

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

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POST Officers

- Commander: Paul Dougherty
- Senior Vice Commander: Miguel Hernandez
- Junior Vice Commander: David Hrynkow
- Quartermaster: Robert Broody
- Chaplain: Marvin Walton
- Adjutant: Tom Hrynkow
- Judge Advocate: Claude Frisbie
- Post Surgeon: Jerry Banks
- Officer of the day: Barry Molyneaux
- 1 Year Trustee: Barry Molyneaux
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- 3 year Trustee: Tom Ames

Auxiliary Officers

- President : Debbie Albright
- Senior Vice President : Dot Swisher
- Junior Vice: Carol Osborne
- Secretary: Ginny Pringle
- Treasurer: Paula Wilson
- Chaplain: Yolanda Walus
- Guard: Simone Luminello
- Conductress: Myrtle Butterman
- 1 Year Trustee: Betty Alexander
- 2 Year Trustee: Jeanette Beam
- 3 Year Trustee: Carol Gill

Home Association Officers

- President: Paul Dougherty
- Treasurer: Robert Broody
- Board of Directors:
• Tom Ames, Tom Wise, Miguel Hernandez,
• Jerry Banks, Barry Molyneaux

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:** Bi-Weekly at 7:15 PM



From The Post Commander

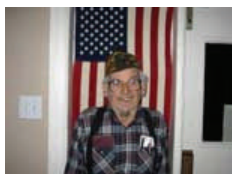
Memorial Day is fast approaching. Unfortunately many Americans don't know much about Memorial Day's purpose and history. This is a sad state of affairs because it removes them from having an important bond with the men, and women, who have given their lives in our nation's service. Memorial Day should be a time of solemn reflection. We should honor some of the most sacred of human ideals: Service, duty, commitment, heroism and honor. We as a nation are indebted to all of those Soldiers, Marines, Sailors and Airmen who have given their lives defending us.

As I mentioned, Memorial Day is nearly upon us. Fortunately, much of the planning and preparation for the holiday weekend's parade and other events is complete and has gone well. However, every member of the post, no matter what their membership status, is encouraged to participate in the parade. We can always use assistance with all of the aspects of the parade. For example, we could use help at Kerr Park, the beginning of the parade at Beaver Creek Elementary, supporting our comrades from the VA, selling Buddy Poppies, etc.

Please feel free to leave a message on the Post's website if you are interested in getting involved in any capacity.

See you on Memorial Day!

Paul Dougherty
Post Commander

**CHAPLAINS CORNER:**

Greetings from the
Post Chaplain.

Remember to keep all of our armed forces in your prayers and those here at our post. Memorial day is approaching any assistance with the Buddy Poppies would be appreciated.

Marvin Walton

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

Open Monday thru Saturday 11:00 am to 10:00 pm
Sundays TBD
See the Calendar for specials:

BIRTHDAY LUNCH

LUNCH ON US FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY THAT MONTH.

JUST STOP BY THE POST SHOW YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD & PROOF OF BIRTHDAY AND PLACE YOUR ORDER.

THIS IS AVAILABLE ON MONDAYS, TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS ONLY. FROM 11AM TO 1PM. ONE LUNCH PER MEMBER PER YEAR AND A TOTAL \$10 VALUE.

In Remembrance**AUXILIARY CORNER**

Hello everyone,

On March 17th the Ladies Aux held there annual St Patrick's Day Ham & Cabbage Dinner. Greg Caputo did a fantastic job preparing the food.



Numerous compliments to the chef. The fund raiser was a big success. The profits from the event will be donated to the Bravo Co 1st 111th Family Readiness Group Sunshine Fund which is used to help out the families of the deployed soldiers.

There were two Easter Egg Hunts held this year at the post.

The first being held on April 5th for the families of Bravo Co. with the help of Ginny Pringle, Carol Osborne, Susan Hernandez & Paula Wilson of the Ladies Auxiliary. The day started with lunch that was prepared by Greg Caputo, consisting of Hotdogs, Potato Salad, Chips, Pretzel, Juice Boxes, Water & lots of deserts which the FRG provided. While everyone was eating Ginny, Carol, & Susan covered the front lawn with over 40 dozen eggs filled with sweet treats. The delight that showed on the children's faces when they saw all those eggs was priceless. We had a special visit from the Easter Bunny aka Topher Hrynkow. Pictures were taken with the Easter Bunny and lots of hugs given to the Easter Bunny. We couldn't have asked for a better day.

The second Easter Egg Hunt was held on April 11th for the Families of the VFW. Spite the rainy weather we all had a great time. With the help of Debbie Albright, Carol Osborne, Paula Wilson, Ginny Pringle, Susan Hernandez & Jeanette Beam we were able to turn the back room into a colorful egg extravaganza. Ice-cream, cookies and juice drinks were served to the children. The Easter Bunny (Topher) made a grand entrance that delighted the hearts of both the children and adults. Everyone had a great time.

Have items you have been looking to get rid of, well mark your calendars for September 19th. That's the tentative date for the Ladies Auxiliary YARD SALE. The cost will be \$10.00 per space. Sellers to provide there own able.

Look for more information in the newsletters and in the Post as the date gets closer.

Remember the Ladies Auxiliary meets every third Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm at the Downingtown VFW Post 845. All Auxiliary members are encouraged to come.

Thank you

We would like to receive input from our members. New Births, Grandkids, Married the longest, etc
If you have something you would like to see in the newsletter, please contact Miguel Hernandez.

Spotlight on some of our Outstanding Members

I would like to take a minute to mention several of our Post members who have volunteered their time to assist the families of our adopted unit in their time of need. I'd like to acknowledge the following folks for their greatly appreciated help:

Pat Waite, Ray Thompson , Mike Rush and Charles Sutton

I would also like to mention all of the folks that have helped with events that we have hosted for Bravo Company. I know the families appreciate your help as do I.

Sincerely,

*Miguel Hernandez
Sr. Vice Commander
Post 845*

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Specials**

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

Community Service Hours
Are Available at the Post.
Newsletter once a month and
many other projects.