

# Centenary University's Veterans Day Event

co-sponsored by  
Centenary's Office of Veteran Services & the Athletics Department

**Please join us on Saturday, November 11, 2023 for  
our Veterans Day Ceremony.**

**Location:** Reeves Gymnasium **Time:** 12:30pm

## **Ceremony:**

- Blue Ridge American Legion Post 164 presents the Colors
- National Anthem sung by Amanda Ackerman, a Centenary student majoring in Musical Theatre & Computer Science
- Colors are retired
- Welcome address by Dr. Dale Caldwell, 15th President of Centenary University
- **1 pm Veterans Appreciation/Salute to Veterans game** hosted by Men's Basketball & Centenary Athletics

## **In addition:**

- **The Honor Tree** will be on display in Reeves Student Recreation Center Lobby for the campus community & our visitors to hang a star to honor the veteran in their lives or to honor the troops in general
- **Annual Donations Drive** to benefit residents at VA hospitals in Lyons & East Orange kicks off on 11/11 & runs until 11/30; items delivered to hospitals week of 12/4 (**Items needed: Ground coffee/k-up coffee pods, Men's/Women's undergarments sizes S-4XL**); Cash donations will go to the General Purpose Account at each hospital. Funds support programs for hospitalized veterans and the purchase of needed material items for veterans; Thank you to our community partners, NJ Federation of Women's Clubs Highlands District, & the Woman's Club of Hackettstown, for their participation & support.
- **11/11 ONLY** single serve non-perishable food drive to benefit Centenary food pantries in SAC & ASAC
- **Community Hope** – Information display for the community-based SSG Fox Suicide Prevention Grant & Crisis Intervention program
- **Look** for the official 2023 Veteran's Day poster displayed throughout campus

We are always looking for student volunteers to help staff the Honor Tree while it is on display & to sort, count, & pack donations that will be delivered to the VA hospital residents.

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**Donation boxes for both drives will be located in Reeves Gym Lobby on 11/11. After 11/11 boxes for donations to the VA hospital residents will be located in the ASAC lobby in the Harris & Betts Smith Learning Center (Smith Learning Center & Library Annex), in the main lobby of SEAY, & the Hackettstown Library.**