



West Hawaii dedicates Purple Heart Memorial

West Hawaii Today - May 2017

Dozens of military members and their families gathered at the cemetery for the unveiling of the memorial, which also honors in writing the Marine Lance Cpl. Christopher Camero Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 12122 Auxiliary that raised nearly \$20,000 over the last year to make the monument possible.

[Read more here >](#)

Elkin HS JROTC receives year-end awards

The Tribune - May 2017



Receiving the Purple Heart JROTC Award was Kylie Thomas. This outstanding cadet has shown all qualities of a great leader. Those qualities include high academic success, physical fitness and respect among their peers. [Read more here >](#)



Soldier earned 7 Purple Hearts, 2 Silver Stars in Vietnam

Herald Tribune - May 2017

Randy McConnell of Cass City, Michigan, volunteered for the draft in 1967 and served in Vietnam with Troop B, 2nd Squadron, 17th Cavalry, 101st Airborne Division (3rd Platoon). He served for six months and three days in the Vietnam War, in which time he earned seven Purple Hearts. He is also the recipient of two Silver Stars, the Bronze Star with the V device for Valor, the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry, and the Combat Infantry Badge, among other honors. Now 70, McConnell is a retired engineering director who lives in Nokomis with his wife, Becky, of 46 years. [Read more here](#)

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D-Day Veteran returns to Normandy

Record Searchlight - June 2017

Ninety-eight-year-old Milt Staley has been a regular customer at Klassique Kafe for about 20 years.

But Staley, who turned 98 only last week, won't be seated at one of his favorite booths there on Tuesday - or before it closes for the last time on Friday.

That's because Staley, a U.S. Army veteran who landed on Utah Beach on June 6, 1944, during the D-Day invasion, is in France where he's attending its 73rd anniversary observances. [Read more here >](#)



MOPH hosting Golf Tournament, June 24

The Suburban Times - June 2017

The Military Order of the Purple Heart, Chapter 407, is holding its 10th annual charity golf tournament on Saturday, June 24, 2017, to benefit our local veterans. Over the past nine years, the proceeds have gone to support the

veterans in our state's soldiers and veterans homes in Orting and Retsil, and to support the homeless veterans programs in Washington state. During that time, Chapter 407 has donated more than \$200,000 in money or gifts to these programs. [Read more here](#)

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Ceremony an 'amazing' thank you to Veterans

Santa Fe New Mexican - Aug 2017

Patriot Melvin Lewis & Chapter 372 Commander David Royal attended the Santa Fe city 1st annual Veterans Purple Heart recognition ceremony at the Santa Fe Veterans Memorial. [Read more here >](#)



WVa to host Purple Heart Convention in 2020

The Exponent Telegram - Aug 2017

West Virginia will host the Military Order of the Purple Heart 2020 Convention in Charleston, according to the office of West Virginia Agriculture Commissioner Kent Leonhardt. [Read more here >](#)

City Council meeting agenda - Cheyenne, WY Purple Heart City

KGWN - Aug 2017

Cheyenne City Council will vote on a resolution that would make Cheyenne a purple heart city. This would make August 7th, 2018, recognized in Cheyenne as Purple Heart Day, recognizing our wounded veterans and the men and women who lost their lives in combat. [Read more here >](#)





Purple Heart recipient receives special recognition

KIDY Fox - Sept 2017

SAN ANGELO, TX - Granville Gilstrap, 87, known as "Gil" to his fellow vets, was presented a small token of appreciation from the Military Order of the Purple Heart San Angelo Chapter 740 Thursday.

The group decided to honor Gil with the tokens to show their appreciation as one of the beginning members of the organization and for his contributions to the group. [Read more here >](#)



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