

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS FOR VETERANS ASSISTANCE

NYS Division of Veterans Affairs 888-838-7697
 Chemung County Veterans Affairs..607-737-5445
 Schuyler County Veterans Service...607-535-2091
 Seneca County Veterans Service...315-539-1798
 Steuben County Veterans Service .. 607-664-2528
 Yates County Veterans Services 315-536-5196
 NYS VA Counselor..... 888-838-7697
 VA Health Care Benefits and Services.....
 877-222-8387
 VA Information on Health Care Eligibility.....
 800-929-8387
 VA Education Benefits 888-442-4551
 VA Insurance..... 800-669-8477
 VA Home Loan Guarantee 888-244-6711
 National Center for Post Traumatic Stress
 Disorder 802-296-6300
 National Coalition for Homeless Veterans
 800-838-4357
 Bath VA..... 607-664-4000
 Sampson Veterans Memorial Cemetery
 607-379-0197
 Canandaigua VA..... 585-394-2000



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Military & Veterans Appreciation Event At Watkins Glen International

in conjunction with Sahlen's Six Hours of the Glen
 Sunday, June 29, 2014

Come early - Gate opens at 8 a.m.

Includes:

- free admission for Military/Veterans and one guest over 19 years of age (19 and under are free as well). Proper identification required and can be in the form of a Military ID, DD214, VA Card, American Legion Card, VFW Card or picture in uniform, etc.
- free picnic style foods while supplies last
- static displays (military vehicles) community partner information booths - learn about benefits & services available
- children's activities
- special guests AND MORE

Enter: **GATE #3 ONLY, Watkins Glen International**
2790 County Route 16, Watkins Glen, NY 14891

Hosted by: Odessa American Legion Post 676, American Red Cross, Watkins Glen International, and Various Veterans and Community Service Organizations.

For questions or additional information, contact **Dawn Smith, event coordinator, at: dawn@celestial-knights.net**



Dear Friend,

June 2014

Just last month, communities across our state and nation celebrated Memorial Day. It was a time for us to reflect and remember. We certainly owe our veterans and brave servicemen and women a huge debt of gratitude for what they have done and sacrificed for all of us, our communities, our state and country. I know there are no words I could ever say that could do justice to convey the deepest gratitude and thanks to all of these incredible heroes. I hope that the enclosed photos of students from around the 132nd Assembly District can begin to show the appreciation people have for your service and sacrifice. I would like to thank our superintendents, principals, teachers and students for their participation. The response was overwhelming. These photos only represent a small sample of the outpouring of support for our veterans.

Without the sacrifices of these brave men and women and that of their families, none of us would enjoy the freedoms that we all cherish today. I would like to ask all of us to take a moment to pause and remember these heroes. Take a moment to say a prayer for our veterans, servicemen and women and their families. And if you can, please try to take some time to continue to show your appreciation and thanks to these heroes throughout the year.

You may ask, "What can I do?" It can be a simple act or gesture to say "thank you," or "we are thinking of you." Stop in and visit a veteran in his or her home in your neighborhood or town. Take some time to volunteer or visit our veterans at the Bath or Canandaigua VA. Teachers and their students can make cards or care packages for our veterans and troops serving in harm's way. It can be as simple as walking up to one of our many heroic men and women, whether on the street or in a store, and just say to them, "Thank you for your service and for keeping us safe."

Why are these little gestures so important to remember? Because these brave men and women have laid and will continue to lay down their lives to protect our families.

This brochure is designed to inform our veterans, servicemen and women and their families of an upcoming event on June 29th and to provide information on available programs. If you are not a veteran but know one, please take the time to share this information with them.

Once again, thank you to all of our veterans who have sacrificed so much to keep us safe. If I can ever be of any help to you, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Phil Palmesano



Joe Sempolinski from Congressman Tom Reed's office, Phil, World War II Veteran Warren Thompson and Senator Tom O'Mara gather to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Steuben County Veterans Memorial. Thompson was instrumental in the memorial's construction.

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<http://www.mynextmove.org/vets/>

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www.helmetstohardhats.org
866-741-6210

Troops and Teachers
800-231-6242

Small Business Administration
800-827-5722

Hire Vets First
877-872-5627

VetBiz: Center for Veterans Enterprise
866-584-2344

United States Department of Veterans Affairs Career Center
<http://www.oefoif.va.gov/employment.asp>

New York State Jobs Express
www.jobs.ny.gov

Military Hire
www.militaryhire.com

GI Bill Benefits

Federal On-the-Job Training and Apprenticeship Training benefits may be available to eligible veterans through the GI Bill. Additional information may be found by visiting www.veterans.ny.gov

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