

November 14, 2013

## Staunton 351 Honors Area Veterans on 11-10-13



Major Ben Sprouse



The Stonewall Brigade Band



Veterans of Staunton 351

Staunton 351 held its annual Veterans Day Luncheon on November 10, 2013. The Stonewall Brigade band played patriotic music. The colors were presented by the Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership Color Guard of Mary Baldwin College. Guest Speaker for the event was Major Ben Sprouse, Chaplain of the Staunton National Guard, 116th Infantry Brigade Combat Team. He told stories of times in combat where he helped soldiers cope with life on the front lines. He showed some of the items he brought back, and discussed what each meant to him. An Honor Roll Call was made naming all Veterans in attendance and a buffet dinner was served. Members of the local VFW were also in attendance. All branches of the Armed services were represented by lodge veterans.