

# A VIEW OF THE FALLS

**Office of the Mayor - Richard B. Milne**

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Dear Friends,

Tomorrow, November 11th is Veteran's Day. This (holiday) is a day to honor all those who have served their country in both war and peace time. There is much history about this hallowed day and I leave the reciting of that exact history to those that are better served to do so. However, the original day that has now become a holiday was November 11, 1918 when the German leaders signed an Armistice or treaty with the Allied forces in a rail-car at the 11th hour of the 11th day of November (the 11th month) virtually ending the (Great War - WW I). A year later 1919 President Woodrow Wilson asks all citizens to honor those who had served with a moment of silence at 11:00 AM.

In 1926 because a so many people around the world were observing Armistice Day (or Remembrance Day as many called it) a resolution was passed in the United States inviting all to remember. Then in 1938 as the parades and celebrations became more prevalent, Congress made it a "legal" holiday.

In 1954 President Dwight D. Eisenhower officially changed the name of the holiday in the United States to Veterans Day to officially honor all those that have served in all wars and in all peace time.

At 11:00 AM at the four corners of Honeoye Falls, Honeoye Falls Post 664 will conduct their annual celebration honoring all those that have served. All are invited to attend but more importantly, all are encouraged to take a moment of silence to pay proper respect to all the veterans who have served around the globe. Teach your children the importance of the day and once again...thank a veteran.

"In Flanders Fields the Poppies Grow Between the Crosses Row on Row".

Rick Milne  
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