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Brecknock Hall seeking applicants for 9th Annual Veterans Day Wedding Giveback

GREENPORT, N.Y., February 14, 2019 — Just in time for Valentine's Day, Brecknock Hall at Peconic Landing is currently seeking applicants for the 9th annual Veterans Day Wedding Giveback. The community project provides one lucky service couple with the wedding of their dreams at no cost, thanks to the commitment of local businesses and area volunteers.

Known as the *Veterans Day Wedding Giveback*, the contest began in 2011 as an opportunity to thank Long Island's military personnel and recognize them for their service to our country. Sponsored by Peconic Landing, the giveaway is made possible through sponsorships and contributions from local businesses and organizations who donate the time, talents and services needed to help make the dream day a reality.

Last year's winning couple, U.S. Air Force Technical Sergeant (TSgt) Trenton Todd Zanow, of Batavia, NY and U.S. Air Force Airfield Management Operations Supervisor Jennifer Lynn (Lenzi) Zanow, of Ridge, NY were married at Brecknock Hall, Sunday, November 11 in honor of Veterans Day. Both are active service members who met while serving at the 106th Rescue Wing at Francis S. Gabreski Air National Guard Base in Westhampton Beach, NY. The couple currently serves full time at the 103rd Airlift Wing, a unit of the Connecticut Air National Guard.

The couple was notified during a surprise reveal in May. (Highlight video available at: <https://youtu.be/wTycaH-0aLo>)

This year's winning couple will again be provided with a wedding free of charge, taking place on Sunday, November 10, 2019 in celebration of Veterans Day, and will accommodate up to 82 guests.

The contest is open to current and veteran service members. At least one partner must have served or be serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. Applicants can visit <http://www.brecknockhall.com/veterans-day-wedding-giveback/> to enter. The application deadline is March 31, 2019.

“Announcing the winners of this giveback is a highlight event for our veteran members and for the entire community. Every year we are more and more impressed with the applications we receive from individuals serving our country near and far,” said Robert J. Syron, President and CEO of Peconic Landing. “We want to thank all of our business partners who help make this giveback possible. It is an incredible community project, and many of them donate their services year after year.”

The winning couple will be chosen by a panel of Peconic Landing members with military ties, who judge the contest based on the number of years served, special military honors and each individual couple’s personal love story. Couples must be available for an interview in person or via Skype to be considered for the giveback.

An estimated \$60,000 worth of services and in-kind donations are contributed each year. Those wishing to contribute can contact Valerie Tirelli-Hallock, Brecknock Hall Sales & Events Coordinator at info@brecknockhall.com.

To-date, sponsors of the 2019 *Veterans Day Wedding Giveback* include: A Flippin’ Good Time, Beautiful by Katy & Dina, Leanne’s Specialty Cakes, Christopher Michael Catering, East End Events Catering, Fire Monkey Hair Design, Greenport Harbor Brewing Company, Greenporter Hotel, Ivy League Flowers & Gifts, Jillybean Custom Designs, Kim Jon Designs, Ken Hild Photography, Lieb Cellars, Macari Vineyards, Make Some Noise DJ’s, Massage Me, by Sara Leonard LMT, Moments In Time Floral Design, Moriches Main Street Flowers, North Fork Bridal Shoppe, Southold Fish Market, Special Effects Salon and The North Fork Box. Times/Review Media Group has signed on as the media sponsor of the event.

(Photo Caption: The 2018 Giveback winners, U.S. Air Force Technical Sergeant Trenton Todd Zanow and U.S. Air Force Staff Sergeant Jennifer Lynn Lenzi, pictured with Southold/Greenport/Mattituck ROTC cadets performing the sword ceremony. Credit: Lisa Nicolosi Photography)

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