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VIETNAM WAR-ERA ITEMS SOUGHT FOR EXHIBIT

WNMU SHOWS TRIBUTE TO VIETNAM VETERANS

SILVER CITY, NM – Western New Mexico University Museum is continuing its theme of honoring local Grant County Veterans through an in-house developed exhibition, “Vietnam: Remembering Those Who Served.”

To develop the exhibition, the University Museum is seeking a variety of items including photographs, unit yearbooks, newspapers or clippings, and military medals from Vietnam veterans, family members and friends. New Mexico had over 60,000 troops serve during the Vietnam War, many of whom are Grant County residents.

Tentatively scheduled from August 9 through September 24, 2010, this exhibition is the third in the University Museum’s Honoring Our Local Veterans series. Previous series exhibitions included “The Korean War: Remembering the Forgotten” in summer 2009 and “Memories of World War II,” which featured a special tribute to Grant County Bataan Death March veterans, in summer 2008.

Exhibition space is limited. If you would like to contribute memorabilia or need additional information, please contact Phillip Cave, Acting Museum Assistant Director/Honoring Our Local Veterans Exhibition Series Co-Curator at (575) 538-6386 or email cavep@wnmu.edu, or John Berry, WNMU Museum Graduate Assistant/Co-Curator at (575) 538-6386 or email berryj1@wnmu.edu.

Details for the opening reception will be announced at a later date. The exhibit is funded in part by Student Fees from the Associated Students of WNMU. The WNMU Museum is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



Pictured is a photo from the Ivan Helton Collection titled 'Combat Patrol-Waiting and Watching.'

Located in Silver City, New Mexico, Western New Mexico University has served the

people of the state of New Mexico and its surrounding areas as a comprehensive, regional, rural, public coeducational university since 1893 and caters to a student body diverse in age, culture, language and ethnic background.

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