Tompkins County Veterans Connections

This April Veterans across Tompkins County are invited to join other Veterans through virtual networking events. This month's events -- Veterans Coffeehouse and Warrior Writers – can be attended online or by calling in via phone, landline or cell phone.



Veterans' Coffeehouse

Team RWB and the Tompkins County Department of Veterans Services will hold its monthly afternoon Veterans Coffeehouse **Thursday, April 16, 2020**. Veterans can sign in 12-2p via Zoom (Meeting ID 264-669-165) or by calling 1.646.876.9923.

The Veterans Coffeehouse provides
Veterans in Tompkins County the chance to
connect with other Vets, share stories, and
meet old friends while making new ones. It
also provides a place for Veterans to learn
about offerings around the county and to
voice their feedback on services or
resources need in their community.

WARR!ORWriters

The Finger Lakes Warrior Writers will **meet 7-9p on Thursday, April 23, 2020**. This meeting will be held via Cisco Webex (download required for access). Login information to be provided prior to April 23.

Finger Lakes Warrior Writers are military Veterans from the Vietnam, Desert Storm, and Iraq War eras. They meet twice monthly in writing workshops. These creative workshops offer prompts that cover a variety of military issues and experiences. This encourages sharing stories, opinions, and ideas for productive writing/reflecting/story-telling and art-making.

A highlight of these workshops for many veterans is having a space to release bottled-up thoughts and emotions around others who understand, creating a sense of empowerment in the ability to tell their own story. By creating an open and accepting atmosphere, the Veterans build a community of support.

Workshops are for any service member or Veteran regardless of experiences with writing, combat, art, deployment, etc. Attendees help each other refine their writings (in a gentle way) and enjoy each other's company.