



**VA Health Care Upstate New York  
VA Western New York Healthcare System**  
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**Veterans Day Celebrations at VA Western New York Healthcare System**

VA Western New York Healthcare System is celebrating Veterans Day with ceremonies honoring Veterans at the Batavia and Buffalo sites. All Veterans are encouraged to wear their medals as America recognizes the legacy of Veterans on Veterans Day Sunday November 11, 2012. Everyone is invited to attend the events planned as we honor Veterans for preserving our democracy and securing the freedoms enjoyed by all Americans.

**Friday, November 9, 2012, 1:00 p.m. - Buffalo site, 3495 Bailey Avenue**

Traditional Veterans Day program is open to all in Freedom Hall; Room 301 at the Buffalo site. Community leader and mentor, Pastor Darius G. Pridgen who is also a United States Air Force Veteran will deliver the keynote address.

In addition, students of Lake Shore High School will present artwork expressing appreciation for Veterans and acknowledging their sacrifice and commitment to this country. The special exhibit is inspired by student interviews of Veterans and will include over 20 pieces of visual art.

**Sunday, November 11, 10 a.m. - Batavia site, 222 Richmond Avenue**

Veterans Day Ceremony is held by the flag pole outside Building 3 on the grounds of the Batavia site. An observance along with a rifle salute will precede a coffee social in Building 4 recreation hall.

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