



RACE THROUGH THE FLAGS 9:00 - 9:30

This 5K foot race through the 500 flags along Pitt Street past the Mercer County Court House, benefits The National Angelman Foundation. The race is open to the public but active military and new recruits race for free. Information: Mercer Pizza Joe's, 724-662-2433, the Browns, 724-662-2786 or access the 500's website for the Race link. Registration begins at 8:15 by the Civil War Monument. Race begins at 9:00, one block north of the Court House at the Post Office.

FUN & GAMES FOR STUDENTS 9:00 - 11:00

The Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force & National Guard Will Be On N. Diamond St. To Test Your Metal With Enjoyable Activities Along With Food Vendors, The Civil War Singing Group Homefront, & A Photo Op With Uncle Sam.



MORNING DOWNPOUR SCHEDULE HELD AT MERCER HIGH SCHOOL

9:30 Patriotic Program 11:00 Mass Induction
10:30 Vet Reception 11:30 Memorial Salute

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PATRIOTIC PROGRAM 9:30 - 10:15

A USO type show featuring Vietnam with the American Belles from New York City



entertaining at the Court House Bandstand.

VETERANS RECEPTION 9:30 - 10:30

On The South Side Of The Mercer County Courthouse. Veterans gather to sit, eat, visit, relax & listen to music. Free veteran drawings for gas cards, gift cards, Wendell August Forge tray, Anderson Tours trip to Washington D.C., Freedom Flights Balloon Rides & Little Joe to entertain.



AVAILABLE VETERAN AMENITIES

RESERVED PARKING

Along South Diamond St., Cunningham Funeral Home & Bethany Church.

VOLUNTEERS to assist you on S. Diamond.

GOLF CART rides from car to reception.

PARADE TRANSPORT boarding just steps away.

RETURN TRANSPORTATION from Memorial Salute.

RESTROOM FACILITIES inside @ Reception.

MILITARY INDUCTION CEREMONY 10:30 - 10:45



New recruits will take a public Induction Oath to serve their country at the Court House Bandstand. The oath will be administered by Col. Gary Solander, USA (Ret).



PARADE TO HONOR VETERANS 11:00 - 12:00

75 Marching units including 6 musical groups traveling along Pitt Street from the Post Office to Citizens Cemetery.

PUBLIC PARKING:

Brandy Springs Park: S. Shenango St. Ext.

Mercer High School: W. Butler St.

Elementary School: North St. Ext.

Parking Maps may be downloaded from our website

PUBLIC RESTROOMS:

South Diamond Street North Diamond Street

Venango & Erie Streets Bethany Church

Citizens Cemetery

**and remember.....
No candy throwing or politicking
We are honoring veterans today!**

MEMORIAL SALUTE 12:00 - 1:00 CITIZENS CEMETERY



**YOUR PRESENCE
VALIDATES
THE SACRIFICE
MADE BY THE
MANY
WHO PERISHED
FOR YOUR
FREEDOM!**

~ PROGRAM ~

- 👉 Home Front "Just Before the Battle Mother"
- 👉 Dave Robinson - Civil War Announcement
- 👉 Pastor Chuck Schwartz - Prayer
- 👉 Penn Ohio Singers - "Follow the Flag"
- 👉 Volant VFW Post 7465 - Presenting the Colors
- 👉 Presentation Honorees:
PO Ken Ammann, USN (Ret)
CPT George Gerhart, USA (Ret)
Col. Gary Solander, USA (Ret)
SGT Dick Stevenson, USAF (Ret)
Col. Gary Solander - Message
- 👉 Balmoral Highlanders "Highland Cathedral"
- 👉 Recognition of Former POWs
- 👉 Penn Ohio Singers "Trilogy"
- 👉 Mike Williams "Gettysburg Address"
- 👉 Adrian Reeher, Boy Scout Troop 71
- 👉 Home Front "Battle Hymn"
- 👉 Pastor Chuck Swartz - Prayer
- 👉 National Guard-21 Cannon Salute
- 👉 Steel City Ambassadors - Taps

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