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**SULLIVAN & BOBBITT RECEIVE FIRST COUNTY  
VETERANS MEDALS**

(SALEM, NJ)—County Public Information Officer Robin Weinstein today announced that Deputy Director Bruce Bobbitt and Freeholder Charles “Chuck” Sullivan received the first County Veterans Medals at a private ceremony in the Freeholder Meeting Room in the County Courthouse on August 24, 2006. The medals were presented by the County Veteran’s Services Department Head, Robert Boon, in order to encourage more veterans to apply for this medal.

“We held this private ceremony with the newspaper to encourage more County veteran’s to apply to receive this important honor,” said Freeholder Sullivan, Chair of the County Facilities Management Committee and a veteran who served in Korea. “We have received close to 100 applications, but we know that there are more people in the County who deserve this honor. We will hold as many ceremonies as necessary to ensure that our gratitude is appropriately extend to all those who have sacrificed so much for our freedom.”

The Salem County Military Service Medal was created to express the County’s gratitude by honoring its current residents who have served on active duty with any branch of the United States Regular Active Armed Forces and were separated under “Honorable Conditions.” Additionally, in order to qualify applicants must have served on active duty for 180 days or more. Exception to the 180 day rule will apply to Reservist & National Guardsman who were called up for active duty for support of operations in South West Asia or any veteran who was discharged of because of a non-pre-existing medical condition. Medals will not be given posthumously. The first service in which the medals will be presented will be in September at the Salem County Community College.

“The Freeholder Board is committed to ensuring that our County Veterans receive the honor they are due,” said Deputy Director Bobbitt, veteran of the Vietnam War. “If you are a veteran who meets the qualifications please apply as soon as possible.”

Applications are available at the following locations:

**PENNSVILLE- TAX OFFICE, VFW POST 1952, AMERICAN LEGION POST 297**



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**PENNSGROVE-** THE BOROUGH HALL, VFW POST 8840, AMERICAN LEGION  
POST 205

**CARNEYS POINT-** THE BOROUGH HALL

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**HANCOCKS BRIDGE-** MUNICIPAL BUILDING

**PITTSGROVE-** MUNICIPAL BUILDING

**EL SINBORO-** VFW POST 253

Additionally, applications are available at the New Courthouse or can be downloaded by visiting: [www.SalemCountyNJ.gov](http://www.SalemCountyNJ.gov). Please contact Robert Boon for more information (856) 935-7510 ext. 8603.