

Military photo exhibit in Minden

Douglas County is hosting the Western Nevada College "Always Lost: A Meditation on War" arts and humanities exhibition as part of a special Nevada Sesquicentennial tour sponsored by the Nevada Department of Veterans Services.

The free exhibit will be on display at the Minden Inn from Aug. 25-Sept. 12. Viewing hours will be Monday through Friday from 8am-5pm, with extended hours on Thursdays until 8pm. A special opening ceremony will take place in the lobby area of the Minden Inn at 10am Aug. 25.

"Always Lost" includes a memorial wall of individual photographs with names of the more than 6,500 U.S. military war casualties in Iraq and Afghanistan since Sept. 11, 2001; the 2004 Pulitzer Prize-winning photographs (Breaking News Photography) by David Leeson and Cheryl Diaz Meyer (courtesy of the *Dallas Morning News*); original literary work by WNC creative writers, veterans and their family members, and others from the Nevada writing community; WNC student veteran photographic portraits and interviews to represent service members returning from Iraq and Afghanistan; and the personal story and original poetry of Spec. Noah Pierce, who took his own life after serving two tours in Iraq, to represent the thousands of veteran suicides. Observations about the nature of war, from Greek philosophers to modern-day generals, serve as thought-provoking meditations concerning the effects of war on each of us and our obligations to those willing to serve in harm's way on our behalf.

For more information about the display at the Minden Inn, call 775.782.9821.