

VETERANS ADVOCATE

June 2018

ATTENTION:

All Olmsted County Veteran Service Officers will be out of the office Monday, June 4-Friday, June 8 for our National VA Training Conference.

Under Title 38 CFR Section 14.629, the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) requires periodic renewal of veteran service officer accreditation authority for the preparation, presentation, and prosecution of claims for veterans.





Join the DAV MN on a “Veterans Only” golf outing on Wednesday June 13th. There is no cost to the veteran to golf. Veterans will golf 9 holes at [Crystal Lake Golf Course](#) located at 16725 Innsbrook Dr., Lakeville MN 55044.

Registration will start at 2:30pm and golfers will tee off at 4:30pm. There will be snacks available following the golf outing. After the golf is complete, there will be service officer resources available to answer questions.

The roster will fill up quickly so don't wait. You can sign up as a single golfer or up to 4 golfers. All golfers need to be veterans!

If you have any questions contact Josh or Stephen at the DAV HQ's office. Our telephone number is 651-291-1212 or admin@davmn.org

Sign Up For Golf

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b4ba9a82ea6ff2-veterans>



Have you thought about owning your own business? Do you want to serve your community?

Farmers insurance in Southern Minnesota is looking to hire Veterans that have a desire for sales, leadership, and entrepreneurship. We have several programs including a mentorship program where you work with an existing office to learn the business; become an agency owner by opening a retail office or buy an existing office. We provide local training support and coaching throughout the process.

THE CANDIDATE

- You have a proven background in building and managing a business venture.
- You value knowledge and support and award-winning learning and development opportunities like those offered at the University of Farmers®.
- You know how to set goals for you and your team and how to execute a plan efficiently and effectively.
- You are a true leader, but recognize the value offered by an experienced business coach and willing to listen with the ability to inspire.
- You know how to manage a team, achieve great chemistry and instill a standard of excellence.
- You uphold high standards of professionalism and ethics and embrace the opportunity to become a highly-visible member of your community.

BENEFITS

- Unlike other sales careers or opportunities, you have equity in your business that you can sell or pass down to family.
- Opportunity to receive a \$10,000 office startup bonus.
- Opportunity to receive up to a \$5,000 lead-generation bonus.
- Opportunity to receive an annual bonus based on new business Agent Eligible Premium.
- Opportunity to receive a monthly bonus based on qualified new business premium.

REQUIREMENTS

- No capital to \$50,000 in seasoned investable assets.
- Property and Casualty, Life and Health licenses required prior to agent appointment.
- Complete training milestones and assessments.

GROW WITH FARMERS. APPLY TODAY!

Sam Kwainoe, MBA- District Manager

507.288.0663 or skwainoe@farmersagent.com



DunMac Golf for Vets

Facilitated by
The Vet Center



Weekly Group at 9am on Thursdays

Golf Group will be utilizing the Golf Simulators at the

Rochester Indoor Golf Center

1642 Highway 52 N, Rochester, MN 55901

Clubs and instruction can be provided by Instructors upon request. Group will

be \$10 for 4 hrs. of simulator use to get in 18 holes and will have free refreshments and prizes.

This group is a recreation group meant to help Veterans learn wellness using the game of golf and its values to encourage Veterans to make positive lifestyle choices and to create a healthier way of life through fellowship with other Veterans.



**To Join or for more information contact Micheal at
the St. Paul Vet Center at 651 644-4022**



As yesterday's defenders of freedom, we want to welcome today's military service members into our ranks to continue serving our community and fellow veterans. Our common bond is the battlefield, whether it is service in the Persian Gulf, Korea, Kosovo, the war on terrorism or peace-keeping expeditionary campaigns. Your courage and sacrifice have made a difference in preserving and defending world peace.

Our strength comes from you. Simply put, the VFW strives to do good things for deserving people—our veterans, their families and their communities. From local grassroots ideas to national influence, we work every day to make a difference. It's our strength as an organization. And with each individual membership we only grow stronger.

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**Rochester
Whitlock-Sonnenberg
Post 1215**

**Honor the Dead by
Serving the Living**

**GRAND
OPENING**

**JUNE 14TH, 2018
12:30**

2775 43rd St NW, Rochester, MN



DOUGH-NATION NIGHT!

Come hungry to **BOTH**
(or just one) **Toppers**
Pizza Locations in
Rochester from 4:00 pm-
9:00 on June 14th!

TOPPERS WILL DONATE 20% OF SALES FROM EVERY ORDER PLACED WITH ONE OF THESE FLIERS TO MACV. IF MORE THAN 50 FLIERS ARE COLLECTED, TOPPERS WILL STILL DONATE 20% OF ALL SALES FROM THE FLIERS AS WELL AS 20% OF ALL DINNER SALES DURING THE TIME FRAME ABOVE.



Relive a WWII Swing Dance—1940s attire encouraged



Signature Flight Support- Hangar C— 7300 Brataas Drive SW, Rochester, MN

Veterans & Emergency Services Museum
Fundraiser, Rochester, MN

Saturday, June 16, 2018
5:00-10:30 PM

***** TICKETS \$20.00 *****

Limited Advance Tickets until June 15

****\$15.00****

Available online at

Eventbrite.com/e/vesm-hangar-dance-2018-tickets-44085970324

Or call:

507-288-8603 or 507-990-1007

Hangar Dance



A Rochesterfest Event

EVENT ITINERARY

9:00 AM-4:00 PM VIEW VINTAGE AIRPLANES & VEHICLES

5:00 PM DOORS OPEN

Mess Hall food and cash bar, historical exhibits, vintage vehicles and aircraft, silent auction

5:30 PM FREE PROFESSIONAL SWING DANCE LESSON

Provided by Dahl Dance Center

6:30 PM OPENING CEREMONIES

Color Guard accompanied by Les Fields, Rochester Caledonian Pipe Band, Pledge of Allegiance, Star Spangled Banner, Introductions

7:00-10:30 PM OPEN DANCE

Featuring the Generation II Big Band

8:00 PM 1940s GRAND MARCH & COSTUME COMPETITION

Best Male/Female Civilian, Best Male/Female Military, Best Couple

9:00 PM WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Costume winners, Silent Auction winners, Drawings

Photography by: Southern Touch Photography



Caledonian Pipe Band



2017 Costume Contest Winners

SWING DANCE

Come, Look, Learn, Ride

At: Signature Flight Support
Hangar C

Next to ROCHESTER AIRPORT

Vintage Aircraft on Display

Saturday - June 16, 2018 9:00am - 4:00pm



1941 Boeing-Stearman

The Boeing Stearman biplane was used as a primary military trainer for the United States Army Air Forces & Navy. At least 10,626 were built during the 1930s and 1940s. After WWII, this plane became popular as crop dusters, sport planes, and for use in air shows. The plane is universally referred to as a Stearman.

Flight Tickets Available at the Event.
Ticket Price: \$ 129.00



1929 Curtiss-Wright Travel Air

The Curtiss-Wright biplane was originally produced by the Travel Air Manufacturing Company and then by the Curtiss-Wright Corporation after the companies merged. These planes were frequently used in early motion pictures. Its construction and systems made it a great plane

Flight Tickets Available at the Event.
Ticket Price: \$ 95.00



1968 Aero L-29

The Aero L-29 is a single-engine military trainer produced in Czechoslovakia. Over 3,000 were built during an 11-year production run. It is jet-powered and known for its straightforward and simplistic design and construction.



1972 MiG-21

Development of this plane began in the 1950s at the Mikoyan-Gurevich Design Bureau in the Soviet Union, thus the name MiG. It was the first Soviet aircraft to successfully combine fighter and interceptor characteristics in a single aircraft.



1946 Luscombe

The Luscombe was manufactured in the U.S. from 1933 to 1950. Luscombe had a tradition of using no wood in its construction and originally had a monocoque fuselage with fabric-covered metal. This was a revolutionary construction technique for a light aircraft.

Food and Drinks Available for Purchase On Site

For Information Contact: Janet Brauckman 507-990-1007 or Dick & Sharon Krom 507-288-8603

**Presented in Conjunction with the
Veterans & Emergency Services Museum Hangar Dance
Visit Us on Facebook**

Rochester VA Red Carpet Event



Would you like to learn how to navigate the VA system? Come join us for an informational meeting for new and established patients.

Some of the topics that will be covered:

Co-managed care

Mental health

Women's health

Thursday, June, 21 2018

Every 3rd Thursday of the month in room 117, at **2:00pm**
At the Rochester VA Clinic, ****NOTE NEW ADDRESS****

3900 Fairway PL NW

Rochester MN 55901

Please call CVSO's at 507-328-6355



Olmsted County Veteran's Services

STAND★DOWN FOR VETERANS -2018-

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

(WELCOME CEREMONY BEGINS AT 11:30 AM)

ALL VETERANS WELCOME! CALL MACV FOR INFO (507) 345-8258

KAHLER APACHE BALLROOM

1517 16TH STREET SW
ROCHESTER, MN 55902

FREE SERVICES AVAILABLE INCLUDE:

- MEALS
- VA BENEFITS
- CLOTHING
- HOUSING
- PUBLIC BENEFITS
- HAIRCUTS
- EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE
- LEGAL ASSISTANCE

**THIS IS A KID FRIENDLY EVENT!
WE INVITE VETERANS TO BRING YOUR FAMILY!**





Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans

JOIN US &

CLIMB FOR MN



VETERANS

SUNDAY, JUNE 24 6:00-8:00PM

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ROCA CLIMBING & FITNESS

REGISTER ONLINE: WWW.CLIMBROCA.COM/SPECIAL-EVENTS/

**\$15/CLIMBER, 50% OF PROCEEDS GO
TOWARDS MACV**

DONATIONS ARE ENCOURAGED

FREE PIZZA, FRUIT & SNACKS





SEMCIL, and Olmsted County Veteran Services is offering a support group for Veterans that have been diagnosed with PTSD, or those who have signs and symptoms of PTSD, and their family members. Maybe you need to talk or just be in the company of your extended Veteran family. The support group will be a place for Veterans to share, heal and talk about their experiences in dealing with PTSD. We will be there for each other.

We are our brothers and sisters keepers because the oath we took to never leave a fallen comrade has no expiration date. For many of us, combat veterans, there are daily reminders of combat stress.

The group will be facilitated by Jennifer Shumaker, Veteran and Olmsted County Veterans Service Officer.

**PTSD Support group
American Legion
315 1st Ave NW
Rochester, MN 55901**

**Tuesday, June 26
630pm-830pm**

**Jennifer Shumaker
(507) 328-6324
shumaker.jennifer@co.olmsted.mn.us**

Rochester American Legion Post 92
3rd Tuesday of each month
315 First Ave NW
Rochester, MN 55901
7pm
Legion Riders
2nd Monday of each month
7pm
Forty et eight at the American Legion
2nd Tuesday of each month
630pm

Rochester VFW Post Meeting
2nd Tuesday of each Month VFW Post 1215
16 6th Street SW, Rochester, MN 55902
7pm

Byron American Legion Post 119
3rd Monday of the month
7pm
505 Frontage Road NW, Byron, MN

Vietnam Veterans of America
Meets 4th Monday each month
at 7:00pm, at the Rochester American Legion
315 First Ave NW
Rochester, MN 55901

*****NOTE CHANGE*****

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3rd Thursday of the month 6pm
VFW Post 1215
NEW POST ADDRESS
2775 43rd St. NW
Rochester, MN 55901

Stewartville American Legion Post 164
Meeting 3rd Monday each month, 7:30pm
1100 2nd Ave NW, Stewartville

Stewartville VFW Post 8980
Meeting 1st Monday each month, 7pm
1100 2nd Ave NW, Stewartville

DAV Meeting
2nd Monday, of each Month Rochester's Elks Lodge
1652 Hwy 52 N, Rochester, MN 55901
5:30pm dinner, meeting at 6:00pm

Korean War Veterans
Every Monday at Grandmas Kitchen
1514 N Broadway, Rochester, MN 55906
(Silver lake plaza)
8 AM

Thor Detachment 606 Marine Corp League Meeting
4th Tuesday of the month, 7pm, VFW Post 1215
16 6th Street SW, Rochester, MN 55902

Kasson American Legion Post 333
Third Thursday of the month, 8pm
212 West Main Street , Kasson, MN 55944

Chatfield VFW Post 6913
2nd Tuesday of the month
9- 2nd St SW, Chatfield, MN

Gulf War Veterans of America
1st Monday of each month
7pm, at the Rochester American Legion
315 First Ave NW
Rochester, MN 55901

Eyota American Legion Post 551
2nd Monday each month 6:30pm
11 Madison Ave NW
Eyota, MN 55934
Legion Riders
4th Wednesday each month 7:30pm

Pine Island American Legion Post 184
2nd Monday of the month 7PM
108 1st Ave SE
Pine Island, MN



“To promote the interests and welfare of veterans, their dependents and survivors and to enhance their quality of life through counseling, claims assistance, education, advocacy and special projects.”



Veterans Services
2100 Campus Drive
SE, Suite 200
Rochester, MN 55904

