

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT



UNWAVERING SUPPORT



FOR UNCOMMON HEROES

TESTIMONIAL DINNER  
HONORING

*State Commander, Dominick S. Cortese*

and

*State Auxiliary President, Kim McCarroll*

SUNDAY OCTOBER 17, 2021

in

**The Grand Ballroom of the Rocky Hill Sheraton Hotel**

**100 Capital Blvd - Rocky Hill, Ct.**

**\$40.00 PER-PERSON**

Menu

Your Choice of \*\* Choice New York Strip W/Steak Butter  
\*\*Seared Sea Bass in Lobster Dill Sauce  
\*\*Chicken Marsala

Accompanied with:

\*\* Mystic Pear Salad w/Spiced Pecans, Grapes, Pear Slices, Crumpled Bleu Cheese and Dressing \*\* Roasted Zucchini w/ Tomato Sauce \*\* Sweet Potato Mash \*\*Fresh Baked Dinner Rolls and Sweet Butter \*\*Coffee - Decaf and Assorted Specialty Teas \*\*Dessert: Blueberry Cheesecake

Cash Bar Cocktail Hour at 12:00 Noon

Dinner Served at 1:00 pm

**LET'S HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE FROM EVERY POST AND AUXILIARY TO SHOW OUR SUPPORT FOR OUR STATE COMMANDER AND PRESIDENT**

PLEASE SEND ME \_\_\_\_\_ TICKETS AT \$40.00 EACH.  
A CHECK FOR \$ \_\_\_\_\_ IS ENCLOSED.

POST / AUXILIARY # \_\_\_\_\_ NAME \_\_\_\_\_

STREET: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

MY / OUR MEAL SELECTION(S) ARE BEEF \_\_\_\_\_ FISH \_\_\_\_\_ CHICKEN \_\_\_\_\_

A GLUTEN FREE MEAL \_\_\_\_\_ A VEGETERIAN LASAGIANA MEAL

**PLEASE MAIL TO:**  
Ron Rusko,  
VFW  
Quartermaster

**Cutoff date to order your tickets is Wednesday October 13th**





Department of Maryland  
*Veterans of Foreign Wars & its Auxiliary*



*Eastern Conference 10-29-2021 to 10-31-2021*

*Room Rates:*

<i>Ocean/Pool View</i>	<i>\$ 89.00 plus tax</i>
<i>Oceanfront</i>	<i>\$129.00 plus tax</i>
<i>2 Bedroom Condos</i>	<i>\$219.00 plus tax</i>
<i>3 Bedroom Condos</i>	<i>\$319.00 plus tax</i>
<i>Rates are based on single &amp; double occupancy. \$20.00 for each additional person above double occupancy.</i>	

*All Hotel room reservations must be made by phone to the hotel directly (1-800-4-ROYALE).  
Hospitality Rooms – Ask for Atrium Pool View - \$89.00 plus tax*

*Room reservations can be made at any time; however, the deadline is September 20, 2021. Note: After the deadline, all unreserved rooms will be released to the general public.  
If a handicap room is needed, please let the hotel know at the time of reservation.*

*The Princess Royale Ocean Front Hotel and Conference Center is 100% non-smoking. Fine will be \$250.00 for smoking in your room.*

*Check-in time is 4:00 pm; Check-out time is 11:00 pm.  
All guests arriving before 3:00 pm will be accommodated as rooms are available.*

*If you want to check in to your hospitality room prior to 4pm on FRIDAY, you **MUST** reserve THURSDAY night otherwise you must adhere to the 4pm check in time on FRIDAY.*

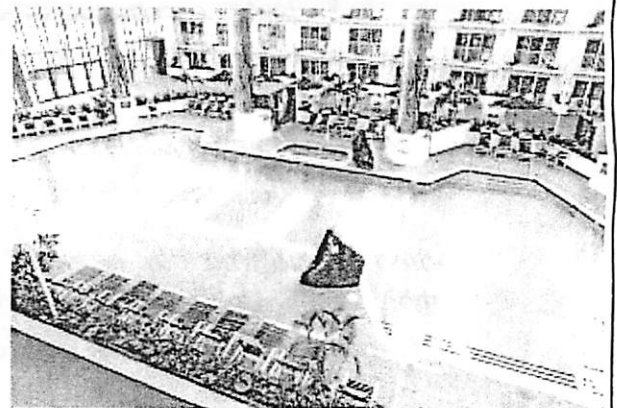
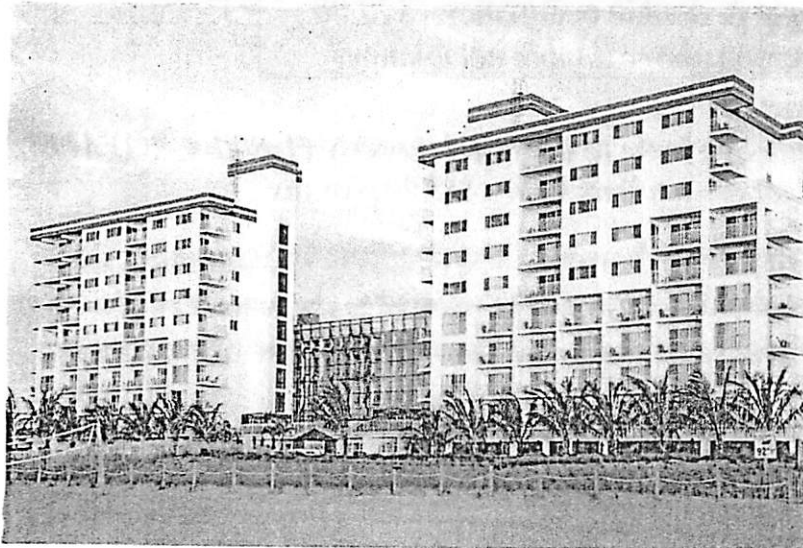
**TRAVELING**

***Flying:*** You can fly into Salisbury-Ocean City -Wicomico Regional Airport, 5485 Airport Terminal Rd, Salisbury, MD 21804, (410) 548-4827

***Driving:*** The easiest way to get to the Hotel is to mapquest.com or use your GPS to the address of the hotel provided.



Department of Maryland  
 Veterans of Foreign Wars & its Auxiliary  
 Eastern Conference October 29 – October 31, 2021



Pool level Atrium Suites will serve as Hospitality Rooms at a cost of \$89.00 plus tax. Add'l \$30 charge to remove beds & for tables

- Ocean/Pool View \$ 89.00 plus tax
- Ocean Front \$ 129.00 plus tax
- 2 Bedroom Condo \$ 219.00 plus tax
- 3 Bedroom Condo \$ 319.00 plus tax

*Rates based on single and double occupancy.  
 Add'l adults over and above double occupancy  
 will be charged \$20.00 per person. Code:  
 VFW Eastern Conference*

*Reservation cut-off date will be  
 September 20, 2021*



Schooners on-site Lounge and Restaurant

Princess Royale Ocean Front Hotel and Conference Center  
 9100 Ocean Highway - Oceanfront  
 Ocean City, Maryland 21842  
 1-800-4-ROYALE  
 www.princessroyale.com



*The VFW by the numbers*

**1.5 million**

Number of VFW and VFW Auxiliary members.

**6,024**

Number of VFW Posts worldwide.



*Helping struggling military families*

**10,828**

Number of grants provided to military families facing financial hardship through *VFW Unmet Needs* since 2004.

**\$5,387,846**

Amount of grants provided through *VFW Unmet Needs* covering housing for struggling military families since 2004.

**3,688**

Number of military families who received assistance with housing needs since 2004.



**1899**

Year the VFW started to fight for veterans, service members and their families.



*Honoring the fallen*

**7.3 million**

Number of VFW "Buddy"® Poppies distributed by the VFW last year.

**\$7.2 million**

Amount raised through the VFW "Buddy"® Poppy program for needy veterans last year.



*Cutting red tape*

**110,000+**

Number of veterans the VFW assisted in submitting new VA claims in fiscal year 2020.

**Nearly 15,000**

Number of VA claims filed by the VFW's Pre-Discharge offices in fiscal year 2020 resulting in more than \$138 million in disability compensation.

**27**

Number of VFW Pre-Discharge offices across the nation, including the military district of Washington, D.C., area.



*Improving life in America*

**10.3 million**

Number of volunteer hours contributed by VFW members annually.

**\$20.8 million**

Amount donated annually to local community service projects by VFW members.



*Inspiring patriotism in young people*

**29,000+**

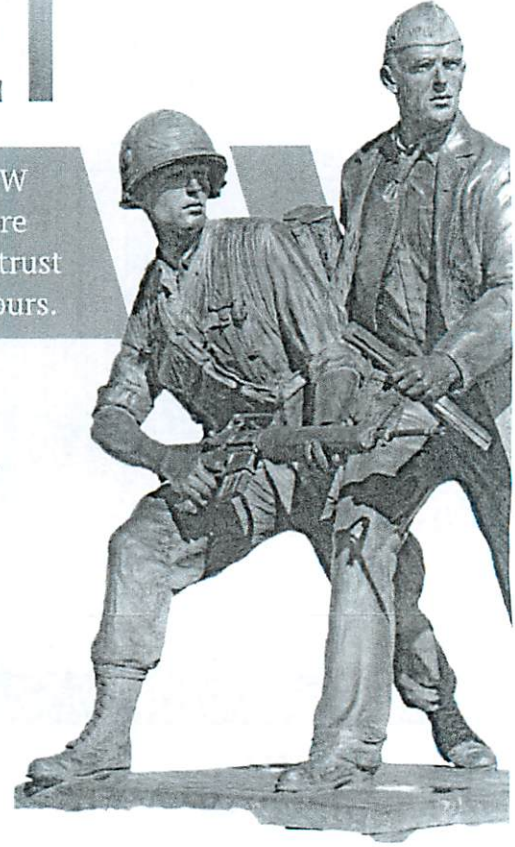
Number of high school students who competed in the 2020–21 VFW Voice of Democracy competition.

**84,000+**

Number of students who competed in the 2020–21 VFW Patriot's Pen competition.



As the nation's oldest major war veterans' organization, the VFW has an impeccable and longstanding record of service and stewardship. More than 4.5 million patriotic Americans, both members and non-members, entrust the VFW with financial contributions and dedicate millions of volunteer hours.



YOUR DONATION OF

**\$20**

ENSURES THE VFW CAN

**Educate** a separating service member about his or her well-earned VA benefits through a private benefits counseling session with a VFW Service Officer.

**Provide** training to 4 VFW Service Officers on signs of emotional suffering so they can better direct veterans to programs and services.

**Help** cover rent, utilities or groceries for a military family struggling with the hardships of war.

**Deliver** 4 morale-boosting "welcome home" celebrations for service members who have returned from combat.

**1,900+**

Number of VA-accredited VFW representatives across America and abroad, helping veterans fight for the VA benefits they have earned.

**61**

Number of VFW-SVA Fellows (student veterans) who have traveled to Washington, D.C., to advocate for veterans' rights.

**\$9.7 billion+**

The total annual amount the VFW helped veterans recoup in VA disability compensation and pension benefits — which includes **\$1.4 billion in new benefits** paid to veterans in fiscal year 2020.

**2.3 million+**

Number of service members and their family members hosted at VFW Military Assistance Program (MAP) events since 2005.

**23**

Number of times the VFW has testified before Congress in the last 12 months alone. The VFW has been instrumental in virtually every major legislative victory for veterans in the 20th and 21st centuries.

**\$2.9 million**

Amount of scholarships, monetary awards and other incentives the VFW distributes annually to middle and high school students through two major patriotic essay competitions.

**\$12.1 million+**

Value of financial assistance awarded to military families since 2004 to help cover basic needs in times of crisis. 44% of the funds covered basic housing needs.

**\$9.2 million**

Amount of scholarships awarded to more than 2,054 veterans and service members through VFW's "Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship" since January 2014.



# Department of Connecticut Veterans of Foreign Wars of The United States

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hqct@vfw.necoxmail.com vfwct.org

Please sign up for the Action Corps. We need all of our members to respond to positive and also unpopular bills concerning Veterans, our military and our national security. It's just a few clicks of the mouse on your computer and will make a huge difference in the way our representatives in DC vote. Please go to [www.vfw.org/actioncorps](http://www.vfw.org/actioncorps) today to sign up.



## Become a Veterans' Advocate.

Join the VFW Action Corps and receive the VFW Action Corps Weekly e-newsletter and all VFW Action Alerts.

[www.vfw.org/ActionCorps](http://www.vfw.org/ActionCorps)



We will be sending out the Commander-in-Chiefs recommendation that **EVERY** Post sign up at least 5 members into the Action Corps. It is also a requirement for becoming an "All American" Post Commander. Rich DiFederico, State Legislative Chairman

- Receive weekly updates on the VFW's efforts in D.C.
- Be involved with pressing issues through Action Alerts.
- Track and communicate with your elected officials.

**NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS.**



[www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org)



[twitter.com/vfwhq](https://twitter.com/vfwhq)



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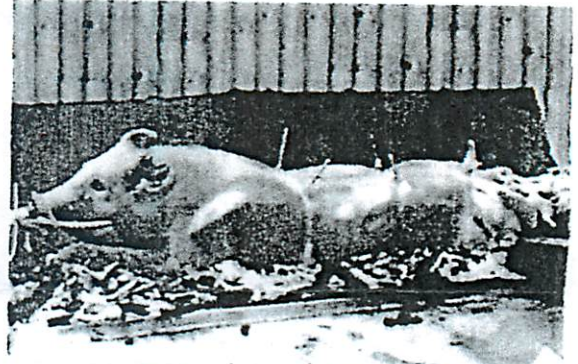


# VFW District 1 Annual Family Picnic

August 22, 2021

At the Bloom's House  
25 Philo Curtis Road  
Sandy Hook, CT 06482  
10 am – 6 pm

Food, Games, Raffles, Beer, Soda and Wine  
Tickets \$25.00 per person in advance \$30.00 per person at the door



(Kids 12 and under free)

For Info call or email:

Eduarda (Eddy) Swilling Wade, State Auxiliary Chief of Staff/Dist.1 President  
eddyeswilling@gmail.com 203-384-8277

Kim McCarroll, State Auxiliary President/Dist. 1 Sr. Vice President  
kimccarroll@yahoo.com 203-482-9075

John Kennedy, Commander District 1/Post 10201 Adjutant  
kennedy1073@gmail.com 203-948-5693

10 am (until we run out, so come early)

*Liver, Bacon and Onions*

Noon - 3pm

*Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Clams (Raw and Steamed) and Corn on the Cob*

4 pm – 6 pm

*Pig Roast and Chicken*

*Salads and Dessert*

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Make Checks payable to *District One Dept. of CT VFW* and mail to:  
Kim McCarroll, 23 Philo Curtis Rd., Sandy Hook, CT 06482

Number of Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_  
Post/Aux: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Check: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_



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Department of Connecticut

**GOLD STAR PARENTS LUNCHEON**

Oakville  
VFW Post 7330  
85 Davis Street  
Oakville, CT 06779

**12:00 pm on Sunday, September 26, 2021**

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- MENU -

Stuffed Chicken Breast  
Mashed Potatoes  
Vegetable  
Rolls and Butter  
Coffee, Tea & Cake

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To: VFW and Auxiliaries  
From: Kathie Fleischauer, Laura Allen and Pamela Holden, Chairwomen

The Gold Star Parents are the guests of the Department VFW Auxiliary. We ask that all Auxiliary Presidents contact their Gold Star Parents and invite them to attend. If they need transportation, perhaps you could arrange to bring them to and from the luncheon.

ALL NAMES OF ATTENDING GOLD STAR PARENTS are to be sent to the State Treasurer – Anne Philippon. REMEMBER – DO NOT include the cost of the tickets for the Gold Star Parents. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO VFW AUXILIARY – DEPT OF CT

Thank you for making this a successful tribute to our Gold Star Parents.  
Laurie and Pamela – Chairwomen, Gold Star Parents Luncheon

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Anne Philippon, Treasurer  
12 Baldwin Drive  
Bristol, CT 06010

DEADLINE FOR TICKETS & GOLD STAR PARENTS:  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2021

ATTENDING - \$15 per person

GOLD STAR PARENTS

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Post/Aux. \_\_\_\_\_

Total tickets at \$15 \_\_\_\_\_

Check / M.O. for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed. **TICKETS WILL BE HELD AT THE DOOR**





NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS.



The **Plainfield VFW** would like to invite your organization to join us at the Plainfield Veterans Park, located next to the town hall, for our annual Patriot Day celebration.

We will hold a candlelight vigil and ceremony beginning at **7:00pm on Sept 11, 2021. Emergency vehicles, please be at the park by 6:30 for staging.** This event is open to the public.

If anyone would like to speak, please notify me in your RSVP.

We will also be unveiling a new memorial monument honoring all who lost their lives that day.

Thank you,

For questions or to RSVP, please contact:

Ed Bergman

Jr Vice Commander, Post 5446

Patriot Day Committee Chairman

(860)608-8166 or

merlin0313@gmail.com



# DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND

Veterans of Foreign Wars and its Auxiliary



## EASTERN CONFERENCE BANQUET

Saturday - October 30, 2021

~ MENU ~

**\*\* Fresh Garden Salad with choice of Ranch or Balsamic Dressing**

With Your Entrée Selection of:

**\*\*Chicken Cordon Bleu**

**\*\*Jumbo Lump Maryland Crab Cakes**

**\*\*Prime Sirloin Tips**

Accompanied with:

**\*\*Baked Potato and Seasonal Vegetable\*\* Warm Dinner Rolls and Butter**

**\*\*Coffee, Regular & Decaf, Hot & Cold Tea, Water**

Dessert:

**Smith Island Cake**

Please advise of any Special Dietary Needs as early as possible.

Dinners are priced at \$ 50.00 each. VFW and Auxiliary Dinner reservations must be made through your respective Department Adjutants.

The Department Adjutant is to provide a list of all attendees with dinner choices and payment in full. Dinner reservations are to be received by *October 11, 2021.*

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### BANQUET ORDER FORM (Please Print)

Department of: \_\_\_\_\_

MEAL CHOICES: Chicken Cordon Bleu \_\_\_\_\_ Jumbo Lump Maryland Crab Cakes \_\_\_\_\_

Prime Sirloin Tips \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Meals \_\_\_\_\_ x \$ 50.00 = Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_



**Eastern Conference**  
**FRIDAY NIGHT**  
**HALLOWEEN BASH**



**OCTOBER 29, 2021**

**ENTERTAINMENT**  
**DANCING**  
**HALLOWEEN COSTUME**  
**PRIZES**

**7:00 PM - 11PM**

**COME IF YOU DARE!!!**

