

KISHWAUKEE COLLEGE VA CONNECTIONS

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Spring semester begins 18 Jan 22

COVID Waiver has been extended until 01 Jun 22

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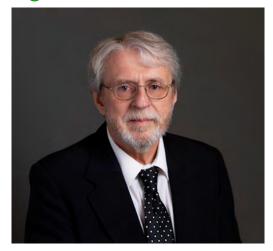


Military Birthdays:

Navy - Oct. 13, 1775 Marines - Nov. 10, 1775 Coast Guard - Dec. 13, 1636 Space Force - Dec. 20, 2019

Spotlight a Vet

John Gruben



John Gruben is a lifelong Rochelle resident. John is a retired college professor, teaching Manufacturing/ Engineering at Kishwaukee College, Northern Illinois University and Waubonsee College for 29 years. He received his B.S. Ed and M.S. Ed from Northern Illinois University. He was ABD in his Doctoral Program at the time of his retirement from teaching. John has several years of experience in the Manufacturing environment as a Project Manager, Engineer, Quality Manager, Corporate Quality Engineer, Senior Supplier Development Engineer and Consulting Engineer. Mr. Gruben is a current Adjunct Instructor at Kish in Manufacturing Technology, and the Commander of the Rochelle American Legion Post 403. He served in the Army from 1970-1972 and is an active member of the Kishwaukee College Veterans Advocacy Committee. Thank you for your service!



History Corner

Space Force

December 20, 2019

National Defense Authorization Act was signed into law (with bi-partisan support), creating the first new branch of the armed services in 73 years. The establishment of the USSF resulted from widespread recognition that Space was a national security imperative.

Where are we in the VA process?

The VA will require Chapter 33 students to verify their attendance, for housing allowance purposes, each month they are in classes. Failure to certify could result in delays of housing payments so make sure you are certifying with the VA. Verification can be done in one of three ways: Text (you must opt-in), Phone 888-442-4551, or Email. Those that do not opt-in for the Text option will automatically be opted in to the Email verification and will receive an email at the end of each month.

The COVID waiver for Resident credits has been extended until June 1, 2022. If a course was previously in-person but is now remote due to COVID, the waiver will be applied and the student will be eligible for the full resident housing rate.

If you wish to utilize your VA benefits, you must submit an Enrollment Certification Request EACH semester. Contact Wendy Goff for more info wgoff@kish.edu.

Effective January 1 2021 the VA now requires schools to certify and verify student attendance twice throughout the semester. The first certification will be no later than the first week of the semester. The second will be after the Add/Drop period. Chapter 33 funds will not be applied until they are received from the VA. There will be no fees or drops due to non-payment while the funds are processing.