



MEDIA ADVISORY

Veterans Day Event: Alameda County Supervisor Valle to Dedicate Veterans Memorial in Union City

The media and the public are invited to attend a special event hosted by the Office of Alameda County Supervisor Richard Valle (District 2) dedicating a new Veterans Memorial on Saturday, November 11th at 10:00 a.m. at Veterans Memorial Park located at the corner of Regent Boulevard and Dyer Street in Union City.

The focus of the new Veterans Memorial is a hexahedra granite column, with each of the six sides representing a different branch of the military – the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, and National Guard. The column is surrounded by memorial bricks that can be individually dedicated to service women and men.

Special features of the memorial dedication event will include the presentation and retiring of colors by the United States Army's 91st Division, two ceremonial firings from a Howitzer (cannon), and a flyover and landing of Vietnam War-era helicopter. The event will conclude with a BBQ Lunch served by local firefighters.

Special guest speakers include event host Supervisor Richard Valle, Union City Mayor Carol Dutra-Vernaci, Congressman Eric Swalwell and Major General Garrett Yee.

SPECIAL NOTICE

We are asking the media to broadcast a special notice to local residents who live in the area regarding extremely loud noise that will be generated by the firing of the ceremonial howitzer (twice) and the helicopter flyover/landing.

The ceremonial howitzer will approximately be fired between 10:25 a.m. and 10:35 a.m. and again between 11:10 a.m. and 11:20 a.m.

The helicopter flyover and landing is scheduled to take place between 11:20 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Residents within one square mile of the event are encouraged to keep young children and pets indoors for their safety and comfort. Attendees will be asked to wear complimentary ear plugs that will be handed out at the event.

EVENT DETAILS:

What: Veterans Memorial Dedication with special guest speakers and dignitaries; a traditional military program to include helicopter flyover/landing and cannon fire from a ceremonial howitzer; Alameda County Firefighters will prepare food for post-event BBQ.

Where: Veterans Memorial Park, 4525 Dyer Street, Union City, CA 94587

When: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Press Contact: Board of Supervisor's District 2 Office at 510.272.6692 or by email at District2@acgov.org.