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# VETERANS ADVOCATE

**November 2016**

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## **ANNUAL VETERANS DAY PROGRAM**

**ROCHESTER EVENT CENTER**

**7333 Airport Drive SW, Rochester, MN 55902**

**Breakfast 830am -10am, Program 10:30am**

Support our Veterans! The Annual Veterans Day Program will be held at the Rochester Event Center. A free breakfast will be provided by the Canadian Honker and the Event Center, followed by an hour-long program honoring our veterans, and hidden heroes.



## **Find Great Careers In Rochester!**

**Don't Miss The Rochester Area Fall Job & Career Fair!**

**Wednesday, November 9  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

**[RCTC Sports Center](#)**

**851 30th Avenue SE**

***For those that require a reasonable  
accommodation to attend this event,  
please call  
507-923-2824***

# 6th Annual Chester Woods Deer Hunt For Disabled Veterans Kicks off this month!



Olmsted County Chester Woods Park, and Veterans Service Office, along with Chapter 28 of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) hosts an annual deer hunt for disabled veterans.

This year the hunt will be: November 10th—13th

This was a tough year for negotiating participants for the hunt, since only forty (40) hunters are allowed in the park, and seventy-three (73) applications were received. Over the course of four days, the hunters will enjoy the park for hunting, as well as donated meals, and much camaraderie! The disabled veterans who participate will also enjoy a kick-off dinner on Wednesday evening, and all kinds of on-site volunteer support including butchers who process and package the deer.

If you did not get picked this year, please stop out and volunteer, or just to say hello: Chester Woods Park, 8378 Highway 14 East, Eyota, MN

**REMEMBER to register next year, September 2017!**



# Veterans Day

**Friday, November 11, 2016**



**Applebee's-Free Meal**

**Olive Garden-Free Meal**

**Outback- Blooming Onion and beverage**

**Denny's-Free Grand Slam Breakfast 5am-noon**

**Famous Daves-Two Meat BBQ Salute**

**Hy-Vee-Free Breakfast 7am-11am**

**Red Lobster, November 10 & 11-Free appetizer, or Dessert**

**Texas Roadhouse-Free Meal**

Not all franchise locations participate in their national chain's Veterans Day programs --  
be sure contact your nearest establishment to make sure they are participating.



## VFW pheasant hunt

- Saturday, November 12th
- Hidden Valley Hunting Preserve
- 830am ending around 130pm

No license needed. We can provide gun, vest, hat and ammo.  
Lunch is provided.

Contact Harry Kerr at 507-273-0411. First 16 hunters.





*Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans, in partnership with the law firm of Robins Kaplan LLP, invites you to participate in a:*

# FREE DROP-IN LEGAL CLINIC FOR VETERANS

**HOUSING, EMPLOYMENT, BENEFITS, EXPUNGEMENT, WILLS, DEBT COLLECTION, FAMILY LAW INCLUDING CHILD SUPPORT**

Tuesday, November 15, 2016 | 9am - 2pm | VA Medical Center  
Flag Atrium Balcony Room 2S 114 (ask information desk for directions)  
1 Veterans Drive | Minneapolis, MN | FREE Parking at the VA Medical Center

**Attorneys, MACV staff, County Veterans Service Officers, and child support officers will be available throughout the day to assist veterans with questions, legal forms, and counsel.**

**For more information contact: Vetlaw Program – MACV | 651-200-4750**

Disclaimer: VA assumes no responsibility for the attorneys providing services at this clinic.  
This referral does not constitute a recommendation or endorsement by VA.

If you would like to ride the Olmsted County Van, to the Minneapolis VA Medical Center,  
Please call Karen at: 507-328-8655

**PLEASE SPECIFY that you are riding the van for the LEGAL CLINIC**

**THEY WENT SEARCHING FOR HOPE.  
THEY FOUND IT EVERYWHERE.**

Beyond the Yellow Ribbon SE MN and AFVC (RCTC Vet's Club)  
present public viewing of the documentary:

# PROJECT 22

Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>

**"In the United States alone, twenty-two Veterans commit suicide per day. Project 22 follows two combat-wounded Veterans on a mission to find hope. Riding motorcycles from San Francisco to New York, Daniel and Doc speak with Veterans about post-war challenges that lead to suicide and the healing Veterans are finding in alternative forms of therapy such as sailing, pottery, education, service dogs and more."**

**Hill Theater RCTC Main campus (enter east side/Door 6)**

**Doors open @ 6:30 film begins at 7**

Open discussion and refreshments to follow.

More information: <http://beyondtheyellowribbonsemn.com/>

MEDICINAL MISSIONS PRESENTS WITH CROW AWARENESS AGENCY | DMEDIA | FOX | KEM | TRAILERZ | P/S | JUDIS & CANTINA CREATIVE | PROJECT 22

WRITTEN BY DALE JAMES & JOSH BAIN | PRODUCED BY ADAM STEEL | DIRECTED BY DAN BURNS

CASTING BY THICKSTICKS | SEAN CUSHING | EDUARDO DE PAOLA | ROBERT FISHER | ERIC HENSON | JUDY KING & STEPHEN TESTER

EDITED BY MATT TESTER | MUSIC BY DANIEL J. GIBERT & TUCKING

# RED CARPET ORIENTATION



Would you like to learn how to navigate the VA system?

Come join us for an informational meeting!

Some of the topics that will be covered:

Co-managed care

Mental health

Women's health

Every 3rd Thursday of the month in room 117, at 2:00pm

This month, Thursday, November 17, 2016

At the Rochester VA Clinic, 3900 55th Street NW

Please call County Veteran Services to make an

appointment at 507-328-6355



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# EMPLOYER ENGAGEMENT MEETING

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## BE A PART OF THE VISION!

- *Learn how employers make a difference for veterans*
- *Hear personal stories from veterans*
- *Enjoy a special introduction by the VFW Color Guard*
- *Join us for a Q&A session*

### Special guests will include:

Neil Doyle *Veteran Services Supervisor for Olmsted County*

Bill Hahn *Workforce Development Inc*

Mark Larson *Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs*



Employers can register for the **FREE** event at:  
<http://bit.ly/saluterochesteremployers>

- November 16, 2016
- 8:30–10:30 am
- Events at the Kahler Apache  
1517 16th St SW  
Rochester, MN 55902

Serving those who served

VA



U.S. Department  
of Veterans Affairs



## Hiring Heroes

# Veterans Job Fair

November 16, 2016 • 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Minneapolis VA Medical Center

in the Auditorium (near the main entrance)

One Veterans Drive, Minneapolis, MN 55417

### Featured Businesses:

Health Partners

Comcast

Liberty Diversified

US Bank

UPS

Minnesota Orchestra

General Parts Group

Comcast

Mains'l

Supervalu

Mall of America

US Post Office

Enterprise Holdings

Volt Workforce Solutions

Medtronic

Voigts Bus Company

Schmitt & Sons

MN Dept. of Employment

Minneapolis VA

MN Dept. of Human Services

Allied Barton

US Customs & Border Protection

*No registration required, please come prepared for a potential interview and don't forget your resume.*

We will also be providing on-site resume review and interview preparation.



## Other upcoming local events

### **Rochester American Legion Post 92**

**3rd Tuesday of each month**

**315 First Ave NW**

**Rochester, MN 55901**

**7pm**

**Legion Riders**

**2nd Thursday of each month**

**7pm**

**Forty et eight at the American Legion**

**2nd Tuesday of each month**

**7pm**

### **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**

**1st Monday of the month**

**8pm**

**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**

### **MOPH**

**3rd Thursday of the month 6pm**

**VFW Post 1215**

**16 6th St SW**

### **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**

### **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**

**March 19 , 7pm**

**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**

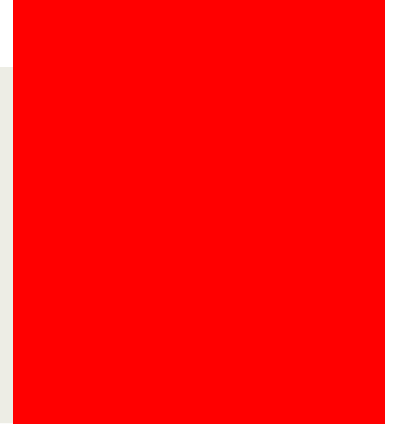
**7pm, at the Rochester American Legion**

**315 First Ave NW**

**Rochester, MN 55901**



***“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.”***



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