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Award: HONORING WOMEN IN NEW YORK

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Ginger Lindner has made outstanding contributions in enriching the quality of life for the community and beyond.

As a member of the Ladies Auxiliary at the Clarence American Legion, Ms. Lindner approached her fellow members with the idea to send care packages to troops serving overseas. They agreed and, for the past seven years, Ms. Lindner and her fellow members have organized, prepared and sent over 3,000 care packages to men and women of the Armed Forces serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. As a tribute for her service, she received an American Flag that had been flown over a hostile region in Iraq, from Lt. Col. Mark Ables of the 914th Air Lift Wing on behalf of his C-130 Unit.

Ms. Lindner has always had a patriotic heart. She joined the Civil Air Patrol in 1949, remaining active in the Buffalo Squadron for several years. She learned many different aspects of Civil Air Patrol, such as conducting searches on the ground and in the air. In 1952, she gave up her job to attend training at Griffiss Air Force base in Rome, New York. She was the lone Buffalonian attending this encampment.

Ms. Lindner's dedication to her community is limitless. Over the years, she has been active in the Girl Scouts and Lions Club. She has been a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Clarence for 48 years, where she was on the Board of Trustees. She has been a member of the Clarence American Legion Auxiliary Unit #838 for 52 years and serves currently as the organization's president. She is also a member of the Clarence Senior Center and the Clarence Hollow Association.

For several years, she worked for John W. Danforth, before she met and married her best friend, the late Don Lindner. They had two daughters, and now have five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.