has 3 or less pins, please provide me with as many as possible so that you will not be bothered in the immediate future.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
ANTHONY ARICO, PRESIDENT

Our first meeting of the year went very well and we accomplished a lot. The officers met one hour before the meeting and discussed the changes that were proposed to the constitution.

We also several other suggestions that came before the body and they were all resolved at the regular meeting of the board.

Five Organizations listed on our list of members no longer have representatives due to the fact there are no living members left. A vote was taken and they were granted Honorary Status so that they will remain on our rolls without payment of dues. They are:

1. Grand Army of the Republic
2. United Spanish War Veterans
3. Veterans of World War I
4. Womens Relief Corps
5. rainbow Division Veterans Association

A sixth organization was named but we were informed that they were still acive. The U.S. Fleet Reserve, They will be contacted to see if they still want to belong.

A discussion followed on disposal of un-serviceable flags. The Cemetery Rep Larry Williams explained that the Cemetery was unable to take any more flags for disposal as they had to be trucked out to Calverton and they already had a trailer full and no more room. Several suggestions were made by members on how to possibly dispose of the flags that they have.

A motion was made to buy a new coffee pot to be used for the meetings. It was seconded and passed.

A list of the organizations who have not yet paid their LINCMO Dues of \$60.00 was read at the meeting but they will not be delinquent for another couple of weeks. If they are not paid before the next LINCMO Meeting their names will be published in this newsletter.

Chaplains Report - Ken Cadieux

We welcome Mel Hennen back and we wish Nadine a speedy recovery from the flu. We also thank Annette for having the meeting room open on time and making the coffee.

THE NEXT MEETING OF LINCMO WILL BE SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2007 AT 11:30 AM.

National Cemeteries Eligibility

Veterans and armed forces members who die on active duty are eligible for burial in one of VA's 114 national cemeteries. An eligible veteran must have been discharged or separated from active duty under conditions other than dishonorable and have completed the required period of service. A U.S. citizen who served in the armed forces of a government allied with the United States in a war also may be eligible. Spouses and dependent, minor children of eligible veterans and of armed forces members also may be buried in a national cemetery.

A surviving spouse of an eligible veteran who married a nonveteran prior to Oct. 31, 1990, and whose remarriage was terminated by death or divorce prior to or on that date is eligible for burial in a national cemetery. A surviving spouse of an eligible veteran who married a nonveteran prior to Oct. 31, 1990, and whose remarriage was still intact on or after that date, however, is not eligible for burial in a national cemetery.

A surviving spouse who marries a nonveteran after Oct. 31, 1990, is not eligible for burial in a national cemetery.

Gravesites in national cemeteries cannot be reserved. Funeral directors or others making burial arrangements must apply at the time of death. Reservations made under previous programs are honored.

The National Cemetery System normally does not conduct burials on weekends. A weekend caller, however, will be directed to one of three strategically located VA cemetery offices that remain open during weekends to schedule burials at the cemetery of the caller's choice during the upcoming week.

World War II Military Cemeteries

14 permanent military cemeteries were developed by various AGRS overseas commands and progressively transferred to ABMC upon completion of burials between July 1949 and June 1951. Like those of World War I, each one of the new system is rich in historic association - Cambridge in England, Margraten in Holland, Henri Chapelle and Neuville-en-Condruz in Belgium, Hamm in Luxembourg, five in France, including St. Laurent which overlooks the Normandy beaches where American, British, and Canadian troops stormed ashore to open Eisenhower's invasion route to the Elbe; two in Italy, Florence symbolizing the final triumph of the Fifth Army and Nettuno recalling its heroic stand in the Anzio beachhead; one at Tunis where Hitler's dream of an African empire perished and near the ancient battlefield where Scipio Africanus overthrew Hannibal, the Carthaginian; and lastly, Fort McKinley, in the suburbs of Manila, where MacArthur brought his epic march from Port Moresby to a victorious culmination.

ECHO TAPS WORLDWIDE:

Hundreds of volunteer brass players are being recruited to perform the 24 notes of "Taps" on 19 May 07, in recognition of Armed Forces Day at National Cemeteries, State Veterans Cemeteries and American Battle Monuments Cemeteries overseas. The event, called "Echo Taps Worldwide," is being organized by the VA National Cemetery Administration and Bugles Across America to honor and remember American veterans through a worldwide performance of Taps. Organizers also hope the event will interest brass players in volunteering to perform Taps at the military funerals of veterans throughout the year. Each day, America loses about 1,800

of its veterans, primarily those who fought in World War II and Korea. In honor of them and the service they provided, it is important that our Nation preserves the tradition of a live bugler to play final military honors. During the event, players will form a line through the cemetery and perform a cascading version of Taps.

Brass players of all ages are encouraged to perform at the cemetery of their choice. Schools and other organizations are also invited to participate in the tribute as performers or support volunteers. More information and a sign-up sheet are available at www.echotaps.org.

The first large "Echo Taps" event occurred in May 05, when 674 brass players from 30 states lined 42-miles of road between Woodlawn National Cemetery in Elmira, NY, and Bath National Cemetery in Bath, NY. Playing "Taps" in cascade, it took nearly three hours from the first note played at Woodlawn to the final note of Taps sounded at the National Cemetery at Bath. In 2006, players performed "Echo Taps" at 52 National Cemeteries and State Veterans Cemeteries across the Nation on Veterans Day in preparation for the upcoming effort. The Armed Forces Day event in 2007 will involve buglers around the world to include participants at American Battle Monument Cemeteries overseas. Thomas Day, a Marine veteran who founded Bugles Across America in 2000 said, "A live bugler performing Taps is an expression of the Nation's appreciation for the service of each veteran. With more than 600,000 veterans dying each year, we are always looking for new volunteers to perform this valuable service

Echo Taps Worldwide will honor America's 40 million veterans who have served over the course of our history and draw attention to the need for more buglers to perform "Taps" as part of final military honors. [Source: TREA Update 12 Jan 07]

MIA/POW FLAG

Congress has authorized the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to "permit appropriate officials to fly the flag of the United States of America at such cemeteries twenty-four hours each day." 38 U.S.C.

2403(c); see 4 U.S.C. 6 ("Time and occasions for display" of U.S. flag).

Congress also has provided for the display of the National League of Families POW/MIA flag (POW/MIA flag) at national cemeteries and certain other locations on six days each year—

**Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day,
Flag Day, Independence Day,
National POW/MIA Recognition
Day, and Veterans Day.**

36 U.S.C. 902(b), (c) and (d)(4). In doing so, Congress has explained that the POW/MIA flag is "the symbol of the Nation's concern and commitment to achieving the fullest possible accounting of Americans who, having been prisoners of war or missing in action, still remain unaccounted for." 36 U.S.C. 902(b)(1) and (2).