

Support local Vets and laugh a lot

30/30 presented by H.G. Fairfield Arts Center for the Environment, Inc.

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HG. Fairfield Arts Center's first entry into the arts and entertainment in our area is a fitting tribute and fundraiser for our troops and vets that have returned home. Close to the hearts of Katherine Fairfield Freston, Chairman of the Board, who was a captain in the Marines during the Korean War and Kim Blacklock, who also comes from a military background; they are fulfilling what is one of their most pressing desires to "Give back." This should be in all of our hearts.

The 30/30 event is a marathon of comedic stand-up performances by PJ Walsh, local comedian and ex-

Naval Veteran, who will entertain with his fresh, comedic works at thirty events that will be held throughout Dutchess, Putnam, Westchester, Rockland and Orange Counties at various venues that includes local VFW and American Legion Posts. The show will be highlighted locally at the Towne Crier on October 9th. All proceeds for these shows will be donated to benefit local veterans. The Fairfield Foundation is using the event to give wide exposure to the Veterans' affairs and expand on the idea that "service is reciprocal."

The award-winning comedian PJ Walsh from Brewster will use all his comedic genius and energy in these performances of "Courage Continues At Home." He will also perform his award winning one act show, "Over There: Comedy Is His Best Weapon" at the Paramount Center

for the Arts in Peekskill on October 29. The show was described by Maura Kelly of NY Theatre.com as "offering a thought-provoking, side-splitting journey through PJ Walsh's not so ordinary life" and continues, "just when you're thinking you can laugh no more, he hits you in the stomach with raw emotion and you realize his comic agenda is not just about him but to help others as well."

PJ's one-man show has won prominence by winning "Best of Hollywood Fringe" and "Best of San Francisco's Fringe" festivals. He was the unanimous producers' choice as a nominee for The Mega Star Award at the LA Comedy Awards. He has toured with the Blue Collar Comedy troupe, worked in Comics on Duty and spun out a very successful solo comedy career. In other words this guy is very funny and well worth the price of admission which is only \$20



Brewster native & Navy veteran, PJ Walsh

per show, \$25 at the door. More information, scheduling and for buying tickets can be done at PJWalsh.com, BrownPaperTickets.com or calling 1-800-838-3006.

The act will play the renowned Towne Crier hosted by Phil Cigander at 7:30 October 9th and there will be an award-winning menu to order from if dinner, snack or a beverage is desired to wash down the comedic relief.