



FULFILLING OUR PROMISES
TO THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVED

**Meetings are held on the first Saturday of every month at 10:00 AM.
Location: Vista College—6101 Montana Ave. El Paso, TX 79925
Chapter Website: www.davchapter165elpaso.org**

COMMANDER'S GREETING:

Hello Veterans and Families, I begin my service to this chapter as the Commander with a great deal of pride and sense of duty. It's my position that my job is to steer the chapter to accomplish the members' objectives. I believe that we are only limited by our imaginations and whatever we want to accomplish is only a matter of placing the right people in the right positions to succeed and obtaining the resources for our continued success. What you can expect! You may expect extreme goals, lofty expectations and a high degree of accountability. I plan on placing our chapter of the DAV in positions to make large and lasting change for the veteran community and to position ourselves to receive large amounts of resources. We must make a positive impact for which we were created to do and we must also be great stewards of resources and ambassadors for our fellow veterans. How you may help; in order to accomplish our objectives, we need leaders willing to sacrifice and provide service to our veterans. This includes stepping up to chair events as well as participating in other ventures. Our service to the nation has prepared us to accomplish objectives with a high degree of skills and we should use that same skill set to accomplish our goals. Finally, I would invite you to join us the first Saturday of every month at Vista College on Montana [at 10am](#) for our chapter's general meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for [June 29th](#), to accommodate any scheduled travel over the Independence Day Holiday weekend! After June 29th our next meeting will be on [August 3rd](#).

Service Officer's Corner

Now that the Chapters yearly elections are now complete, I would like to say thank you to the whole Chapter for the support and confidence you have granted in me in this new position. The state convention was 14th – 16th of June, 2019 in Corpus Christi and it was an extreme honor for Raymond Herrera to have represented "Sunshine" Chapter #165 at this great event. We had the pleasure of meeting a lot of other wonderful spokespersons for so many other chapters in the state. With our Facebook page being very busy with information please take some time to look it over and please invite your fellow veteran brother and sisters to the page so the information can further reach our veteran community. One last item is that one of our members is a HR (Human Resource) POC for Walgreens and his name is Jarod Palmer. He and Walgreens are trying to reach out to hire veterans in all positions.

OK Lady's and Gentlemen, with this being a new year, to update everyone on some of the things we are up to: We have partnered with SunMetro with the assistance of "Free" bus passes for Veterans that are having transportation issues. All they have to do is have the Veteran come into the office and we take a quick picture and fill out a small form and then we email it to the appropriate representative and within a few days they drop it off back to our office for the veteran. We are still partnered up with Representative Blanco's office with assisting Veterans with applying to having their DD-214 looked over for a possible upgrade of their discharge and or separation code or maybe any other fixes of your discharge.

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Adjutant's Corner:

DAV Chapter 165 would like to congratulate Thomas Folden (Commander), John J. Kinghorn (Sr. Vice-Commander), Don Stinson (Treasurer) and all other elected and appointed officers for the Chapter on their selection for positions of leadership in our unit. It is with great pride that I serve alongside these gentlemen who still value the commitment to service. I would also like to extend an open invitation to all veterans of any era to join our unit and become active in our community. There are many of our brothers and sisters that cannot participate but would love to. It is our continued duty to do for them what they cannot. Our unit is growing and is spreading the word and work for the benefit of our brothers and sisters but there is still more work to be done. DAV Chapter 165 needs you to step up and become part of the solution for better opportunities and benefits for those that serve. Please consider joining us at our next meeting. God Bless you and God Bless America.



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