Mark The Date . October 24th At 6:30 PM ...

at the East Hartford Public Library, 840 Main Street in East Hartford, CT.

When the Historical Society of East Hartford Presents

THEY CALLED HER **RECKLESS**

A TRUE STORY OF WAR, and ONE EXTRAORDINARY HORSE

When the U.S. Marine Fifth Regiment's Recoilless Rifle Platoon acquired a small Korean pony to haul ammunition up the steep hills to the front lines, they got a reallife warhorse, the courageous and indomitable Reckless, who stood with her buddies for two years during the Korean War, saving lives, raising spirits, and winning the love and respect of all who knew her. She came on base in October, 1952, disrupting a softball game hence she was named "reckless". Companion of the Marines as Private

First Class she became an integral member of the platoon, even being awarded two Purple Hearts for wounds she sustained.

Join us on Wednesday, to hear this story as told by Janet Barrett, author of the first full biography of this amazing warhorse.

From the moment she heard about Reckless, Janet Barrett knew she would put this story in print to share with others...Her experiences as a horsewoman gave her a particular appreciation of the tight bond that developed between Reckless and her fellow Marines. Barrett has loved and been fascinated by horses all her life, and for 25 years almost obsessively rode, owned, and cared for them. For a time, her company, Horses For Courses, booked horses for print and TV ads.



Join us to listen and share the memories of more than 60 Marines who knew her in Korea and thereafter, "They Called Her Reckless" tells of an incredible human-horse connection, and the power it unleashed.

Copies of the book, signed by the author, will be for sale at this event. Perhaps a nice Christmas present idea.

Veterans and their families are invited to join us at 6pm for coffee and snacks.

