

Take A Veteran To School Day

November 9, 2012

Salem Central School Assembly Program

WELCOME

Jane Lourie- Principal

PROCESSION OF VETERANS

Drum Cadence (Dan DiBlasi, Michael Gariepy). Boy Scout Troop 61

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Boy Scout Troop 61

THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER

Jana Broderick, Hannah DeGarmo, Katie Myler, Arden Rishell

WELCOME TO VETERANS

Kerri Piemme, School Superintendant

I AM YOUR FLAG by Marine Master Percy Webb

Zachary Cummings, Abigail Davis, Colton Lathrop, Tyler Lathrop,

HISTORY OF VETERANS DAY

Lillian Borntraeger, Austin Evans

AMERICAN SOLDIER SONG

Sung by the first grade classes

INTRODUCTION OF VETERANS IN ATTENDANCE

Jane Lourie

THE IMPORTANCE OF VETERANS DAY TO VETERANS AND SOLDIERS

Mark Cummings

THANK YOU FROM SALEM

THE STORY OF FRANCIS CLARK

John Clark, Son of Salem's Francis Clark, Congressional Medal of Honor recipient

THE BRAVEST MAN I KNOW by Amanda Whitney

Andrew Gilbert, Michael Thompson, Abigail Toomey

GOD BLESS THE USA (by Lee Greenwood)

High School Band, Junior and Senior High Chorus

BOARD OF EDUCATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TAKE A VETERAN TO SCHOOL DAY

Board President Marlon Galimore

CLOSING

Kerri Piemme, School Superintendant

The band played "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" as the veterans exited

After the assembly some of the veterans spoke to students about their experiences.

- 3rd grade spoke with Gary Miller
- 4th grade spoke with Brad Curtis (2005 graduate from SWA)
- 5th grade spoke with Margaret Rodd speak about her experiences.
- 6th grade spoke with Derek Devino talk about his service. Derek is currently on leave from a tour in Afghanistan.
- 7th, 8th and 9th graders had the privilege of sharing time with Earl Morrow who is a WWII POW survivor.
- 10th grade heard Jarod Barber and Nolan Cuevas speak about their time in the service. Jarod is in the Army National Guard and Nolan attended the Coast Guard Academy. Both of these young men are SWA graduates.
- 11th and 12th grades heard from Mark Cummings, retired from the Navy and Mark Eggleston who was in the Army.