

Warren County Veterans Service Officer's Report for October 2016

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Lake George Dinner Theater: Famous for its unique combination of dining and entertainment, the **Lake Theatre** in Lake George, NY holds the distinction of being the most intimate professional dinner theatre in the entire United States. Patrons enjoy a delicious full-course meal (with a choice of four entrees), served by a friendly wait staff (no buffet line) and a contemporary comedy in our intimate theatre, where no seat is more than 30 feet from the stage.

This year's production is SOUTHERN COMFORTS

by Kathleen Clark

September 15- October 22

SOUTHERN COMFORTS is a funny and heartwarming December-December romantic comedy about a grumpy Yankee widower and a vivacious widow from Tennessee who find what they least expected – a second chance at love. When they decide to “tie the knot”, the fireworks that ensue are funny, awkward, and enchanting. This Off-Broadway success is an affecting, late-in-life love story and a delightful mix of comedy, conflict and compromise.

DINNER PERFORMANCES - Wednesday through Saturday Evenings - Seating @ 6:30 PM; Curtain @ 8:00 PM.

LUNCHEON MATINEE PERFORMANCE - Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - Seating @ 11:30 AM; Curtain @ 1:00 PM.

MATINEE OR DINNER PERFORMANCE TICKET PRICE: Veteran discounted tickets are \$63pp (Includes Meal, Show, Tax and Gratuity). And for added savings a group of 15 or more is \$55pp.

American Red Cross launches Hero Care App: *Free app puts Red Cross services at the fingertips of military and veteran communities.* ALBANY, NY (September 14, 2016) —This week, the American Red Cross unveiled the new Hero Care mobile application. This free app is designed to help members of the military, veterans and their families identify and access both emergency and non-emergency Red Cross services from anywhere in the world.

Presumptive Disability Compensation for Camp Lejeune Veterans: Today, VA issued a proposed final rule to establish presumptive disability compensation eligibility for veterans who were exposed to contaminated water at Camp Lejeune during the period beginning August 1, 1953, and ending on December 31, 1987. To be eligible, veterans must have served in Camp Lejeune for a minimum of 30 cumulative days during the specified dates and have a diagnosis of kidney cancer, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, adult leukemia, liver cancer, bladder cancer, multiple myeloma, Parkinson's disease, or aplastic anemia and other myelodysplastic syndromes. This proposed rule would apply to claims received by VA on or after the date of publication, pending review of the comments received and publication of the final rule in the Federal Register. The rule would not apply retroactively. A veteran whose claim was denied before the final rule is published must file a new claim to obtain a new determination of entitlement under the final regulation.

Direct Scheduling for Audiology and Optometry Appointments: On Thursday, VA announced it would eliminate a primary care referral requirement for veterans seeking appointments with audiologists or optometrists. The Audiology and Optometry Direct Scheduling Initiative is being piloted throughout the country and is expected to be fully operational within all VA Medical Centers by the end of 2016.