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**Boy Scouts to Salute Local Veterans in honor of Veterans Day**  
**Disabled American Veterans Commander to speak**

(Appleton, Wisc) The Bay-Lakes Council, BSA will be saluting area veterans at a public event on Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. Under the theme, "Duty to God and my Country", this event will be held at the Military Veterans Museum in Oshkosh from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Featured speakers are Lt. Col. Michael Hert, his wife Julie, and Cpt. Christian Hert.

The Hert family has a long and distinguished record of military service. With ancestors who served in World Wars I and II, Lt. Col. Hert kept his family's dedication to service going, enlisting with the Army in 1976. He has been deployed five times since Sept. 11, 2001 and now serves as Wisconsin State Commander of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV). Julie currently serves as President of The DAV Auxiliary and Cpt. Christian Hert is a military science professor helping to run the Army Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) program at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh.

All area Veterans organizations are being asked to have representatives and informational tables, so visitors can gain more information on the various services and activities for our nation's vets.

"We are all thankful for the service these men and women have given to our Country, and we feel it is our obligation to take time from our busy schedules to thank and salute our veterans." said Jason Wolf, Bay-Lakes Council Scout Executive. "And we could not have a more perfect venue than the Oshkosh Military Veterans Museum to host this event."

Refreshments will be available during a reception before the Hert family presentation. While this is a free event, there is a suggested donation of \$5.

Bay-Lakes Council, Boy Scouts of America serves nearly 23,000 youth in 35 counties throughout Eastern Wisconsin and the Upper-Peninsula of Michigan. For more information, [www.baylakesbsa.org](http://www.baylakesbsa.org) or 920-734-5705.