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NEWSLETTER

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COMMUNITY UPDATES

New Driveway to Welcome You Home

5th Rocky Bleier Results





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ABOUT WISVVA

A SENSE OF COMMUNITY. A PLACE TO CALL *HOME*.

Located at the Outagamie County Housing Authority Glenpark Campus in Appleton, veterans will have easy access to the John H. Bradley Veterans Clinic, Fox Valley Technical College, Fox Valley Veterans Council, and Tri-County Dental — all within walking distance.

VISION

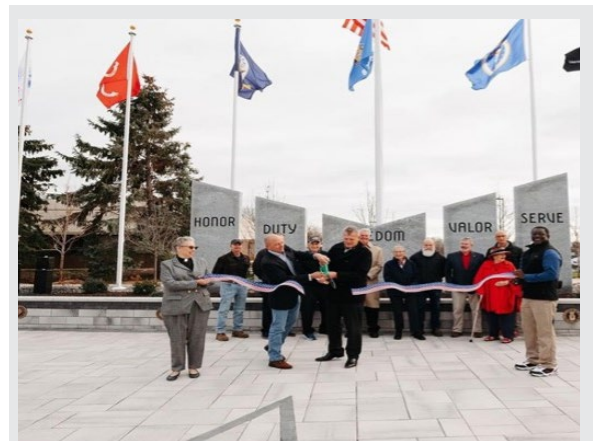
Identify and develop affordable, safe, dignified and sustainable housing for Wisconsin veterans.

MISSION

Provide affordable housing, support and community to veterans throughout their lifespan.

OFFICE

Email: info@wisvva.org
Office & Leasing: (920) 574-3350
Wisconsin Veterans Village Association, Inc.
2919 W. Glenpark Dr., Suite #500, Appleton, Wisconsin 54914



DONATE TO WISVVA

The Veterans Village relies on corporate and community support to reach our goals in providing veterans with vital needs. With your one-time or monthly gift, we can support those who have served us and our country.

How much would you like to donate today?

All donations directly impact our organization and help us further our mission. If you would like to donate an amount exceeding \$1,000, please contact us at info@wisvva.org or (920) 574-3350 to make arrangements.



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Have a Story?

The Veterans Village is looking for content! If you have something that you would like to see showcased, a story, or even information that you would like to share please contact info@wisvva.org or (920) 574-3350 to make arrangements.

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UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE VILLAGE



Coffee and Treats

When: Every Tuesday and Friday

Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Details: Come join for conversations and coffee, with a sweet treat to enjoy!



Community Breakfast

When: Third Saturday of every month

Time: TBD

Details: A great time for residents and supporters to connect over a meal.

Yoga

When: Every Wednesday, in the Fitness Center

Time: 2:00 PM

A New Life Open AA Meeting

When: Every Monday

Time: 6:30 – 7:30 PM

Details: An open meeting focused on recovery.

***You do not have to be a veteran to attend**

Appleton Vietnam Veterans Monthly Meeting

When: First Tuesday of every month

Time: 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Details: Hosted by VVA Chapter 351 at the Village Community Center



Vets on Frets: The Healing Power of Music

When: Every Wednesday at the Community Center

Time: 11:00 AM

Details: A group of veterans and guitar instructors playing folk, rock, and country hits from the 60s and 70s. Come sing along and enjoy the fellowship!

REP *the* VILLAGE

We are excited to announce that official Wisconsin Veterans Village apparel is now available!

How to Shop: The best way to grab your gear is to stop by during our Coffee & Treats hours every *Tuesday and Friday (10:00 AM – 12:00 PM)*.

It's a great chance to explore the campus and catch up with the community. To ensure someone is available to help you, please Call us: (920) 574-3350. Thank you for supporting WisVVA and helping us provide a "Community of Care" for our veterans!



Village Voices: News & Successes from WisVVA

Friends of Veteran Village

Scott Kluesner

A key component of the Wisconsin Veterans Village Association Board structure is that board members actively participate in one of the four primary functional committees: Finance, Fund Raising and Marketing, Governance, and Operations.

The Operations Committee's mission is to enhance our tenant experience through making facility improvements that emphasize wellness and quality of life upgrades.

Operations Committee Members – Rob Underhill, Randall Boss, Sharron Huss, MaryBeth Nienhaus, Don Carper, and Scott Kluesner are delivering just that for 2025-2026.

During the last year the Committee worked on and completed the following projects:

Property Management Provider Selection – Fall of 2025

- Parking Lot replacement – Summer 2026
- Pathway Lighting Improvements – Summer of 2026
- Stairwell re-treading and lighting replacement – Spring of 2026
- Fire Safety/Emergency Response Improvements – Spring of 2026
- Heating/Cooling Improvements for Community Center – Spring of 2026

But we are not done. It is our goal to complete the Bathroom Ventilation and Attic Insulation projects by the end of 2026. Both projects will generate quality of life improvements for the tenants, while also delivering heating and cooling efficiencies across the village.

Watch for additional projects from the Operations Committee in 2027.



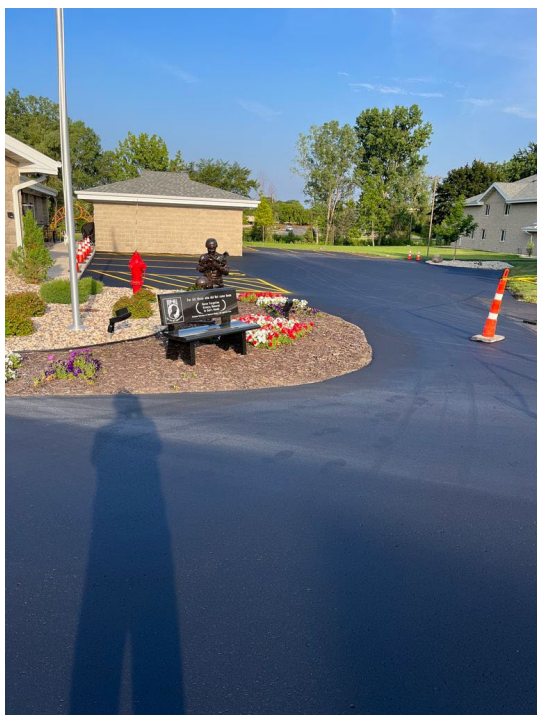
Village Voices: News & Successes from WisVVA Friends of Veteran Village

Article by: Norbert Bolda
Tenant, Vet Village

So far this year it has been a very productive year with lots of projects completed. Most recently we have redone the entire parking lot. The project including removing all layers of old asphalt, filling in numerous soft areas (future sink holes), packing the new base layer, laying not one, but two layers of thick asphalt, seal-coating all asphalt areas done in 2023, re-stripping parking spots, and redoing concrete curb and sidewalk projects.

Wis VVA partnered with MCC on this turnkey project, and they were great to work with. Please see pictures below. We would love for everyone to come by and see this and the other improvement that have been completed. We don't widely publicize the fact that we don't accept State or Federal Funding, and therefore all our funding comes from donations public and / or private. The parking lot project was paid from our reserve funding at a cost of over \$160,000; we had no sponsorship drive nor a campaign to raise funds. Therefore, if you would like help defray some of the costs incurred, we would appreciate your donation. The project was deemed necessary, as if it were postponed it would have become even more expensive when it would have been undertaken.

**Thank-you to our Board, and specifically the Operations Committee
that worked so diligently on the project.**



Images are of the new parking lot
after the work was completed!



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Is this the right dog for you?

Are you a Veteran ready to make a change and reclaim your life? This dog is best for someone who wants a working partner, not just a companion. They enjoy structure, and are confident, calm, and consistent. You must have a mobility related disability that benefits from trained tasks.

HOW TO APPLY

- Visit our website
- Choose "Apply for Your Service Dog"
- Fill out the request form
- or call us at (715) 298-1373

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- ✓ Retrieving dropped items
- ✓ Finding specific items
- ✓ Assistance standing
- ✓ Opening automatic doors

OUR MISSION

At no cost to qualified Veterans, we educate and train Psychiatric Service Dog Teams to have a fulfilling and meaningful life in the community of their choice.

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THANK YOU!

We are especially grateful for those who committed to the Buck-a-Day initiative, helping to raise \$41,000 in 2026:

Board Members & Friends:

Rob Underhill
Steven Day
Randall Boss
Scott Kluesner
Sherri McNamara
Mike Siddall
Matthew Huettner
Norbert Bolda
Robert Marx
Don & Amie Carper
Adam Schrubey
Gary Mennen
Drake Daggett
Katheryn Bermann

Community Members:

Colleen & Patrick Marx
Chad & Kristilyn Marx
Ryan & Stacy Marx
John & Claudia S. Leyerle
Lee Santkuyt
William Burzynski

READ *the* VILLAGE

At Wisconsin Veterans Village Association, our mission is to provide affordable housing, support, and community to veterans in the area. Our newsletter is your gateway to staying informed about everything happening at Wisconsin Veterans Village. By subscribing to our newsletter, you'll stay up to date on upcoming events, community news and developments, and special announcements! Simply send info@wisvva.org your email and request to receive the newsletter and then watch your inbox!

EMAIL WisVVA Now!

5th Annual Rocky Bleier Golf Outing

Results of our Fundraising, Donors, and Volunteers

Steve Day
VP of Fundraising & Events, WisVVA

Dear Newsletters Subscribers,
We wanted to share with you the results of our 5th Annual Rocky Bleier Golf Outing in the letter that was sent in recognition of the golfers, sponsors, door prize sponsors and volunteers.

Your participation, generosity, and enthusiasm made this year's event one of our most successful yet. Whether you golfed, sponsored a hole, donated a raffle prize, volunteered your time, or attended the Evening with Rocky, you played an important role in helping the Wisconsin Veterans Village Association continue its mission of serving veterans and preserving their legacy.

We are pleased to share the results of this year's outing.



2026 ROCKY BLEIER GOLF OUTING RESULTS

TOTAL REVENUE
\$133,373

NET PROCEEDS
\$90,917

MAJOR EVENT INVESTMENTS

\$17,000

Royal St. Patrick's Golf Links
Approximately for golf, carts, lunch, and event services.

\$3,600

American Legion
Hosting the memorable "Evening with Rocky."

\$5,000

Back Swing Golf
Providing the golf professional and TrackMan experience.

\$5,000

Raffle Cash Prize
Thanks to your generosity, the raffle raised \$9,600, making it a successful fundraiser.

\$6,000

Charity Golf International
Proceeds shared equally between Charity Golf International and the Wisconsin Veterans Village Association.

5th Annual Rocky Bleier Golf Outing: Results of our Fundraising, Donors, and Volunteers

These exceptional results demonstrate what can be accomplished when a community comes together in support of our veterans.

★ YOUR SUPPORT AT WORK ★



\$45,459

LAND CONTRACT PRINCIPAL PAYMENT

will be applied as an additional principal payment on our land contract, reducing long-term debt and strengthening our financial future.



\$22,729

BUILDING RESERVE FUND

will be placed into our Building Reserve Fund to help maintain and improve our veterans' home for years to come.



\$22,729

OPERATIONS & VETERANS PROGRAM

will support the Association's ongoing operations and veteran programs, ensuring we can continue serving those who have served our nation.

Every dollar raised helps us provide a lasting home for veterans, support meaningful programs, preserve our history, and continue serving our members and the community.

We extend our sincere appreciation to our event sponsors, prize donors, volunteers, committee members, and the staff at Royal St. Patrick's Golf Links and the American Legion. Your dedication and generosity created an outstanding experience for everyone involved.

A Message from Rocky Bleier

"I'm honored to be part of an event that brings people together for such an important cause. The support shown each year is a reminder that the sacrifices made by our veterans are remembered and appreciated. Thank you for standing with the Wisconsin Veterans Village Association and for helping ensure that veterans continue to receive the support and recognition they deserve. I look forward to seeing you again next year."

As we celebrate the success of our fifth outing, we are already looking ahead to making next year's event even better. We hope you will join us again as we continue this wonderful tradition of friendship, remembrance, and giving back. From all of us at the Wisconsin Veterans Village Association, thank you for believing in our mission and for making the 5th Annual Rocky Bleier Golf Outing such an incredible success.

Please save the date for the 6th Annual Rocky Bleier Golf Outing on June 10, 2027 at Royal St Pat's Golf Course Wrightstown, WI. Sign up information will be forthcoming by the end of 2026.

INSIDE *the* VILLAGE

Path Lights Updated and Bright!

Other notable accomplishments this year that have improved the safety of the veterans include:

Replacing path lighting and poles near Lake Lilian, new security lighting in stair wells, new lighting in all hallways, additional handrails in all stairwells, and replace stair coping coverings in building 200.

Fall Cleanup

As the seasons change, our team and volunteers are getting ready to tidy up the Village for winter. We'll be cleaning up flower beds, removing seasonal plants, and preparing our walking paths and communal spaces for the colder months ahead.

MEAT RAFFLE

WISCONSIN VETERANS VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

RAFFLE PRIZES ALSO

GOOD MEAT. GREAT CAUSE.

NOVEMBER 14TH AT 2PM
COUNTRYSIDE BAR & GRILL
HARRISON, WI

BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND GET YOUR TICKETS



NEED TO EXPLORE?

Disabled veterans can obtain a free **Lifetime Access Pass for U.S. National Parks and federal recreational lands**, providing free entrance to over 2,000 locations.

How to Obtain:

In Person (Recommended): Visit a participating federal recreation site (e.g., National Park) to receive the pass immediately.

Online/Mail: USGS Store (\$10 processing fee, plus \$7.50 handling). For state-specific passes, such as in Wisconsin, veterans can apply through the DNR for free admission, which requires state-specific certification Wisconsin DNR.

Make the Village Your HOME

Apartment and Leasing Information for Potential Tenants

The Wisconsin Veterans Village Association provides stable, affordable housing for area veterans, single or with families. The WisVVA seeks to improve the quality of life with a continuum of care that is veteran-centric in a community for veterans throughout their lifespan.

A sense of community. A place to call home.

APARTMENT INFORMATION

- Spacious 1,2 & 3 bedrooms
- Below market rents
- Heat, hot water and basic cable included
- Full kitchen & dining area
- Refrigerator/freezer
- Oven & microwave
- Ceiling fans/air conditioner
- Access to the community center
- Beautiful walking grounds



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ONE BEDROOM

410 sq. ft
\$720/month



TWO BEDROOM

750 sq. ft
\$805/month



THREE BEDROOM

925 sq. ft
\$885/month

BE IN *the* VILLAGE

Support the Wisconsin Veterans Village Association

Want to help support local veterans while getting your business in front of our community? Consider placing an ad in the Wisconsin Veterans Village Association newsletter! Your support helps us continue providing affordable housing, support, and community to veterans in the area.

Interested in advertising? Contact us at info@wisvva.org to learn more about advertising opportunities and how your business can get involved.

EMAIL WisVVA Now!

Discounts Right Outside Your Door!

Veteran Discounts Around the Fox Valley Year Round

Restaurants

A&W - Free Combo Meal
Arby's - 10% Varies by Location
Cinders - 50% off Meals on the 1st
Perkins - Free Magnificent Seven Breakfast
Old Glory Cafe - 10% off
Olive Garden - Free Entree
Texas Roadhouse - 10% with ID, individual only
Taco Bell - 10% off

Grocery

Pick-n-Save - Extra 10% off in-store purchase

Automotive

Advance Auto Parts - 10% off
Auto Zone - 10% off
Discount Tire - 5% off via id.me
Jiffy Lube - 15% off
O'Riley Auto Parts - 10% off
Napa - 10% off Select Locations
Take 5 - 25% off year-round

Hardware

Ace Hardware - 10% on Eligible Items
**Can be added to Ace Shoppers Card*
Home Depot - 10% Exclusions Apply
Lowes - 10% Exclusions Apply
True Value - 15% Select Locations

Outdoor

Cabela's - 5% Firearms and Ammo
Cabela's - 10% Merchandise

Jewelry

Helzberg Diamond - 10% off
Zales Diamond Stores - 10% off

Entertainment

EAA Aviation Museum - Discounted Admission
Marcus Theaters - \$8.50 Movie Tickets

Retail

Game Stop - 10% off
Kohl's - 15% off Monday Only
Sports Clips - 10% Everyday



Every Wednesday and Friday, we welcome veterans and a friend to enjoy delicious, home-cooked meals at no cost. It's more than food. It's a chance to share stories, laugh, and connect with fellow veterans in a relaxed, welcoming environment.

Location: 100 W Capitol Drive, Appleton, WI 54911

Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Friday: 8:00 - 10:00 AM



Invite all Vet's & Friends patrons to come join for classic card & board games starting 3/25 from 1 - 3 PM and every month following on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month

Upcoming Board Dates

September 9th, 2026

September 23rd, 2026

Join for lots of fun and connection!
Location: 792 W. Northland Ave

HELP US AT *the* VILLAGE

We're working to make the our emails and website more interesting!

We are asking for any input and stories but to help us at the start please take a moment to fill out our survey

Take the Survey Now!

If you would want to submit a story please feel free to send it to Norbert.bolda@wisvva.org

See Our Score!

Meet our Charity Navigator score, something we love to keep everyone updated on! Check out our [website at the bottom](#) for the numbers live!

Charity Navigator Score

96

Charity
Navigator

Each donation keeps moving this number up!
Thank You All!



✦ FOUR-STAR ✦

Need By the Numbers

44,000

veterans in Outagamie, Brown, Waupaca, Winnebago and Calumet Counties.

8.8%

local veteran population, higher than the national average.

61%

local veterans age 65 years or older, representing WWII, Korea and Vietnam.

BUCK-A-DAY Program

To continue our mission and vision, we need the help of compassionate individuals like you.

We are asking for a modest but powerful commitment: just \$1 a day for the next five years. That's only \$365 per year—an amount that will go a long way toward ensuring that our veterans receive the support they deserve. To date we have 20 Pledges, for a Total of \$58,577.20. Our goal is to invite 1,000 veteran supporters help retire our \$1.7 Million loan so we may build addition veteran housing. Please see current Pledge supporters at the bottom of this page. Thank you in advance for supporting Wisconsin Veterans Village.
Your Pledge makes a difference.

What Your Dollar Does!



\$1 per day will help provide a safe, stable home for a veteran



Your \$1 per day will go directly to paying off our loan



Our loan gets paid off quicker and we fund even more homes

Join the Program Today!

THE PEOPLE OF *the* VILLAGE



Brad's Story
U.S. Army



Craig's Story
U.S. Army Reserve



Cherie's Story
U.S. Navy

"It is great living in place that wants to help in any way possible and not just handing a landlord a check every month. Everyone that lives here takes great pride in the village by keeping it clean, giving feedback, and helping a vet in need."



"Living among other veterans is great. We chat and check in with each other. It's nice having the extra support and a stable place to live that is all my own."



"I was homeless for 10 months before coming to live at the Veterans Village. Working with a fellow veteran to pair me with veteran-specific services was comforting because I felt like I wasn't the only one out there."



Stephanie L.
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Billie Rice

5th Annual RBGO

Overhead Solutions
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Group
Jim Mahron Swift Boat
Great Northern Company
Thrivent Financial
Green Bay Give Back
WFRV
Woodward Communications
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Stone Arch
Crystal Springs Golf Course
Seymour, WI
Cinders Restaurant
Black Bear Family Restaurant
Batley's Bar and Grill
High Cliff Golf Course
Shamrock Heights Golf Course
Chaska Golf Course
George's Steak House
Mid Vallee Golf Course
Westridge Golf Course
The 10th Frame

Combat Hunger

WAPL - Woodward Com Media
Jacks Maintenance Service
Wish Lane Aesthetics
American Platinum
Dorn Delivery

Individual Donations

Community Foundation
Pam VanHandel
Donna & Dick of Mama D's
Eggin' 4 Heroes
Freedom High Football Team
Timber Rattler's

Summer Concert Series

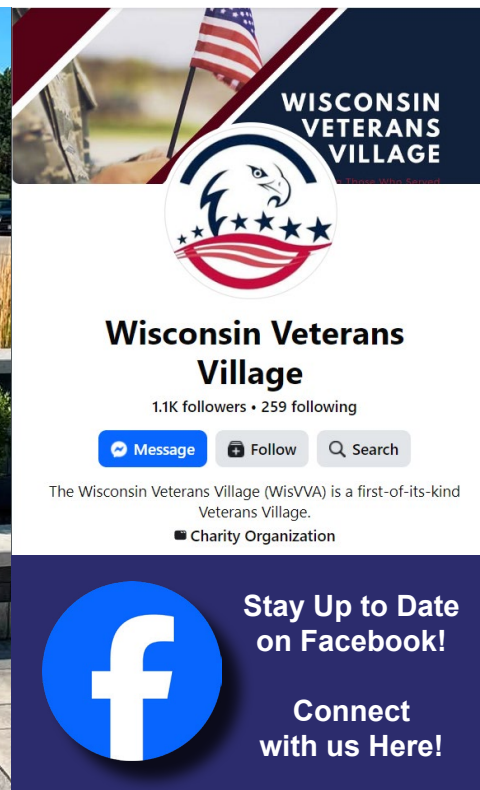
US Venture / Heid Music
Downtown Appleton

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Waterfall Memorial

U.S. Army CPL. 82 Abn - John Ingalls
U.S. Army SPC MP - Larry Ingalls
U.S. Army SFC Ret. - Scott Steede
U.S. Navy SM - Mark Timm
U.S. Army SGT. - Gary Timm
U.S. Army SGT. - Jay Timm
U.S. Navy PO2 - Rick Timm
U.S. Army CPT. - Joe Miller
U.S. Army SGT. - Diana Miller
U.S. Navy LCDR RET. - Kathleen Maas
U.S. Army CPL. Air Corp - Phillis Dunquette
U.S. Army SPC. - Brenda McCormick
U.S. Army SPC. - Michael & Martin McGee
U.S. Army SGT. Air Corp - Agnes VanRossum



The completed waterfall completed that graces the outdoor space at the community center

WORKING TOGETHER FOR GOOD

We are grateful for the organizations, families, and individuals who have already stepped forward to help us plan for a community of care for our veterans. Working together, we can ensure the men, women, and families who sacrificed so much for us are surrounded by community service organizations that can help them live their best, most productive lives.

DONATE to WisVVA Now!

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