

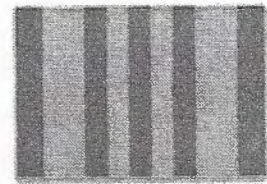
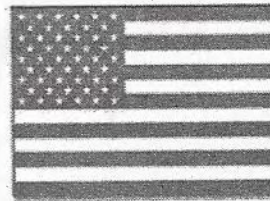
**VIETNAM MEMORIAL
RE-DEDICATION ON
MARCH 29**

Active Vietnam Veteran Richard Honan announced that, with School Committee support, American Legion Post 146 will re-dedicate the Vietnam Memorial originally installed at the old Winthrop High School on May 22, 1988. The re-dedication will take place in the lobby of the new WHS, S. Main St., on Wednesday, March 29, at 7 p.m. Honan noted that it's appropriate to re-dedicate the memorial at this time, as March 29th is Vietnam Veterans Day. Following the re-dedication, a new American flag, donated by Post 146, will be hoisted up the flagpole in front of the new High School. 03-23-17 *Sam Transcript*

American Legion Post 146

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The Winthrop School Department
invite you to the



**RE-DEDICATION OF THE
VIETNAM VETERANS
MEMORIAL**

**Vietnam Veterans Day
Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at 7:00 PM**

**Winthrop High School
400 Main Street Winthrop, MA**

**Originally dedicated and installed in the
former Winthrop High School on May 22, 1988.**

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PACKED LOBBY FOR VIETNAM VETERAN RE-DEDICATION CEREMONY

By Kate Anslinger

We are here today to honor those who served in Vietnam," said School Superintendent John Macero to a packed lobby at the Winthrop High School last Wednesday evening, March 29, in honor of the re-dedication of the Vietnam Memorial.

The re-dedication ceremony was appropriately set for March 29, which is Vietnam Veterans Day. Vietnam Veteran and resident Richard Honan, along with the American Legion Post 146, worked together to set the re-dedication ceremony in motion. After gaining the support of the School Committee, Superintendent Macero and Principal Matt Crombie, the Vietnam Memorial found its new home on the wall in the main lobby of the high school.

"There is no one my age at wasn't affected by this war," said Honan, who was stationed in Vietnam in 1969. "Not a single day goes by that I don't think of that war."

The lobby was silent as United States Marine Corps veteran Robert Giuliano spoke about his experience in Vietnam and what it was like coming home. While spending six months in the jungle, Giuliano suffered a massive injury and wasn't expected to live. When he miraculously survived, he came home and the first thing he did was come back to Winthrop High School, to see his old teachers who had always supported him and had faith

in him, which is why he feels that the high school is a fitting place for the Vietnam Veteran Memorial to be placed. "After coming home, this town lifted me up," said Giuliano. "When I see the community here I am so appreciative. It means so much. We need to remind the students that this plaque is here."

The Vietnam Memorial was originally installed at the old high school on May 22, 1988. The American Legion Post 146 donated a new American flag for the newly dedicated plaque and it will be hoisted up the flagpole in front of the new high school.

Honan Sign Company was responsible for hanging the plaque that is visible on the wall directly in front of the main entrance.



Legion members and speakers gather with the Massachusetts Secretary of Veterans Affairs in front of the plaque.



Members of the American Legion Post 146 fold the flag that was proudly hung on the plaque.



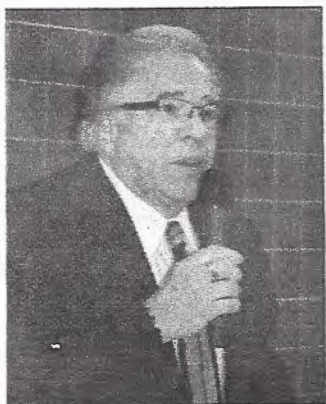
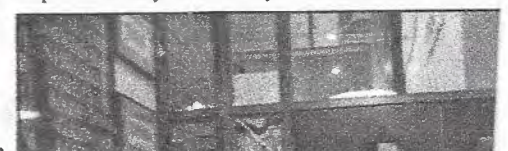
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Pictured to the right, Donna Segreti Reilly and Richard Honan.

Pictured below, Town Councilor Linda Calla is captivated by the newly dedicated plaque.

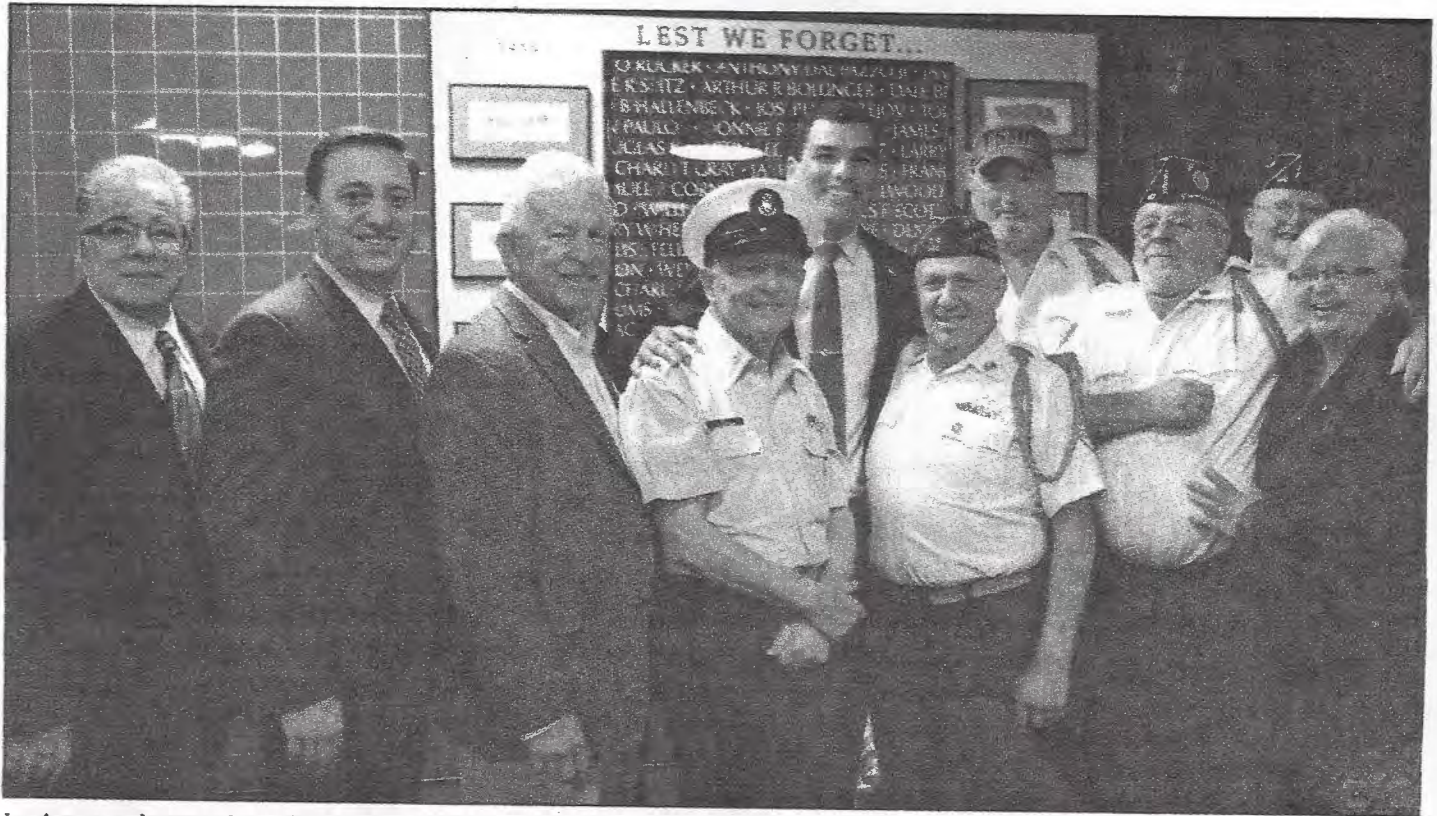


School Committee Member and Vietnam Veteran, Ron Vecchia, opens up the ceremony.



Christine Honan and Lauren Clifford at the original dedication ceremony in 1988.

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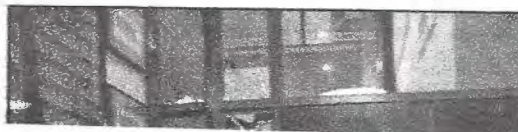
Legion members and speakers gather with the Massachusetts Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Francisco Urena, for the dedication.



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