



## Thank you for Participating in the Greene County Veterans Service Agency Round Table - Meeting on March 11, 2025

### In Attendance:

Executive Director: Amanda Lyons, Director: Tyler Lynch, Vet2Vet: Aarin Vandemark, Greene County Legislators Daryl Legg and Harry Lennon, Veterans P.A.C.T Clerk: Vee Carl County Commander Gordon Mosher, Veterans: Mark Dinkelacker, Jeffery Lewis, Susan Whitlow, Rosemarie Soto, Marie Rothrock, Jim Stalker, President of the Blue Star Mothers Karen Schrader, Catskill Patriotic Chairperson: Joy Andreassen and VA Rep: Jennifer Stiletto-Smith

### Topics discussed:

Amanda Lyons - Recapped the February's meetings topics.

-Upcoming events:

Breakfast for Vets - Red Rooster March 23, 2025

Care Giver Support Dinner March 25, 2025,

Breezy Law Farms March 26, 2025,

Bowling Night April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Amanda Lyons- Announced that Vet 2 Vet will now be combining with the Greene County Veterans Service Agency and all under The Greene County Human Services Department.

-Dwyer monthly meeting.

-New ideas for events, benefits, and veterans' informational programs.

Trying to come up with new ideas to get younger veterans involved.

- Range- Sheep Dog - Sportsmen Clubs

-Shooting event at the Earlton Sportsman Club - \$22 a day. Contact person Jim Jones

Community Day – September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Fund raising for Scholarship funds

Need to get Sponsorships and business to donate to offset the cost of hosting this event.

Habitat for Humanity, Catskill Mountain Housing, and Veterans Relief fund.

Leg. Lennon - The Pot of Gold event collected \$15,000 - \$20,000 last year. This year it is set for August 9, 2025.

Adaptive Sports, Wounded Warrior, Toys for Tots,

Amanda Lyons – Human Services Department is working with the Tourism Department to launch in April a live calendar of all events. The Round Table news will also have information regarding all upcoming events.

Discussion regarding the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Memorial Day parades.

Holding a County Memorial Day parade each year in a different town...

Leg. Legg – Suggested to pick a Battle and make it an event for the whole County, on a separate day.

Windham holds the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and fireworks at 6pm.

**April 14<sup>th</sup> or 16th 2025**, Proclamation of Lexington 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to be presented at the Legislative meeting.

Amanda Lyons – Explained HVCR, how it was funded etc.

-Sponsorship and donations booklet with ads.

-Flag Disposal - New boxes

Greenville Post, Athens Post, one is in the Greene County Veterans Service Agency office

Amanda Lyons stated that Administrator Shaun Groden is looking into NACO flag boxes.

Community Day

We need people to get involved and help get donations, sponsorships.

Last year over 400 people attended Community Day.

Possibility of setting up transportation to and from Community Day.

Leg. Lennon – Communication is the key, get the word out about all the events.

Word of mouth, maybe do a bulk mail out.

-Universal Calendar for all events. Working with Patty Austin tourism

Events – Corn hole tournament, Pickle ball

Holding the Round Table meeting monthly.

Joy Andreassen- What other information does GCVSA offer regarding Survival Spouse Benefits, Pension, Health Care, Children under 18 DIC benefits etc.

Tyler Lynch- Different Claims, DIC, Healthcare, Burial Plaques, Pension, Aide and Assistance etc.

Wreaths Across America –Joy Andreassen and Gordon Mosher Catskill has done it for the last three years. Athens Post just had its first year and received 83 wreaths. Information was discussed on how to sign up.

Field of Flags- Cairo Legion, Greenville Legion – Speenburgh Grant

Banners for each town.

The Ray Brooks 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Veterans Fishing Derby – Set for June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025

President Karen Schrader of The Blue Star Mothers offered to help with the Ray Brooks event.

Meeting adjourned.

Thank you.

Executive Director Amanda Lyons

Director Tyler Lynch and Arin VanDemark