

Apple Valley Beyond the Yellow Ribbon

Newsletter for September 2023

The AV BTYR continues to do what we have a passion for – assisting military personnel who are currently serving, Veterans, and their families. Your help and support have made this possible –making a difference for many Military connected folks.

To get needed services such as groceries, yard work, house repairs, etc., we want to help. We have resources to connect you to the assistance you need. See below for sources:

- Please contact us directly at 952-923-5014. Leave a message.
- Or your County Veteran Service Office at 651-554-5631
- Or the American Legion at 952-406-0737
- For more information, visit our Website: <u>http://applevalleyyellowribbon.org/</u> You will find links to important information as well as pictures of our recent events.
- Our next Military Appreciation Dinner is <u>October 26, 2023</u>. Join us for a delicious Chili dinner. Due to limited seating, please RSVP. Call 952-923-5014 or email <u>yellowribbonav@gmail.com</u>.
- The 4th annual BTYR Golf Tournament in Cannon Falls was another success! The nice weather day was enjoyed by the golfers. Between them and the generous sponsors approximately \$40,000 was raised to support our Veterans.
- The last weekend in August we sold brats at the Apple Valley Von Hanson's. Beautiful weather and generous people provided about \$1400. Thank you to Von Hanson's and all of you who stopped by!
- The Fort McCoy Retirement Services Office is now on Facebook. You'll now be able to see the 2023 Retiree Appreciation Days schedule, Updates coming from DFAS, Tricare, DEERS and many more. You'll also be able to know exactly when the latest copy of the HONORS will be printed and shipped. Please like and follow the Retirement Services Page in the link provided below for all of you Retirement Services updates.

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- Honor Veterans, First Responders on 9/11, a National Day of Service. VA's national cemeteries will host a National Day of Service on September 11 to honor the nation's service members, police officers, firefighters and first responders on the 22nd anniversary of the 9/11 attacks. Volunteers are needed to clean headstones and take part in other activities. Click <u>here</u> to register.
- Veteran-Led Groups Assist in Relief Efforts in Fire-Devastated Hawaii. Team Rubicon and Project DYNAMO are among the Veteran-led organizations contributing to relief operations in Hawaii, where wildfires have killed more than 100 people and devastated the historic town of Lahaina in Maui.

Upcoming Events:

Monthly Board / Member Meeting on September 7, 6:00 pm at the Apple Valley Legion Military Appreciation Dinner October 26 (See above)