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REMEMBERING VETERANS

Tomorrow is Veterans Day—a federal holiday for those of us who are federal employees—but more importantly a day for us to remember those military veterans who have served us in the past and who serve us in the presence.



More than 70 years ago the United States Congress passed a bill that each November 11th should be “dedicated to the cause of world peace and . . . celebrated and known as ‘Armistice Day.’” The name was later changed to Veterans Day by an act of Congress to honor the sacrifices of all veterans of America’s wars. President Dwight D. Eisenhower, himself a veteran of two world wars, called on citizens to rededicate themselves on Veterans Day “to the task of promoting an enduring peace.”

Look for an opportunity to thank a veteran and their family members. Several commercial businesses are going out of their way to honor veterans. Help spread the word about the following restaurants who are offering a free meal to veterans on Veterans Day and in some cases on other days:

[McCormick & Schmicks Seafood Restaurant: Veterans enjoy free meal on Sunday, November 8](#)

[Applebee's: Veterans, active military get a free meal on Veteran's Day, November 11](#)

[Golden Corral: Veterans, Active or Retired Military, National Guard or Reserves receive free meal on November 16, 2009 from 5 PM - 9 PM. Golden Corral will host its 9th annual Military Appreciation Day on Monday, November 16, 2009.](#)

In addition, Outback Restaurants are offering a free Blooming Onion and beverage with a meal on Veterans Day.

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