

Winnebago County Veteran's Association Veterans Memorial Hall

211 N. Main St
Rockford, IL 61101

August 15, 2015

Dear Veteran:

The Winnebago County Veteran's Association and Veterans Memorial Hall are working together to host our 75th Annual Veteran's Dinner on **Friday, November 6th, 2015**, at **Giovanni's Restaurant 610 N. Bell School Rd. Rockford, Illinois 61107**. Registration and Social hour, 5:30-6:30, Posting of the colors at 6:30 and dinner will be served at 7:00 PM.

This year our keynote speaker is **Major General John L. Borling**. General Borling is a highly decorated retired U.S. Air Force Officer. As a fighter pilot, he served worldwide in high level command and staff positions during his 37 years of service. A graduate of The U.S. Air Force Academy, National War College, Harvard Business School, JFK School Executive Education, and was also a White House Fellow. During the Vietnam War, he was shot down by ground fire, seriously injured and was captured while trying to evade and spent 6 1/2 years as a POW in Hanoi, North Vietnam. Currently, he is a published poet, in demand speaker, and occupies leadership positions in multiple business and civic organizations.

Tickets and tables for this event are being offered to Veteran's organizations first. We have a seating limit of **600** guests. Tickets/tables will be sold and assigned on a first come, first serve basis so please get your tickets early. Tickets are available by calling Scott Lewandowski at Veterans Memorial Hall (815) 969-1999. Veteran's tables are discounted at \$200.00 per table of 8 or \$25.00 per ticket. After September 15th we will open the ticket sales to the general public. Tickets may be paid by cash or check. All checks should be made payable to the **Community Foundation of Northern Illinois (CFNI)**.

The Entrée selection has been expanded to the following:

Roasted Turkey Dinner: complete with crème fresh whipped potatoes, baked butternut squash, bread dressing, roasted sliced turkey.	Fish- Herb Crusted Baked Tilapia: Tilapia rolled in seasoned breadcrumbs, baked golden brown, with crème fresh whipped potatoes and vegetable.	Vegetarian Entrée
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All Entrées include fresh garden salad with Italian vinaigrette, rolls, and fall desert.

Entrée selection must be made at the time of the dinner ticket purchase. If no preference is made, the default entry will be the Roasted Turkey Dinner.

As part of this 75th Annual Veterans Dinner celebration, we have created a commemorative pin that is available for purchase at Veterans Memorial Hall for \$5.00. In order to provide this type of program we need your support! Please help us continue this annual tradition by attending this event, purchasing a pin and encouraging everyone in your organization to do the same. Purchase your tickets/table by calling (815) 969-1999 before **September 15th** to get the best seating, and before they go on sale to the general public. If you have any questions about this year's event contact one of the officials listed below. Thank you for your continued support.

Best regards,

WINNEBAGO COUNTY VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION

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