

## **Designer Purse Fundraiser**

On 27 September at the VFW in Dilworth, you have the opportunity join us at a unique fundraiser. All of the proceeds will go to the Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Moorhead (BTYR). The event called Ladies Night Out for Veterans has all you ever wanted to see at a fundraiser. Starting at 6:30, a designer purse will be raffled every half hour. Only 50 tickets will be sold for each designer purse. Although I don't know anything about purses, the purses are by Michael Kors and Coach. I'm assuming many of my readers will know what that means. There will also be electronic horse and pig races during the evening. We will also have door prizes during the evening. Of course, Thursday night is steak and shrimp night at the VFW. We've eaten there often and can verify the meal is great and the price is right! Finally, we will have a silent auction from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Moorhead was formed in 2011 by a group of concerned Veterans and others from Moorhead. We were recognized as an official BTYR organization by the Governor, incorporated as a non-profit entity by the State of Minnesota and granted 501(c)3 status in 2012. Our purpose is to connect Veterans, Servicemembers and their families with community support, training, services and resources. BTYR works very closely with the Clay County Veterans Service office and local Veterans organizations. Our board has representatives from Veterans groups, county and city government, the VA, education and social services groups. Here are few examples of how we support Veterans and families. We've provided food and gas cards for needy Veterans, we've provided funds for recreation events at the VA, we've purchased a golf cart for the Veterans Home in Fergus Falls, allowing residents there to take a ride through neighborhood parks. We have held picnics for local Veterans and families and joined Bonanzaville for their annual Veterans picnic. Our meetings are the first Thursday of each month at the VFW in Dilworth. Please stop by and see us in action.

Also on 27 September, the League of Women Voters will be holding a candidates' forum with the candidates for mayor taking your questions at 6:30 and the candidates for city council taking questions at 7:30 at the Moorhead library. Both forums will be recorded by Moorhead Community Access Media and will be replayed on their cable channels. District 4A and 4B candidates will answer your questions at 6:30 4 October with county commission and sheriff candidates following at 7:30.

And on 11 October, the Moorhead school board candidates' forum will be held at 6:30. All at the Moorhead Library.

And if you are interested in Genealogy, either as a beginner or an expert, please attend the Family History Workshop on 29 September at Horizon Middle School in Moorhead. This year, we will have sessions on military research and the Red River Valley Veterans Concert Band will perform at noon. Check out [www.heritageed.com](http://www.heritageed.com) for more details.