

**March is Women Veterans Month
Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of PA
Is proud to sponsor the
Women Veterans Retreat
March 26-28, 2021**



Attention ALL Women Veterans in Pennsylvania!

Please join us for a weekend of fellowship, camaraderie, and informational workshops by, for, and about women veterans—and the issues that matter and impact them directly.

Preregistration is required; please see the VFW Dept. of PA Website for forms and the tentative agenda.

Final Registration 2/20/21

<https://www.vfwpahq.org/membership/women-veterans/>

All women veterans in Pennsylvania are welcome to attend.

You do not need to be a member of the VFW in order to attend.



This event is sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Pennsylvania, with contributions from Districts, Posts, Auxiliaries, & Individuals.

Location: Ramada Conference Center, State College, PA

Agenda Includes: Veterans Benefits and how to access proper health care and benefits for women; presentations by several women veterans' advocacy groups; leadership seminars; Self Defense and Situational Awareness Classes; a motivational speaker; Bus trip to a military history museum, and much more

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2021 Women Veterans Retreat

Sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Pennsylvania



When: March 26-28, 2021

Where: Ramada Conference Center, 1450 Atherton St., State College, PA 16801

Rooms are Double Occupancy.

A **Limited** number of ADA Rooms are available and are single occupancy.

This is a **TWO** Page Registration Form! Please print legibly.

Attendee Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone Number _____

E-mail _____

Roommate Requested: _____

Special Needs / Mobility Issues /
Service Animal _____

I Request an ADA Room Y / N

Dietary Restrictions * _____

Branch of Service / Years Served _____

Do you smoke

YES

NO

T-shirt size (unisex style) _____

Any veteran groups you belong to _____

*We will do our best to accommodate special dietary needs, there are no guarantees and attendees may need to seek other options on their own. A full menu will be provided closer to the event.

In order to respect the time of our presenters and keep to our schedule, no one will be allowed to speak without prior approval from the planning committee.

____ Yes, I have a presentation that is pertinent to most of the group (less than 15 minutes).

If approved, we will confirm your presentation time closer to the event.

Topic: _____

____ Yes, I want space for a tabletop display that is pertinent to most of the group.

Topic of Display _____

Due to the Extreme Popularity of this event, Registrations are accepted on a First Come, First Served Basis. This event fills extremely quickly!

We are unable to reserve rooms / beds, even if you noted a roommate preference.

It is suggested attendees submit their registrations together to ensure roommate choice.



Name: _____ You will receive a confirmation email / phone call

Non-refundable Registration Fee* \$30.00 per person if paid by 12/31/20 \$ _____
\$40.00 until 2/20/21, or the event is filled \$ _____
No late registrations will be accepted

**Your lodging, food, and materials are included with the registration fee; this event is subsidized through donations from VFW Posts and Auxiliaries in Pennsylvania. Additional donations are greatly appreciated, to help us offer a high-quality program.*

Donation to Event (optional) \$ _____

Totals Funds Submitted \$ _____

Please indicate if you are planning to attend the Saturday evening dinner Yes No

Tentative Agenda (both large group and smaller breakout sessions will be offered)

A detailed agenda will be provided closer to the event

Friday Evening Mixer: light food and beverages provided

Saturday

Breakfast and Lunch at the hotel

Please circle your lunch choice:

Ham & Cheese Wrap // Roasted Veggie Wrap // Chef Salad Wrap // Turkey Hoagie

Workshops –

Topics may include VA Service Officer, Military Sexual Trauma, Women’s Leadership Classes, Service Animals, etc

Bus Trip to PA Military Museum, Boalsburg

Bus Trip to Dinner at local VFW

Sunday

Working Breakfast Buffet with our Motivational Speaker

Departure

Please abide by all regulations of the hotel and conference center, specifically regarding smoking, pets, and personal alcohol usage (open containers in public spaces). No alcohol will be permitted during the workshops.

Please submit the completed registration form, along with funds, and a copy of either your DD-214 (black out the SSN), VA ID card, or VSO card (i.e. VFW, AmVets, or American Legion)

Send to: Amy MacKenzie, 311 Jeff Avenue, Ephrata, PA 17522

Make **checks / money order** payable to “Department of PA VFW” with “Women Veterans Retreat” in the memo.

Please call Amy with any questions, concerns or suggestions: 717.575.3982 or email quartermaster@ephratavfw.org



Dear Comrades and Auxiliary Members,

The VFW Department of Pennsylvania is once again organizing and sponsoring a retreat for women veterans to gather in a relaxed atmosphere to discuss various topics with fellow women veterans.

The retreat is scheduled for: **MARCH 26,27,28 of 2021** and will be in

State College, PA. All women veterans are welcome to attend, not just VFW members!

Please help promote this event within your Post and Auxiliary, as well as your community.

The 2020 Retreat was cancelled due to Covid-19. Monies donated to the 2020 Retreat are in a restricted account, and those donations will be used to help fund the 2021 Retreat.

We understand that Posts and Auxiliaries will have a reduced capacity for donations this year, due to Covid-19 affecting your finances.

We hope you are able to donate \$25.00 or \$50.00 towards the Retreat, to once again offer our Women Veterans access to much needed information regarding benefits and health care for women veterans.

At your next District, Post or Auxiliary meeting, it would be appreciated if you would consider donating to this worthwhile event.

I thank you in advance for your support. Please contact me if you have questions or require additional information.

Very respectfully,

Amy MacKenzie

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Yes, VFW Post / Auxiliary # _____ of District _____ is able to contribute financially to the 2020 Women Veterans Retreat.

Enclosed please find our donation of \$25.00 \$50.00 100.00 Other \$ _____

Mail donations to

VFW Dept of PA State Headquarters,
4002 Fenton Avenue, Harrisburg, PA 17109-5943
Attn: Women Veterans Retreat