AMERICAN VETERANS CENTER

24TH ANNUAL VETERANS CONFERENCE & 'AMERICAN VALOR' HONORS GALA

NOVEMBER 4-6, 2021

THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES, WASHINGTON D.C.

EARLY HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

THE AMERICAN VETERANS CENTER'S
AMERICAN VALOR
A SALUTE TO OUR HEROES

AMERICAN VALOR: A SALUTE TO OUR HEROES

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

The weekend's signature event, a black-tie celebrity-filled gala and Emmy-winning TV special, filmed for nationwide broadcast on Veterans Day and beyond.

ROYAL NORWEGIAN EMBASSY

HONORING OUR VETERANS

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

An exclusive recveption hosted at the residence of the Ambassador of the Royal Norwegian Embassy.

THE WOUNDED WARRIOR EXPERIENCE

THE WOUNDED WARRIOR EXPERIENCE

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Featuring the inspiring stories of service members who have overcome the odds and a discussion on topics facing wounded warriors today. Filmed for a special Veterans Day television broadcast.

The AVC's 24th Annual Veterans Conference

Featuring American heroes from World War II to the present day. Early-confirmed participants include:

Chuck Hagel
24th Secretary of Defense

Col. Edward Shames
The last living officer from the famed 'Band of Brothers'

The Tuskegee Top Guns
Winners of the first 'Top Gun' style competition in 1949, Tuskegee Airmen Lt. Col. James Harvey & Lt. Col. Harry Stewart

Rosie the Riveters
The women who went to the factories during WWII to build the planes, tanks, and ships used to win the war.

Tom Rice
Paratrooper with the 101st Airborne on D-Day, still parachuting at 100 years old.

The 442nd Regimental Combat Team
Veterans of the famed all-Japanese American unit that would become the most highly decorated of the war for its size.

Maj. Gen. James E. Livingston
Recipient of the Medal of Honor for valor in Vietnam.

Peter MacDonald
USMC veteran and among the last surviving Navajo Code Talkers.

Vivian 'Millie' Bailey
Among the first African American women to serve in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, commissioned as a First Lieutenant. Recently gained fame for skydiving at age 102.

Bob Passanisi
Served with Merrill's Marauders, the famed unit from the China-Burma-India Theater of WWII.

Col. P.J. Dahl
Ace pilot of WWII with nine confirmed kills and one probable, the highest ranking living P-38 ace.

The Ritchie Boys
Veterans of an elite unit of Army soldiers, trained in intelligence and interrogation at Camp Ritchie, MD, comprised largely of German and Austrian Jewish immigrants who would return to Europe to fight Hitler.

Capt. Royce Williams
Joining the Navy in 1943, best known for a mission in Korea dubbed Top Secret for decades, where he shot down four Soviet MiG-15s.

Anthony Procassini
Mortar crewman with the 1st Marine Division, among the first to land in the epic battle for Peleliu, later among the first wave of Marines to land on Okinawa.

Vincent Speranza
101st Airborne paratrooper from WWII, most known for his famous 'beer run' at Bastogne, where he found a working tap in a bombed-out tavern, filling his helmet to run to his comrades.

George Ciampa
Landed on Utah Beach on D-Day, served with the 607th Graves Registration Company. Tasked with the solemn duty of burying the dead - some 75,000 bodies from June 6 to the end of the war.

Frank Emond
Served aboard battleship USS Pennsylvania during the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941, witnessing the first bomb dropped, exploding on Ford Island.

Clinton J. Hill
U.S. Army veteran and Secret Service agent to five presidents, most known for his act of bravery on November 22, 1963 rushing to shield Mrs. Kennedy and the already stricken president as shots rang out.

PLUS
SENIOR PENTAGON LEADERS, ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL FROM OUR SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES **AND MUCH MORE TO COME**

Full schedule available September 15. Call 703-302-1012 ext. 227 or email wsmith@avcmail.org to request a registration form.