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In order to further improve the lines of communication and to respond to the concerns between the National VA Council and you our members, I have established a National VA Council Briefing. This NVAC Briefing will bring you the latest news and developments within DVA and provide you with the current status of issues this Council is currently addressing. I believe that this NVAC Briefing will greatly enhance the way in which we communicate and the way in which we share new information, keeping you better informed.

Alma L. Lee
National VA Council, President

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**In This Briefing: Memorial Day 2016**

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Memorial Day is one of our nation's oldest holidays. Collectively, we remember the sacrifices of all who have set their personal aspirations aside for the preservation of our civilization.

Today, many of us may gather with family and friends to usher in the summer season, but it is important that we remember the brave men and women who gave so much and the families and loved ones left behind.

For those of us who care for our veterans daily, Memorial Day holds a much different meaning. Memorial Day is a day to pay homage to those who have served and made

the ultimate sacrifice to protect our liberties, at home and abroad.

These are Veterans who, in the words of President John F. Kennedy, have shown us that they will “pay any price, bear any burden, and meet any hardship.” We see the cost of this every day, whether we work in Medical Centers, Clinics, Regional Offices, Cemeteries or staff offices.

Let us rededicate ourselves this Memorial Day to care for those who have served us so bravely—

On behalf of the National VA Council, we wish you a safe and enjoyable Memorial Day!

Click on the links below to pay tribute to our veterans:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=M6PFE9bgg8E

www.youtube.com/watch?v=mhFTgrpY6iI