

Veterans Day 2009
Missouri State University Salutes



THE
COAST GUARD*

November 11, 2009

Veterans Recognition Breakfast 8:00-10:15am
Location: PSU West Ballroom

Missouri State University's **President Michael Nietzel** will welcome veteran guests. **Lt. Rob McCaskey** of the US Coast Guard will speak about the Coast Guard's organization, operations during hurricane Katrina and also flood relief operations in the midwest on the Mississippi and Red Rivers. 'MSU Canteen' performers will provide music. Breakfast is free to all veterans and their guests. Please call (417) 836-5636, MSU Career Center, to reserve seats by November 5th.

The following activities are all free and open to the public.

Presentation of the Colors 10:30-11:00am
Location: PSU Theatre

Brief comments from **Professor Johnny Washington, PhD.**, Vietnam veteran, will commemorate the day. Then we'll have the playing of Taps to signalize remembrance of the fallen. The Marine Corps League will provide color guard.



LT Rob McCaskey first enlisted in the Illinois Army National Guard in 1986. He completed Basic and Infantry training at Fort Benning, Georgia and later completed Basic Military Police training. He attended the Army Warrant Officer Candidate School in 1993 and served as a line pilot in UH-1 Helicopter Battalions located at Fort Campbell, Kentucky and Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

In 2000 LT McCaskey left the Army and entered the Coast Guard where he served four years as a duty standing pilot in HH-65A helicopters. LT McCaskey was then assigned to the Coast Guard Officer Candidate School where he served as Platoon Officer and academic instructor. He has been the Chief of Incident Management at Sector Upper Mississippi River in St. Louis since August of 2007.

His personal awards and decorations include the Army Aviator badge, Naval Aviator Badge, Air Assault Badge, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Coast Guard Commendation Medal as well as several other awards.



Veterans attending campus events on November 11th are invited to park in **Visitors Lot 13** or **Lot 29** on the corner of National and Monroe, one-half block from Plaster Student Union (see map on the reverse side of this flyer). For those in need of assistance, a drop-off location and personal assistance can be arranged by calling (417) 836-4825. Other special accommodations can be provided by contacting the MSU Disability Services, (417) 836-4192.

For further information on any of the events listed or for additional parking information, call the Modern & Classical Languages Department, (417) 836-5122.

For the full month of November, Meyer Library's third floor archives will showcase a display of Coast Guard gear and photos.

*Second in a 5-part series honoring all military branches

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