

MILITARY Women's BULLETIN



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Women representation in Million Veteran Program/MVP helps strengthen health research

By Alexis Oriel

Senior Communications Consultant, Million Veteran Program
Sourced from www.news.va.gov

Did you know women are the fastest-growing segment of the veteran population, and that one in 10 participants in the VA's [Million Veteran Program \(MVP\)](#) is a woman? By joining their ranks and signing up for MVP, you can help researchers make health care breakthroughs that matter to you and your sister women veterans.

One of MVP's strengths is the number and diversity of its participants, which allows the program to make discoveries that benefit veteran health care.

This is especially true for VA researchers Drs. Shih-Wen Luoh and Hongyu Zhao, who study breast cancer risk in women Veterans. Luoh and Zhao recently discovered that commonly used breast cancer risk assessments did not predict breast cancer for women Veterans with African ancestry as well as it did for women Veterans with European ancestry. This finding lays the groundwork for researchers to develop breast cancer risk assessments that work better for women from minority populations.

"As researchers, our goal is to always use the information we receive to give back to Veterans," said Luoh, staff physician at the Portland VA. "We're thankful to MVP participants who allow us to continue this work and service to all."

This important finding was only possible because of the large number and representation of minority women in MVP.

"Success in research depends entirely on the number of people involved. The more women involved in MVP, the greater chance for novel scientific discoveries," said Dr. Zhao, a clinical epidemiology researcher at West Haven VA and professor at Yale School of Public Health.

In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness, we're sharing some of MVP's research findings related to women's health care. In addition to MVP's breast cancer research, we've also learned more about:

- ★ Part of a gene that's connected to both depression and endometriosis, suggesting that care for endometriosis may be improved by taking a whole health approach
- ★ Genetic risk factors that may cause osteoarthritis, which could lead to new interventions and treatments
- ★ Ways Veterans can lower risk of death from heart disease through nutrition—including regularly eating nuts (but not peanut butter)



★ The different ways hearing loss affects men and women, and sex-specific differences that may lead to targeted medications for hearing loss

Joining MVP also means helping to ensure women of all races and ethnicities are represented in medical research and thus benefit from the discoveries. "Using new genetic strategies through MVP helps us look at associations more carefully across diverse populations, not just for breast cancer risk but also for other common disease types to bridge the knowledge gap between different ancestry groups," said Dr. Zhao.

All women deserve specialized health care and MVP is committed to leading the way. The more women who participate, the more opportunities researchers have to understand how military experiences and genetics affect overall health and wellness, helping to improve health care for women Veterans of all backgrounds. By joining the 980,000+ Veterans in MVP, you can help make a difference for women Veterans like you.

Sign up today at <https://www.mvp.va.gov/pwa/> or call 866-441-6075 to make an appointment at a participating VA facility.

You **DO NOT** need to receive your care at VA to participate.

→→ Don't Forget! ←←

IRS 990 Unit Postcard **DUE 1 DEC**

National Dues **DUE 1 JAN**

February Bulletin Input **DUE 1 JAN**

Please contact your Regional Representative listed on Page 10 of this bulletin, if you have questions.

Presidential Ponderings

by GinaMarie Doherty, National President

Please take time to help us promote our Military Women Across the Nation Scholarship. The \$1,000 scholarship opportunity is open to high school seniors or undergraduate college students. A few ways you can help are:

- ★ Forward the application to any of your relatives who are eligible to apply. Guidelines are detailed in the application.
- ★ Provide information about the Scholarship to the senior class guidance counselors at high schools near you as well as the financial aid offices at nearby colleges. These are the people eligible students will call when looking for financial support.
- ★ Pass the information along to members of other veteran service organizations such as VVA, VFW, American Legion, AMVETS, etc.
- ★ If you use a social media, consider promoting the scholarship there, too.

The scholarship application is available on our website (www.milwomen.org), as well as in the December and February issues of Military Women's Bulletin. Application package submission DEADLINE is 1 June 2024.

THANK YOU for your service and thank you for helping us spread the word!

Finally, please remember annual national dues are due January 1st. The member-at-large renewal form is on Page 12 of this bulletin. Unit members should renew dues and provide updated contact information to their respective unit treasurers.

Hugs and warmest wishes to you and your families for a holiday season full of love, friends and fun, and a happy, healthy new year!

Membership Message

by Debbie Crutchfield, Vice President for Membership

I recently returned from an annual WAVES Reunion in Branson, MO. I passed out several MWAN applications, and some copies of the Military Women's Bulletin. I hope to have some new members, soon. Please try to encourage other women veterans you meet to join MWAN. Our members are our best recruiters.

Unit officers, please let me know how you are working on inviting MALs to attend your meeting via Zoom. We would love to get our MALs more involved so they feel a part of

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our organization. Our motto this year is Recruit, Recruit, Recruit. Have a great Thanksgiving.

Secretary Sought

Our National MWAN secretary Ginger Daniels has resigned for medical reasons. Please keep Ginger in your thoughts and prayers during this challenging time.

Also, please consider stepping up to fill this critical position in our organization. Required computer skills needed are the ability to send and receive emails with attachments, and a solid understanding of the MS Excel database operation.

The approximate time required to complete requisite tasks is five to 10 hours per month.

If you would like more information about this office, please contact MWAN President GinaMarie Doherty at president@milwomen.org.

Supply Snapshot & Special

by Linda Coffield, Supply Locker Officer

How about a last-minute holiday gift idea? Order now and get one each of all THREE embroidered, MWAN patches for only \$10! That is a savings of \$7!

The set includes one large (8") patch, one medium (3") patch, and one small (2½") patch.

Decorate your jacket, shirt and hat all for one low price!

This is an excellent way to let others know you are a veteran!

See the special entry on the December bulletin order form to take advantage of this offer.



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Consider Receiving Your Bulletin via Email. Contact Secretary@MilWomen.org for details.

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NAME: _____ MWAN ID # _____

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Email: _____ Phone: _____ Effective Date: _____

Mail to: MWAN President GinaMarie Doherty, 10 Osage Drive, Middletown RI 02842-4522

OR send via E-mail to: secretary@milwomen.org

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Military Women Across the Nation \$1,000 College Scholarship Rules & Application



The 2024 essay topic is

“Military Women in Command”

APPLICANTS WHO DO NOT ADHERE TO ALL INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

Applicant Eligibility

1. Must have a 3.2 or better Grade Point Average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale.
2. Must be a high school senior or undergraduate college student.
3. Entries must be submitted by **30 June 2024: NO EXCEPTIONS.**
4. Military personnel and veterans **MAY NOT APPLY FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP.**

Application Package MUST INCLUDE the following:

1. Completed Application.
2. Copy of all transcripts pertaining to current course of study to include academic standing.

NOTE: To protect personal information applicants are directed to mark out all references to social security numbers on high school or college transcripts.

3. An essay of 1,000 to 1,500 words in length written on the above topic. The essay must be the applicant's own work; be submitted in .doc or .docx format, and include documented evidence (including a bibliography) of both research and **an interview with at least one military woman.** Applicants are encouraged to contact military women in recruiting offices, at military bases, reserve units, etc. to enhance the research.

4. The entire Application Package shall be submitted in one email to include **separate attachments** for the following:

- (1) Completed Application
- (2) Transcripts (must be legible)
- (3) Applicant's essay (in .doc or .docx format)

Each attached file must include the applicant's last name and first initial as part of the file name and ALL correspondence must include the applicant's name in the subject line.

5. Email the Application Package and/or any questions to the Scholarship Chair at:

MWANScholarship@milwomen.org

Application Package Submission DEADLINE is 30 June 2024.

Applicants will be notified in July 2024 of the results.

The scholarship will be paid jointly to the scholarship recipient AND his/her college.

The application is available for download at www.milwomen.org (See documents page)

If additional information is required,

Contact Scholarship Chair Barb Turner at

MWANScholarship@milwomen.org

Or Call (817) 733-7034 (Leave a voice mail.)

**Military Women Across the Nation
College Scholarship Rules & Application**
PRINT or TYPE ALL INFORMATION

Applicant

Full Name: _____
Last First Middle Maiden (if applicable)

Mailing Address: _____
Street City County State Zip Country

Phone #: () _____ **Email:** _____

Age: _____ **Current GPA (4.0 scale):** _____ **Class Ranking:** _____

High School Test Scores: SAT Verbal _____ SAT Math _____ ACT Comp _____

Name of School Currently Attending: _____

School Address: _____
Street City County State Zip Country

School Phone #: () _____ **School Website:** _____

Name of School you plan to attend (if different): _____

School Address: _____
Street City County State Zip Country

School Phone #: () _____ **School Website:** _____

Type of School you are attending/plan to attend (Select as appropriate)

___ 4-Year/Undergraduate College or University ___ Trade/Technical School
___ 2-Year/Undergraduate College or University ___ Other: _____

Civic Clubs: List memberships and offices (if applicable). Include school, civic, community service, honorary and religious organizations for each active membership: _____

Volunteer Work/Employment: List your volunteer and/or employment experience: _____

Hobbies/Talents: List your hobbies, talents and/or interests: _____

Course of Study: List your major or the field you plan to study: _____

What is your career objective? _____

(Continue answers on separate pages as necessary.)



**Application Package Submission
DEADLINE is 30 June 2024.**



Questions?
Contact Scholarship Chair Barb Turner at
MWANScholarship@milwomen.org
Or Call (817) 733-7034 (Leave a voice mail.)



Military Women Across the Nation

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____
First Middle Maiden Last

Mailing Address: _____
Street City State Zip

E-Mail Address: _____ Unit No. or MAL _____

Birthday: Day _____ Month _____ Year _____ Branch of Service: _____

Dates of Service: From: _____ To: _____

Highest Rank/Rate: _____ Basic Training: _____

Training schools: _____

Primary/Last duty station: _____

College/special talents: _____ Referred by: _____

MEMBERSHIP shall be extended to military service women who served or are serving honorably in the U.S. Armed Forces, both regular and reserve components to include the National Guard and Maritime Services. Membership includes an E-MAIL subscription to *Military Women's Bulletin* published six times per year.

"I certify that I meet the eligibility requirements of MWAN and I can produce a copy of my military identification, DD214 or other honorable service/discharge document upon request."

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

First Time, NEW Member Dues are \$35 for the period of 1 Jan through 31 Dec

Initial Annual Dues for **First Time, NEW Members** joining **after 1 Aug** shall cover the remainder of the current year AND the full, following calendar year.

Annual Renewal & Reinstatement Dues are \$25 for the period of 1 Jan through 31 Dec

LIFE MEMBERSHIP IS AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS 90 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER for \$30.00.

New members joining through a **LOCAL UNIT**, make check payable to the local unit, and submit this completed and signed application to the **Local Unit Treasurer**, who will submit the payment and application to the MWAN Vice President for Finance.

New Members-at-Large make check payable to "MWAN" and mail with this completed and signed application to:
Maura Mooney, MWAN Vice President for Finance
228 Goldman Lane, Petaluma CA 94952-3682

PLEASE MAKE A COPY OF THIS APPLICATION FOR YOURSELF AND YOUR UNIT.

A tax-deductible donation to MWAN in the amount of \$ _____ is included in the attached check.

MWAN11/2023 (For office use only) _____ MWAN National ID # _____

Sound Off!

NORTHEAST OHIO WOMEN VETERANS

Unit #21 (OH) – We've had a busy summer and there is no sign of our schedule letting up any time soon. Members participated in Memorial Day programs and Independence Day parades. In August several unit members visited the Ohio Veterans Memorial Park in Clinton. Unit and Women Marine Association (WMA) members attending had a group photo taken with the Sharon Lane memorial bench.



Pictured (L-R): Unnamed WMA member, Freda Whaley, Sandy Conley, Jennifer Baun, Dianna Murar, Vicki Wallis, Sharon Helmick and Ellen Leidy (kneeling).

The unit returned to the third largest fair in the country by hosting a Women Vet Tent in the veteran area of the Canfield Fair. Several members volunteered to work the tent to ensure information about MWAN, the unit, and veteran resources were available to female veterans attending. Those who helped included Ellen Leidy, Gloria Galati, Jennifer Baun, Dianna Murar, Delores Speed, Nora Patella, Karen Wiscott, friends, and new member Courtney Cramer. The event was successful in reaching many veterans, fundraising, and recruiting at least three new members!



Pictured above are Dianna Murar (L) & Delores Speed working at the Women Vet Tent.

REDWOOD EMPIRE MILITARY WOMEN

Unit #77 (CA) – Unit members had an opportunity to meet Marine Corps veteran and Astronaut Nicole Mann on September 19th. Representing the unit, Rose Nowak presented her with the MWAN Coin and an invitation to join our unit. Nicole was born and grew up in, the Petaluma



Rose Nowak presenting an MWAN coin to astronaut & Marine veteran Nicole Mann.

area, graduating from local schools. The following evening several members attended a program "A Conversation with Astronaut Nicole Mann" at Sonoma State University honoring her achievements.



Pictured above are members who attended the Sonoma State program (L-R) Kate O'Hare Palmer, Rose Nowak, Maura Mooney, Emily Sousa, Bethany LaRosa.

On September 7th, we had a Yard Sale Fundraiser at Kate O'Hare Palmer's house, which was quite successful. In October, Leslie Fuller, Maura Mooney and Rose Nowak joined Sonoma AMVETS Post 55 in their fundraiser golf tournament.



Pictured (L-R) are Rose Nowak, Trisha Almond, Maura Mooney & Kate O'Hare Palmer who crewed the Yard Sale.

We are presently preparing for an exhibit at the Petaluma Historical Museum which will run from November 9th through December 10th called "Women in the Military".

Unit 77 is loaning uniforms, and various personal memorabilia, from unit members for the occasion. Pictures, biographies, and posters will bring to life our shared stories. On the final day, unit members representing seven decades of service will share personal experiences moderated by Debbie Countouriotis, past president of the museum.

We participated in several activities honoring veterans, culminating with the Veterans Day Parade in Petaluma - "The Largest Veterans Parade North of the Golden Gate." We'll close out the year with a holiday luncheon in December. Wishing all of you Happy Holidays!!

OCEAN STATE

Unit #118 (RI) – Pictured below are new unit members Ednor Larson (L) and Pat Siegmund, recruiting and raising funds to support women veterans.



Pictured below, unit members Susan Chin (L) and Gretchen Vierling-Cutlip also lend recruiting and fundraising support.



TRIANGLE WOMEN VETERANS

Unit #144 (NC) – Our unit held its quarterly meeting and Family Day on September 23rd. Due to Tropical Storm Ophelia, activities were moved indoors. We all enjoyed a meeting and potluck lunch with family members and guest veterans. Members got fairy hair in memory of Norma Schaefer. Four new members joined that day.



At Left, Pearl Galloway holds an "In memory" sign for Norma Schrader while getting her sparkly, fairy hair.
At Right, Kim Kochis (L) & Shelley Kirk show off their door prizes.

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Attendees are pictured above. Individual names were not provided.

We hosted a table at the Durham VA "Women's Veterans Breast Cancer Awareness" event on October 18th. The unit donated refreshments. Attendees are pictured below.



Pictured (L-R) Bernie Denato, Jennifer Griffin, Pearl Galloway, Ranae Kellum, Adina Lev & sitting is Jill Blakeney.

Unit members also attended a "22 Saves Hockey" sponsored event. The nonprofit organization provides programs and services focused on veteran health and wellness with the aim of forming communities of veterans doing the things they love to do – together! Wake County Veteran Service office participated as well as Veterans Bridge Home and Unit #144 represented, and possibly recruited three veteran sisters!



Unit member Ranae Kellum (R) with a veteran at "22 Saves Hockey" event.

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TRIANGLE WOMEN VETERANS #144 – Continued

We assisted the American Legion Post 16 with its fall festival on October 21st. Some 80 pumpkins were painted, and judged. Unit members had a great time!

Kim Kochis (on left below) and Adina Lev (not pictured) assisted guests with the pumpkin painting.



TWV unit members were invited, and provide a speaker, to a luncheon hosted by a local Girl Scout troop in honor of women veterans and first responders. Unit member Linnea Sommer-Weddington spoke on leadership.



Pictured above (L-R) are TWV attendees: Kim Kochis, Bernie Donato, Linnea Sommer-Weddington, Girl Scout Margaret, Jennifer Griffin, Adina Lev and Cathy (no last name provided), with Jill Blakeney on the floor in front.

MEMPHIS BELLES

Unit #151 (TN) – In September we assisted the Friends of Memphis Fisher House with a Classic Car Show fundraiser. We had a great time and helped raise over \$6,000 for the Memphis Fisher House capitol campaign.

We hosted another successful bake sale fundraiser at the Kickin' Pony dance hall to help fund our donation for the Holiday Food Boxes at the LCOL Luke Weathers, Jr. VAMC in Memphis.

October started with the Topping Off Ceremony for the Memphis Fisher House. Unit member Kathy Dejarlais was honored to sign the lentil beam, which was placed above the entrance to the Fisher House.



Pictured above (L-R) are Kathy Desjarlais, Hardin Brown, and Sami Phillips at the Classic Car Show.

Pictured below (L-R) are Jean Jungkans, Becky Dickinson, and Kathy Desjarlais at Kickin' Pony bake sale fundraiser.



Wrapping up October, Kathy Desjarlais dressed in costume to help distribute Halloween candy at the VAMC. Her hat, which sang The Addams Family theme song, was a big hit.



MILITARY WOMEN OF TIDEWATER

Unit #152 (VA) – Unit members supported the Hampton VAMC's Day of Caring. Several gals baked cookies to pass out to patients in attendance at this event. Martha Kastler and Betty Hand represented the unit at our information table, providing details about Military Women of Tidewater. They spoke with some 12 women veterans, and others, about what our unit does for veterans in the Hampton Roads area. The Hampton VAMC assistant director was on site and walked around to all the booths, speaking with participants. Along with our unit, other participants this year included Fishing for Veterans,

MILITARY WOMEN OF TIDEWATER #152 – *Continued*

Bicycles for Veterans, Virginia Natural Gas, American Red Cross, the American Legion, VFW, and Mission BBQ.



Martha Kastler (L) & Betty Hand at Hampton VAMC Day of Caring.

Unit members are heavily involved with Old Dominion Honor Flight. Mission #5 departed Newport News on Saturday, November 4th. This is an all-day event that begins at 5:15am with a welcome for participating veterans. Since Washington, DC, is only a three-hour drive from Hampton Roads, we utilize coach buses instead of flying. Honor Flight days are emotional and uplifting for all who participate.

As is our tradition, Unit #152 Celebrated Veterans' Day with a free lunch at Olive Garden. This event is always a huge success because we have the chance to get together and enjoy lunch while being honored for our service.

We meet monthly at VFW Post 4809 in Norfolk. For meeting information, contact Dassa Carvey, at (757) 363-3059 or RR12@milwomen.org.

LAKELAND ROYAL SWANS

Unit #159 (FL) – It's hard to believe late fall/early winter has settled in Florida, but Lakeland Royal Swans are warming up and getting busy! First, a hearty welcome to our newest members: Gloria Lee, Connie White, and Irene Rapoza! Welcome sisters! We're excited to have you join us!

Along with hosting a recruitment table at Lakeland's Annual Warrior Walk, some of us took part in the 2.7-mile walk around beautiful Lake Hollingsworth.

In October, we held our first Holiday Cards for the Troops/Crafting Event hosted by Jessyca Carpenter in her lovely home. Our goal is to grow this into a community-wide event, after we master card-making of course!



October Meeting attendees were (L-R) Kathleen VanMiddlesworth, Karen Warren, Caroline Brice, Linda Osborn, Grace Tate, AJ Burr, Lorraine Peaslee, Jessyca Carpenter, Kay Shelby, Gloria Lee & Connie White.

We attended and participated in several veteran-related events during November, including recognition programs at local churches, Veterans' Day events and the Veterans' Day parade. We also plan to partner with Unit #55 in Tampa for Wreaths Across America.

Our meetings are held at 11am on the 4th Saturday each month at the American Legion Post 4, 1375 Ariana St.,

Lakeland. For more information about our unit, please contact Kathleen at (863) 738-4487 (please leave a message), or at MilitaryWomenLakeland@gmail.com.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE, MISSOURI

Whether filling packages (at left) for shipment to overseas military personnel, attending veteran memorial/ tribute services, or simply providing a "wish list" gift to her local VA staff (below), Member-at-Large Ann Puck always finds some way to remind her community that Women Are Veterans! Thanks Ann! You're doing an excellent job!



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Volunteer Viewpoints

by Louise "Mickey" Kibler, National Representative for VA Center for Development and Civic Engagement (VACDCE)

Are you interested in being on the Center for Development and Civic Engagement (CDCE) board at a VA facility?

If you already volunteer at a VA facility, it's simple to join the board. If you aren't volunteering at a VA facility, you will have to go through volunteer orientation and vetting.

If you would like more information, contact me – Mickey Kibler, CDCE National Advisory Committee member at VAVS@milwomen.org.

2024 Officer Nominations Needed

by Monica O'Hara, Nominating Committee Chair

Nominations for the National and Regional Officers MUST BE SUBMITTED by DECEMBER 31st to the Nominating Committee. Offices to be filled are President, VP for Finance, VP for Membership, VP for Unit Liaison, and all 13 Regional Representatives. The final list of candidates and their biographies will be published in the April 2024 MWB and the election ballot will be in the June 2024 issue. Election results will be announced, and installation conducted at the 2024 MWAN National Convention.

Please contact any nominating committee member (listed below) for more information, to volunteer for a position, or to recommend someone for a position.

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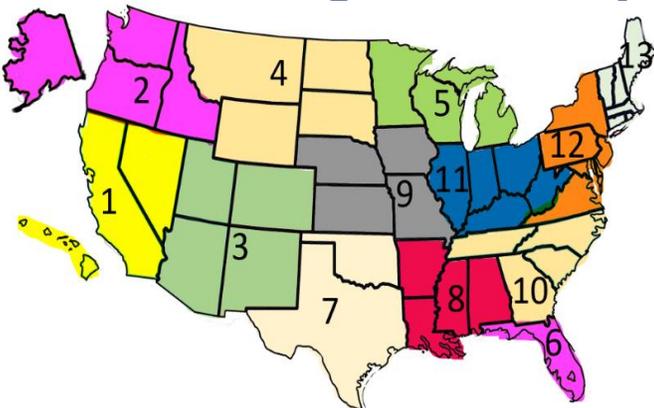
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MWAN Regional Map



Contact information for each Regional Representative is provided in the chart to the right.

ONLY USE CURRENT ORDER FORM

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Name: _____ (Why not use a return address label here!)

Address: _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Did you circle the type/size and/or color on items?? **Double Check please!** **Phone Number: () _____

Price per piece...X Number you want = total cost for item(s)

PATCHES

- MWAN 2½" (caps) \$ 3 X _____ = _____
- MWAN 3" (shirts) \$ 4 X _____ = _____
- MWAN 8½" (vest) \$10 X _____ = _____
- USN Women Veteran \$ 6 X _____ = _____
- Patches: Navy Flag or Services (USN, USAF, USMC, USCG, ARMY) \$ 4 X _____ = _____
- American Flag Patch (3½"x2") \$ 4 X _____ = _____
- Women are Veterans, Too \$ 5 X _____ = _____
- WAVES Anchor (old style) \$ 4 X _____ = _____
- Vietnam Era Eagle \$ 6 X _____ = _____

JEWELRY & PINS

- MWAN Coin \$10 X _____ = _____
- MWAN Lapel pin \$ 4 X _____ = _____
- MWAN Charm \$ 7 X _____ = _____
- MWAN Earrings \$12 X _____ = _____
- MWAN Coin Keychain \$12 X _____ = _____
- MWAN Mouse Pad \$ 6 X _____ = _____
- Original Hat Pin \$10 X _____ = _____
- Anchor & Prop Earrings \$14 X _____ = _____
- Anchor & Prop Charm \$ 7 X _____ = _____
- Anchor & Prop Lapel Pin \$ 4 X _____ = _____
- Veteran Lapel Pins \$ 4 X _____ = _____ (USN, USAF, USMC, ARMY)
- Honor-Courage-Sacrifice Veterans Pin \$ 5 X _____ = _____
- Vietnam Era Pins \$ 6 X _____ = _____
- Veteran American Flag Pin \$ 5 X _____ = _____
- Freedom Forever Eagle Pin \$ 5 X _____ = _____
- US Flag & Service Flag Pin \$ 4 X _____ = _____ (USN, USAF, USMC)
- USN Hat Pin (Spread Eagle w/USN) \$ 8 X _____ = _____
- USN Crest Lapel Pin \$ 4 X _____ = _____
- US Navy Lapel Pin \$ 4 X _____ = _____
- USN Patriotic Ribbon Pin \$ 4 X _____ = _____
- POW/MIA Lapel Pin \$ 5 X _____ = _____
- Department of Navy Lapel Pin \$ 4 X _____ = _____
- Service Crest Lapel \$ 4 X _____ = _____ (USN, USAF, USMC, USCG, ARMY)
- Service Dogtag Pins \$ 5 X _____ = _____ (USN, USAF, USMC, USCG, VETERANS)
- US Vet Stars/Stripes Lapel Pin \$ 9 X _____ = _____
- Honoring Women Veterans Pin \$ 6 X _____ = _____
- Poppy Flower Lapel Pin \$ 5 X _____ = _____

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- MWAN Visor \$15 X _____ = _____
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- MWAN White Dress Shirt \$34 X _____ = _____
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- Patriotic Scarf (100% Polyester) \$ 4 X _____ = _____

ITEMS OF INTEREST

- American Veteran Bracelet \$ 5 X _____ = _____
- 2016 Convention Pin \$ 2 X _____ = _____
- 2016 National Convention Patch \$ 1 X _____ = _____
- MWAN Playing Cards \$10 X _____ = _____
- Canvas Key Chain/Stars & Stripes \$ 6 X _____ = _____
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- MWAN Window Decal \$ 3 X _____ = _____
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- MWAN Car Magnet (8" Oval) \$ 5 X _____ = _____
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- MWAN Pens (4 each) \$ 4 X _____ = _____
- WAVES Key Chain, Rubber \$ 5 X _____ = _____
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Double clutch back **OR** Magnet back (circle one)
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