

**Gillespie County
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Press Release

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HONOR FLIGHT AUSTIN: Sept 27-28, 2013 Flight for WWII Veterans

Honor Flight Austin has scheduled a Gillespie County Veteran flight on September 27-28, 2013 for 36- Gillespie County WWII Veterans. Veterans who are interested in going on this flight should apply immediately. Applications can be obtained from: Tami King, Gillespie County Veterans Service Officer, telephone: (830)997-3758. Please schedule an appointment.

The Honor Flight Austin mission is to transport veterans with a specific priority given to those residing within 14 counties listed below, to Washington, D.C. to visit those memorials dedicated to honor their service and sacrifices and return them home to their families and loved ones. Top priority is given to America's most senior heroes — survivors of World War II and any veteran with a terminal illness who wishes to visit THEIR memorial. The program will naturally transition to Korean War, Vietnam War and all other veterans who served, on a chronological basis.

Honor Flight Austin has expanded service to include the 14 counties surrounding the Austin area. Honor Flight Austin now serves the following counties: Bastrop, Bell, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Gillespie, Gonzales, Hays, Lee, Llano, Milam, Travis, and Williamson Counties. To accommodate the large number of veterans, Honor Flight Austin will be offering 4 more flights starting in the fall in 2013, and resuming in the Spring of 2014. The trips are provided at NO COST to the Veteran.

“We need your help to make these flights happen with private and corporate donations. The number of WWII veterans is quickly dwindling, with 800 to 1,000 dying every day,” said Honor Flight Austin Chairman Allen Bergeron. Honor Flight's mission is to give these remarkable veterans the recognition they deserve: a chance to visit the memorials dedicated in their honor and a hero's welcome when they return to Austin. For many, it is the trip of a lifetime, time is of the essence. Honor Flight Austin is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, and Donations can be made via their website www.honorflightaustin.org, or mailed to Honor Flight Austin 815-A Brazos Street UPS Box 498 Austin, TX 78701-2514.