

**2019 VFW MID-WINTER CONFERENCE
TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**

The 2019 Mid-Winter Conference will be held at the
Albany Marriott, 189 Wolf Road,
Albany, New York 12205

**Conference schedule is as follows with approximate times
Meeting Rooms will be listed on the Hotel Marquee**

Friday,

January 18	Past State Commanders Meeting	3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
January 18	C of A Dinner – By Invitation Only	5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
	C of A Meeting	6:00 p.m. to ?

Saturday,

January 19	Depart for Home	
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HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME

**COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING
MID-WINTER CONFERENCE
6:00 PM Friday, January 18, 2019**

AGENDA

OPENING: Eugene Ratigliano, State Commander

PRAYER: Rev. Edward R.P. Kane, State Chaplain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Edward Todd, Patriotic Instructor

ROLL CALL: Harold M. Burke Jr., PSC, State Adjutant

NATIONAL GUEST William "Doc" Schmitz, PSC Jr. Vice CIC
Robert Barnhart, PSC, National Council Member

MINUTES OF October C of A: Harold M. Burke Jr., PSC, State Adjutant

REPORTS:

Department Financial Report Daniel McMahon, State Quartermaster

Department Budget Harold Burke, PSC, Budget & Finance Chairman

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS:

POLICIES Harold Burke, PSC, Adjutant

STEERING CHAIRMAN Robert Barnhart, PSC, National C of A Member

GOOD OF THE ORDER: District Commanders' Reports
Department Officers' Comments
National C of A Robert Barnhart, PSC
William "Doc" Schmitz, PSC, Jr. Vice CIC

CLOSING REMARKS: Eugene Ratigliano, State Commander

BENEDICTION: Rev. Edward R.P. Kane, State Chaplain

SALUTE THE FLAG Ed Todd, Patriotic Instructor

ADJOURNMENT Eugene Ratigliano, State Commander

~SAFE TRAVELS HOME~

STATE COMMANDER'S SPECIAL PROJECT:



Saratoga WarHorse Foundation



Saratoga WarHorse is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization founded by Bob Nevins, a Vietnam veteran assisting veterans who are suffering from invisible, psychological wounds by providing a confidential, peer-to-peer, action-based, equine-assisted experience that initiates immediate and long lasting empowering changes.

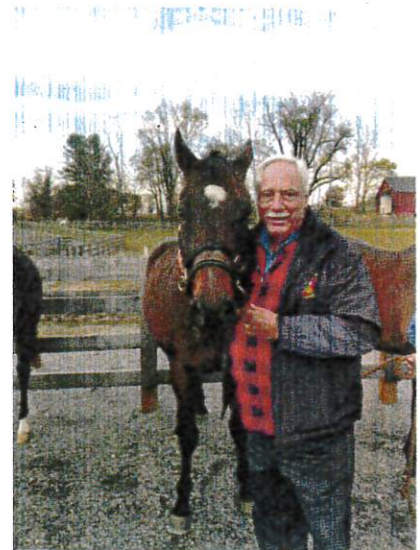
Saratoga WarHorse provides a new experience with a focus on post-traumatic stress and suicide prevention that is vastly different approach from traditional talk therapy. The unique and powerful approach of Saratoga WarHorse has been described by veterans as "life-changing beyond words." As of June 2017, Saratoga WarHorse is approaching 700 veteran graduates.



Commander's Special Project Chairman Dennis Sullivan attended a three day seminar at Saratoga War Horse in Baltimore, Md. In Dennis' words "It was a rewarding experience"

Make your donation to the Commander's Special Project Today!

*Send all donations to
Department of NY
69 Sand Creek Road
Albany, NY 12205



Our Mission

Saratoga WarHorse's mission is to assist veterans who are suffering from invisible, psychological wounds by providing a confidential, action-based, equine-assisted experience that initiates immediate and empowering changes.

Our Vision

Saratoga WarHorse aspires to be an integral part of the solution to the growing problem of veteran suicides, post-traumatic stress, and other barriers to veterans leading happy, healthy lives.



* A donation of \$100.00 or more earns an additional 1,500 points toward All-State

VFW PROGRAMS DEADLINE DATES

NOTE: Updated for the 2018-2019 VFW Program Year

Smart/Maher Citizenship Education Teacher Award

- *October 31, 2018, Teacher Nominations to the Post
- November 15, Completion of Post judging
- December 15, Completion of District judging
- January 10, Completion of Department judging
- January 15, District participation reports due to Department Chairman
- *January 15, Department winners due to National
- *January 31, Department reports due to National

Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen

- *October 31, Student entries to the Post
- November 15, Completion of Post judging
- December 15, Completion of District judging
- January 10, Completion of Department judging
- January 15, District participation reports due to Department Chairmen
- *January 15, Department winners due to National
- *January 31, Department reports due to National

Scout of the Year

- *March 1, Scout entries to the Post
- April 1, Post entries to Department Scouting Chairman or Department HQs
- *May 1, Department entry to National from Department Scouting Chairman or Department HQs

Community Service

- *April 30, Post Special Project & Fred C. Hall Award Submission (Department to National)
- *April 30, National Outstanding Community Service Post Submission(s) (Department to National)
- *May 31, Department Community Service Report (Department to National)

Public Servant National Award (Law Enforcement, Firefighter, Emergency Services)

- January 1, Nominations due (from Post to Department)
- February 1 (to guarantee receipt for Department Convention presentation), Nominations due from Department to National

National Certificate of Recognition

- April 1 (to guarantee receipt for Department Convention presentation), List due to National from Department

****Required deadline (by VFW National Headquarters.) All other deadlines are suggested, and can be internally set at the discretion of the VFW Department leadership. Post Chairmen, be sure to communicate with your District Chairmen to find out their official deadlines, and District Chairmen need to communicate with their Department Chairmen to find out their deadlines.***

Updated 5/16/2018



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

**NYS VFW POST COMMANDERS
FROM; RONALD JUBIS
STATE SCOUTER CHAIRMAN 2019
SUBJECT: VFW DEPT. NEW YORK
2019 SCOUT OF THE NOMINES.**

**DOUGLAS E VOSS YORKVILLE MEMORIAL POST NO 6001
45 Calder Ave
Yorkville, New York 13495**

POST COMMANDERS,

NOVEMBER 12, 2018

I HAVE BEEN APPOINTED BY DEPT. NY VFW STATE COMMANDER EUGENE RATIGLIANO, TO COORDINATE THE VFW POST NOMINES FOR THE BOY/GIRL SCOUT OF THE YEAR 2019 PROGRAM.

OUR GOAL IS TO NOMINATE A SCOUT FOR CONSIDERATION TO NATIONAL VFW HEADQUARTERS. A SCOUT WHO HAS MET ALL THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR ELIGIBILITY, THE COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW THE NOMINES SELECTED BY YOUR POST, WHO HAS DEMONSTRATED HIS/ HERS COMMITMENT TO THEIR COMMUNITY, COUNTRY,, AND FELLOW SCOUTS.

I HAVE SELECTED TWO COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO ASSIST ME IN THE RECOMMENDATIONS BY YOUR POST. COMRADE DAVID MANORE HAS OVER 35 YEARS OF SCOUTING EXPERIENCE, AND IS THE JR. VICE COMMANDER AT VFW POST 6001. COMRADE THOMAS BUONO, HAS EXTENSIVE YOUTH COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND, IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE VIET NAM VETERANS OF AMERICA CHAPTER # 944. AND IS THE VFW POST 6001 QUARTERMASTER.

COMMANDERS, I HAVE ENCLOSE A PACKET OF MATERIAL WHICH HAS THE SCOUT OF THE YEAR APPLICATION THAT PROVIDES THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT FOR CONSIDERATION, AND DEADLINE DATES TO SUBMIT YOUR NOMINE. I HAVE ALSO INCLUDED A LIST OF STATE WIDE SCOUT COUINICL LEADERS YOU MAY WANT TO CONTACT FOR QUESTIONS AND INPUT ON THE BOY/GIRL SCOUT PROGRAMS.

**PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME OR THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR ASSISTANCE. MAIL YOUR COMPLETED SCOUT APPLICATION AND RECOMMENDATION TO RONALD JUBIS , 6511 BRIAN STREE , MARCY, NY 13403.
MY E-MAIL IS nyfisherman1222@gmail.com**

**COMRADE MANORE drm45@roadrunner.com
COMRADE BUONO tbuono@roadrunner.com**

Scout of the Year Program



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

girl scouts



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

WHAT IS THE SCOUT OF THE YEAR PROGRAM?

Annually, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States awards three individuals who are: Eagle Scouts, Girl Scout Gold Award recipients, Venture Summit Award recipients and/or Sea Scout Quartermasters who have risen above their peers in exemplifying the qualities of that rank. Awards are as follows:

- \$5,000 1st place National scholarship
- \$3,000 2nd place National scholarship
- \$1,000 3rd place National scholarship

AM I ELIGIBLE?

To be eligible for the award, the candidate must:

- Be the recipient of the Eagle Scout Award, Girl Scout Gold Award, Venture Summit Award or Sea Scout Quartermaster Award.
- Be a registered, active member of a Boy or Girl Scout Troop, Venturing Crew or Sea Scout Ship at the time the above reward was received.
- Have demonstrated exemplary citizenship in school, Scouting and community.

Prior National Scout of the Year winners are ineligible. Applicants still in high school who reach their 18th birthday during the nomination year remain eligible if otherwise qualified. A Scout may enter through only one VFW Post. A local Post can be identified by zip code at www.vfw.org/find-a-post.

WHAT ARE THE DEADLINES?

- Deadline for entry to VFW Post is March 1.
- One candidate with full entry criteria must be submitted by a VFW Post to the next level of judging by April 1. The VFW Department (state) Scouting chairman can provide this information.
- The Department winner must be selected and submitted by their Department (state) Scouting chairman to the VFW National Headquarters by May 1.

Questions should be directed to 816-756-3390 ext 6155 during normal business hours Monday through Friday or emailed to scouting@vfw.org.

WHAT DOCUMENTATION IS REQUIRED?

The following documentation should be submitted:

- **Photograph of the Scout** — must be attached to this form. The Scout must appear in correct, complete uniform for their current rank. Recommended size 3" x 5".
- **School Participation Record** — a single page, one sided resume of the candidate's school activities indicating academic achievements, offices held, honors received and significant participation in other activities.

Official Entry Form

VFW Scout of the Year Program

MUST BE COMPLETED BY EACH CONTESTANT
and submitted DIRECTLY TO A VFW POST IN YOUR COMMUNITY.

Name: First, M.I., Last

Address

City, State, Zip

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Home Phone

Email

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy)

Scout Troop Number

SCOUT/VENTURE CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing information is accurate and if I am the winner, I will make myself available to receive the award at a presentation ceremony as designated by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Scout/Venture Signature

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

UNIT LEADER'S CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above-named Scout/Venture is an active member of our unit or was when the award was received and the information supplied by the candidate is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Unit Leader's Signature

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

PARENT'S CONSENT

I hereby certify that all information on this application is correct. I willingly submit this name for consideration as the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States' Scout of the Year. If this individual is selected as the winner, I will ensure that he/she is allowed to attend a presentation ceremony as designed by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Father, Mother or Guardian Signature

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)