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Monthly Newsletter



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The History & Significance of Veterans Day

At precisely 11 am on November 11th in the United States, massive crowds will begin ceremonies and celebrations in honor of our Veterans. With great gratitude, citizens will honor those who have bravely served our country. What has historically been a day of great significance, remains ever important today.

Veterans Day has been, and remains, a U.S. holiday that honors veterans of all wars. Its history has not been without its changes, however!

In 1918, during
World War I, on the
11th hour of the
11th day of the
11th month,
hostilities ended
between the Allied
nations and

Germany - referred to by many as "Armistice Day." The Treaty of Versailles, which marked the end of the war, was signed on June 28, 1919, but the armistice date was the one most considered the conflict's end.

In November of 1919, Armistice Day was observed by many countries with parades, public celebrations, and pauses to business and school activities at 11 am.

Then, in June of 1926, Congress passed a resolution saying November 11 should be

commemorated each year. As of May 13, 1938, Armistice Day was a legal Federal holiday.

Changes were still abound, though. During World War II, more than 16 million Americans served in the Army, Air Force, Marines, and Navy. Another 5.7 million

served in the Korean War. This spurred Veteran's service organizations to lobby for the words "Veterans Day" to replace Armistice Day in honor of the American veterans of all wars. In 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation for the name to be changed.

The day would still see some changes! As of 1971, Veterans Day

was moved to the fourth Monday in October when Congress passed a Uniform Holidays Bill to make Monday "the" day for federal holidays. But as of 1978, due to many states' confusion and disapproval over the change, the holiday was moved back to its original observance date.

And so it goes, Veterans Day continues to be observed on November 11th. That day, and throughout the year, we thank all who have served for our great nation.

What is the difference between Veterans Day and Memorial Day? It is a common question. Memorial Day, in May, is dedicated to Americans who have served and who passed away during (or as a result of) serving. Veterans Day honors all Veterans, alive and who have passed.

Special Moments









For Family Stories Month, we shared neat facts about our families:

"Grandpa grew tobacco and made whisky "- Pat

"My uncle invented the Richter scale" Mary

"Grandpa left home at 12 years old to herd cattle on the Chisholm Trail" LaNell

"Family homesteaded in the 1800's and still live there today" Michelle

"I invented the game Boom Ball and held 9 patents" Vern

"My Great, great, Grandpa was a decorated Civil War Veteran" Peggy

"Met my true love as a child, 66 year marriage and still the love of my life" Geri

"I am related to Edith Wharton, famous author and ghost" Matthew

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November 2019 Highlights

November is Gratitude Month, Family Stories Month, November, and Novel Writing Month.

01 Authors Day; Vinegar Day

02 Deviled Egg Day

03 Daylight Savings Ends; Sandwich Day

04 Candy Day; Traffic Directors Day

05 Doughnut Day; Love Red Hair Day

06 Stress Awareness Day; Saxophone Day

07 Men Make Dinner Day

08 Cappuccino Day

09 Louisiana Day

10 Vanilla Cupcake Day; Marines Day

11 Veterans Day; Sundae Day

12 Chicken Soup for the Soul Day

13 World Kindness Day

14 Pickle Day; Spicy Guac Day

15 Philanthropy Day; Raisin Bran Day

16 Button Day; Fast Food Day

17 Take a Hike Day; Baklava Day

18 Mickey Mouse's Birthday; Princess Day

19 Play Monopoly Day

20 Peanut Butter Fudge Day

21 Gin-

gerbread Cookie Day

22 Cranberry Relish Day

23 Espresso Day; Eat a Cranberry Day

24 Sardines Day

25 Parfait Day

26 Cake Day

27 Jukebox Day; Bavarian Cream Pie Day

28 Thanksgiving

29 Native American Heritage Day; Floss Day

30 Mason Jar Day; Small Business Saturday

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Employee of the Month, Meghan



Meghan has been with Pioneer Village for over 4 years. She started in house-keeping and found her happy place in caregiving. She has 4 beautiful children, who are the light of her life. In her free time she enjoys taking the children to the park having fun family time.

A Little Thanksgiving History



Tucked between the two monster sized holidays of Halloween and Christmas, Thanksgiving receives far less attention. But Thanksgiving is a very important holiday, especially in the busy lives of Americans. It is a time to kick back and relax, watch a football game or go to a movie, and enjoy a huge feast. It's also time for us to give thanks to our God, for the things he has bestowed upon us and upon this great nation. There is no nation in the world that has more to be thankful for than us.

The first Thanksgiving was celebrated between the Pilgrims and the Indians in 1621. That first feast was a three day affair. Life for the early settlers was difficult. The fall harvest was time for celebration. It was also a time of prayer, thanking God for a good crop. The Pilgrims and the Indians created a huge feast including a wide variety of animals and fowl, as well as fruits and vegetables from the fall harvest. This early celebration was the start of today's holiday celebration. Like then, we celebrate with a huge feast.

Today, most of us enjoy Turkey with "all the trimming". The "trimming" include a wide variety of foods that are a tradition for your family. Those traditional foods often replicate the foods at the first Thanksgiving feast. While others, are traditional ethnic or religious groups recipe, or a special food item that your family always serves at Thanksgiving dinner. Then, to top it off, pumpkin pies, apple pies, an even mince meat pies are bountiful around the table.

American Thanksgiving traditions revolve around a huge and lavish meal, usually with Turkey as the centerpiece. For those who do not like Turkey, a Roast or Prime Rib is common. As tradition has it in most families, a special prayer of thanks precedes the meal. In many homes, family members will each mention something they are very thankful for.

Did you know? Potatoes were not part of the first Thanksgiving. Irish immigrants had not yet brought them to North America.

After the first Thanksgiving, the observance was sporadic and almost forgotten until the early 1800's. It was usually celebrated in late September or October. In 1941, Congress made it a national holiday and set the date as the fourth Thursday in November.

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