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Veterans Day Tribute at the Commons

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Retired U.S. Navy Capt. John Haffner, right, leads the Pledge of Allegiance with former Saint Mary's College president, Brother Mel Andersen, FSC. Photo Vera Kochan

Guard before the Pledge of Allegiance.

Retired U.S. Navy Capt., SC, John Haffner served as master of ceremonies. "I spent four years in Vietnam. I'm really pleased with today's turnout, and the involvement of the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts," Haffner said. "It's the first time I've ever heard the National Anthem played on a saxophone."

A common thought expressed by guest speakers Mayor Dave Trotter, Supervisor Candace Andersen and State Assembly Member Catharine Baker, was to remember and honor the ultimate sacrifice given by America's fallen military personnel and thank those who made it home, for their service to our country.

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