

Norwich High School, the Draft & War:



**Presentation by
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Historian and author Ed Erickson discusses his recent book, Kinship, Stories of Norwich High School, the Draft, and War. This is a story about the Norwich Senior High School Class of 1968, their parents, their teachers, their mentors, and the twenty-five class members who served in the armed forces of the United States. It is also a story about how the residents of Norwich and Chenango County, New York dealt with military service and with Selective Service (or “the Draft”) from 1940 to 1973. Join retired US Army lieutenant colonel Ed Erickson as he recounts a few of the military experiences of local World War II and Korean War veterans, and the 25 men and women of the Norwich High School Class of 1968. Ed advances the idea that the Norwich Senior High School Class of 1968 was at the epicenter of a generational intersection of shared experiences revolving around the Draft and War. A short Q & A will follow the presentation.



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