

BLACKVILLE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



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VETERANS DAY TRIVIA

The origins of Veterans Day begin with Armistice Day, which was proclaimed by President Woodrow Wilson in 1919, to honor those who died in World War I. In 1938, Congress made Armistice Day a legal holiday. In 1945, World War II vet Raymond Weeks suggested expanding the holiday to honor all veterans, and in 1954, a Congressional Act officially changed Armistice Day to Veterans Day. From 1971 through 1977, Veterans Day observances were moved to the fourth Monday in October.

This initial celebration was because fighting associated with World War I finally ceased on the 11th day of the 11th month and at the 11th hour in 1918.

Although there is not an official color representing Veterans Day, many people display yellow or red, white and blue. These are colors that traditionally remind the public of the U.S. armed forces. Yellow ribbons of clothing are the color of support of our Troops, which originated in Canada and is also utilized in the United States. This color brings to remembrance troops who are prisoners of war (POW), missing in action (MIA) or who are far away from home. Red, white and blue are the colors of the U.S. flag and represent patriotism and ribbons of those colors can be worn to commemorate Veterans Day.

The United States is not the only country that celebrates veterans on the anniversary of the Armistice of World War I. Canada celebrates Remembrance Day on November 11th. Great Britain commemorates November 11th with two minutes of silence

and celebrates the Armistice on the second Sunday of November every year.

The difference in Memorial Day and Veterans Day is that Memorial Day is specifically for remembering those who have fallen in battle in service of the United States and Veterans Day honors all Americans who have served in the military, both living and deceased.

Veterans Day does not include an apostrophe but does include an "s" at the end of "veterans" because it is not a day that "belongs" to veterans, it is a day for honoring all veterans.

In 2017, Veterans Day falls on a Saturday, so Friday, the 10th of November is considered a Federal Holiday.

Information obtained from internet
"Honoring the sacrifices many have made for our country in the name of freedom and democracy is the very foundation of Veterans Day". -Charles B. Rangel

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

November 5, 2017 - 2:00am

CHANGE BATTERIES IN SMOKE ALARMS

TOWN HALL CLOSED

November 23 and 24, 2017

"Solarize SC"

Will be leading a presentation **November 30th** at **6:00pm** at the Blackville Community Center. Light refreshments will be provided. Farmers are encouraged to attend to see how you can be saving money with solar energy. For more information visit www.solarizesc.org. Sponsored by Blackville Downtown Development Corporation

MEETINGS

- **November 2,** Blackville Community Development Corp., Town Hall 6:00pm

- **November 6**, Blackville Civic Club, Edward's Heating and Cooling, 7:00pm
- **November 13**, Board of Education Meeting, Conference Room, 4:30pm
- **November 14**, Barnwell County Council, Agriculture Building, Barnwell, 6:00pm
- **November 14**, Neighborhood Watch, Tabernacle Baptist Church, 6:00pm
- **November 20**, Town Council, Blackville Community Center, 6:30pm
- **November 27**, Barnwell-Blackville NAACP, Macedonia Baptist Church, 7:00pm
- **November 30**, Blackville Downtown Development Association, Russell's, 6:00pm

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Rhonda Brown, November 1
 Wendy Barfield, November 1
 Carolyn Hicks, November 2
 Lee E. Price, November 4
 Lessie Donaldson, November 4
 Essie Smalls, November 4
 Tyrine Chess, November 4
 Shannon Latrice Taylor, November 6
 Bridget Brown, November 9
 Michelle Calhoun, November 10
 Kaiden Aiken, November 11
 Frank J. Washington, November 12
 Eloise Byas, November 17
 Anthony Matheney, November 18
 Kelvin Isaac, November 21
 Jessie Matheney, November 24
 Rose B. W. Daniels, November 26
 Terrance Washington, November 26

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

November 27, Eric & Lashanda Dunbar

SCHOOL NEWS

Thanksgiving Holidays, **November 22-24**

Benchmark Testing, **November 15-17**

MES

Awards Day Program, 8:30am, **November 2**

Veterans Day Program, 9:30am, **November 10**

Progress Reports, **November 28**

Picture Make-up Day, November 3

BHMS

November 28, 2017

Parents Focus Meeting, 6:00pm – BHHS Cafeteria

OLD SCHOOL PARTY

Friday, November 3, 2017 – 8:00pm

Blackville Community Center – Semi-Formal

Contact Together Sisters members

OPEN HOUSE

GOLDEN RETREAT SENIOR CENTER

November 28, 2017 – 9am -1:00pm

60 years plus – Light refreshments

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Barnwell State Park

Blacksmithing & Outdoor Cooking Demonstration

November 25, 2017 at 4pm Shelter 4, Free

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