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Celebrating Kids, Crafts and Critters at the 2008 Shenandoah County Fair

August 22nd – August 30th

Woodstock, Virginia

July 29, 2008

Veterans Day admission free to veterans and active duty.

Veterans and active duty U.S. Military have many exciting reasons to take advantage of the free admission afforded them on August 27th. The day set aside by the Fair's board of directors is in place to "Honor and recognize the contributions made by the U.S. Military." said Marcy McCann the fair's manager. "The day will be equally exciting to those who severed our great country in other ways." she went on to say. "There are family friendly events and displays for all ages."

SSG Weekley of the Virginia National Guard located in Woodstock, VA and a member of the Veterans Day at the Fair planning committee secured a large inflatable tug of war, the National Guard's NASCAR and a Blackhawk helicopter.

Bring the whole family to see this great flying machine! CW2 Virgil Hill of Flight Operations, AASF who lives in New Market is the pilot for the flight bringing in the UH-60 Blackhawk Helicopter. You are invited to take a look inside and talk to the pilot and crew. The Blackhawk will be in the infield after 10 a.m. on Wednesday August 27th and depart after 4 p.m. At sixty four feet plus in length, with a rotor diameter of 53 feet 7 inches and a height of 16 feet 8 inches this 11,516 LB aircraft is impressive to say the least. It travels at about 184 MPH and carries up to 11 fully equipped troops.

While you're visiting the Blackhawk stop by the National Guard's NASCAR display and have your Ephoto taken next to Dale Mr.'s ride. AMP Energy Chevrolet #88 is the roaring to show you a good time. While you're at it challenge a friend or family member to a turn on the 35 foot long Tug of War. Car #88 and the tug-of-war will be on hand most of the week. Stop by the BB&T - Daniel Boone Log Homes Activities Tent to visit with Congressman Goodlatte, Oliver North, Bill and Buck Pattillo two founders of the Air Force Thunderbirds and view a massive video display compliments of Acuity Audio Visual in Manassas. Virginia Kilmer a veteran of both the US. Navy and Air Force said she is "excited to have this opportunity to provide Morse Code Music" as well as demonstrate her Russian translating skills.

All in good fun to show you that those who are serious about protecting our freedom also know to enjoy the blessing of living in this great country. Visit www.ShenCoFair.com and click the Veterans Day button or call 540-459-3867 for more information.

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