

Creating a 'Green Space'

New Jersey VFW Post announces new community park

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A VFW Post in New Jersey will show why it is called the Garden State.

VFW Post 7925 Commander Brian Gallagher announced in July that the Post and community are coming together to build a "green space" for Fairfield residents to enjoy. The garden is named Schlaepfer Gardens in honor of Warren Schlaepfer, a late World War II veteran and VFW member.



A rendering of the future Schlaepfer Gardens in Fairfield, N.J., is shown. VFW Post 7925 Post Commander Brian Gallagher said the space is in honor of Warren Schlaepfer, a late Army World War II and charter member of Post 7925. VFW POST 7925 IMAGESchlaepfer, an Army veteran who fought in the Philippine Islands, was a charter member of VFW Post 7925 in 1946. Schlaepfer died on March 14, 2022, according to his obituary.

Community members are also working on the Freedom Rocks project. Anyone can participate and they will receive a rock to paint in honor of any veteran. The stone will be placed in the garden when it opens.

Gallagher said that the project could not happen without the support of the residents of Fairfield.

“We wanted to give back to the Fairfield community for their support over the years as well as honor one of our founding members,” Gallagher said during an interview with TAPinto West Essex. “Schlapfer Gardens will be a place where our residents can enjoy a place of tranquility to remember and reflect.”