

Medal of Honor recipients featured

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Six Medal of Honor recipients visited injured Marines at the San Diego Naval Medical Center yesterday as part of the opening of a photo exhibit titled "Visions of Valor."

The display features 16 black-and-white portraits of Medal of Honor recipients who have connections to San Diego County.

The free exhibit, sponsored by the TriWest Healthcare Alliance, is open to the public until March 10, said Amy Rohlfs, a spokeswoman for the medical center.

Medal of Honor recipients present yesterday included former Marines Jay Vargas and Robert Modrzejewski, both of San Diego, and John Finn of Campo, who was awarded the honor for heroism during the Pearl Harbor attack and is the oldest living Medal of Honor recipient at age 96.

The Medal of Honor is the nation's highest military honor, given by Congress for risk of life in combat beyond the call of duty.

—Steve Liewer