

ST. CROIX VALLEY CHAPTER

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WEEKLY NEWS

Emergency Number at Rehearsals - (651) 246-7257

Tuesday, November 6, 2007

Significant Dates

Saturday	Nov 10, 2007	Veterans Day Service @ Trinity Lutheran Church 1:15pm
Saturday	Nov 17, 2007	Xmas Show Rehearsal @ Trinity Lutheran Church 9:00am
****Monday	Nov 26, 2007	Xmas Show Joint Rehearsal @ St. Paul Lutheran 6:30pm
Monday	Dec 3, 2007	Xmas Show Joint Rehearsal @ St. Paul Lutheran 6:30p
Friday	Dec 7, 2007	Xmas Show Dress Rehearsal @ Trinity Lutheran Church
Saturday	Dec 8, 2007	Xmas Shows @ Trinity & Guardian Angels 11:30am
Tuesday	Dec 11, 2007	Christmas Party @ Woody's in Bayport (6pm)
Tuesday	Dec 18, 2007	*****NO REHEARSAL*****
Tuesday	Dec 25, 2007	*****CHRISTMAS*****
Tuesday	Jan 1, 2008	*****NEW YEARS*****
Saturday	Jan 26, 2008	Officer Installation Party @ Tartan Park

******We meet every Tuesday at New Heights unless otherwise stated******

*******NOTE: Joint Rehearsal Date Change to Monday, November 26*******

VETERANS DAY SERVICE

Trinity Lutheran Church, Stillwater

Saturday, November 10, 2007

Arrive at 1:15pm for warm up

Service is at 2pm

Songs:

Armed Forces Medley, Battle Hymn Of The Republic, God Bless America

Uniform:

Blue Blazer, New Colored Shirt, New Necktie, New Tan Slacks, Black Socks, Black Belt with Brass Buckle and Comfy Black Shoes.

WEAR YOUR SERVICE MEDALS

DECEMBER SCHEDULE

The Chapter Board has approved the following schedule for December, 2007:

Monday, December 3 rd	Joint Rehearsal at St. Paul Lutheran
Tuesday, December 4 th	Regular Rehearsal at New Heights
Friday, December 7 th	Dress Rehearsal at Trinity Lutheran (Time TBD)
Saturday, December 8 th	Shows at Trinity & Guardian Angels (Arrival Time TBD)
Tuesday, December 11 th	Christmas Party w/Bowling at Woody's in Bayport (6pm)
Tuesday, December 18 th	No Rehearsal
Tuesday, December 25 th	*****CHRISTMAS*****
Tuesday, January 1 st	*****NEW YEAR'S*****



Armistice Day Becomes Veterans Day

World War I officially ended on June 28, 1919, with the signing of the Treaty of Versailles. The actual fighting between the Allies and Germany, however, had ended seven months earlier with the armistice, which went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month in 1918. Armistice Day, as November 11 became known, officially became a holiday in the United States in 1926, and a national holiday 12 years later. On June 1, 1954, the name was changed to Veterans Day to honor all U.S. veterans. In 1968, new legislation changed the national commemoration of Veterans Day to the fourth Monday in October. It soon became apparent, however, that November 11 was a date of historic significance to many Americans. Therefore, in 1978 Congress returned the observance to its traditional date.

Tomb of the Unknowns

Official, national ceremonies for Veterans Day center around the Tomb of the Unknowns. To honor these men, symbolic of all Americans who gave their lives in all wars, an Army honor guard, the 3d U.S. Infantry (The Old Guard), keeps day and night vigil. At 11 a.m. on November 11, a combined color guard representing all military services executes "Present Arms" at the tomb. The nation's tribute to its war dead is symbolized by the laying of a presidential wreath and the playing of "Taps."

Unknown Soldier Identified

On Memorial Day (which honors U.S. service people who died in action) in 1958, two more unidentified American war dead, one from World War II and the other from the Korean War, were buried next the unknown soldier of World War I. A law was passed in 1973 providing interment of an unknown American from the Vietnam War, but because of the improved technology to identify the dead, it was not until 1984 that an unidentified soldier was buried in the tomb. In 1998, however, the Vietnam soldier was identified through DNA tests as Michael Blassie, a 24-year-old Air Force pilot who was shot down in May of 1972 near the Cambodian border. His body was disinterred and reburied by his family in St. Louis, Missouri.



Tomb of the Unknowns,
Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va.