## Warren County Veterans Service Officer's Report for April 2012

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## Calling all WWII Veterans~

On April 28th, the Leatherstocking - Honor A Flight will depart Albany International Airport destination Washington D.C. WWII Memorial. This flight is **FREE** to all WWII Veterans and a guest can accompany them for \$350.00. This is a day trip and there are currently 40 seats on this flight still available. Please contact Rick or Karen Connor at 518/827-5013 immediately for an application & to make reservations.

## Military Service Record Request (SF-180)

Military personnel records can be used for proving military service, or as a valuable tool in genealogical research. Most veterans and their next-of-kin can obtain free copies of their DD Form 214 (Report of Separation) and other military and medical records.

Who may request these records:

- A military veteran, or
- Next of kin of a **deceased**, former member of the military. The **next of kin** can be any of the following:
  - Surviving spouse (that has not remarried), father, mother, son, daughter, sister, brother.

Please note: Records are accessioned into the National Archives, and become archival, 62 years after the service member's separation from the military. This is a rolling date; hence, the current year, 2012, minus 62 years is 1950. Records with a discharge date of 1950 or prior are archival and are open to the public. Records with a discharge date of 1950 or after are nonarchival and are maintained under the Federal Records Center program. Non-archival records are subject to access restrictions.

Generally there is no charge for basic military personnel and medical record information provided to veterans, next-of-kin and authorized representatives from Federal (non-archival) records. If your request involves a service fee, you will be notified as soon as that determination is made.

However, Archival OMPFs are subject to the NARA fee schedule that authorizes the Agency to collect fees from the public for copies of archival records (44 USC 2116c and 44 USC 2307).

- A routine OMPF of 5 pages or less: \$20 flat fee
- A routine OMPF of 6 pages or more: \$60 flat fee (most OMPFs fall in this category)
- Persons of Exceptional Prominence (PEP) OMPF: \$.75 cents per page (\$15 minimum)