

What is Honor Flight?

The WWII memorial in Washington DC was completed and opened to the public on April 29, 2004. With a completion date nearly 6 decades after war's end, most WWII Veterans never saw or have been unable to see this memorial built specifically to honor them. Honor Flight is a federal non-profit 501c3 organization staffed by volunteers. It was created solely to honor and pay tribute to all WWII Veterans by providing an unforgettable, safe and rewarding tour of honor to visit their memorial. We transport our WWII veterans to Washington DC from Cedar Rapids on either Airbus or Boeing 737 class aircraft free of charge. All meals and ground transportation are included. Flights are courtesy of our generous individual and corporate sponsors.

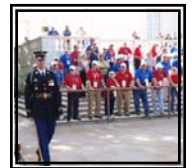
- Over 16 million Americans served
- Over 650,000 were wounded
- Over 400,000 never came home
- Of the 16 million only 10% are left
- We are losing 1,000 WWII Veteran's per day



- ⌚ An orientation is provided to the Veterans and Guardians that accompany them, approximately two weeks prior to the Flight.
- ⌚ Each Flight leaves the Cedar Rapids Airport at 5:30 AM and returns at 10:15 PM the same day.

How can Scouts, Parents and Leaders be a part of these historic events?

1. **Most importantly....ask your family - grandfathers, grandmothers, mothers, fathers, uncles, friends, Scouting Leadership and neighbors if they served in WWII. Then strongly encourage them to attend a flight!**
 - Veteran and Guardian Applications will be posted on the Council website or you may contact anita.munson@scouting.org.
2. **Serve at a Flight Orientation** - Scouts can serve as the color guard and assist in serving dinner to the Veterans.
 - *We would like to have Scouts at each of these events!* (See back page for additional information)
2. **Attend the "Welcome Home" return of the Flight.**
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4. **Provide cards of appreciation** for the Veterans attending the Flight.
5. **Sponsor a Veteran for Honor Flight** - \$550 - Your Scouts could learn about their service record and follow them throughout the process of Honor Flight.



Special Note: If you know of a WWII veteran and they are unable to make such a trip or you are the relative of a deceased WWII veteran, please contact us for a very special honor.

Scouts, Parents and Scout Leaders Information

We are honoring our current soldiers with Popcorn for Patriots. Honor Flight is a wonderful opportunity for our Scouts to honor heroes of the past who have made a difference in life as we know it. These are historic moments for our Scouts to be a part of. Please share this You Tube video with your Scouts - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9E7GLdYhm3s>

Scouting has a long history of supporting our military. The activities of a Cedar Rapids-Marion Troop received recognition in February 1918, in a program conducted at Memorial Hall in Marion. The recognition cited the activities of the boys in assisting the G.A.R. and W.R.C. in decorating the graves of Civil War veterans on Memorial Day and their patriotism in the recent Liberty Loan campaign when they sold \$20,000 worth of war certificates for which they received a bronze medal from the government. During the Second World War, the Scouts performed valuable service to their country. These services included salvage of waste and the distribution of government posters and ration books. They in turn have helped us - Camp Waubeek opened in 1931 with both the Iowa City and the Cedar Rapids councils using the facilities. Much credit for the camp opening goes to Hanford Post No. 5 of the American Legion for contributing hundreds of hours of work as well as a substantial amount of money. (The complete Council History is available online at www.hawkeyesbsa.org.)

WWII Veterans - All were willing to sacrifice. All lost their youth. All were heroes. They are our Fathers, Mothers, Grandfathers and Grandmothers. It is time for them to come forward once again. For now more than ever, we need them. We need heroes to look up to, heroes to emulate, heroes to honor, heroes to welcome and heroes to thank. We need these heroes to serve as a reminder so that we take nothing for granted and never forget that the price for our every freedom has been paid in full. We have a limited time to welcome these Heroes home one last time.

(See back page for important additional information.)



2011 Fall Honor Flight Schedule

September 1st - Orientation - Completed

Tuesday, September 13th - Return Flight Welcoming



- *Class A Uniform is Required*
- Attendees make a “tunnel of people” for the Veterans to walk through upon their return.
- An unlimited # of Scouts and families may attend.
- Be prepared to pay parking at the airport.

Place: Cedar Rapids Airport

Approximate Time: 10:00 pm - It is late for a school night, but the opportunity to welcome home our heroes of yesterday is well worth it.

Thursday, Oct 6th, Orientation

- *Class A Uniform is Required*
- Approximately 20 Scouts are needed at the orientations.
- Please park away from the building to save spots for Veterans.

Place: Elizabeth Ann Seton Church
1350 Lyndhurst Dr., Hiawatha 52233

Time: 4:30 - Welcome Veterans - Line up outside - Shake hands and hold the doors for everyone to enter.

5:30 - Two Scouts are needed for Color Guard (Flags are provided)
10-20 Scouts needed to serve box lunches to all in attendance

6:30 - Scouts are requested to honor veterans as they leave the building. Line up outside. Thank them for their service. Wish them well on their trip.
Scouts are requested to assist picking up flags that line the streets to the church entrance. Please return them to the church.



October 18th - Return Flight Welcoming

- *Class A Uniform is Required*
- Attendees make a “tunnel of people” for the Veterans to walk through upon their return.
- An unlimited # of Scouts and families may attend.
- Be prepared to pay parking at the airport.

Place: Cedar Rapids Airport

Approximate Time: 10:15 PM - It is late for a school night, but the opportunity to welcome home our heroes of yesterday is well worth it.

More flights will be available in the Spring and Fall of 2012.

There will be an online registration available on the Council website but until that time please email anita.munson@scouting.org with the number of Scouts who will attend the events.

Registrations are not required but it will assist us in knowing if units are planning to attend.

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