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Veterans Day

Happy Fall,

Veterans Day is observed November 11th. The federal holiday coincides with Armistice Day and Remembrance Day, which marks World War I. These observances reflect the end of significant hostilities at the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 when the Armistice with Germany took effect.

This year, the City of Aurora is honoring women Veterans and I along with over a dozen women Veterans will be leading the parade. Please join us on **Veterans Day, Thursday November 11th, 2021.**

If you want to come down early, I'll be with the American Legion Post 84 Office for coffee and donuts at 1 E Benton at 8:30am. The parade steps-off at the corner of Benton and Broadway at **10:15 a.m**., ending at the G.A.R. Memorial Hall, where the "Serving Our Country and Community" ceremony takes place. The ceremony includes a military rifle salute by veteran organizations at **11:00 a.m**, the exact time the armistice was signed that ended WWI.

I would love for you to come out and celebrate with us. Help us observe the day by attending the parade, another ceremony, or take a veteran you know out for a meal. Local business and employers can also participate by holding special events honoring veteran employees and customers. In observance of the day many banks, schools, and government agencies are closed for the day. Also, many places offer Veterans Day Discounts. For a list of places to visit **CLICK HERE**.

For more information about this years festivities visit **The City of Aurora** website. I am looking forward to participating in this years parade and seeing some familiar faces along the parade route.

I hope you all had a wonderful Halloween and received more treats than tricks. This year Thanksgiving falls on **Thursday**, **November 25th.** No matter what is going on in your life, there is ALWAYS something to be thankful for. Best Regards,





Happy Birthday United States Marines!

The Marine Corps 246th Birthday!! 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 <u>resolution</u> 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.

National Veterans and Military Families Month

November is National Veterans and Military Families Month. I myself am a Marine, my husband is an Army Veteran and my son is currently in the Navy. We are a proud military family. This month the Defense Department recognizes that military families have important roles to play in supporting a strong and ready force.



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