

**Veterans Affairs Office
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VET NEWS

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**NOVEMBER DATES FOR
OUTREACH PROGRAM**

Nov. 2nd: 9-12 Batesburg-Leesville
Nov. 9th: 9-12 Chapin

**Please call the office to schedule an
appointment.**

TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Lexington Main Office: 785-8400
From Batesburg/Leesville: 332-8400
From Chapin: 941-0231

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Nov. 2nd Election Day
- Nov. 7th Daylight Saving Time Ends
- Nov. 7th Lexington County Veterans Parade 3 P.M.
- Nov. 10th US Marine Corps Established (1975)
- Nov. 11th Veterans Day
- Nov. 11th Signing of WWI Armistice (1918)
- Nov. 25th Thanksgiving Day

**Happy
Thanksgiving**



Lets Give Thanks for the Freedoms We Enjoy

REMINDER

The Lexington County Veterans Affairs Office will be closed on November 11th in observance of Veteran's Day and on November 25th and 26th for Thanksgiving. The DAV van **will not** run on November 11th and November 25th.

**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME
ENDS**

Set your clocks **BACK** 1
hour on Sunday
November 7th @ 2 AM

ELECTION
DAY



NOVEMBER
2ND

LEXINGTON COUNTY
8th ANNUAL
VETERAN'S PARADE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2010
MAIN STREET AND SOUTH LAKE DRIVE
DOWNTOWN LEXINGTON

PARADE BEGINS AT 3:00 P.M.

COME HELP HONOR OUR VETERANS!!

LOOKING AHEAD...

The Lexington County Veterans Affairs Office will be closed December 24th, 27th and 28th for Christmas and on January 3rd for New Year's Day. The DAV van **will not** run on December 27th and January 3rd.



WREATHS-ACROSS-AMERICA.ORG
REMEMBER - HONOR - TEACH

2010 will mark the 19th anniversary of Worcester Wreath Company donating Maine wreaths to adorn the headstones of our Nation's veterans at Arlington National Cemetery. In addition to 15,000 wreaths destined for Virginia, Worcester Wreath will again donate 7 ceremonial wreaths to over 410 State, National and local cemeteries across the Country. In 2009 wreath-laying ceremonies were coordinated in 24 foreign cemeteries and aboard Naval ships in all Seven Seas, this tradition continues into 2010.

In response to the many voices who wanted to share in the project, the non-profit Wreaths Across America organization was formed (EIN: 20-8362270) to expand the program by offering supporters the opportunity to sponsor a wreath. Our goal is to one day see every veterans grave in the country covered to honor every veteran during the holidays. In 2008 we expanded once again to give even more organizations the chance to help bring our goal to fruition by providing the opportunity to fund raise for their organizations needs along with helping Wreaths Across America gather sponsorships for wreaths.

Sponsorships are \$15 each. Proceeds place a wreath at one of the participating cemeteries, help support our fundraising partners, educational and veterans services outreach. Please note that **all sponsorships are sent directly to the location and no wreaths are sent to the individuals purchasing sponsorships.**

There is no stipulation for participation in these activities. We welcome all to join us at Wreaths Across America as the organization was formed to promote and coordinate sponsorship of wreaths for the other national, state and local cemeteries that have shown a desire to emulate the Arlington wreath-laying event. If you would like to participate or help bring sponsored wreaths to your local community, please contact us and we will help connect you with other groups already working in your area.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, December 5th, 2010

Start of World's Longest Veterans Parade from Maine to participating locations all across the Country

Monday, December 6th

State House wreath-laying ceremonies in all 50 States and Puerto Rico

Saturday December 11th, 12:00 noon (EST)


Simultaneous wreath laying ceremonies at over 350 locations all across the World.

For more information visit www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org, or call 207-483-2039.

You can also email Marcy@wreathscrossamerica.org, Amy@waa08@yahoo.com or Wayne@wreathscrossamerica.org Locally, you can contact Carol at waaftjackson@yahoo.com or call (803) 739-2774



The Shoppes at Flight Deck and Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission (LCRAC)

Present
2nd Annual


We Love Our Country
 **Country Fair**

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 13, 2010

9:00 am-6:00pm
109 Old Chapin Rd., Lexington

 **Bring the Family to the Shoppes at Flight Deck** 

***Contest**

- Apple Pie Baking Contest
- Kids Essay/Poster Contest

***Door Prizes/Giveaways**

***Kids Activities**

- Bouncy House
- Puppet Show
- Scavenger Hunt

*** & MUCH MORE**

***Entertainment**

- Live music/performances for all ages

***Model A Car/Tractor Show**

Honoring Those Who Serve/Served: Flag Retirement Ceremony 4:00pm



LCRAC will be coordinating the following events that day!

MOVING FOR MEALS WALK

Kick off the day in support of Meals on Wheels

- 2 Mile Fitness Walk through the Town of Lexington

- Registration 8:00am-8:30am @Shoppes at Flight Deck

- Walk begins at 9:00am

- to register pick up registration form or call 356-5111



Immediately Following the Walk

SILENT AUCTION

10:00am-3:00pm
\$5.00 Bid Card



Come bid on some Amazing Items for Holiday gifts, home decor, Gift Certificates, +More.



Stop in @ the Flight Deck Restaurant to get your bid cards



*Proceeds of the Country Fair will Benefit Meals on Wheels
Blue Star Mothers, & Honor Flight Program*



COME SUPPORT YOUR VETERANS



&

MEALS ON WHEELS FOR THE HOMEBOUND ELDERLY

For More Information Please Call: Heidi @ 957-3602 or LCRAC @ 356-5111

Wreaths Across America.org™



Tax ID 20-8362270

Wreath Sponsorship Form

*Sponsored wreaths are placed on the grave markers at state, national veterans cemeteries as well as local cemeteries each December. Wreaths may be purchased online at www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org. If you wish to make your sponsorship with a credit card please visit our website for a secure online transaction.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

(To receive our FREE email newsletter)

Sponsoring Group ID Number: SCNDV001

For every 2 Wreaths purchased on this form, we receive a third one free

Cemetery Designation: Fort Jackson National Cemetery, Columbia, SC
(please select one cemetery per group)

Cemetery ID Number: SCFJNC
(located on our website under locations tab)

Sponsorship	Price	Quantity	Total
Individual= 1 Wreath	\$15.00		
Family= 4 Wreaths	\$60.00		
Small Business= 10 Wreaths	\$150.00		
Corporate= 100 Wreaths or more	\$15.00 each wreath		
WAA Pins (25 pins per pack)	\$10.00 / pk		
WAA Patch	\$3.00 each		
		Grand Total	

****WE DO NOT TAKE GRAVE SPECIFIC REQUESTS****

Please make All checks payable to:
Wreaths Across America TM
P.O. BOX 3356
West Columbia, SC 29171
Local Contact:
Carol Davis (803) 739-2774

Thank you for your Sponsorship and joining us in our mission to Remember, Honor and Teach!

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It is the **VETERAN**, not the preacher, who has given us freedom of religion.
It is the **VETERAN**, not the reporter, who has given us freedom of the press.
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 freedom to assemble.
It is the **VETERAN**, not the lawyer, who has given us the right to a fair trial.
It is the **VETERAN**, not the politician, who has given us the right to vote.
It is the **VETERAN**, who salutes the flag.
It is the **VETERAN**, who serves under the flag.
Eternal Rest grant them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
GOD BLESS THEM ALL!!!

We Honor Those Who Serve



VETERANS DAY

Veterans Day originated as “**Armistice Day**” on November 11, 1919, on the first anniversary of the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and November 11th became a national holiday beginning in 1938. President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation in **1954** to change the name to Veterans Day as a way to honor those who served in all American Wars. The day has evolved into also honoring living military veterans with parades and speeches across the nation. A national ceremony also takes place at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia, where the President typically places a wreath.

