

”They Marched for Us, Let’s Walk For Them”

The American Legion Auxiliary and the Sons of The American Legion in New York State are proud to announce the 4th Annual Walk-A-Thon to benefit the 13 Veterans Administrative Medical Centers in New York State, the 5 New York State Veterans Homes, the Fisher House in Albany, New York and help support the many Homeless Shelters that many of our veterans here in New York State rely on for food and shelter. The Walk-A-Thon will take place on April 16, 2011, in a city near you.

This Walk-A-thon will benefit the Veterans residing at each of these facilities, assist in their care and meet some of the needs of their family members while they are visiting. These funds will help voluntary service departments purchase personal hygiene products, board games, home computers, DVD’s, coffee makers, movies passes, tickets to sporting events, phone cards, along with renovating and upgrading recreation and therapy equipment. Funds are always needed for the upkeep of the Fisher House. The Fisher House provides veterans families a place to stay at no charge while their loved ones are receiving medical care at Stratton Veterans Administration Medical Center. The New York State Veterans Homes are assisted living homes for veterans. Recreational and social donations are always welcomed and improve the quality of life for our Veterans residing there.

With the amount of veterans returning from active duty from the conflicts in the Middle East these young men and women need the services provided at our VAMC’s in New York State and there family’s need help to adjusting to their loved ones medical condition suffered in our time of war. Let’s not forget our aging veterans who have served our country in the past. They with no doubt deserve the best in recreational and socialization programs that can be offered to them.

This Walk-A-thon will be held all across New York State on April 16, 2011. It will take place in all the major metropolitan areas as well as other cities and towns in New York State. The public is encouraged to participate. Please seek out the support of community organizations such as Boy Scout and Girl Scout Troops, local 4 H organizations, college fraternities and sororities for example. We have a goal of raising at least \$120,000.00 during this day which can be obtained by pledges, donations from individuals and business. With your support and love for our country this figure can easily be doubled. All donations and pledges need to be send to: Detachment of New York Sons of the American Legion, 112 State Street, Suite 1300, Albany, New York 12207 Please make out all checks payable to, Detachment of New York Sons of The American Legion and put in the memo line Walk-A-Thon

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We thank you in advance for your support and please remember “Our Veterans Are Our Greatest Resource.”