

## Warren County Veterans Service Officer's Report for November 2015

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### Calendar of Veterans' Week Activities

October 1st – October 16<sup>th</sup>: **“Liberated Through Sacrifice”** High School Poetry and Essay Contest. Four area high school history teachers are initiating interdisciplinary projects with students to write short works reflecting on themes of remembrance, honor of veterans, and liberation. Winners will be featured at the Symphony Concert on November 8<sup>th</sup>, “Salute to Heroes”.

November 7<sup>th</sup>: **Honor Flight** to Washington D.C. currently serving World War II, Korean and Terminally Ill Veterans. Veterans fly **FREE** and for others a fee applies. Contact Denise DiResta at Warren County Veterans' Services Office for more information at (518) 761-6342.

November 7-14: **Field of Flags**. A field of flags each with a name of a veteran will grace the west lawn of the Fort William Henry.

November 8<sup>th</sup>: **“A Salute to Heroes”** by the Glens Falls Symphony. Glens Falls High School, 4pm. Concert features Chris Brubeck, son of famed jazz pianist Dave Brubeck, and jazz quartet from France in a piece written by Chris Brubeck and Guillaume Saint-James in honor of the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War II in Europe. Also on the program is the U.S. Navy Fleet Forces Big Band from Alexandria, VA performing big band favorites from the 1940's along with three young voices re-creating the sound of the Andrews' Sisters. Tickets at 793-1348 and [www.theglensfallssymphony.org](http://www.theglensfallssymphony.org). High School Essay/Poetry/Art shared in the lobby.

November 8-15<sup>th</sup>: **Glens Falls High School Yellow Ribbon Campaign**. Produced by Glens Falls Student Council: Yellow Ribbon Campaign and Wall of Honor. Proceeds will go to the Travis Manion Foundation.

November 9<sup>th</sup>: **Richard Brookhiser**, Historian. Crandall Public Library, 7pm. The Folkways Community Room. A lecture by Richard Brookhiser, noted historian and political science author, discussing George Washington as a soldier and also how the veterans' back pay from the Revolutionary War influenced the future of the Constitution. Local students will meet with him @ 6:15. Presented jointly by the Crandall Public Library and the Glens Falls Symphony.

November 10<sup>th</sup>: **Glens Falls High School Jazz Band** salutes our local veterans with “Jazz and Dessert” at 7pm. One dollar tickets for dessert and drink. At Glens Falls High School.

November 11<sup>th</sup>: **Veteran's Day**- Honor, Reflect, Salute.

November 11<sup>th</sup>. **Fort William Henry**. Musket Salute and wreath laying ceremony at 11 am.

November 11<sup>th</sup>: **Memorial Ceremony** in Crandall Park. At 11am. This memorial ceremony will include the induction of new military personnel into the Army, Navy and Air Force in partnership with the America Legion/VFW.

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November 11<sup>th</sup>: **Veterans' Day Commemoration.** The SUNY Adirondack Military Club and the SUNY Adirondack Student Senate will co-sponsor a ceremony on Wednesday, Nov. 11, at 12:30 p.m. at the Vietnam Veterans' Memorial outside the SUNY Adirondack Humanities Building. The rain location for the ceremony will be Miller Auditorium, Dearlove Hall. The public is cordially invited to attend.

November 11<sup>th</sup>: **Veterans' Day Commemoration.** Juckett Park in Hudson Falls. 11 am. Color Guard will perform a Veteran Ceremony.

November 12<sup>th</sup>: ***Ajax in America*** at Skidmore College, Gannett Auditorium, 7pm. A group of local veterans, "Veterans' Voices" will be presenting *Ajax in America* to raise awareness of these issues of returning war veterans. The presentation will begin with readings from the Greek tragedy *Ajax* by Sophocles by amateur actors who are also veterans, followed by a panel discussion of veterans, a clinician, a veteran family member and a classics scholar. A moderated dialogue will then take place between audience members, the panel, and the actors.

November 13<sup>th</sup>: **"Saving Private Ryan"** Film showing at Glens Falls High Auditorium @ 6:30pm.

November 14<sup>th</sup>: **Sgt. Kristie A. Roberts Memorial Bridge Dedication.** State Route 149 just East of Route 9. Queensbury, NY. 1pm. Following the dedication are light refreshments at West Glens Falls Fire Station #1, 33 Luzerne Rd, Queensbury. RSVP (518) 798-5994.

November 14<sup>th</sup>: Town of Johnsbury Historical Society **"Celebration of World War II Veterans"**. Stories light-hearted and tragic. 4:30pm at Tannery pond Community Center in North Creek.

November 15<sup>th</sup>: **Matt Rozell**, Historian. "Coming Home: Reflections on the 70th Anniversary of World War II." The Hyde Collection, 2pm. A lecture by notable local historian and author Matt Rozell, introducing his thorough history of military service, "The Things our Fathers Saw."

November 15<sup>th</sup>: **Lake George Community Band**, Glens Falls High School Auditorium, 3pm. Annual Veteran's Day Concert. Patriotic works, popular favorites, and music honoring veterans and their service to the country.

November 21<sup>st</sup>: **Salute our Vets** at Hudson Falls American Legion Post 574. 6pm to 11pm. Music from all eras, dancing and finger foods provided. Veterans are free, non-veterans please make a donation at the door.