



August 12, 2022

Post Commanders, County Council Commanders & National Deputy Chiefs-of-Staff  
Commanders

State Commander Peter Pennelle, Department of New York, Veterans of Foreign Wars  
cordially invites you to attend the 2022 Fall Conference on October 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

There will be an Eastern States Membership Seminar on Saturday, October 15, 2022 at 9:00  
a.m. presented by National Deputy Membership Director Rick McKenna. There will also be a  
Stop-22 Walk-A-Thon on Saturday, October 15, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. to increase public  
awareness of veterans committing suicide.

For room reservations please call the Albany Marriott at (800) 228-9290 or (518) 458-8444 and  
state that you are attending the VFW Fall Conference. Reservations can also be made on-line  
at [www.albanymarriott.com](http://www.albanymarriott.com). Standard Double Queen and Standard King Rooms are available  
at the discounted rate of \$122.00 per night. **The cut-off date for reservations is Friday,  
September 30, 2022.**

Included in this packet is a Tax-Exempt form and a schedule of events and meetings for your  
information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Robert J. Mitchell", is positioned above the typed name.

Robert J. Mitchell, State Adjutant  
Veterans of Foreign Wars  
Department of New York

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**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**  
**2022 VFW FALL CONFERENCE**

**Albany Marriott, 189 Wolf Road,  
Albany, New York 12205**

**Friday, October 14, 2022**

Council of Administration Dinner ** Invitation Only	5:00 PM
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<b>Council of Administration Meeting</b>	6:00 PM
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**Saturday, October 15, 2022**

Eastern States Membership Seminar **Open to All Attendees	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
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Flu Shots	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
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<b>General Session</b>	12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
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Stop-22 Program	3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
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Church Service	Following Stop-22 Program
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**Meeting Rooms will be listed on the Hotel Marquee**

***"HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME"***

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August 8, 2022

### SERVICE OFFICERS RAFFLE DONATION LETTER REQUEST

I have been asked by our State Commander Pete Pennelle to chair the Annual Department of New York VFW Servicemen's Officer Raffle to support our Department of New York Veteran Service officers. As we once again prepare for the annual raffle, we are asking those who have generously donated prizes in the past to once again to step up and support this essential project.

Would you consider donating one of the \$100.00 prizes this year? As you know, our Veterans Service Officers are funded by the Department of New York and supplemented by the proceeds from our raffle and Journal Ad book sales. Without the support of the patrons like yourself, we would be unable to raise the additional funds needed to continue the service provided by our Servicemen's Officers who are essential in continuing the Veteran counseling service so desperately needed by our Veterans.

Please send your prize donations to Department Headquarters, ATTN: Service Officers Raffle Prize, 69 Sand Creek Road, Albany, NY 12205. Raffle prizes must be at Headquarters by November 30, 2022 to ensure we have sufficient time to prepare and mail out the raffle tickets to our Posts and Auxiliaries.

Along with your check, please let us know how you would like your raffle prize donation announced, some examples are:

- \$ 100.00 in Memory of Name – Your Name and Wife's Name
- \$ 100.00 in Memory of John Doe, USN – Jim and Susan Doe
- \$ 100.00 in Memory of Albert Doe, USA - - James Doe

The Raffle drawing will be held at the Department Convention in June 2023.

I would like to Thank You for all the past support and hope you will continue your financial support for this indispensable program.

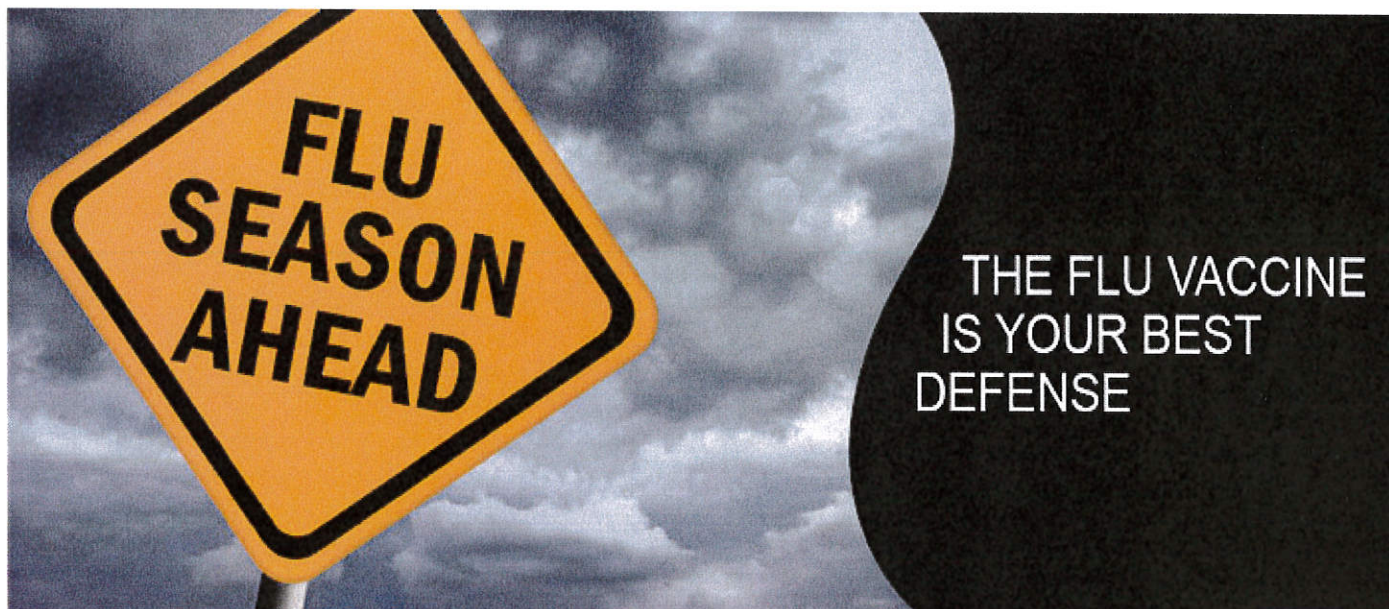
Yours in Comradeship

*Ronald Sorrentino*

Ronald Sorrentino  
Veterans Service officer Journal & Raffle Chairman  
Department of New York, Veterans of Foreign Wars  
69 Sand Creek Road  
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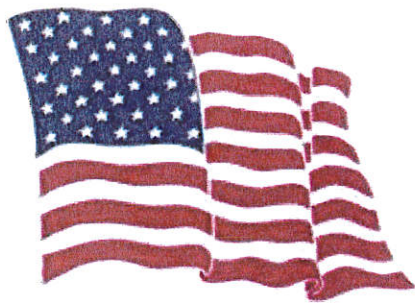
**AVAILABLE AT THE FALL CONFERENCE**

**SATURDAY OCTOBER 15, 2022**

**9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM**

**ALBANY MARRIOTT**

**PLEASE BRING YOUR VA CARD OR  
MEDICAL INSURANCE CARD**



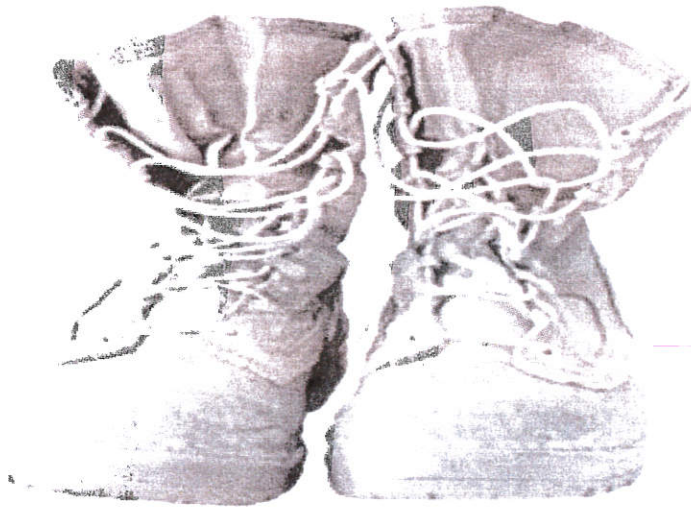
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***VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS  
OF THE UNITED STATES***



***THEY MARCHED FOR US . . . WE  
WALK FOR THEM!***

*In Support of Veteran Suicide Awareness*

***STOP 22 WALK-A-THON  
At the Department of NY Fall Conference  
3:30 PM  
Saturday, October 15, 2022***



## Humana's STOP 22 Initiative - In Partnership with New York's Local VFW's

Department of NY Awareness event will occur at:  
Department of NY Fall Conference 14-15 October 2022

Together, we're increasing awareness and support for our Veterans contemplating suicide

### Information and Rules

STOP 22 is a noble effort to increase public awareness of Veterans committing suicide, 22 each day. It has to STOP!

Local Post or Auxiliary can select any activity. A walk, run, dance or any activity lasting 22 minutes.

Everyone is welcome to participate and is open to the public and public organizations to participate. The more participants, the better in helping increase awareness for the cause.

**Event date:** Fall Conference - Saturday, October 15, 2022.

**Event date:** Posts & Auxiliaries as scheduled

Three prizes will be awarded to a Post or Auxiliary as an incentive to promote awareness in the community to veteran suicide. The Criteria used by the State Commander to determine who will receive the First, Second and Third prize will include but not limited to the type of event to promote awareness (run, walk, a show, etc.), number of participants, local news coverage in TV or newspaper, special events held to promote the awareness of suicide prevention, documentation with newspaper articles/photographs are some of the criteria to determine the three selectees.

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$500

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$250

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: \$100 3<sup>rd</sup>

Participating posts must hold their event between August and October 2022 and **must submit to Dept of NY HQ**, 69 Sand Creek Rd, Albany, NY 12205 participant registration sheets & photos no later than October 31, 2022 to be considered for a prize award.

***There is a \$1 registration fee for each participant.***

Humana's local representative where available, would like to participate and join the community to support this great cause.

VFW POST # \_\_\_\_\_

VFW AUX # \_\_\_\_\_

EVENT DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant's Name	Participant's Signature	\$1 Fee

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