

## NOTES & QUOTES

# Raising funds for memorial under way

The fund-raising efforts for the San Dieguito High School Veterans Memorial



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Project are under way. The committee taking on this project has a goal of raising \$15,000 by Veterans Day 2003.

“We, the veterans group,

will be ready with our responsibility of having raised the money by Veterans Day of next year (2003), possibly even by Memorial Day of next year,” says **David Gonzales**, a veteran and alumnus of San Dieguito High School. “With our upcoming golf tournament on May 20 at Encinitas Ranch Golf Course, we will be more than halfway to our goal of \$15,000, which is the estimated cost of the memorial and installation.”

The vets group, however, is still waiting for a San Dieguito Academy committee to be formed that will meet with it to coordinate planning, design and construction of the memorial commemorating fallen SDHS alumni in World War II, Korea and Vietnam.

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“The memorial’s timeline is basically going to depend on how soon we can reach an agreement with their (academy’s) committee,” David said. “Where we are running into some problems is that some men moved out of the San Dieguito area after or before they graduated, and it’s going to be very difficult to connect them with the school.”

He said that records of SDHS graduates who served during the Korean War and World War II are vague. Veterans from Del Mar, Solana Beach, Encinitas, Leucadia and other North County areas are listed simply as being from San Diego County. David says San Dieguito High School records also are a bit vague.

“We are hoping that we can get some leads from former classmates who may still be in the area that have some knowledge of names we can research from World War II and Korea,” David said. “The Vietnam era seems to have much better records and info than previous wars.”

If you can help, call David at (760) 420-5249, or e-mail him at [gonzales@csusm.edu](mailto:gonzales@csusm.edu). Donations for the memorial can be mailed to: San Dieguito High School Veterans, PO Box 230178, Encinitas, CA 92023.

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