

DINING-IN & DINING-OUT HISTORY

Dining in is a formal military ceremony for members of a company or other unit, which includes a dinner, drinking, and other events to foster camaraderie and *esprit de corps*. An optional formal dinner, known as the **dining-out** may include spouses and other guests. The dining-out follows the same basic rules of the dining-in, but is often tailored to minimize some of the military traditions and be more interesting to civilian guests. The practice of dining in is thought to have formally begun in 16th-century England. The Vikings held formal ceremonies to honor and celebrate battles and heroes. It is important for everyone to enjoy the evening and for the veterans to feel acknowledged.

PLANNED PROGRAM AGENDA

- 1400 Counseling and Support Services Available
- 1530 Concert by High School Choir
- 1700 Receiving Line and Silent Auction and Raffle.
- 1800 Mess Assembled and Posting of the Colors
- 1815 Invocation, Open the Mess and Toasts
- 1830 Dinner Served
- 1900 MIA/POW/KIA Ceremony
- 1915 Fallen Heroes Video Tribute
- 1930 Grog Ceremony
- 2000 Keynote Speaker
- 2030 Raffle Drawing
- 2035 Benediction and Closing of the Mess
- 2040 "Taps"
- 2045 Final Tribute: Fireworks Display



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*You are invited to
participate in the
inaugural*

Bitterroot Valley Dining-Out Ceremony

**Acknowledging and Honoring
Our Bitterroot Veterans
of All Services and of All
Wars, Battles and Conflicts**

COVERING RAVALLI AND MISSOULA COUNTIES

Sponsorship Information

Veterans Day

Tuesday~November 11, 2014



OFFICIAL PRINTED SOUVENIR PROGRAM

...including dedication, program agenda, military songs and creeds, editorial articles, and tributes. 8.5"x11" format with 16-24 pages printed on gloss stock, full-color. This is a prime opportunity for businesses and individuals to show their support for our troops by participating, with preferably public relations oriented messages (samples below). Please note that, excluding cost for the printing, the revenues received will be used to offset costs for dinners for those veterans who cannot afford the cost.

OFFICIAL PRINTED PROGRAM SPONSORSHIP RATES



TERMS: 10% refundable deposit with sponsor reservation; balance due October 15, 2014; 5% discount with full payment. Full payment required with listings. **DEADLINE:** October 8, 2014.

\$450.00 Outside Back Cover + 4 Dinner Tickets + 5 Programs
7-1/4" Wide x 10" High

\$375.00 Inside Front Cover + 3 Dinner Tickets + 4 Programs
7-1/4" Wide x 10" High

\$325.00 Inside Back Cover + 3 Dinner Tickets + 4 Programs
7-1/4" Wide x 10" High

\$300.00 Full-Page + 2 Dinner Tickets + 3 Programs
7-1/4" Wide x 10" High

\$225.00 Half-Page + 1 Dinner Ticket + 2 Programs
7-1/4" Wide x 4-3/4" High

\$225.00 Half-Page + 1 Dinner Ticket + 2 Programs
3-1/2" Wide x 10" High

\$100.00 Quarter-Page + 1 Program
3-1/2" Wide x 4-3/4" High

\$100.00 Quarter-Page + 1 Program
7-1/4" Wide x 2-1/4" High

\$ 50.00 Business Card + 1 Program
3-1/2" Wide x 2-1/4" High

\$ 20.00 "Treat a Vet to a Well Deserved Dinner" Listing

Up to 20 Words (SAMPLE):

The Jack Barry family proudly supports our troops, praying for God's continued protection and provisions over our warriors and their families.



BITTERROOT VALLEY DINING-OUT CEREMONY NOVEMBER 11, 2014

The overall vision for this event is to acknowledge and honor our Bitterroot veterans of all wars, battles and conflicts.

The concept is to have as many elements (vegetables, chicken, prime rib, flowers, decorations, beverages, et al) contributed by local businesses and individuals to keep the dinner ticket cost to a minimum.

The goal is to have as many veterans and their guest(s) in attendance as possible, and to involve as many youths as possible. For those veterans who genuinely cannot afford the dinner ticket, every effort will be made to solicit sponsorships and donations from philanthropic organizations and individuals to offset their dinner ticket. The printed *Official Souvenir Program* will be financially supported by sponsor reservations, with revenues being earmarked to provide free dinners for our veterans, who cannot afford the cost..

Veterans will be encouraged to wear their uniforms (*if they still fit!!!*). Three entrees will be provided (\$25 prime rib, \$20 chicken, and \$15 vegetarian). **SPECIAL NOTICE:** **A \$5 discount per ticket is available on orders with Payments received by September 1, 2014. Buy yours at local businesses displaying the "Dining-Out" poster...or mail to: Chapter #938 Vietnam Veterans 316 N 3rd St, Suite 107, Hamilton MT 59840.** Please make checks payable to: Bitterroot Dining-Out

Additionally we will strive to provide transportation for those without wheels or just cannot afford the travel cost to join us.

The event (see "Agenda") will be held at the Hamilton High School, after the planned Veterans Day ceremony at the Ravalli County Museum. The Hall will be festively decorated in red-white-blue with the theme: *"The Courage to Serve."*

Thank you in advance for your anticipated participation