

Vietnam Veterans Entertained with a Concert by Blue Öyster Cult

A Free Concert Hosted for Vietnam Vets and Fort Irwin Community



A lottery was drawn for backstage passes to be given to several Vietnam Veterans in order to meet the band.

USAG, Fort Irwin and FMWR, in conjunction with Army Entertainment, hosted a free concert in honor of our over 500 Vietnam Veterans following the parade and banquet. Over 2500 members of the community, veterans groups, families, and the Vietnam Veterans themselves stayed from 1400 to 1700 to hear rock band, Blue Oyster Cult perform. Blue Öyster Cult has been performing since 1967 when they formed in Long Island, NY. Known for such hits as The Reaper, Godzilla and Burnin' for You, the concert was an absolute hit with both veterans and the community and a perfect way to cap the day of honoring our Vietnam War Veterans. A tremendous event!



Generous donations were made by numerous organizations to support the Veterans on their special day.



In Accordance With Public Law 110-181 SEC.598; the 2008 National Defense Authorization Act authorized the Secretary of Defense to conduct a program to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War and "in conducting the commemorative program, the Secretary shall coordinate, support, and facilitate other programs and activities of the Federal Government, State and local governments, and other persons and organizations in commemoration of the Vietnam War."



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