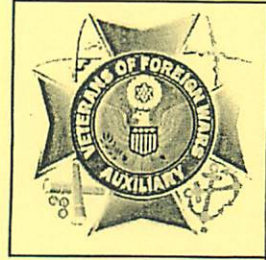


VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT



TESTIMONIAL DINNER
HONORING

State Commander, Mario Richards

And

State Auxiliary President, Deborah Breault

SUNDAY OCTOBER 23, 2022

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 Butternut Squash and Beets ** White and Sweet Mashed Potatoes Medley **Fresh Baked Dinner Rolls and Sweet Butter **Coffee - Decaf and Assorted Specialty Teas **Dessert: Apple Crisp w/Ice Cream

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 _____

Cutoff date to order your tickets is Wednesday October 19th

PLEASE MAIL
TO: VFW
P.O. BOX 429
Rocky Hill, Ct.
06067

VFW District 1 Annual Family Picnic

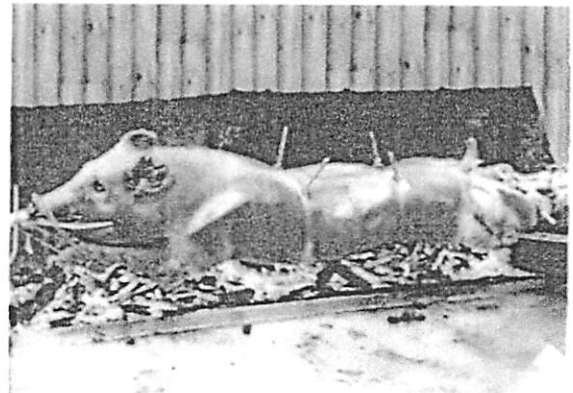
September 3, 2022

VFW POST 9460
100 Veterans Blvd,
Stratford, CT 06615

10am-6 pm

Food, Games, Raffles, Beer, Soda, and Wine

Tickets \$30.00 per person in advance \$35.00 per person at the door



(Kids 12 and under free)

For Info call or email

Eduarda (Eddy) Swilling Wade, District 1 President

eddyeswilling@gmail.com 203-384-8277

John Kennedy, Commander District 1

vfwctdist1@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

BBQ by Mission

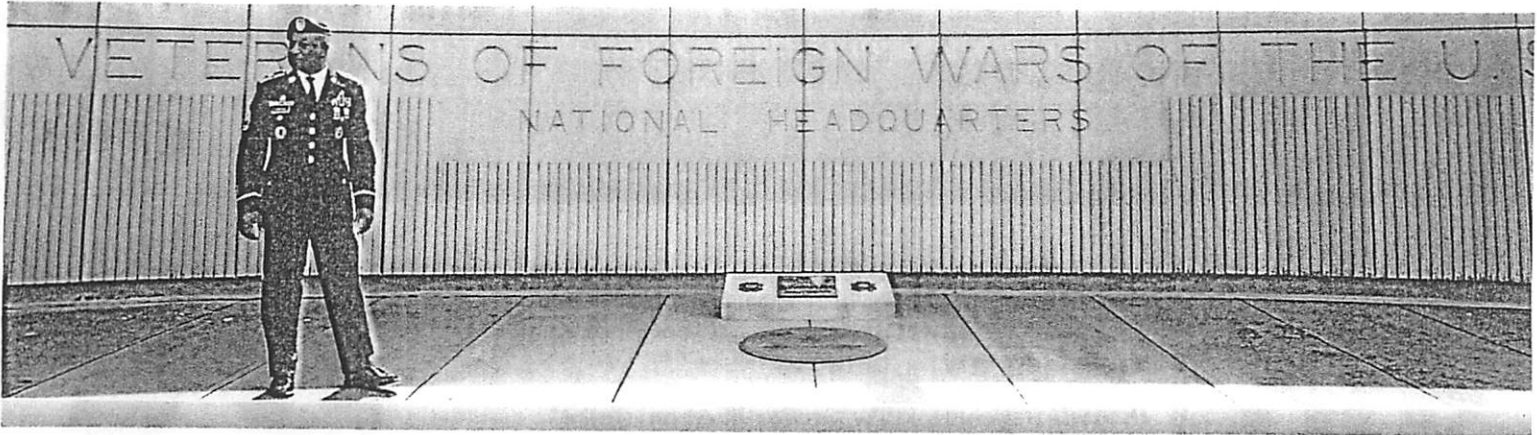
Barbeque

Make Checks payable to *District One Dept. of CT VFW* and mail to:
VFW District 1, 202 Candlewood Lake Road, Brookfield, CT 06804

(Please included # of tickets, Post/Auxiliary #)

Or pay by Venmo @vfw10201





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.



NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS.

JUNE Monthly Assistance Bulletin

CURRENT MONTH TOTAL SINCE BEGINNING	National		Connecticut	
	Grants	Attendance \$	Grants	Attendance \$
MAP / AAU Military Assistance Program / Adopt A Unit	13	27,100 \$3,267,001	0	0 \$10,859
Unmet Needs - Financial Assistance for unexpected financial difficulty	33 11,080	\$38,143.85 \$12,437,752	0 42	\$0.00 \$91,183
Help A Hero Scholarship Financial Assistance for educational goals	10 2,200	\$27,219.00 \$9,850,785	2 17	\$10,000 \$79,717

Connecticut	VMS Total Donations	VFW Donations	AUX Donations	Other	HAH	UNMET NEEDS	MAP
June	\$ 7,100	\$ 7,000	\$100	\$0	\$10,000	\$0.00	\$0.00
YTD FY 21-22	\$13,570	\$10,891	\$475	\$2,204	\$15,000	\$6,145.18	\$0.00
Grants					3	5	0

Chairmen Reports: Event attendance 6,543.

A total of 12,870 veterans, military members and their families were supported through Veterans & Military Support Programs during June 2022. No Posts reported in May or June. Canterbury Post 10688 reported after the June deadline and will be counted for July. Please submit reports to me by the 10th of the month. Be sure to include how many people attended the event/program, how much money or assistance was given to veterans, service members or their families and the date. The report form is on VFWCT.ORG or just email me the information.

Department Commander’s special projects are Veterans and Military Support (VMS) and Reason to Ride. The Commander is in full support of VMS and hopes that you will be too. Remember to sponsor teams for the Golf Tournament proceeds to VMS and to get sponsorships or go watch the event. In some way, please support the event.

Patriots Golf Tournament in honor of 100th year Anniversary of helping Veterans in Connecticut and nationwide. Monday, 8/29/2022 at Crestbrook Golf Course, 834 Northfield Road, Watertown 06795. Registration 0830 with breakfast, Tee time 1000 shotgun. \$120 includes green fees, cart & dinner. Tournament will be a scramble with four person teams. Contact Chairman, Mario Richards at 860-616-2363 to register. Proceeds to benefit VMS programs.

The following Posts have adopted units: 1926, 1946, 1949, 2046, 2138,3263,3272, 4608,574,591, 594,7330, 7666,7788,9452, 9929. If you have not had an event with your adopted unit this year, summertime after annual training for National Guard units and December for the holidays, is the perfect time to plan one. I have phone numbers for the family program representative for each of the National Guard units. You can get up to \$5000 a year to use towards food and beverages. Examples of events to hold: Family Day, Yellow Ribbon, Holiday, Dinner/Picnic or Welcome Home. You can ask the unit representative what the unit would like to have, start a rapport with the unit and let them know you are here to assist with the unit and family program. Adopt-A-Unit (AAU) Activity Reports are required to be filed with the Military Assistance Program (MAP) at least once a year. Please let me know who the AAU contact is from your Post.

If you have questions and need more information or would like training on VMS please contact me.

Loyally,

Sherry Wozniak
 Veterans & Military Support Chairman
 860-377-8475 / sawoz1130@gmail.com



P.O. BOX 429 Rocky Hill, CT 06067 (860)616-2360 Fax: (860) 616-2364
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 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

- 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.

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URGENT AND IMPORTANT 2022-2023

DEPARTMENT SOLICITATION FOR ADS FOR THE CONVENTION AD BOOK FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES

THE DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT VFW HAS ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH A PRIVATE CONCERN TO SOLICIT ADS FOR OUR CONVENTION AD BOOK THAT HELPS TO PAY FOR THE STATE CONVENTION. BECAUSE OF THAT, CONNECTICUT HAS THE LOWEST CONVENTION DELEGATE FEES IN THE COUNTRY.

OUR COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION HAS GIVEN US PERMISSION TO CONTINUE THIS PROGRAM. YOU MIGHT BE RECEIVING CALLS FROM YOUR LOCAL TOWN MERCHANTS AS TO THE LEGITIMACY OF THIS PROGRAM. WE WILL BE USING YOUR POST AS A REFERENCE.

I CANNOT IMPRESS UPON YOU THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS PROGRAM, AND I SINCERELY HOPE YOU WILL CO-OPERATE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT IN THIS VENTURE.

ALL POST MEMBERS AND ESPECIALLY EMPLOYEES THAT ANSWER THE POST PHONES, SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT THIS COMPANY, CONSULT TELE – COMMUNICATIONS, REPRESENTS OUR ORGANIZATION. WHEN INQUIRIES ARE MADE REGARDING THIS COMPANY AS BEING LEGITIMATE, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS AT: 860- 616- 2363 OR TO PASS ON OUR PHONE NUMBER/S.

WE TRUST YOU WILL POST THIS NOTICE IN YOUR POST HOME AND INFORM ALL OF YOUR OFFICERS AND THOSE THAT NEED TO KNOW ESPECIALLY YOUR BARTENDERS, (IF YOU HAVE A CANTEN) THAT ANSWER THE POST PHONE. PLEASE INFORM THE MEMBERS OF YOUR AUXILIARY AS WELL.

NO VFW POST WILL BE SOLICITED BY OUR VENDOR; ALL REQUESTS FOR CONVENTION ADS FROM OUR POSTS AND AUXILIARIES WILL COME FROM DEPARTMENT. MONIES RECEIVED FROM OUR POSTS AND AUXILIARIES WILL GO SOLELY TO OUR DEPARTMENT. NO VFW MONEY WILL GO TO THE VENDOR.

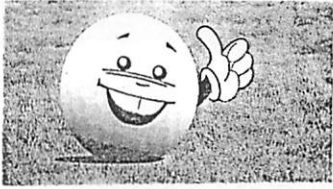
WE WILL AGAIN THIS YEAR ASK OUR POSTS AND AUXILIARIES TO PURCHASE ADS IN OUR CONVENTION BOOK. (Starting in January). BY DOING SO, WE THE DEPARTMENT WILL RECEIVE THE FULL AMOUNT OF THE ADS.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL ME AT HEADQUARTERS AT: (860) 616-2363.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION,

RON RUSKO, STATE ADJUTANT/QUARTERMASTER

NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS



**DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
Patriot's Golf Tournament**



LAST CALL

Date: Monday 29 August 2022

Time: Registration at 8:30 AM with a Breakfast
Tee Time at 10:00 AM with Shotgun Start
Meal after the game at the clubhouse.

Place: Crestbrook Golf Course 834 Northfield Rd, Watertown CT
860 945-5249

Entry Fee: \$120.00 (includes: Green Fees, Cart, Breakfast & Meal Afterwards)

Format: Tournament will be a Scrambled event with 4-person teams.
If you're not in a foursome, we be placing you in one

ENTRY FORM:

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Team members:

Player 1 Name _____

Player 2 Name _____

Player 3 Name _____

Player 4 Name _____

DINNER GUEST ONLY \$45.00 _____

ARMY SPONSOR \$1,000	4 GOLFERS	2 TEE SIGN
NAVY SPONSOR \$500	2 GOLFERS	2 TEE SIGN
MARINE SPONSOR \$200		2 TEE SIGN
AIR FORCE SPONSOR \$100		1 TEE SIGN

Send Entry Forms and Payment to Connecticut VFW P.O. Box 429 Rocky Hill, CT 06067
Phone: 860-616-2363 Chairman Mario Richards

OVER

DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS



PATRIOTS GOLF TOURNAMENT



LAST CALL

MONDAY, AUGUST 29th | 10AM SHOTGUN START

Crestbrook Golf Course
834 Northfield Road, Watertown CT

8:30AM REGISTRATION WITH BREAKFAST
\$120 PER PLAYER * FOUR PERSON TEAM

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT OUR
ROCK HILL OFFICE (860) 616-2363



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UNWAVERING SUPPORT



FOR UNCOMMON HEROES

Department of New Hampshire
Veterans of Foreign Wars & its Auxiliary
Eastern Conference
November 4-6, 2022



DoubleTree by Hilton Manchester Downtown
700 Elm St,
Manchester, NH 03101
1-603-625-1000
www.manchesterdowntown.doubletreebyhilton.com

OVER



DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



Veterans of Foreign Wars and its Auxiliary **2022 TENTATIVE EASTERN CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

FRIDAY, November 4, 2022

Registration	2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Hospitality and Halloween Bash	7:00 pm – 11pm

SATURDAY, November 5, 2022

Registration	8:00 am - 11:00 am
Joint Opening Session	8:00 am or TBA
Memorial Service	Immediately following the Joint Opening Session
VFW & Auxiliary Business Sessions	Immediately following the Joint Memorial Service
Lunch	11:00 am – 12 noon
Local Church Services	<u>(List will be provided when we are closer to the date)</u>
Cocktail Hour - Cash Bar	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Banquet	7:00 pm

SUNDAY, November 6, 2022

Business (Continued if needed)	9:00 am
Checkout time	11 am

(Schedule subject to Change)



DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Veterans of Foreign Wars and its Auxiliary

EASTERN CONFERENCE BANQUET

Saturday - November 5, 2022

~ MENU ~

** Mixed Baby Lettuces (cucumber, tomatoes, carrots, chili lime ranch)

With Your Entrée Selection of:

Cabernet Braised Boneless Beef Short Ribs
(Whipped Potatoes and Roasted root Vegetables)

Statler Rosemary and Thyme Chicken Breast
(Green Bean Medley, Wild Rice, Grain Mustard Sauce)

Seared Nova Scotia Salmon
(Heirloom Carrots, Wild Rice, Beurre Rouge)

Accompanied with:

Dinner Rolls and Butter

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

Dessert:

Flourless Chocolate Torte

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

Dinners are priced at \$55.00 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 14, 2022.

Remember the Friday night "Bash" is a costume "HOLLER WEEN" Party, so come as your favorite Ghoul or Goblin!!!

Also, on the meals, send the meal request and check to ME and NOT to the Department of New Hampshire.

POST / AUXILIARY # _____ NAME _____

STREET: _____ ZIP: _____

PLEASE MAIL TO: VFW P.O. BOX 429 Rocky Hill, Ct. 06067

MY / OUR MEAL SELECTION(S) ARE: BEEF _____ FISH _____ CHICKEN _____

OVER



Department of New Hampshire
Veterans of Foreign Wars & its Auxiliary



Eastern Conference November 4-6, 2022

Room Rates:

<i>Single/double</i>	<i>\$ 164.00 plus tax</i>
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All Hotel room reservations must be made by phone to the hotel directly (1-603-625-1000).
Room reservations can be made at any time; however, the deadline is **October 14, 2022**

**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 DoubleTree by Hilton Manchester Downtown
is 100% non-smoking.

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.

TRAVELING

Flying: You can fly into Manchester Boston Regional Airport (MHT), 1 Airport Rd, Manchester NH 03103,
(603) 624-6539. ***Hotel has an airport shuttle***

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

UNWAVERING SUPPORT



FOR UNCOMMON HEROES

VFW Auxiliary
Department of Connecticut

GOLD STAR PARENTS LUNCHEON

Oakville
VFW Post 7330
85 Davis Street
Oakville, CT 06779

12:00 pm on Sunday, September 25, 2022

- MENU -

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

To: VFW and Auxiliaries
From: Debra Knickerbocker and Sarah Flaherty

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. Two tickets for the Gold Star Parents will be provided. Should any other family members wish to attend, please send them the form to request a ticket?** 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.
Debra and Sarah – Chairwomen, Gold Star Parents Luncheon

Anne Philippon, Treasurer
12 Baldwin Drive
Bristol, CT 06010

**DEADLINE FOR TICKETS & GOLD STAR PARENTS:
SEPTEMBER 16, 2022**

ATTENDING - \$20 per person

GOLD STAR PARENTS

Name _____

Post/Aux. _____

Total tickets at \$20 _____

Check / M.O. for \$ _____ enclosed.

TICKETS WILL BE HELD AT THE DOOR