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## STAFFORD HIGH SCHOOL HONORS VETERANS WITH FIELD OF FLAGS



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### **Stafford Springs, CT, November 8th, 2017**

Stafford High School (SHS) was proud to invite local veterans to the school for a celebration honoring them and their service to our country. There were roughly 50 veterans in attendance, representing all of the branches of the armed forces. Many of the veterans were SHS graduates, ranging from Steven Marvonek, Class of 1947, to Michael Bladek, Class of 2016. The veterans in attendance were treated to a reception in the morning where they were served breakfast and serenaded by the SHS Madrigal Singers and Concert Choir with military-themed music. Once the student body was called down to the auditorium, several veterans spoke about what they learned from their military experience. Former

Marine Corps and Army National Guard officer Brett Wilson, father of two SHS students, shared that it took going off to war in Iraq for him to learn peace and clarity of purpose in his life. The highlight of the celebration was when every student, faculty member, honorary guest, and able-bodied veteran planted a flag in the front field of the school. On each flag is the name of a past or present veteran from Stafford. The field of flags will remain displayed through Veterans Day.

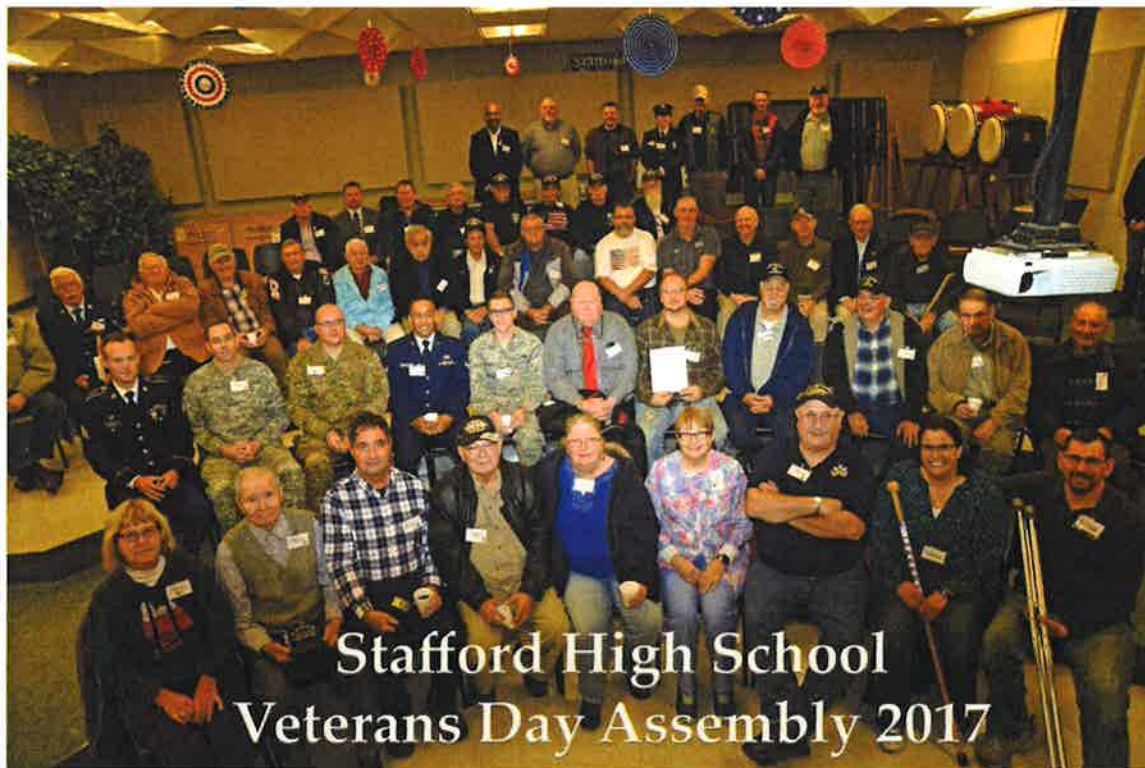


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