



"All the News you Need to Know – In a NY Minute"

THANK YOU

In recognition of Veterans Day, the staff of the New York National Guard Family Programs Office would like to take this moment to honor our nation's Veterans and Service Members for their service by saying THANK YOU. Today, and every day, we extend our sincerest gratitude and appreciation to the courageous men and women of the United States Military (past, present, and future) and also to the Military Families who support them.



The History of Veterans Day

November 11, or what has come to be known as Veterans Day, was originally set as a U.S. legal holiday to honor Armistice Day - the end of World War I, which officially took place on November 11, 1918. In legislature that was passed in 1938, November 11 was "dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be hereafter celebrated and known as 'Armistice Day.' As such, this new legal holiday honored World War I veterans.

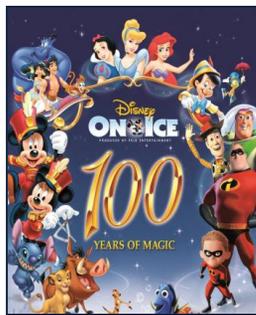
In 1954, after having been through both World War II and the Korean War, the 83rd U.S. Congress, at the urging of the veterans service organizations, amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word "Armistice" and inserting the word "Veterans." With the approval of this legislation on June 1, 1954, November 11 became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

(From <http://www.military.com/veterans-day>)

Exclusive Discount Tickets for Disney on Ice "100 Years of Magic" Show in Albany

Feld Entertainment is proud to present Disney on Ice "100 Years of Magic" coming to the Times Union Center in Albany, NY this December 18th through the 22nd, 2013. Special ticket pricing, ranging from \$15-\$55(plus applicable fees), is only available for select show times and discount price varies per seating location.

You must place your order over the phone with a representative from the Group Sales office in order to receive the discount offering, you cannot purchase the discount tickets at the box office. Please let them know that you are with the DMNA and/or NYARNG when placing the order.



The deadline to order tickets is: Thursday, December 12th at 4:00 PM EST. Please contact Taveun Ferguson at [tferguson@feldinc.com](mailto:tferguson@feldinc.com) or 1-866-248-8740 ext.31427 with any questions and to order tickets.

Specials Veterans Day Offerings for Veterans and Service Members

Military.com has compiled a list of Restaurants and Retailers that will be offering special discounts and promotions to Veterans and active Military Service Members on Veterans Day. This listing also includes promotions that are available to Military Family Members. To view the list visit <http://www.military.com/veterans-day/veterans-day-military-discounts.html?comp=7000023108030&rank=5>

Free E-Greeting Card in Honor of Veterans Day

A Gold Star Mother has created a special e-greeting card in honor of Veterans Day 2013 for you to enjoy and to share. To view the e-card or to share visit

<http://www.jacquelielawson.com/viewcard.asp?code=4294679209521&source=jl999>



JSS Celebrates Military Family Appreciation Month

Throughout the month of November, JSS will be celebrating Military Family Appreciation Month with special blog posts, photo highlights of military families throughout the 54 states and territories, and videos from senior leaders, partners and guard families. Each week will focus on a specific theme:

1. Appreciation of Veterans and Their Families
2. Partners Working with Military Families
3. Family Wellness
4. Giving Thanks to Military Families

For more information visit JSS at [www.jointservicesupport.org](http://www.jointservicesupport.org) and the JSS Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/JointServicesSupport>



Visit the New York National Guard Job Zone online at <https://dmna.ny.gov/jobs/jobs.php?id=nyng> to see new job postings and Career Fairs.

**HAI Offering Reserved Viewing Space for Service Members to Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade**

HAI ([www.hainyc.org](http://www.hainyc.org)) is again graciously offering to share their large reserved viewing space on 6th Avenue (Manhattan) for this year's Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade on Thursday, 28 November 2013. This location is sidewalk standing room only.

If you are available and interested in submitting a request for a chance to participate, please e-mail

[betty.a.eissfeld.ctr@mail.mil](mailto:betty.a.eissfeld.ctr@mail.mil)  
or [laraïne.h.figliuolo.ctr@mail.mil](mailto:laraïne.h.figliuolo.ctr@mail.mil)

with the following information  
NO LATER THAN 12:00 PM

ON NOVEMBER 20, 2013:

- 1) Requester's Name:
- 2) Service Member/Veteran's name:
- 3) Military unit, component and branch:
- 4) TOTAL number of guests in group, including requester:
- 5) Priority Status:
  - A. Immediate Family members of Deployed Service Members/DoD employees OR Surviving Dependents of Fallen Service Members/DoD Employees;
  - B. Wounded Service Members in WTU or similar program, and their immediate Family members;
  - C. Veterans/Service Members/DoD recently returned from active/deployment (within 1 yr) and their immediate Family members;
  - D. Service Members preparing to mobilize/deploy and their immediate Family members, and
  - E. All other Guard/Reserve/Active/Veterans and their immediate Family members.
- 6) If you or a guest has a disability restricting standing



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(continued from Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade)

Please note -

\*You will be notified by e-mail if your request was chosen approximately 5 days prior to the event

\*Location, arrival time and other details will be shared via e-mail to those selected

\*Respectfully, please only e-mail ONE request per family. This is a popular event and your patience is appreciated

\*General parade information can be found at Macy's website here: <http://social.macys.com/parade>

**Organizations in the Community Seeking a Chance to Say THANK YOU this Holiday Season**

Family Programs has been asked by several organizations if we can help them say **THANK YOU** to our Military Families with Thanksgiving and Holiday treats. PLEASE HELP us to identify Military Families in NY that would be gracious enough to accept these generous gifts, please contact our Family Assistance Coordinator Jeanna Clark. ALSO, you can be a good friend to your Community and fellow Guard Families. If you know of a Community Organization that is interested in gifting a Military Family over the Holidays anytime between Thanksgiving and New Years Please contact our Family Assistance Coordinator, Jeanna Clark [jeanna.c.clark.ctr@mail.mil](mailto:jeanna.c.clark.ctr@mail.mil)



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

INPUT VOLUNTEER HOURS ON JSS <https://www.jointservicessupport.org/Default.aspx>

**1-30 NOV MILITARY FAMILY APPRECIATION MONTH**

**8 NOV Operation.COM Children of the military meeting WNY VET One-Stop Center 6pm** [mcparlane@eriemha.org](mailto:mcparlane@eriemha.org)

**9 NOV Military Appreciation and Family Day Free skating, ice hockey, and food from 1:00pm-3:00pm**  
2607 Niagara ST Buffalo, NY RSVP to [trunzofm@gmail.com](mailto:trunzofm@gmail.com) or 716-213-8104

**9 NOV CNY Veterans Parade & Expo at the NYS Fairgrounds 10:00AM-3:00pm** [www.cnyveteransparade.org](http://www.cnyveteransparade.org)

**10 NOV Veterans Day 5K to benefit Operation Adopt a Soldier Saratoga Springs** [www.iaff343.org](http://www.iaff343.org)

**11 NOV VETERANS DAY**

**18-20 NOV The Welcome Home Initiative : Saratoga Springs register:** [welcomhome@byhiswoundsministry.org](mailto:welcomhome@byhiswoundsministry.org)

**22 NOV Operation.COM Children of the military meeting WNY VET One-Stop Center 6pm** [mcparlane@eriemha.org](mailto:mcparlane@eriemha.org)

**28 NOV THANKSGIVING**

**7 DEC 133<sup>rd</sup> QM Pre-Mob Yellow Ribbon, Fort Hamilton** <https://www.jointservicessupport.org/Events>

**14 DEC 4<sup>th</sup> Fin & 37<sup>th</sup> Fin Pre-Mob Yellow Ribbon, La Guardia Marriott**  
<https://www.jointservicessupport.org/Events>

**15 DEC 1569<sup>th</sup> TC & 53<sup>rd</sup> DLD Pre-Mob Yellow Ribbon, Suffern Crowne Plaza**  
<https://www.jointservicessupport.org/Events>

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