

Technical Script for

# A Celebration of Our Home Town Heroes

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7:00 PM, Thursday, November 8, 2018  
East Leyden High School Auditorium

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*[Wounded Warrior, American Legion/VFW, bake sale tables in Lobby]*

## **PRESHOW:**

(6:40 PM)

**CURTAIN IN**  
**VIDEO SCREEN DOWN**  
**BIG BAND MUSIC CD PLAYS**

SLIDE 1

LHS Color Guard greeters are positioned in lobby  
Ready to escort guests to seats

(6:45 PM)

Auditorium opened/curtain closed  
All instrumental students on stage

(6:55 PM)

American Legion/VFW Color Guard members are positioned in lobby  
Concert Band students on sides of stage

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# SHOW:

(7:00 PM)

HOUSE DOWN/GENERAL LIGHTING

CURTAIN OUT

SLIDE 2

**\*Normandy Beach.....John Edmondson**

**MV** Reading of “The Flag Goes By” (cue text on first strain)

George Atkins, orator, Northlake Veterans of Foreign Wars Post

All local Veteran and First Responder Color Guards parade in Colors

Color Guards line auditorium aisles/front of stage, *cue: second perc. break*

LIGHT PIT (0) HOUSE TO HALF ON COLOR GUARD ENTRANCE

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(7:04 PM)

LIGHT PODIUM (11 UP)

SLIDE 3

Bryan Miller, Lt Col, USAF/ILANG delivers 90 sec Star Spangled Banner history

Color Guards standfast

(11 DOWN, 12, 13, 14 UP)

Fly Giant American Flag as GraceNotes take stage

VIDEO SCREEN UP

**\*The Star Spangled Banner.....Francis Scott Key**

**BM** After Star Spangled Banner, Color Guards exit to

**America Opener Fanfare**

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(7:08 PM)

LIGHT PODIUM (11 UP, 12, 13, 14 DOWN)

VIDEO SCREEN DOWN

SLIDE 4

**\*Freedom.....Michael Story**

**MV** Reading of “Earned by a Soldier”

Mr. Jerry Quatrano, Northlake American Legion Post 888, orator

Division 20 Honor Guard to stage

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(7:12PM)

CONTINUE LIGHT PODIUM (11, + 15 UP)

SLIDE 5

**\*Lest We Forget.....James Swearingen**

**JH** In honor of our community's Fire Fighters

**AFTER Bell Rings 3 Times, :50 sec. VIDEO MONTAGE #1, Fire Fighters**

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/10xRX2UWbUT\\_Hu\\_vrh6oWHeRw9FtwFt9v/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/10xRX2UWbUT_Hu_vrh6oWHeRw9FtwFt9v/view?usp=sharing)

Bell Service Ceremony during music

Joshua Hintz orator, Leyden Fire Dept, Division 20 Honor Guard

ALL LIGHTS DOWN EXCEPT 15 AS SONG ENDS (HIGHLIGHT BELL)

First responders and their families are invited to stand and be honored

HOUSE TO HALF/BACK DOWN AFTER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

CURTAIN IN AS STUDENTS CLEAR STAGE FRONT

**All Concert Band and Orchestra musicians off stage**

(7:17 PM)

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SLIDE 6

**Boogie-Woogie Bugle Boy**

GraceNotes and Ms. Cunningham, Leyden choir teacher

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(7:22 PM)

LIGHT LIP OF STAGE

SLIDE 7

**Reading of the origin of Veterans Day**

Officer Tom Henniger, USMC and Franklin Park Police Dept (ret), orator

one snare drum accompanies reading

(11 DOWN WHEN FINISHED)

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(7:24 PM)

GENERAL STAGE LIGHTING, 11-15 DOWN

CURTAIN OUT

SLIDE 8

**The Home Front (Musical Memories of WW II).....James Christensen**

**MV**

In honor of our WW II Veterans

**VIDEO MONTAGE #2, WWII Era**

<https://drive.google.com/a/leyden212.org/file/d/0B0NsZd0-x6hFelZmdXdnVm42T2s/view?usp=sharing>

GraceNotes on stage during “Ill Be Seeing You”

11 AND 12 UP WHEN SINGERS TAKE STAGE

GraceNotes off stage

12 DOWN

(7:30 PM)

11 STAYS UP, LIGHT PODIUM

SLIDE 9

**Duty, Honor, Country.....Harold L. Walters**

**BM**

Text by General Douglas MacArthur

In honor of our Korean War Veterans

Greg Ignoffo, President, Board of Education, Leyden High Schools, orator

GraceNotes to ready position

Battlefield Cross Team to ready position

Fire Team to ready position

(Piper to ready position)

(7:34)

SLIDE 10

11, 13 UP

**The Pledge of Allegiance.....Alfred Reed**

**JH**

In honor of our Viet Nam War Veterans

POW/MIA Table presentation

Joe Houdek, Franklin Park American Legion Post, orator

POW/MIA Table items enacted as they are read, by LHS Color Guard

11 DOWN, 13 STAYS UP, ADD 14 UP

CURTAIN IN

All Band and GraceNotes, Chamber Singers off stage/Orchestra on stage

(7:40)

LIGHT PODIUM (11 UP)

SLIDE 11

**The Thin Blue Line (no music)**

Officer Dan Pavela, Northlake Police Dept, orator

(7:42)

11 REMAINS UP, 12 DOWN

CURTAIN OUT

SLIDE 12

**Police Officer's Prayer**

**Danny Boy.....LHS Orch**

**BM Reverend Paul Laws, Northlake American Legion Post, orator**

**VIDEO MONTAGE #3, Police Department**

<https://drive.google.com/a/leyden212.org/file/d/0B0NsZd0-x6hFcdjUF11dEd1e3c/view?usp=sharing>

(7:48)

11, 12 UP

SLIDE 13

**Presentation of Battlefield Cross**

**Schindler's List.....John Williams**

**BM**

George Atkins, Northlake Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, orator

**End: *The battle flied cross is a dramatic reminder to us that freedom is not free.***

CURTAIN IN

Orchestra off stage/Symphonic Band on stage

(7:53)

LIGHT LIP OF STAGE

SLIDE 14

**This is My Country and  
For Freedom**

Chamber Singers and Ms. Cunningham, Leyden choir teacher

**VIDEO MONTAGE #4, For Freedom**

<https://youtu.be/gIMMF1uWcDA>

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allowfullscreen></iframe>
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SLIDE 15

**21 Gun Salute Amazing Grace**

Joe O'Connor, Franklin Park Police Department, piper)

11 REMAINS UP, HIGHLIGHT PIPER

Immediately following song:

**21 gun salute,** combined Franklin Park and Northlake American Legion Posts

SLIDE 16

PIT/PODIUM LIGHT SLOWLY UP ON TRUMPET,

11 and 12 SLOW FADE TO BLACK

**“Bugler, sound Taps.”**

**Taps, Bryan Miller, Lt Col, USAF/ILANG, Bugler**

**CURTAIN OUT**

Tom Henniger, Stacy Cunningham and GraceNotes on stage

(8:04)

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GENERAL STAGE LIGHTING + 11, 12, 14, 15

SLIDE 17

**God Bless the USA.....Lee Greenwood**

**MV** In honor of our Global War on Terrorism Veterans

Tom Henniger, Stacy Cunningham, + LHS GraceNotes

**VIDEO MONTAGE #5, Military**

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1aWbgpnFZ4yBygx8xwY2mPjcSK6B6gKEr/view?usp=sharing>

Color Guards into position in lobby

Service Flags back stage, combined color guards from: American Legions, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Rosemont, Northlake, and Franklin Park Police Departments, Leyden Fire Department, and Leyden HS Color Guard

(8:08)

**GENERAL STAGE LIGHTING + 11, STAYS, 12, 14, 15 DOWN**

SLIDE 18

**America, the Beautiful.....Samuel Ward**

**MV** Chorus Students

Bill McMurray, Franklin Park American Legion, orator

I Am An American voice over/audience invited to join in song

**VIDEO MONTAGE #6, Americana, including local monuments/memorials**

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B0NsZd0-x6hFNEFMaEhFUUVTeHe/view?usp=sharing>

**Officer Henniger announces free will offering for the Wounded Warriors**

Stacy Cunningham and GraceNotes leave stage

(8:12)

SLIDE 19

**GENERAL STAGE LIGHTING + 11 STAYS,  
+ LIGHT PIT (0) AND HOUSE TO HALF**

**Armed Forces Salute.....Bob Lowden**

**BM** In honor of all Veterans and their Families

Bryan Miller delivers “Freedom Isn’t Free” read prior to song

Each service emblem is highlighted on slide as song is performed

**Officer Henniger announces each armed service as song is played**

Each service flag comes into position as service song is performed

Veterans/family members stand to be honored  
Audience invited to sing service songs  
Color Guards return to line aisles for finale;

**MARCH IN TO NAVY SONG**

(8:20)

HOUSE TO FULL, PIT LIGHTS DOWN (0), STAGE LIGHTS DOWN

**AFTER SONG:**

SLIDE 20

**BIG BAND MUSIC CD PLAYS**

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*West <<<*

*[BACK OF STAGE]*

*>>> East*

*Conductor*

*Podium (stage Extension)*

*Top Riser*    *battle field cross*    *POW/MIA*    *bell*

*light 11*    *light 12*    *light 13*    *light 14*    *light 15*

*Pit*

*<Army*    *<Coast Guard*    *Marines*    *>Air Force*    *>Navy*

*[FRONT OF HOUSE]*



# Supporting Links

[\*Veterans Day Stakeholder Board Meeting Notes\*](#)

[\*Leyden Faculty Feedback about the show for Music Students\*](#)

[\*Link to Source Documents Used as Orations Over Music Beds\*](#)

[\*Link to Literature/Staging Cue Sheet for Participants\*](#)

[\*Link to Accompanying Slide Deck\*](#)

[\*Link to Representative Photo, Color Guards, Chicago Tribune\*](#)

[\*Link to Representative Photo, Taps performed for KIA Leyden HS Military Alumni\*](#)

[\*Link to Representative Photo, Choir Singing with Video\*](#)

[\*Link to Representative Photo, Veteran Color Guard\*](#)

[\*Link to Representative Photo, Ceremony Participants from Community\*](#)

[\*Link to Representative Photo, All performing The Star Spangled Banner\*](#)

[\*Link to Representative Photo, performing God Bless the USA\*](#)

[\*Link to Representative Photo, POW/MIA Table Ceremony\*](#)

[\*Link to Publicity Poster \(printing donated by Leyden Township\)\*](#)

[\*Link to Local Media Coverage, Chicago Tribune\*](#)

[\*Link to Local Media Coverage, Franklin Park\*](#)

[\*Link to Local Media Coverage, Franklin Park\*](#)

[\*Link to Local Media Coverage, Journal & Topics\*](#)

[\*Leyden HS Veterans Day Student Announcements Video\*](#)