



July 13, 2026

Post Commanders, National Deputy Chiefs of Staff, and Members

Subject: 2026 VFW Fall Conference

State Commander Jack Sanford, Department of New York, Veterans of Foreign Wars cordially invites you to attend the 2026 VFW Fall Conference on September 18th and 19th, 2026 at the Albany Marriott, 189 Wolf Road, Albany, New York 12205.

There will be a Council of Administration Meeting on Friday, September 18, 2026 at 6:00 PM with the General Meeting Session beginning at 1:00 PM on Saturday, September 19, 2026. There will also be Committee Meetings on Saturday morning along with a Membership Seminar at 10:15 AM presented by Department Membership Chairman Neil Jordan. State Commander Sanford highly encourages you to attend this seminar to learn innovative strategies and best practices for attracting new members to our organization.

On Saturday, September 19, 2026, at 3:30 PM there will be a Stop-22 Walk-A-Thon at the Albany Marriott to increase public awareness of veterans committing suicide and bring attention to the mental health needs of our country's veterans.

For room reservations please call the Albany Marriott directly at (518) 458-8444 and state that you are attending the VFW Fall Conference. Rooms are available at the discounted rate of \$137.00 per night. **The cut-off date for reservations is Monday, August 28, 2026.**

Included in this packet is a Fall Conference schedule of events.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel L. Kell", is written over a horizontal line.

Daniel L. Kell, State Adjutant
Veterans of Foreign Wars
Department of New York

DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
2026 VFW FALL CONFERENCE

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

Friday, September 18, 2026

State Steering Committee Meeting ** Invitation Only	3:00 PM
Council of Administration Dinner ** Invitation Only	5:00 PM
Council of Administration Meeting	6:00 PM

Saturday, September 19, 2026

Legislative Committee Meeting	8:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Membership Committee Meeting	8:00 AM - 10:00 AM
FLU Shots	8:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Membership Seminar	10:15 AM - 11:30 AM
General Session	1:00 PM - 3:30 PM
Stop-22 Program	3:30 PM - 5:00 PM
Church Service	Following Stop-22 Program

Meeting Rooms will be listed on the Hotel Marquee

“HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME”



AVAILABLE AT THE FALL CONFERENCE

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2026

8:30 AM TO 12:30 PM

ALBANY MARRIOTT

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



**VETERANS OF FOREIGN
WARS
OF THE UNITED STATES
AND
VFW AUXILIARIES
*THEY MARCHED FOR US...WE
WALK FOR THEM!***

In Support of Veteran Suicide Awareness

\$1.00 Registration fee going to Commander's Special Projects
to Assist in Suicide Prevention and Post Awards



STOP 22 WALK-A-THON

*at the Department of NY Fall Conference
Albany Marriott, 189 Wolf Rd., Albany, NY
Saturday, September 19, 2026 – 3:30 PM*