

May 18th

9:00 A.M.

We will be setting up

The Putnam County

Row of Honor

You are invited to help us with the set up.

Please try to stop by !!!

Excellent opportunity for community service credit.

We are also looking for donations to help keep the flags flying!

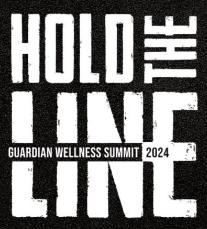


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**Tunnel to Towers & Guardian Revival** 

invite you to join us at







Thursday, April 25

# WHAT IS HOLD THE LINE?

A gathering of guardians (military & first responders)

#### YOU HOLD THE LINE FOR US — NOW WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

The Tunnel to Towers Foundation and Guardian Revival are collaborating on **HOLD THE LINE**, a unique, in-person experience **exclusively** for America's guardians to gather together and be inspired, informed, and motivated.

Guardian communities require service & sacrifice. We ask you to **dedicate a day to**yourself — with us, with each other — to prioritize & improve your health & wellness.

- Storytelling
- Professional & personal learning and growth
- Connection & camaraderie

TICKETS
THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024
8 Am - 5 PM

LOCATION HILTON GARDEN INN STATEN ISLAND, NY CONTACT
HELLO@HOLDTHELINE.ORG
#HOLDTHELINE2024

# WHO ARE GUARDIANS?

## A GUARDIAN IS A DEFENDER, PROTECTOR, OR KEEPER

Our guardians are veterans & first responders; you are the ones who commit your lives to service, and often sacrifice your physical & mental health.

Military · Fire & Rescue · Law Enforcement · Emergency Medical Services · Emergency Dispatchers · Corrections Officers · Federal Agents



# **APRIL CALENDAR**

#### WEEK 1

MON 4/1 Jam Session ^ 6 PM in Mahopac

MON 4/1 First Line In-Person Gathering ^

7 PM in Carmel

TUES 4/2 Jam Session ^
6 PM in Beacon

TUES 4/2 Writers Workshop ^ 6:15 PM via Zoom & in Mahopac

angular WED 4/3 Wellness Gathering ^
5 PM via Zoom

FRI 4/5 Vet2Vet Gathering ^
6 PM via Zoom

SAT 4/6 Women Guardians
Outing ^10 AM in Fishkill

#### WEEK 2

MON 4/8 Jam Session 6 PM in Mahopac

MON 4/8 First Line Gathering ^
7 PM via Zoom

MON 4/8 iRest Meditation ^ 8 PM via Zoom

TUES 4/9 Jam Session ^
6 PM in Beacon

TUES 4/9 Mobility for Health ^
7 PM via Zoom

WED 4/10 Life Saving Skills + 9 AM in Beacon

WED 4/10 Wellness Gathering ^
5 PM via Zoom

THU 4/11 Talk Saves Lives -Firearms + 7 PM via Zoom THU 4/11 American Military
History Series ^7 PM in Beacon

FRI 4/12 Vet2Vet Gathering ^ 6 PM via Zoom

SAT 4/13-4/14 Backpacking 101 ^
10 AM at Harriman State Park

SAT 4/13 German American
Club Veteran's Benefit Dinner +
5 PM in Mahopac

#### WEEK 3

MON 4/15 Jam Session ^ 6 PM in Mahopac

MON 4/15 First Line In-Person Gathering ^

7 PM in Carmel

TUES 4/16 Jam Session ^
6 PM in Beacon

TUES 4/16 Writers Workshop ^ 6:15 PM via Zoom & in Mahopac

WED 4/17 Wellness Gathering ^ 5 PM via Zoom

THU 4/18 Yoga with Janel ^
7 PM via Zoom

THU 4/18 Beyond the Soundboard: Music Theory 101 ^
7 PM via Zoom

SAT 4/20 Ferncliff Forest Walk ^10 AM in Rhineback

#### WEEK 4

SUN 4/21 Red Hill Fire Tower ^-9 AM in Claryville

MON 4/22 Jam Session ^
7 PM in Mahopac

TUES 4/23 Jam Session ^
6 PM in Beacon

TUES 4/23 Mobility for Health ^
7 PM via Zoom

TUES 4/23 Campfire Men's Circle ^
7:30 PM in Beacon

TUES 4/23 Woman Guardian
Gathering ^
8 PM via Zoom

WED 4/24 Wellness Gathering ^
5 PM via Zoom

WED 4/24 Mental Health First Aid + 9 AM in Beacon

THU 4/25 Hold The Line ^
8 AM in Hilton Staten Island

FRI 4/26 Vet2Vet Gathering ^ 6 PM via Zoom

SAT 4/27-4/28 Fieldcraft 101 ^-9 AM at Equus Effect Ranch

SAT 4/27 Mindfulness Walk ^10 AM at Blue Mountain

#### WEEK 5

MON 4/29-4/30 Assisting Individuals in Crisis + 8:30 AM in Beacon

MON 4/29 Jam Session ^ 6 PM in Mahopac

MON 4/29 iRest Meditation ^
8 PM via Zoom

TUES 4/30 Jam Session ^ 6 PM in Beacon

#### LEGEND:

- ^ Guardians Only (Veterans & First Responders)
- Bring a Buddy (Adults)
- \* Family Friendly (Kids welcome)
- + Open to the Public







# LIFETIME LIBERTY PASS

The Lifetime Liberty Pass allows qualified New York State (NY State) Veterans and Gold Star Parents, Spouses, and Children discounted use of state parks, historic sites, and recreational facilities operated by the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (NY State Parks) and the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). Once issued, the Lifetime Liberty Pass will never expire.

The Lifetime Liberty Pass benefits include free vehicle entry to most state-operated parks and DEC—Operated day-use areas, as well as numerous state-operated boat launch sites, historic sites, arboretums, and park preserves; free greens fees at state-operated golf courses; free swimming pool entrance at State Park pools; and discounted camping and cabin rentals at most State Park and DEC Campgrounds. The pass holder must be present when utilizing the pass for its intended benefits. The Lifetime Liberty Pass is not valid for amenities, including some services or locations operated by concessionaires or partners. A listing of these locations can be found at the bottom of this webpage.

To see a complete listing of benefits, restrictions, and rules, refer to the <u>Lifetime Liberty Guidelines</u>

Starting April 1, eligibility for the Lifetime Liberty Pass will expand to encompass:

- 1. <u>All Veterans</u> regardless of whether they have a VA disability compensation rating discharged or released from service under conditions other than dishonorable; and
- 2. Gold Star Parents, Gold Star Spouses, and Gold Star Children

Once issued by the New York State Department of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation, the Lifetime Liberty Pass — as the name implies — will never ex-

pire.

Additionally, this new law comes with a procedural change that many of you have sought. Beginning on April 1, a Veteran who has the Veteran "distinguishing mark" on their

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You must present this pass with your NYS
Driver's License or NYS Non-Driver ID card.

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New York State driver's license or non-driver's ID card will be able to use that license to gain the free admission at New York State Parks that have a staffed admission gate. (Parks that have only an unstaffed admission kiosk, however, will still require the use of the Lifetime Liberty Pass card).

Please note that the definition in this new law regarding eligibility for Gold Star Parents, Spouses, and Children is taken from Title 10, Section 1126, of the United States Code. It requires that the death occur "while engaged in an action against an enemy of the United States; while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an opposing foreign force; or while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in an armed conflict in which the United States is not a belligerent party against an opposing armed force; or who [lose] their lives after March 28, 1973, as a result of" a terrorist attack against the United States or a foreign nation friendly to the United States, or military operations outside the USA while serving as a member of a peacekeeping force.

Additionally, please remember that a Veteran or Gold Star Parent, Spouse, or Child <u>must</u> be a New York State resident to qualify for the Lifetime Liberty Pass.



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# Bulletin Board



## Please join us!

VA Hudson Valley Health Care System Supported Employment Programs/ Compensated Work Therapy (CWT)

will be hosting a

## Veteran Job Fair

Thursday, 11 April 2024 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**VA Montrose Campus** 

### 2094 Albany Post Road (Bldg. 15, Rm. 16)

DECA: Commissary at West Point Helmets to Hardhats

Access Supports for Living

AAFES West Point

Department of Labor

**US Mint** 

J & E Protective Services

TWeber Heating, Cooling and Plumbing

Amazon

Spectrum

**Express Employment Professionals** 

Coach USA

VA Police

The ARC Greater Hudson Valley (Yasmeen Santos) Advanced Placements Staffing Agency (Ms. Brandy Grogan)

#### \*Open to all Veterans at Hudson Valley and Surrounding Areas\*

Questions?

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