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VA Hosts Women Veterans Appreciation Luncheon

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Black Hills Health Care System will host a Women Veterans Appreciation Luncheon on Saturday, November 14, 2009 from 11:00am -2:30pm at the Church of St. Therese, The Little Flower, 532 Adams Street in Rapid City, SD.

This event is open to all women veterans and is designed to recognize their contribution to our nation's military and to provide an opportunity to meet and network with other women veterans. The program will include the "Lioness", an important documentary about the first U.S. female force involved in direct ground combat during Operation Iraqi Freedom. Two women veterans who served in Iraq will be guest speakers to share about their experiences of being a female in today's military, serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom, and their transition returning back home.

The luncheon is an annual event brought to women veterans by the Women Veterans Health Care Advisory Committee at the VA Black Hills Health Care System.

There is no charge to attend the luncheon, however registration is requested. Please contact Doreen Hughes at the Rapid City VA Clinic at 605-490-7698 by Wednesday, November 4, 2009 to register or for more information about the event.

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