



## NEWS ADVISORY

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### **DAVENPORT UNIVERSITY TO CELEBRATE VETERANS DAY AT W.A. LETTINGA CAMPUS** *Scheduled activities include Blackhawk helicopter touchdown and military fly-over*

**GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Oct. XX, 2011** – As a way to recognize veterans for their military service, during times of war or peace, Davenport University and its chapter of the Student Veterans of America (SVA) will celebrate Veterans Day on Nov. 11, 2011, at its W.A. Lettinga Campus in Grand Rapids.

Members of the Army, Army National Guard and Air National Guard will display vehicles and equipment like those currently being used in Iraq and Afghanistan. Weather allowing, a Blackhawk helicopter will land in Davenport University's parking lot and tours of the aircraft will be conducted. Also, a military fly-over is scheduled for 10:40 a.m. (weather allowing). Davenport University's Student Life will host a letter-writing event at which visitors will be encouraged to write letters to service men and women currently serving in active duty.

"Davenport University is honoring American Veterans this November 11 because never before in history have so many been defended by so few," said Scott Lemmon, Director of Admissions and Partnerships. "Since the Vietnam War, there has been a growing gap between the academic and military worlds. Davenport is working to close this gap and welcomes all veterans to our Yellow Ribbon, Military Friendly-designated campus. Here at Davenport, we offer specialized services to all of our student veterans."

**All media are invited to attend.**

**WHAT: Davenport University Honors Veterans**

**WHEN: Friday, Nov. 11, 2011**

<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	Army and Army National Guard equipment on display
<b>10 a.m.</b>	Blackhawk helicopter to touch down (weather allowing) Tours to follow
<b>10:40 a.m.</b>	Military aircraft fly-over (weather allowing)
<b>11 a.m. – 1 p.m.</b>	Free lunch
<b>9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.</b>	Letter-writing stations for deployed Michigan service members

**WHERE: Davenport University, W.A. Lettinga Campus**  
6191 Kraft Ave. SE

**About Davenport University**

Founded in 1866, Davenport is a private, non-profit university with campuses across Michigan and online courses serving an enrollment of more than 13,000 students. With tuition among the lowest of all private universities in the state, Davenport provides high academic quality, small class sizes, conveniently located campuses, faculty with real-world experience and more than 40 dynamic undergraduate and graduate programs addressing in-demand careers. More information is available at [www.davenport.edu](http://www.davenport.edu).

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