

**Warren County Veterans Service Officer's Report for April 2011**  
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**Return the FAVOR – Thank You For Your Service~**

“FAVOR” Find and Assist Veterans of Record

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The Warren County Clerk's Office in collaboration with the Warren County Veterans' Services is pleased to introduce a special initiative aimed at recognizing the service and sacrifices made by Warren County's Veterans. Initially begun in Rockland County in 2008 as "Return the Favor", the program has spread to many counties throughout New York State and was endorsed by the Warren County Board of Supervisors on February 18, 2011. Warren County has added the phrase "Thank You For Your Service" to further express our gratitude. As we move forward we invite your participation!

The program offers honorably discharged Veterans a discount at local businesses upon presentation of proof of service in the form of an identification card. The identification card issued by the Warren County Clerk, at no fee to the Veteran, contains valid service information. The discount or offering by a business is of the owner's own choosing and is not determined by Warren County.

Participating businesses, their addresses and discount offerings will be listed on our webpage as well as in printed handouts available at the Offices of the Warren County Clerk and Warren County Veterans' Services. A window poster identifying the business as a participant in Warren County's "Return the FAVOR...Thank You For Your Service" will be provided to you as well. As our efforts become known, anticipate that each business could realize increased traffic and sales.

To help this effort, please feel free to call, e-mail or use our web-site(s) for additional information/forms in order to meet our program start of **Memorial Day 2011**.

You may also contact Pam Vogel at 518/761-6427, email at [vogelp@co.warren.ny.us](mailto:vogelp@co.warren.ny.us) or visit her web-site at [www.co.warren.ny.us/clerk](http://www.co.warren.ny.us/clerk).

*To our Veterans: The County Clerk will begin issuing the Veteran identification cards, to those who have their Military Discharge recorded in the Clerk's Office, in mid-April. If not on record with the Clerk, please contact my office (CVSO) for assistance.*

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**Veterans Exposed to Agent Orange in Korea~**

**VA will presume herbicide exposure for any Veteran who served between April 1, 1968, and August 31, 1971, in a unit determined by VA & DOD to have operated in an area in or near the Korean DMZ in which herbicides were applied.**

If you believe you have presumptions from this kind of exposure please contact me asap for an interview of possible VA benefits.