



# TC-e-NEWSLETTER



## OKWVO-TC Has New Meeting Location

During the course of the last three meeting of 2014, members and officers of OKWVO-TC expressed needs of moving to another meeting location for the following reasons. They were the need for closer parking spaces to the site, 2) earlier access to the meeting room, 3) having a larger room, and 4) having more meeting time.

Three sites were proposed as possible meeting sites for the 2015 meetings, two were visited. Woodlake Church was viewed as the site that meet the needs we all the members expressed. Sandy Oxford as shared that we would be able to go to the American Legion Post 308 located on Admiral for our Christmas Party.

Melva Thomas, Sandy Bingaman, and Tina Smith visited Woodlake Church based on the expressed needs. In January, the Board voted to move the meetings to the Woodlake Church located at 7100 East 31st Street, Tulsa, OK. 74145. The Church is located on the South side of 31st Street between Sheridan and Memorial Roads Woodlake is very accessible to the I-44 exit, I-44 and Memorial. Cracker Barrel restaurant on the SE corner of I-44 exit for those who would love to have breakfast first before coming to the meeting.

WOODLAKE CHURCH - 7100 East 31st Street, Tulsa, OK 74145  
(Between Memorial and Sheridan on the South Side of 31st Street)

2015 General Meetings at  
Woodlake Church  
7100 East 31st Street  
Located between Sheridan and  
Memorial  
Tulsa, OK 74145

Saturdays  
10:00 - 12:00 Noon  
February 14  
April 11  
June 13  
August 8  
October 10  
December 12

Women Veterans Recognition  
Day October?

Tulsa Veterans Day Parade  
Wednesday, Nov. 11

Board Meetings  
2nd Monday of each month  
(Contact an officer to place  
agenda items)

February 9  
March 9  
April 13  
May 11  
June 8  
July 13  
August 10  
September 14  
October 12

## OKWVO-TC Pays Forward-Financial Aid, Memory of JoJo Callahan of Tulsa Veterans Day Parade

OKWVO-TC in the 2014 year offered financial aid to two veterans and their children. We were able to offer financial assistance as well as clothing and furniture from the Garage Sale which was conducted in September. This past year, OKWVO-TC voted to make a to the Tulsa Veterans Day Parade Committee in memory of Jo Jo Callahan, the Co-Chair of one the greatest Veterans Day Parades in America, died suddenly of a heart attack. Members of OKWVO-TC who have participated in the past three years of this parade have so appreciated all that she has done for us as we shined ever so brightly each year as a women's veterans organization in Division One. Thank you Jodie for all you have done for making this Veterans Parade so great. Your spirit lives on with OKWVO-TC each year we ride in the Tulsa Veterans Day Parade.

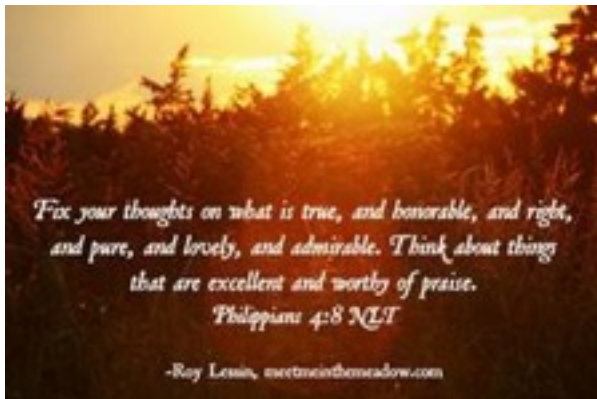


**VETERANS DAY PARADE “DEFENDERS OF FREEDOM”  
OKWVO-TC MEMBERS PARTICIPATE IN THIRD VETERANS PARADE,  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2014**

In memory of JoJo Callahan, the Oklahoma Women Veterans Organization-Tulsa Chapter-0212 has donated \$100 to the Tulsa Veterans Day Committee in JoJo’s memory. You will always be riding with us JoJo!



The Prayer Jesus Taught Us via Meet Me In the Meadow by Roy Lessin



Isaiah 43:1-3:

*Prayer has an important part in the life of victory over sin. It is through prayer and the authority of the Scriptures that we can call upon the Lord for strength to resist temptation and the tempter, to take every thought captive that sets itself up against the truth of God, and to seek the Lord for His way of escape from temptation’s enticement.*

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;  
I have summoned you by name; you are mine.  
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you.  
When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.  
For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, Your Savior.

Chaplain Christy Peterson



## OKWVO-TC

### Offers One Time Financial Assistance, Care Packages and Scholarship-Tuition Aid to Women Veterans

Women veterans who are in need of Veteran one time financial assistance, Care packages, or Scholarship funds can contact OKWVO-TC at: [womenvetstulsa@yahoo.com](mailto:womenvetstulsa@yahoo.com) to apply for aid or tuition assistance. This one time financial assistance is for \$50.00 and a one time application for Scholarship funds application for \$50.00.



## Valentine Party on Saturday, February 14!

Jerri Dillon, Social Chair is asking our members to bring ValentineDay cards to our meeting. Her request is the following: Please write a message on the inside of the card

DO NOT WRITE ON THE ENVELOPE.

You may bring one or as many cards as you wish. Jerri will be delivering these cards to the Blue Star Mothers, Chapter One

Thanks so much for your support as we help in sending Valentine Wishes to members of our Armed Forces.

## 2015-A New Year and New Opportunities for

**OKWVO-TC**—I read the Sunday Tulsa World, February 1st, the major news in the "A" section featured 2015 Legislative Preview and Looking Ahead. In bold print were Looking Ahead, The Leadership, and Key Issues. And in smaller print the issues of successes and setbacks of the legislative sessions.

I found this outline very appropriate to our OKWVO-TC as we begin our new year with our February general meeting on the 14th. New in our leadership format for this year is monthly meeting of the board. You will note the calendar of events on the front of our dates. Any ideas, suggestions and comments you wish to contribute, do email OKWVO-TC with your comments/ideas prior to the meeting.

At our January Board meeting, one suggestion that was raised was to volunteer at the Claremore Nursing Home as readers to veterans. We are looking in on this service project now.

**Successes in 2014**—Members worked hard organizing two years of Garage Sale fund raisers, As a result, OKWVO-TC has been able to provide financial assistance to our women veterans in need. We have been able to contribute financial assistance

for a Christmas Party for children of Combat veterans, and donated to the VFW Post 577 Veterans Day Parade Commission \$100 in honor of the late Jo Jo Callahan. We have volunteered at the Tulsa Stand Down for Homeless Veterans and the other Veteran based activities throughout the Tulsa community.

### Leadership and Key Issues:

Another opportunity for our chapter will be in leadership roles. This will be an election year for the Tulsa Chapter. Elections will be in December. The offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer will open for elections. The offices of Historian, Social Chair, Chaplain, and Sunshine Lady are all appointed positions. We are still without an official parliamentarian. Please be thinking now if you wish to step up and serve. As the Marine recruiter says "We only need a few good WOMEN!"

**Key Issues:** What do we see as key issues in 2015?

Remember our new meetings place-Woodlake Church at 7100 E 31st Street  
Tulsa, OK  
( Between Sheridan and Memorial on 31st St)



## OFFICERS

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### Historian

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### Newsletter Staff:

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Are you interested in serving on the Public Relations Committee? Are you interested in serving as an officer in OKWVO-TC? 2015 is going to be an exciting year for us. This is an election year the chapter. As the recruiters say "We need a few good WOMEN" to continue the mission of OKWVO-TC. Come see one of the officers for information.



Wanda Graham, Korean War, Harriet Frank, WWII, and Melva Thomas, Korean War, USMC veterans attending the Pearl Harbor Day ceremonies at the Women's Memorial, Broken Arrow, OK