

MAY 26

RAISING OF THE 500

9 A.M. Mercer County Court House
Former Bissett's Parking Lot

RACE THROUGH THE FLAGS*

Registration: 9 A.M.
Mercer County Court House
10 A.M. One Mile Race
10:30 A.M. 5 K Race
Mercer Post Office
*Vendor: Runners High (724 458 4435)

VET TRANSPORT DECORATING

Mercer County Court House 11:30

POKER RUN*

Registration 11 – 1 @ Sidebar & Grille
North Diamond Street
Event: 1 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
Prizes & Dinner (724 662 6020)
*Sponsor: East End Volunteer Fire Dept.

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BREAKFAST & FLAG RAISINGS*

Mercer American Legion, Butler Street
8 A.M. Free to all Veterans
Flag Raisings at American Legion and VFW to follow
*Sponsor: American Legion and VFW
(724 662 0274)

**FLAG PROGRAM featuring
THE NATIONAL FLAG TRUCK!**

Historic Picture Portrait Taken

**9 - 9:30 A.M. East Side
Mercer County Court House
Unveiling of three 45' x 90'
300 pound American Flags
Time for Flag Holders: 8:30**

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BAND CONCERT

Wildcat Regiment Band
9:30 - 10:30
Court House Band Stand

VETERAN WELCOME RECEPTION

9:30 - 10:30 North Side
Mercer County Court House
Court House Veteran Parking
Refreshments, Seating, Facilities,
Drawings(Patriotic Hot Air Balloon Rides)
Veteran Transports Located Here
Return Transportation to Court House
National 60' POW/MIA Flag on Display

PARADE ~ FIVE BANDS

11 A.M. – 12 P.M.
Along North Pitt Street Past the Mercer
County Court House to End of South Pitt
Street @ Citizens Cemetery
Line-Up: Vehicles in Place by 9:30.
Marchers in Position by 10:30.

- LEADING THE PARADE IN CONVERTIBLES -

THE 2007 HONOREES

RED - JOHN GETWAY
WHITE - KEN HEIDER
BLUE - ED HOAGLAND

BLACK IN MEMORY OF

★ **FIRST KILLED IN ACTION
IN MERCER COUNTY** ★
IN THREE WARS

JIM FORRESTER
MICHAEL MARZANO
MICHAEL MISINAY

(Friends & Relatives Walking Behind)

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OBSERVANCE

*Citizens Cemetery, 12 – 1 P.M.
End of So. Pitt Street at Veterans Platform*

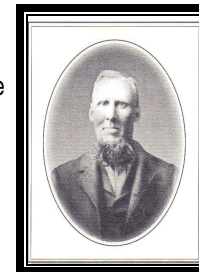
~PROGRAM~

WELCOME
ANNOUNCEMENT
SALUTE TO THE FLAG
Presentation of Colors
Pledge of Allegiance
National Anthem
INVOCATION
Silent Moment of Remembrance
INTRODUCTIONS
MUSICAL SELECTIONS
The Wildcat Regiment Band
HONOREE PRESENTATIONS
WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE
MUSICAL SELECTIONS
The Balmoral Highlanders
REMARKS BY HONORED GUESTS
TRADITIONS OF MEMORIAL DAY
The Gettysburg Address
Placing of the Wreath
MUSICAL SELECTIONS
The Penn Ohio Singers
SALUTE TO FALLEN COMRADES
Prayer of Remembrance
21 Rifle Salute
Taps and Echo
CLOSING MUSICAL SELECTION
BENEDICTION AND DISMISSAL

CIVIL WAR OBSERVANCE

1:05 - 1:20 P.M.

Following the Observance. Citizens
Cemetery Mid Section at the Gravesite
of Congressional Medal of Honor
Winner Pvt. Lewis Brest, Civil War
Hero, led by the 10th Pennsylvania
Volunteers assisted by the Cushings
Taylors Battery of Cory, PA with
horses and cannon.



OBSERVANCE PARTICIPANTS

In Order of Appearance:

Bob Ross, Uncle Sam
David L. Robinson, Capt., PA 10th Regimental
VFW Post 6345, Larry Houston, Comm.
Wildcat Regiment Band, Bruno Pino, Dir.
Chuck Schwartz, Pastor, 1st Baptist Church
Jim Cardamon, Old Guard Drill Team, Ret.
Kenneth Seamans, County Commissioner
Maurice Keaveny, County Jury Commissioner

Introductions:

Honorees

John Getway, Ken Heider, Ed Hoagland
Former Prisoners of War
Jim Zimmer, Wayne McClelland, Dailey Halsey,
Harold Beerbower and Abie Abraham

Iwo Jima Veterans

Ralph Griffiths and Bill Bletso
Gary Solander, County Director Veteran Affairs
Balmoral Highlanders, Jimmy McIntosh
Michael Williams, School Teacher
Maddie Hessmann, Girl Scout (Drum Roll)
Penn Ohio Singers, Geoff Mucha, Director
21 Cannon Salute, !SG David Gatewood

INCLEMENT WEATHER

If persistent wet weather is expected for the entire morning
only the Observance will be held at the Mercer High School
Gymnasium, W. Butler Street., and moved to 11 A.M., 4
blocks SW of the Court House. If a storm is expected to
move through the area early, there will be a one hour rain
delay for all events. The decision will be made at 8 A.M.

FOOD VENDORS AND FACILITIES

available at North Side of Court House
and at Sky Bank Parking Area

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Provided from Mercer High School and
Mercer Elementary School

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