



## **1,000 American Flags will Honor Veterans Once Again with Field of Honor® at Andrew Jackson's Hermitage**

*Sixth annual Field of Honor® pays tribute to the U.S. military with ceremonies and fireworks*

**NASHVILLE, Tenn. (Nov. 3, 2021)** – To pay tribute to the men and women who have served or are now serving in the U.S. military, 1,000 American flags will cover Victory Field at Andrew Jackson's Hermitage as a part of a Field of Honor®. The Exchange Club of Donelson-Hermitage has organized this event, in conjunction with the Colonial Flag Foundation and The Hermitage.

Field of Honor will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., starting Thursday, Nov. 4 through Saturday, Nov. 13. A dedication ceremony will happen at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5 with master of ceremonies Rhuri Johnston, Emmy Award-winning journalist with NewsChannel5, and keynote speaker Paul Stumb, IV, Cumberland University President and Professor and Commander in the U.S. Navy Reserves. A free, fireworks show with patriotic music will take place at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6. The Field of Honor display will conclude with a closing ceremony at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 13.

"I cannot think of a more moving tribute to the many men and women who have served our country and sacrificed so much than The Field of Honor. This is an experience that must be felt," said Desha L. Hearn, co-chair, Field of Honor. "The 1,000 3-by-5-foot American flags are placed in honor or memory of American veterans who have sacrificed, or are sacrificing, for our country. The Exchange Club of Donelson-Hermitage is proud to once again present this moving tribute on the grounds of Andrew Jackson's Hermitage. We are thankful to our sponsors, whose generosity allows the field to be free and open to the public."

"The Hermitage is honored to host this amazing display of American flags for the sixth year. As the only presidential site to host a Field of Honor, we are immensely proud that our grounds can serve as the site of such a spectacular tribute to the brave men and women who serve – and have served – in our nation's military," said Howard J. Kittell, Andrew Jackson Foundation president and CEO.

Flags for the display may be sponsored for \$30. After the event concludes, sponsors will be able to take their flags to their homes or businesses to fly proudly.

The Hermitage offers discounted admission to active duty military and veterans.

All proceeds raised through the Field of Honor display benefit REBOOT Combat Recovery, The Gary Sinise Foundation, The Family Center, Nashville USO, Youth Villages and Volunteers of America, among others. For more information, visit [www.FOHNashville.com](http://www.FOHNashville.com).

Details on the week's events are below:

### **Dedication Ceremony**

**Where:** Victory Field at Andrew Jackson's Hermitage. Entrance is at 421 Highland Drive, Hermitage, TN 37076

**When:** Friday, Nov. 5, at 2 p.m.

**Who:** Emmy award-winning journalist Riori Johnston is the dedication ceremony's master of ceremonies. Cumberland University President and Professor and Commander in the U.S. Navy Reserves Paul Stumb, IV will give the keynote address. Andrew Jackson Foundation president and CEO Howard J. Kittell and President of the Exchange Club of Donelson-Hermitage Wayne Tucker will also give remarks.

### **FREE Veterans Day Fireworks Show**

**Where:** Victory Field at Andrew Jackson's Hermitage, Entrance is at 421 Highland Drive, Hermitage, TN 37076

**When:** Saturday, Nov. 6, at 7 p.m.

### **Closing Ceremony**

**Where:** Victory Field at Andrew Jackson's Hermitage. Entrance is at 421 Highland Drive, Hermitage, TN 37076

**When:** Saturday, Nov. 13 at 10 a.m.

### **ABOUT ANDREW JACKSON'S HERMITAGE**

Andrew Jackson's Hermitage: Home of the People's President is one of the largest, most well-preserved and most visited presidential homes in the United States. Opened to the public in 1889, The Hermitage is one of America's first presidential museums. Today, The Hermitage is a 1,120-acre National Historic Landmark with more than 20 historic buildings, including Jackson's mansion and tomb, restored slave cabins, a church and gardens. In recent years, new interpretive initiatives and educational programs such as the history of slavery have enhanced the experience of more than 230,000 annual visitors. For more information, visit [www.thehermitage.com](http://www.thehermitage.com).

### **About the Exchange Club of Donelson-Hermitage**

The Exchange Club of Donelson-Hermitage is a group of men and women who work together to better the community through four programs of service: Americanism, Community Service, Youth Activities and

Child Abuse Prevention. The Exchange Club promotes pride in the country, respect for the flag and appreciation of our freedoms. Exchange Clubs across the country spend countless hours and dollars improving their communities each year. In fact, many of the projects within the Program of Service have a common goal of serving and benefiting communities. Through college scholarships, mentoring and guidance, and service recognition, Exchange is making a difference to America's youngest generations. Exchange provides a variety of public awareness materials designed to help inform and increase awareness of child abuse and how it can be prevented, along with supporting its local center, The Family Center.

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