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Greetings!

There is a very important birthday today that I celebrate proudly! Happy 245th Birthday Marines!! Every year on **November 10th** Marines around the world raise a glass and wish each other a very Happy Birthday. On November 10, 1775, the Second Continental Congress meeting in Philadelphia passed a [resolution](#) stating that "two Battalions of Marines be raised" for service as landing forces with the fleet. This resolution established the Continental Marines and marked the birth date of the United States Marine Corps.



If you did not see the Commandant's 245th Birthday Message to Marines, you can [click to view it here](#). Just past the 3 minute mark is remarks by a 107 year old WWII Woman Marine. All the speakers in this video are amazing and motivating; but there is just something awesome about seeing her on screen and listening to her history with the Marine Corps. She was born before the first woman marine was allowed to serve because 2 years ago was the 100th Anniversary of women serving in the US Marines, which would make her 5 years old at the time. What an amazing woman.

Veteran's Day, formerly known as Armistice Day, was originally set as a U.S. legal holiday to honor the end of WWI, which officially took place on November 11, 1918 at 11:00 a.m. In legislation that passed in 1938, November 11 was "dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be hereafter celebrated as 'Armistice Day.'" As such, the new legal holiday honored World War I veterans. After WWII and the Korean War, Congress officially changed the holiday to Veteran's Day, thus on June 1, 1954, November 11 became a day to honor American Veterans of all wars.

During a typical year, there are Veterans Day parades and ceremonies all over the state. Because of the global pandemic, many events surrounding Veterans Day were either canceled or will look different this year.

On Wednesday **November 11, at 11:00am** I will be participating in the City of Aurora virtual ceremony which will be streamed live on the City of Aurora's Facebook page. www.facebook.com/CityofAurora

The following day, **Thursday Nov 12, at 12:00pm** I will be joining the Aurora Regional Chamber of Commerce for the Veteran's Day Signing: Employer Support of Guard and Reserve. To watch the ceremony on November 12th, please join us on the Chamber's Facebook page [@AuroraRegionalChamber](#) to view the live feed.

Each year, my office is an official Toys for Tots donation location. We have started collecting donations which will continue through December 8, 2020. We ask that you consider donating new, unwrapped toys for needy children (no stuffed animals) Our office

hours Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Fridays 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

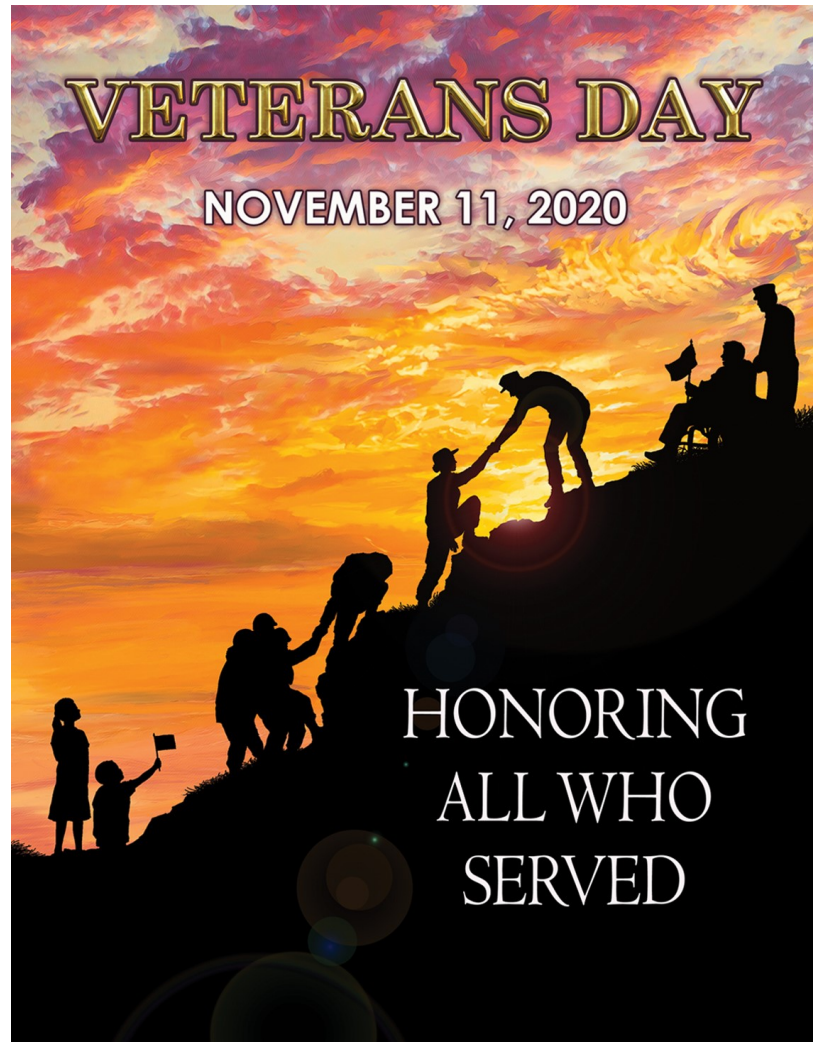
Yours truly,

Stephanie



I always enjoyed wearing my dress blues for Memorial Day and Veterans Day Parades in the past.

**To My Fellow Veterans:
Thank You For Your Service**



2020 Aurora Veterans Day Virtual Ceremony

Due to COVID-19, the 2020 Veterans Day Parade has been canceled, but a virtual ceremony which I will be participating in, will be streamed live on Wednesday, November 11th at 11 a.m. www.facebook.com/CityofAuroraIL



The poster features five circular logos at the top: the Department of the Army, the Department of the Navy, the Department of the Air Force, the Department of the Coast Guard, and the Department of the Marine Corps. Below these is the word "Veterans" in a white script font, followed by "DAY" in large, bold, red and white striped letters. A pair of dog tags hangs from the end of "DAY", with "AURORA STRONG" inscribed on them. Underneath "DAY" is the text "VIRTUAL CEREMONY" in white, followed by three stars (red, white, blue). Below the stars is the phrase "Serving Our Country and Our Community" in a white script font. At the bottom, the text "Honoring Our Veterans" is followed by "on the 11th hour", "of the 11th day", and "in the 11th month". To the right, it says "Wednesday, November 11 11 a.m." and includes a Facebook Live icon and the text "/CityofAuroraIL". The City of Aurora logo and "AURORA VETERANS ADVISORY COUNCIL" are also present.

For Veteran Owned Businesses

In honor of Veterans Day, 2 online events for Veteran - Owned Businesses

Veterans Business Certification Webinar - How Veteran-owned businesses can gain access to State of Illinois contracting opportunities and participation in the competitive procurement process. Register [HERE](#)



Loans for the Advancement of Veteran Enterprises Webinar - Financing programs to help Veteran-Owned Businesses. These programs help fill in gaps that prevent businesses from obtaining financing. Register [HERE](#)

Toys for Tots Drop Off Location

We are participating in the 2020 Toys for Tots program. Toys for Tots is a program run by the United States Marine Corps Reserve which distributes toys to children whose parents cannot afford to buy them gifts for Christmas. New, unwrapped toys are accepted (no stuffed animals please) at my district office located at 1677 Montgomery Road; #116, Aurora, 60504 Monday-Friday during business hours or contact us if you would like us to pick up 630.585.1308. Collections will be accepted through December 8, 2020.



Join Me via ZOOM or on Facebook

I continue to host Monday Morning Coffee live via Facebook at 9:00am-10:00am where you can post your comments and questions. I realize not everyone has Facebook, if you would like to join us on Monday mornings, the good news is you have the option of doing so. You can join in via ZOOM which I will provide you with a link and you will be able to interact just as if you were on Facebook. Don't worry you will not be on live, your video feed and mic will be muted.

We will be emailing the ZOOM link to everyone for Monday morning separately.

If you would like to join us, please email Michelle@ILDistrict84.com or call the office at (630) 585-1308.



Senior Meals

We are continuing our Senior Meal Distribution in December. You must call to register **(630) 585.1308** or E-mail Lori@ILDistrict84.com. Participants must reside in Kane County, 60 years of age or older. Current participants of Meals on Wheels are not eligible. Distribution date will be Monday December 7, 2020. Registration closes the Friday prior to meal pick up at noon.



Meals provided by
Kane Senior Council

PLEASE
STAY IN YOUR CAR



State Rep. Barbara Hernandez

Aurora Police Department

State Rep. Stephanie Kifowit



CALL TO REGISTER
Registration closes
Friday December 4th at 12:00pm

Rep. Kifowit
630.585.1308 OR
Rep. Hernandez
630.270.1848

Adults who are 60+ & reside in Kane County are eligible for 5 frozen meals; you must call to register to be eligible to participate. Not eligible if currently enrolled in Meals on Wheels.

SENIOR MEAL DISTRIBUTION DRIVE-THRU

- When: Monday December 7, 2020
- Where: Aurora Police Department
- 1200 E. Indian Trail Rd, Aurora, IL 60505
- Time: 11:00am-1:00pm
- Only Available Via Registration



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