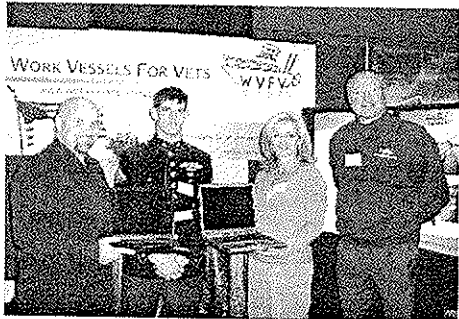


## LAPTOP COMPUTER PROGRAM

The laptop program is new, but has already been proven to be very effective. This effort is lead by Ted Knapp. Green Technology Recycling is a computer recycling company that focuses on the laptop computer environment.

GTR is looking to purchase laptops in quantity from corporate America. Does your company use laptops? If you have old, surplus laptops, we will pay for them. We then refurbish the laptops and put them in the hands of the returning veterans. We simply need the contact person at your company who is responsible for the laptops and we will do all the work.

Contact Ted [ted@workvesselsforvets.com](mailto:ted@workvesselsforvets.com)



## WHERE WE ARE GOING

Like most grassroots endeavors, the need for our services far outweighs our ability to fulfill them. In addition, the breadth of the services requested means that we must often rely on the "kindness of strangers" to provide them.

While it is not our intent to "become all things to all men", our desire is to be of service, and we will exhaust all avenues to do so.

Our success will be your success.

Please help us in this effort!

*Please join WVFFV in assisting as many returning Veterans as possible to re-start their lives and careers after their military duties have been completed.*

## HOW TO CONTACT US

Work Vessels for Veterans

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As each of these individuals embark on their civilian endeavors, let them do so knowing that those upon whose behalf they've served remain forever grateful.

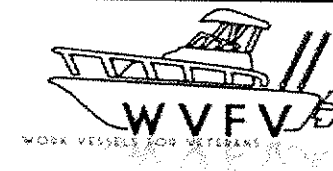
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## Work Vessels For Vets

Work Vessels for Veterans is an all volunteer movement assisting returning veterans with their civilian careers or educational pursuits by acquiring and distributing the necessary start-up tools. Founded with the gift of a fishing boat a returning Iraq veteran began a commercial fishing career. Now the Foundation is expanding its outreach to other industries, to assist our returning military.

### OUR MISSION

*To provide veterans with the necessary tools to embark upon their civilian careers or educational pursuits*

### WHAT WE DO

With the assistance of organizations like the Veterans Administration as well as regular folk like us, we find a Veteran with a need for some assistance in his transition to civilian life. Once the candidate is found, we identify the ingredients required to get him up and running. Whether it is equipment, materials, advice or guidance, we then identify the relevant sources and, working with a wide variety of organizations and individuals, do our best to satisfy these requirements through donations or outright purchase.

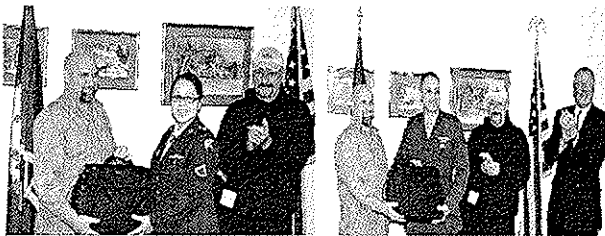
**We strongly believe in the principle that "it isn't a gift if there is gain to the giver."**

## OUR STORY

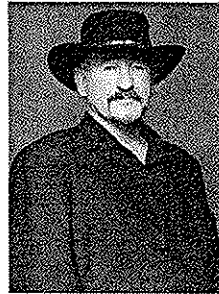
In 2007, **John Niekrash**, a working lobsterman in New England, founded WVFV by identifying a clear need to provide assistance to returning Veterans in making the transition from soldier to civilian as quickly as possible. With that realization, John donated his work vessel to a returning serviceman who had the requisite qualifications, skills, experience and desire to make a go of becoming a commercial fisherman.



Enter **Ted Knapp**, a seasoned computer services executive and friend of John's. This expanded John's inspiration to allow us to help more returning vets in making the transition to "the world" as seamless as possible. The availability of laptop computers allowed the foundation to assist in supporting our veterans in their return to educational or business pursuits.



## DAVE MASON



Rock and Roll Hall of Fame member Dave Mason has a seat on the WVFV Board. Dave is working hard to raise awareness and funding for the WVFV cause. Awareness stations are set up at his concerts to educate fans, distribute literature and accept donations. His actions will continue to have an impact on our returning heroes.

## TONY SIRAGUSA

Tony Siragusa, Super Bowl XXXV champion for the Baltimore Ravens is also a board member. Tony currently showcases his winning personality as an analyst for FOX Sports NFL coverage and he co-hosts a weekly radio show for ESPN Radio 1050. He hosts Man Caves on the DIY Network in addition to hosting TLC's Mega Machines. As good hearted as he is good humored, SIRAGUSA created the Tony Siragusa Foundation, an organization which has raised over half a million dollars for underprivileged kids.



## Our Financial Structure

It is important to note that since its inception, WVFV has been funded personally by the founders, their friends, family and work associates.

To date, 100% of all funds donated have been directly funneled to the individual Veteran recipients.

It is our pledge to all participants and contributors that donations will be utilized for its stated purpose and not for the gain of any of our personnel.

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Contributions to WVFV are deducted under section 170 of the Code, status under section 501 (c) (3). WVFV is also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 and 2522 of the Code.

## How Can You Help?

Work Vessels for Veterans is committed to the journey of assisting our returning military servicemen and women across the country. Our effort, while still young, is rapidly expanding and we hope to build an arsenal of tools that will help as many veterans as possible transition to their lives here at home. Please be aware that our efforts are designed to help these men and women get to work or pursue their education.

## Product Donations

If you have products, both new and used, such as boats, computers, vehicles, machinery and tools to name a few, that could assist a veteran in building a company, starting a new job or learning a new trade, please contact us as we endeavor to match that donation to a deserving veteran.

## Product Assistance Donations

We would prefer products in good condition, but if they are slightly used and in need of repair we can coordinate that work. Perhaps your business or company could donate their services to assist in our efforts: boatyards, auto-repair services, machining experts, etc.

## Service Donations

If you have a service or talent that could assist a veteran getting started, such as professional counseling, resume preparation or any self improvement services, please contact us. We can match the veteran who is in need of those jump-start services.

## Financial Donations

Finally, financial donations are always welcome. All monetary support goes back into the acquisition or repair of the products to be donated to our servicemen and women.

We welcome your participation, whatever form and hope you will join us. What began as a single gift of thanks, has become a nationwide movement of appreciation.

We look forward to welcoming you aboard!

Mary Waseleski

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