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Veterans Day observances & events
Area veterans will be honored on Thursday, Nov. 10 at area schools:

Manson High School: Join students and staff at Manson High School, in the Student Center at 8:30 a.m., for their annual Veterans Breakfast. This is a great opportunity for Veterans and students to make a personal connection.

Morgen Owings Elementary (K-5th) in Chelan: Students and staff at MOE will honor all service Veterans at a very special assembly 1:30-2 p.m. at the Community Gym, located at 309 E. Johnson Ave.

Entiat School District: Parade at 1 p.m. Lineup begins at 12:45 p.m. at the gravel lot with the old Ambulance Shed, at the corner of Entiat Way and Entiat River Road. The route will go along Entiat Way, past the front of the school (students will be there waving), and left into the staff parking lot for the Veterans Day Assembly. All community members are encouraged to join the parade. The Veterans Day Assembly will begin at 1:30 p.m. The community is invited to bring a Veteran as a guest of honor for the all school assembly.

Friday, Nov. 11 - Veterans Day Parade
CHELAN - The Veterans Day Parade, organized by VFW Post #6853, will be held on Friday, Nov. 11, at 11 a.m. (11th hour/11th Day/11th Month). Bring your flag, be proud, and show your patriotism. Come celebrate with the Veterans at Chelan's annual Veterans Day Parade along Woodin Avenue. The parade will line up on Woodin Avenue by the U.S. Forest Service headquarters, come across the old bridge, go up Woodin Avenue, turn right onto Emerson Street and end at Riverwalk Park.

Friday, Nov. 11 - Community Lunch
CHELAN - After the 11 a.m. Veterans Day Parade on Friday, Nov. 11, a Community Lunch will follow at Chelan Fire & Rescue, corner of Wapato Avenue and Sanders Street. Chelan District #7 Firefighters Association and Chelan Firefighters Local 4816 will prepare and serve hamburgers and hotdogs. Lunch is free to all Veterans and currently serving military personnel and their immediate families. The public is also invited. A \$5 donation is suggested, but not required. All proceeds will be donated to the Chelan VFW Post.

Friday, Nov. 11 - Veterans Day Ceremony
MANSON - The Manson American Legion Post #108 will hold its annual Veterans Day celebration on Nov. 11, at 11 a.m., at the American Legion Park, across from the Manson Business Center. Manson Fire Chief Arnold Baker will bring Tower 51, an aerial platform truck and raise a large flag above Wapato Way. There will be several short speeches and the Lake Chelan Patriotic Singers will lead those in attendance in song. This is a great event to honor all veterans that have served or are serving in the United States Armed Services.

Saturday, Nov. 12 - Veterans Stand Down
CHELAN - Lake Chelan VFW Post #6853, the Manson American Legion Post #108 and Marine Corps League are sponsoring a Veterans Stand Down, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 12, at the VFW Post located at 427 S. Bradley Street. Please bring proof of service, DD-214 or government issue ID card. The concept of Stand Down relates specifically to the homeless veteran crisis. Veterans are provided with a broad range of necessities, including food, clothing, medical, legal and mental health assistance, job counseling and referral, and most importantly, companionship and camaraderie. It is a time for the community to connect with the homeless veteran population. All veterans are encouraged to attend this event.

Saturday, Nov. 12 - Wenatchee Valley Symphony Orchestra salutes U.S. Armed Forces
WENATCHEE - Join the Wenatchee Valley Symphony Orchestra on Saturday November 12 at 7 p.m. at Numercia Performing Arts Center for a symphonic tribute to our veterans - past and present. Concert II, Songs of our Nation will feature: John Williams - Film Music from Lincoln and Saving Private Ryan; Aaron Copland - A Lincoln Portrait; Barber - Adagio for Strings; Wagner - Armed Forces Salute. Complimentary ticket vouchers presented to military service members and veterans - subject to availability. For more information visit wenateesymphony.org or call 509-663-2787.

Take time to honor veterans around you on November 11

SUBMITTED BY LINDA INGRAHAM, AMERICAN LEGION, POST #64

November 11, 1921 was the first Veterans Day. Armistice Day, as it was then called, was set aside by Congress to honor the veterans of World War I and marked the fourth anniversary of the signing of the Armistice with Germany. In June 1954, President Eisenhower signed a bill to honor all veterans on that day & the holiday was officially renamed Veterans Day.

Because of our veterans, we are united and live our lives in freedom, enjoying the rights guaranteed by our Constitution. Some may think Veterans Day commemorates great victories or honors great war heroes or glorifies war.

Veterans Day is more than that...it honors our citizen soldiers, the millions of Americans who served and are still serving their country when asked and the thousands who have died.

Since the Revolutionary War, ordinary young citizens have quietly put their affairs in order, kissed their families goodbye and put on uniforms. That takes courage when you're only 18-20 years old and filled with hopes and dreams and plans for the future.

These men and women are heroes. Because of their sacrifice and courage, our country is free today. Because of them, we have the rights and privileges we have always held dear. Freedom is not a cheap commodity. Throughout our nation's history, veterans have paid a heavy price. That is why we honor them. As we celebrate Veterans Day, keep in mind the enormous debt we owe to the veterans of this nation.

It is the VETERAN not the preacher, who has given us freedom of religion.

It is the VETERAN, not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech.

It is the VETERAN, not the campus organizer, who has given us the freedom to assemble.

It is the VETERAN, not the politician, who has given us the right to vote.

It is the VETERAN, not the protester, who has given us the right to burn the flag.

It is the VETERAN, who lives by, respects & salutes the flag, who serves under the flag, whose coffin is draped by the flag.

-Author unknown.

Give thanks. Please take the time to locate and personally thank the veterans within your family, neighborhood and community. They are the true American heroes.



JAMES ELLIOTT
PUD Technician
U.S. Air Force



ELIZABETH ABEL
PUD Planner/Coordinator
U.S. Navy



JESS HAAG
PUD Technician
U.S. Army & National Guard

GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SERVICE

Service is our mission, and we thank all of the veterans and those on active duty in our community. We appreciate your contributions and dedication.

We're closed in honor of the holiday on Friday, Nov. 11, but you can reach us 24/7 to report power outages and other emergencies at (877) 783-8123.



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Clofas Abbott, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Army
Years of Service: 18 Months.
Location: Philippines.
Medals/Commendations: Two Purple Hearts, Bronze Star, Marksman Badge.



Dan Bailiff, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Air Force.
Years of Service: Four Years.
Location: Tripoli, North Africa



Calvin O. Belmont, Deceased
Service Branch: U.S. Army.
Years of Service: 1950-1953.
Location: Korea.



Gordon Black, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Marine Corps.
Years of Service: Two and one half years.
Location: Pacific Theater.
Medals/Commendations: Sharpshooter



Hartley Swede Blankenship, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Marine Corps.
Years of Service: Five Years, eight months, 13 Days.
Location: Eltoro, Barbers Point, Guam, Iitima, Seoul.
Medals/Commendations: Presidential Unit Citation, Navy Commendation Medal, etc.



Sgt. Daniel Brian Christenson, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Army
Years of Service: 1967-68.
Location: Vietnam.
Medals/Commendations: Bronze Star, Purple Heart.
KIA: May 18, 1968.



Doug Clearwaters, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Army
Years of Service: Two years.
Location: Stansted, England.
Medals/Commendations: National Defense Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal.



Larry Eldred, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Army
Years of Service: Four years.
Location: Pacific Island of Okinawa, part of the Ryukyu Islands chain south of Japan.



David Field, Retired
Branch of Service: U.S. Army
Years of Service: Three Years.
Location: Germany.
Medals/Commendations: Good Conduct



David T. Firman, Deceased,
Branch of Service: Army Air Corps.
Years of Service: World War II (radar instructor).
Location: Japan



Robert C. (Bob) Firman, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Army Air Corps.
Years of Service: 1942-end of war.
Location: Flight officer for his squadron that flew transport planes (C-47s) from Burma to China



Vernon Firman, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Army.
Years of Service: World War I
Location: Did Basic Training at Fort Lewis, Wash.



Donald L. Forbush, Retired
Branch of Service: U.S. Army
Years of Service: 23 Years.
Location: 1969-1970 - Various assignments.
Medals/Commendations: Three Bronze Stars, Purple Heart, Army Commendation Medal, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry, various other awards.



William Forhan, 1st Lt., Retired, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Army.
Years of Service: 1969 - 1972
Location of Service: Pershing Missile Platoon leader, Schwabach Gmuend, FRG.
Service Battery Commander, Colorado National Guard 1972 - 1976.



Michael S. Forhan, E5, Retired
Branch of Service: US Navy.
Years of Service: Six years.
Location of Service: Naval Base Kitsap Bangor, USS Kentucky (Submarine).
Medals or commendations: 2 Navy Marine Corp Achievement Medals, 3 Sea Service Deployment Ribbons, Meritorious Unit Commendation, and Navy "E" Ribbon



George Freeman, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Navy.
Years of Service: 1944-46.
Location of Service: U.S.S. Colorado, occupation of Japan, American Theater.
Medals or commendations: Asiatic-Pacific Philippine Liberation



Robert Goedde, Retired
Branch of Service: U.S. Army.
Years of Service: 1969-1972.
Location: Vietnam 1970-1972.
Medals/Commendations: NDSM, Bronze Star, RVNMC/60, 10/5 Bar, VSM ARCOM



Jack Goehry, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Air Force.
Years of Service: 20.
Location: U.S., Libya, Sicily.
Medals/Commendations: Distinguished Flying Cross, Silver Star, Six Air Medals.



Clyde W. Green, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Navy
Years of Service: Feb. 1944 to May 1946.
Location: U.S.S. John Land, troop transport in the Philippines; Invasions of Sipan, Tinian, Pelelia, Leyte, Luzon, Iwo Jima.
Medals/Commendations: Asiatic Pacific Area Campaign Medal-5 stars, Philippine Liberation Medal-2 stars, WWII Victory Medal



Wally Hahn, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Army
Years of Service: Two years.
Location: Korea.
Medals/Commendations: Good Conduct Medal.



Michael Harris, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Navy.
Years of Service: 20.
Location: Pacific - West Coast



Freddie J. Hayter, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Air Force.
Years of Service: 24, 1953-1977.
Location: Mostly Radar Sites - U.S., Canada, Germany.
Medals/Commendations: U.S. Defense Medal, Expedition-Ary, USAF Flight Crew Wings, AF Commendation Medal with 3 Clusters, Meritorious Service Medal, Marksman, and Good Conduct Medal.



Paul Kenck, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Army,
Tech 4.
Years of Service: 1944 - 1946.
Location: Italy.



Nile E. Lambert, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Army Air Corps.
2nd Lt.
Years of Service: 1941-1945.
Location: Airplane Mechanic-Panama, Fighter Pilot-South Pacific Theater.
Medals/Commendations: Air Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Ribbon, 1 Bronze Star for New Guinea Campaign.



LeRoy Longbons, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Army.
Years of Service: 1941-1945.
Location: Arizona and overseas.
Medals/Commendations: Service Stripe, Overseas Service Bar, American Campaign Medal, American Defense Ribbon, European African Middle Eastern Theater Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal with clasp, World War II Victory Medal.



Mary Longbons, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Army.
Years of Service: 1944-1945.
Location: Texas.
Medals/Commendations: American Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, Good Conduct Medal.



Ervin G. 'Erv' McAlvey, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Army Air Forces.
Years of Service: 1941-1945.
Location: U.S., England, North Africa, Algeria, Tunisia Sicily, Italy.
Medals/Commendations: Good Conduct Medal with clasp, American Defense Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Theater Medal with 6 Battle Stars, WW II Victory Medal, 6 Overseas Service Bars with Army Air Force Technician Badge.



Jean (Firman) McClure, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Army Women's Air Corps.
Years of Service: World War II.
Location: Egypt



Richard McKinnon, Deceased.
Branch of Service: U.S. Army.
Member of the 9494 TSU, stationed on island PYDO in Sea of Japan in Korea from 1954-1955.



C. Merle Morehouse, Retired
Branch of Service: U.S. Navy.
101 years young.
Branch of Service: United States Navy.
Years of Service: World War II Veteran



Raymond "Toad" O'Neal, Deceased
Branch of Service: Marine Corps.
Years of Service: Two Years.
Location: USS Indiana, Pacific Theater, World War II.



Lt. Stephen Palmush, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Navy.
Years of Service: Seven Years
Location: Vietnam.
Medals: Air Medal.



Charles A. Rist, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Navy.
Years of Service: Three Years.
Location: Viet Nam.
Medals/Commendations: Viet Nam Service Medal



Brian Strausbaugh, Retired
Branch of Service: U.S. Navy.
Years of Service: Twenty Years.
Location: Pacific.
Medals/Commendations: National Defense Service Medal, Viet Nam Service Medal, Navy Expeditionary Medal, Good Conduct Medal (4), Air Crew Qualified



Brian Thompson, Retired
Branch of Service: U.S. Navy.
Years of Service: Six years.
Location: Various.
Medals/Commendations: National Defense Service Medal, Expeditionary Medal



Lois (Monroe) Westerdahl, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Navy.
Years of Service: 1943-1945.
Location: San Francisco, Calif.



Roy Westerdahl, Deceased
Branch of Service: U.S. Navy.
Years of Service: 1941-1945.
Location: Pacific



Dr. John Kremer



James Curtis McClellan
Branch of Service: U.S. Air Army