

Henry J. Thomas Memorial Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 845 NEWSLETTER

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MAY 2008

POST Officers

- Commander: Tom Ames
- Senior Vice Commander: Miguel Hernandez
- Junior Vice Commander: David Hrynkow
- Quartermaster: Robert Broody
- Chaplain: Marvin Walton
- Adjutant: Tom Hrynkow
- Service Officer: Paul Dougherty
- Judge Advocate: Claude Frisbie
- Post Surgeon: Leroy Swisher
- Officer of the day: Barry Molyneaux
- 1 Year Trustee: Jack Powell
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- President : Debbie Albright
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- Chaplain: Yolanda Walus
- Guard: Simone Luminello
- Conductress: Myrtle Butterman
- 1 Year Trustee: Sue Pierson
- 2 Year Trustee: Carol Gill
- 3 Year Trustee: Jeanette Beam

Home Association Officers

- President: Tom Ames
- Treasurer: Robert Broody
- Board of Directors:
- Tom Hrynkow, Tom Wise, Jack Powell, Jerry Banks, Barry Molyneaux

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Meeting Schedules

- **Post Meeting:** First Tuesday of the Month at 7:30 PM
- **Ladies Auxiliary Meeting:** 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM
- **Home Association Meetings:** 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month 7:30 PM

From The Post Commander

May is an important and busy month for Post 845. Memorial Day will be upon us before we know it. There is much to do. Our committees are busy working out the details of our ceremonial programs and parade details. There are new flags to be placed on veteran's graves at Glenmoore, Forks of the Brandywine and Fairview cemeteries. The tentative date for this detail will be ARMED FORCES DAY, Saturday, May 17th. We will meet at the Post at 9:30 AM. Placing flags on Armed Forces Day is a great way to pay our personal tributes to the sacrifice and service of our veterans passed. Please come and join us.

We should remember that Memorial Day is not a festive holiday, rather it is a day of reverence. It is one day reserved out of 365 as our day to pay respect and humble tribute to those veterans of the Armed Forces who lost their lives on fields of battle in service to their nation.

Memorial Day ceremonies will begin on Sunday, May 25th at the Marinelli Park at around twelve noon (exact time to be announced). We will then travel to Fairview cemetery near Glenmoore, followed by Glenmoore cemetery, Forks of the Brandywine and Hopewell cemeteries for our tribute, Salute to the Dead ceremonies. On Monday, May 26th, Memorial Day services will begin at Northwood cemetery at approximately 8-AM followed by services at St. Joseph's cemetery. Services will be held at the Downingtown Veterans Memorial Triangle at Kerr Park following the parade. We return to the Post for our traditional ceremony followed by our Post luncheon. We are asking our veteran membership to help field enough men to make a fine showing for our memorial services on Sunday, May 25th, and Monday, May 26th. Please plan to come and join us.

Traditional Memorial Day is May 30th. We will meet at 3:00 sharp on Friday, May 30th at the Veteran's Memorial Triangle for a moment of silence followed by our traditional Salute to the Dead. Congress and our Commander-in-Chief have decreed this traditional 3:00 tribute and it is our obligation to remember our veteran's sacrifice in such a manner. We hope to see you there.

As a final note, the election and installation of Post Officers are the main agenda for our regular Post Meeting to be held at 7:30 PM, May 6th. I will reserve space in the June issue to offer my sincere thanks to the membership for their support during my tenure as Commander of Post 845. It has been a honor to serve you.

Thomas E. Ames
 Commander

CHAPLAINS CORNER:

Greetings from the Post Chaplain.

We are still in dire need of people to help with our Poppy Sales in April and May on the following dates:

- April 26th & 27th Acme Exton**
- May 3rd & 4th Croppers**
- May 17th & 18th Acme Thorndale**
- May 24th & 25th K-Mart Exton**

If you can spare some time for one of these days please contact me or any of the post Officers. Funds generated through our Poppy distribution program go directly to help our veterans in distress. Please support our Poppy program whenever you see a contribution can in a local store.

On Saturday May 17th DAV Chapter 90 will have its first one of a kind event. On that day you will have an opportunity to meet with representatives from the Governor's Veterans Outreach Center, the Veterans Administration in Coatesville and a representative from the Disabled American Veterans Administration office in Philadelphia. Please see our Posts website for more information.

Marvin Walton
Post Chaplain

HOURS OF OPERATION

BAR

Monday through Friday 9:30 Am till 12:00 AM
Saturday & Sunday 11:00 Am till 12:00 AM

KITCHEN HOURS

Now Open for Lunch!!
Tuesday through Friday 11:30 AM till 2:00 PM
Saturday and Sunday 12:00 PM till 6:00 PM
Evening Hours Mon. Tues. Wed. & Friday 6 pm till 9 pm
Thursday 5 pm till 8 pm
Special Hours on Saturday Band Nights
12:00 PM till 9:00 pm

AUXILIARY CORNER

Hello everyone,

Well summer is upon us and our calendar is filling up.

Sunday May 4th 2 pm The Ladies are sponsoring a **Quarter Auction** in the banquet room. So save up those quarters and bid on items that are up for auction! For those of you who have never been to one it's a day of fun for the entire family! Kitchen will be open. *Hope to see you there!!*

VFW SPORTS WEAR is now available and on display in the front bar. Order sheets are on the bulletin board.

Watch for details on the Ladies Auxiliary Sunday all you can eat breakfast in June.

Saturday August 9th: **Spirit of Philadelphia Dinner Cruise.** Price will include round trip bus transportation, from the post to Penn's landing, dinner, entertainment, dancing, taxes and tips. Price per person \$115.00

Limited to the first 50 people that sign up.
Sign up Sheet and details are on the bulletin board
Debbie Albright
Ladies Auxiliary President

NECROLOGY

Steven Toth
Fred Donoughy

★ **Memorial Day Activities** ★

★ Please take note of our Commanders message
★ on the first page. Times and dates for the
★ many activities and ceremonies planned for
★ the month of May are noted in his column.
★ Again help is needed for all the activities
★ listed.
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★ Please stop by and pickup your Membership Cards

The Post is offering a 20% Discount for any Member wishing to become a Life Member. This applies to Ladies Auxiliary members also

If you wish to receive your Newsletter via E-Mail rather than regular mail. Please notify our Webmaster at webmaster@vfwpost845.org This will help defray postage costs

CALENDAR OF SPECIAL EVENTS FOR MAY 2008

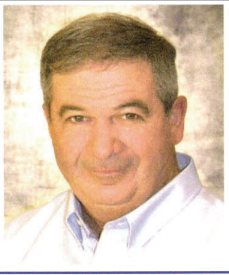
- ◆ Saturday May 3rd Private Party Banquet Room
- ◆ Sunday May 4th Quarter Auction sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary 2 pm
- ◆ Tuesday May 6th 7:30 pm Post Meeting Annual Election of Post Officers
- ◆ Wednesday May 7th Private meeting Banquet Room
- ◆ Friday May 9th Miguel Sings Front Bar
- ◆ Saturday May 10th Band Night: Entertainment provided by: Good Foot (sandwich menu will be available till 9 pm)
- ◆ Wednesday May 14th ALL-YOU-CAN EAT Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad and garlic bread \$6.00 includes tax. 5 pm till 8:00 pm (sandwich menu also available till 9 pm)
- ◆ Saturday May 17th Armed Forces Day (please see the Commanders Column for details)
- ◆ Saturday May 24th Band Night: Entertainment provided by: Straight Shooters
- ◆ Saturday May 24th Dinner Special: 5:30 pm till 7:30 pm Stuffed Pork Chops, scalloped potatoes, salad, roll and butter. \$9.00 Reservations by May 20th are a MUST !
- ◆ Sunday May 25th Memorial Day ceremonies begin!
- ◆ Sunday May 25th ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT Pancake Breakfast Buffet \$6.00 per person 8 am Till 11:30 am Eggs, sausage, bacon, coffee, juice and more. *Reservations are requested*
- ◆ Monday May 26th Memorial Day Services and Parade followed by our Post luncheon.
- ◆ Friday May 30th Traditional Memorial Day services to be held at 3:00 pm at the Veterans Memorial Triangle in Downingtown.



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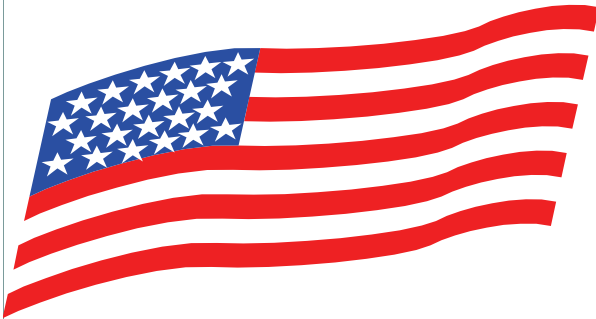
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**Join Us on Sunday May 25th for our
Memorial Day Ceremonies Kick off
Pancake Breakfast see the Special
events Calendar for information**

**MAY 26TH
MEMORIAL DAY
SERVICES AND
PARADE**

**1st ANNUAL VFW POST 845 GOLF TOURNAMENT
Honeybrook Golf Club
Monday June 30th 9 am Shotgun start
\$75.00 per Golfer
Includes: golf, lunch, prizes and more!
Sign up Sheet at the Post**

**Quarter Auction
May 4th 2 pm**

**Advertising Space Available
Contact Mike Wealer @ 610
-269-8818 for information**

**VFW Sports Wear Now
Available & on Display at
the Post**

**AUGUST 9TH SPIRIT OF PHILADELPHIA DINNER CRUISE SIGN UP SHEET AND DETAILS ARE
ON THE BULLETIN BOARD. LIMITED TO 50 PEOPLE**