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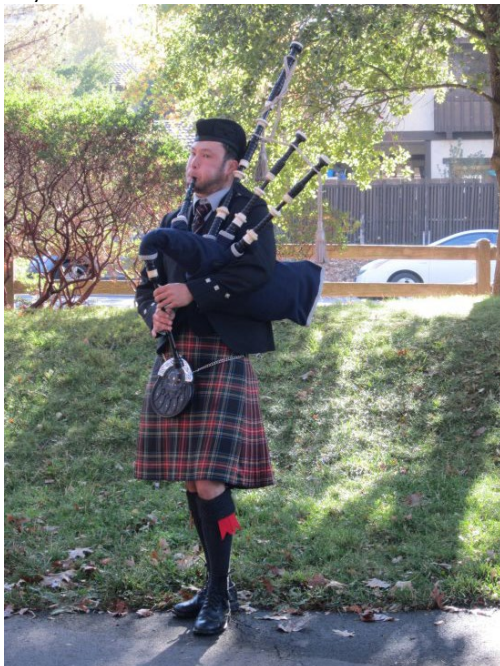
Veterans honored at Moraga Commons Park

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Day in 1954.



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Lamorinda residents gathered Nov. 11 at Moraga Commons to honor the men and women who serve in the United States military during the annual Veterans Day ceremony. The Advancement of Color Guard was represented by the Boy Scouts of America Moraga Scout Troops 212, 234, 246 and 249; and Orinda-Moraga Girl Scout Service Unit #327.

In 1926, the U.S. Congress adopted a resolution requesting that President Calvin Coolidge issue annual proclamations calling for an observance of Nov. 11. World War I formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, when the Armistice with Germany went into effect.

It took 12 years for a Congressional Act to officially make Nov. 11 an annual legal holiday. Originally known as Armistice Day, the name was changed to Veterans

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