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## TAMI ZEBROWSKI-DARROW RECEIVES VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

ALBANY, N.Y. – Tami Zebrowski-Darrow has received the 2024 Adult Volunteer of the Year Award for her volunteer service at the NYS Veterans Home in Oxford, NY. The award was presented on May 8th at the 2024 NYSHFA | NYSCAL Awards Banquet during the Association's annual conference in Verona, NY.

Tami Zebrowski-Darrow has dedicated her time and talents to the residents and staff of the New York State Veterans Home at Oxford for the last fifteen years. Tami goes above and beyond in her role as a volunteer. She has a knack for making each individual resident she comes in contact with feel special. She takes the time to get to know each one and what their likes, dislikes, and interests are while spending time providing companionship or playing games. Tami is a leader in the 6<sup>th</sup> District America Legion Auxiliary, continually advocating for their support of the Veterans Home. She elicits their involvement as well as other community groups throughout the year in special events and programs for the residents.

"Tami's commitment and dedication to our residents is greatly appreciated," said Kurt Apthorpe, administrator of NYS Veterans Home at Oxford. "Her volunteerism is truly exemplary and deserving of this prestigious award from NYSHFA | NYSCAL."

NYSHFA's Volunteer of the Year Awards Program recognizes outstanding volunteers serving in skilled nursing facilities.

Winners received an engraved obelisk and were invited to attend the NYSHFA | NYSCAL annual conference.

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