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Dedication of Livingston County Veterans Monument Slated for Flag Day

Geneseo, NY, June 3, 2021 — Each year, Flag Day is held on June 14 to commemorate the adoption of our nation’s flag by the Continental Congress on June 14, 1777.

In conjunction with Flag Day 2021, Livingston County is holding a dedication ceremony to show appreciation for everyone who has made the Livingston County Veterans Monument what it is today. The monument consists of over 200 metal poppies in the shape of an American flag.

Date

Monday, June 14, 2021

Time

11:00AM

Location

Gypsy Lane, Mount Morris

Jason Skinner, Director of Livingston County Veteran Services, stated, “Celebrating the Veterans Monument on Flag Day is very fitting as Mount Morris is the birthplace of Francis Bellamy, author of the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.”

“Livingston County is a truly patriotic community,” continued Skinner.

The following guests will be speaking at the ceremony:

- Gary Anderson – Keynote Speaker; Retired Marine Corps Colonel (1969-2000)
- Olie Olson – Metal Trades Instructor, Mount Morris CTE Center; Poppy Project Leader
- Julie Donlon, Ed.D. – Assistant Superintendent, Genesee Valley BOCES

- Don Higgins – Retired Livingston County Highway Superintendent; Marine Corps Veteran (1970-1972); Project Participant
- Thomas J. Dougherty – Livingston County Sheriff
- Michael J. Falk – Lima Town Supervisor, United States Army Captain, Gulf War Veteran (1988-1993); Project Participant
- Andrea Bailey – Acting Livingston County Clerk
- Laura Stradley – CEO, Veterans Outreach Center; Army Veteran (8 years)

Anyone wishing to attend the ceremony should wear a mask if not vaccinated for COVID-19.

The Department of Veterans Affairs will be on-site to offer COVID-19 vaccinations (Johnson & Johnson) to any Veteran or spouse of a Veteran who is interested in receiving one. In addition, the Veterans Outreach Center will provide hotdogs and refreshments.

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