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**Subject: Veterans Benefits: Explained**

**Interlochen and Fife Lake** – You may be eligible for certain benefits based on your military service. The government’s Veterans Affairs has a number of programs providing financial, medical and other assistance to veterans. For veterans who received an honorable or general discharge, there are 4 major benefit programs: disability compensation, veteran’s pension programs, free or low cost medical care through the VA hospitals and medical facilities and education programs.

Military benefits are always changing, so to keep up with veterans benefits, join the local Veterans Affairs Office in information sessions at two locations in Grand Traverse County’s Senior Center Network – on Thursday, July 11, 12:30 p.m., at the Golden Fellowship Hall in Interlochen, 9700 Riley Road and on Wednesday, August 7, 12:30 p.m., at the Fife Lake Public Library, 77 Lakecrest Lane.

The Veteran’s Affairs sessions are free. However, an optional lunch will be served at noon for a \$3 suggested donation for those 60 and over; all others are \$5. Advanced registration is required for lunch by the Monday in the week of the information session.

For more information or to register, email [dmikowski@grandtraverse.org](mailto:dmikowski@grandtraverse.org) or call the registration number at 231-922-2080

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