



NDSWM CEO'S END OF 2016 LETTER



Dear Friends, Supporters, and Fellow Veterans,

As we quickly approach the final quarter during this 25th Anniversary year, I can't help but reflect on the enormous progress we have made. We have narrowed down the location for the memorial to the top two choices. We continue to work closely with the National Park Service as well as the various commissions in Washington, to navigate this complicated but necessary process.

On August 31st our Area I Letter was transmitted from the Secretary of the Interior to Congress, and we are eagerly awaiting a vote sometime over the next several weeks. We also have a number of fundraising functions and initiatives scheduled between now and the end of the year which is keeping us plenty busy!

With that said, WE NEED YOUR HELP! I want to humbly and sincerely ask you all for your help and to be personally involved in this mission in any way you are able. As you know, our most recent estimate for the cost of the memorial is at \$25 Million. Our board is comprised of 100% unpaid volunteers. I am proud to say that it's been that way from the very beginning almost 6 years ago. I would like to invite you to join us in this important and worthy mission! There are many ways to be involved. Sure, we can always use and we greatly appreciate monetary donations. However, there are many more ways in which you can help this mission! Maybe you would be willing to be a volunteer on one of our working committees. Maybe you would be willing to conduct a fundraiser on behalf of the memorial either on your own, or by coordinating with your local VFW, or American Legion Post. Maybe you have an idea or way that you can help that we haven't already thought of! Whatever you decide, I want you to know that you are welcome to join us as we continue to move forward and make this memorial a reality in the not too distant future!!

Thank You in advance for your willingness to help and become a personal stakeholder in this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity...

Respectfully,
Scott C. Stump
CEO, President & National Board of Directors