

## Koliday Bulletin

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Thank you to our **Veterans** for serving our country and protecting our way of life. When I speak with a Veteran, I always hear how joining the military was a life-altering decision. It's not something everyone understands unless you're a Veteran as well.

It is a sacrifice that is made by the person

and their families that lasts their lifetime...so the rest of us are able to enjoy our freedoms.

Freedom to do so many things that are not experienced everywhere in our world. Such as freedom of worship, to say what we want to say, to move around our country, to cause change, to own a home, to get an education, to own a business and prosper, to not live in fear, to volunteer to help others. Take a moment this Veteran's Day to thank those you know who served.

If we learned anything from the wildfire and ice storm this last year, I hope it was the importance of being prepared for severe weather. It's a good time to be reminded to start putting some emergency supplies in store and refresh ourselves on



emergency procedures. Here's a short list to get you started:

Keep your vehicle in good running order and fueled up

- Keep extra food, water, pet food, and meds on hand.
- Know where your water and electric shut offs are located
- Keep your cell phones charged
- Have an emergency "to go" kit
- Be ready for power surges and power outages—have alternate sources of power
- Stay informed (pay attention to weather news and forecasts)

## Thanksgiving Day reminds us to be grateful for all that we have ...

for the people who make a difference in our lives, friends and family, the beauty of nature, our homes, safety, a hot shower, music, books, things to do, a good movie, new clothes, good food, a comfortable chair, good memories, our jobs, our pets, being the recipient of random acts of kindness, a sunny fall day, a smile from a stranger, the snooze



button, a hot cup of tea, paying off a debt, a completed 'to do' list, a great view, fuzzy socks, ... whew! You take it from here.....

May you enjoy a time of peace, joy, togetherness and blessings this Christmas and in the coming New Year!

