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Press Release

Town of Carefree Hosts 9th Annual Veterans Day Celebration

Event: Veteran's Day Presentation & Musical Tribute

Date: Saturday, 11/11/2017

Time: 3-5 pm

Place: Sanderson Lincoln Pavilion
Carefree Desert Gardens
101 Easy Street
Carefree, AZ 85377

Summary:

- Free Veterans Day Event
- Color Guard
- Swing Band Performance and Songs
- Stories from Veterans of the Armed Forces
- Light Refreshments by Kiwanis of Carefree
- Veterans Heritage Project

Admission: No Charge

CAREFREE/CAVE CREEK/N. SCOTTSDALE, Ariz., November 6, 2017) The Town of Carefree is honored to host its 9th annual Veterans Day presentation and musical tribute. It will be held on Saturday, November 11, 2017 from 3 pm to 5 pm, in the Sanderson Lincoln Pavilion, located in the Carefree Desert Gardens, 101 Easy Street, Carefree, AZ.

The event will feature a mixture of exciting patriotic and military music by Todd Knowles and his Main Event Swing Band. World War II Veteran Colonel Blaine Keith, USMC, retired will lead the pledge of allegiance. Special speakers will include veterans of the armed forces, including World War II Veteran, US Army Captain, Lew Jenkins, who will share their experiences from the past. This year the program will include a bagpipe rendition of "Amazing Grace". And, by popular request, the finale will once again include the bugle call, *The Last Post*, followed by TAPS on "dueling bugles".

Barbara Hatch, Founder of Veterans Heritage Project, will be in attendance with students from Cactus Shadows High School and Sonoran Trails Middle School, whose VHP chapters are now in the capable hands of two volunteer advisor/teachers: Bret Lineburg (CSHS history teacher), and Shannon Griffith (STMS English teacher). Their exhibit and books will be on display and for sale. Barbara is one of the recent recipients of the Hon Kachina Award for "improving the lives of others in her community." Veterans Heritage Project students can now be found interviewing in 27 schools in Arizona, as well as one in her Illinois hometown and a pilot program in Niceville, Florida. VHP will publish 6 editions of *Since You Asked* this year.

The Sonoran Art League will share information about their Veteran Art Program. The Desert Foothills YMCA will discuss their veteran support programs. The Association of the United States Army will have a representative available to assist any veterans with questions. The Carefree Kiwanis Club (www.kiwaniscarefree.org) will provide light refreshments and coffee from the Carefree Roastery with assistance from the Black Mountain Foothills Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Come enjoy the special presentations and join in the opportunity to honor those who have sacrificed for all. For more information visit Carefree.org or contact 480.488.3686.

2016 Celebration Attracts Crowds within the Sanderson Lincoln Pavilion



Barbara Hatch (Veterans' Heritage Project) and Mike Wold from Healing Memories

