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Williamsport's Vet Center Has New Home

or many long-time county residents, the old Stroehmann Bakery building on Washington Boulevard in Williamsport has served as the landmark when someone asked where the area's Vet Center was located. But now that the Center has moved to new offices, the new landmark is now the James V. Brown Library! Yes, the Vet Center can be found right next door to the library on East Fourth Street (see photo below).

Now that you know where the Vet Center is, do you know what they do? And for whom? Let's take a look...

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New location of the Vet Center: Suite 104, 49 East Fourth Street, Williamsport—next to the James V. Brown Library (on left).

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The first thing you should know is that the services that the Vet Center provides are <u>FREE OF CHARGE</u>. These services include readjustment counseling and outreach services to all veterans who served in any combat zone. Services are also available for their family members.

What is readjustment counseling? Readjustment counseling is a wide range of services provided to combat veterans in the effort to make a satisfying transition from military to civilian life. Services include:

- individual counseling
- group counseling
- marital and family counseling
- bereavement counseling
- substance abuse information and referral
- referral in applying for VA Benefits
- referral for job counseling and educational VA benefits
- referral for homeless vets
- military sexual trauma (male and female) counseling & referral
- outreach and community education

Am I eligible for Vet Center readjustment counseling?

If you, or a family member, served in any combat zone and received a military campaign ribbon in WWI (12/7/41-3/2/46), Korea (6/27/50-5/7/54), Vietnam (2/28/61-5/7/75), Lebanon (8/25/82-2/26/84), Grenada (10/23/82-11/21/83), Panama (12/20/89-1/31/90), Persian Gulf (8/20/90-TBD), Bosnia/Kosovo (12/20/96-4/8/99), Global War on Terrorism: OEF (9/11/01-TBD) or OIF (4/3/03-TBD), you are eligible for services.

I just got back from deployment and I am having trouble sleeping and feel angry all the time. Is this something I should worry about? Readjustment to civilian life is often difficult. The counselors at the Vet Center are all veterans who understand your experiences and are trained to deal with your specific needs. Give the Vet Center a call, or drop in to talk to one of the counselors if you are experiencing any of the following:

- anger, irritability, and rage
- feeling nervous, grief, or sadness
- depression, anxiety, and paranoia
- difficulty trusting others
- feeling guilt over acts committed or witnessed, or the failure to prevent certain events
- feeling guilty of merely having survived while others did not
- hyper alertness and startle reactions
- isolation and alienation from others
- loss of interest in activities that you enjoyed previously
- low tolerance to stress
- problems with authority
- problems feeling good about oneself
- nightmares, trouble sleeping
- substance and/or alcohol abuse

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I am a WWII (or Vietnam or Korean) vet and have recently retired from my civilian job. I am starting to think a lot about my time during the war. Who can I talk to who will understand how I am feeling? All veterans, regardless of their age or length of time elapsed since their tour of combat duty, are welcome to contact the Vet Center and set up an appointment for counseling or referrals to other services.

Will the Vet Center keep what I say confidential? Vet Center Staff respect the privacy of all veterans. The information disclosed in the counseling process is held in strictest confidence. No information will be released to any person or agency without written consent from of the veteran.

Are there other Vet Centers in the area? The Williamsport Vet Center covers a multi-county area including Lycoming, Potter, Tioga, Bradford, Cameron, Clinton, Sullivan, Clearfield, Centre, Union, Snyder, Northumberland, Montour, and Mifflin. Other Vet Centers in the state are located in Dubois, Philadelphia, Harrisburg, Erie, Pittsburgh, Scranton and McKeesport.

Who are the staff members at the Williamsport Vet Center? In photo, below, left to right:

Charles (Chuck) Wannop, MSCP, formerly in military intelligence; conducts individual and group counseling sessions and travels to the Sunbury American Legion every other Wednesday, to the Sayre VA Outpatient Clinic every other Friday, and to the State College VA Outpatient Clinic every Thursday.

Michael Volz, a medic in the PA National Guard, is an Iraqi Freedom veteran having served with the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 28th Infantry Division. He is the Vet Center's Global War on Terrorism Veteran Outreach Specialist and meets with vets at local civic and community meetings and with members of the National Guard and Reserve Units when they are drilling.

Lori Raffensberger, LSW, veteran of Desert Storm; conducts a weekly support group for partners of all combat veterans, individual and group counseling sessions and travels to the Wellsboro National Guard Armory every Tuesday to meet with veterans in that area.

Nelson L. Forsburg, Office Manager, served 4 years as a Presidential Honor Guard in the 3rd U.S. Infantry, (The Old Guard), Fort Myer, Virginia. Honorably served in the U.S. Army Reserves and the Army National Guard; organizes and maintains an effective administrative workload schedule, determining daily and weekly priorities.



(photo courtesy of the Vet Center)

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VETERANS DAY PARADE

WHERE: Main Street, Hughesville

WHEN: Saturday, November 10th at 11:00 a.m.

(parade forms at 10:00 a.m. at the fireman's lot—corner of Railroad

and Water Streets)

SPONSORED BY: Hughesville American Legion

Glenn Sharrow Post 35



Do you need to replace your Military ID Card?

GO TO: FCG Solutions ID Card Center

Lycoming Memorial US Army Reserve Center

1605 Four Mile Drive, Williamsport, PA 17701-1989

HOURS: 8:30 to 4:30, Monday through Thursday **CONTACT:** Ronald D. Curley at 570-322-4696 ext. 213

Fax: 570-322-4648

Email: ronald.curley@usar.army.mil

WALK-IN OFFICE (No appointment necessary)



UPDATE: Persian Gulf Conflict Veterans' Bonus Program

Pennsylvania voters gave overwhelming approval to funding for the Persian Gulf Conflict Veterans Compensation Program when they voted in the general election on November 7, 2006. This program will provide payments to veterans of Operation Desert Storm and Desert Shield (August 1990 to August 1991). Implementation of the new program will require consideration of regulations and various administrative actions.

Applications for this bonus program will not be available until sometime during the <u>first quarter of 2008</u>.

Watch for updates at www.milvet.state.pa.us/DMVA/548.htm and in the February 2008 Lycoming Vet newsletter.



Armed Forces Loan Forgiveness Program Extended, Says Everett

September 6, 2007

The Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency has extended the Armed Forces Loan Forgiveness Program to provide a one-time loan forgiveness benefit to servicemen and servicewomen, said Rep. Garth Everett (R-Lycoming).

The Armed Forces Loan Forgiveness Program was created to recognize the bravery, dedication, and loyalty of servicemen and servicewomen who served in the aftermath of Sept. 11, 2001. This program has since been extended seven times.

The program provides a one-time loan forgiveness benefit of up to \$2,500 for student borrowers who served in the Armed Forces in an active duty status between Sept. 11, 2001, and Dec. 31, 2007. Applicants must have an eligible, non-defaulted loan such as a PHEAA Guaranteed Loan, an AES Stafford, Consolidation, PLUS, or SLS loan. These loans must be disbursed on or before Sept. 31, 2007.

Eligible applicants must meet one of three following criteria:

- A current resident or a state resident who was living in Pennsylvania at the time of enlistment and was in the military continuously through at least Sept. 11, 2001, regardless of current residence.
- > A non-resident of Pennsylvania who left a Pennsylvania-approved institution of post-secondary education due to a call to active duty.
- > A non-resident of Pennsylvania who enlisted in the military immediately after attending a Pennsylvania-approved institution of post-secondary education.

Applications for the Armed Forces Loan Forgiveness program can be downloaded online at http://repeverett.com/. If a borrower is overseas and cannot complete the application, a signature by the Power of Attorney will be accepted with supporting documentation. Applications must be completed and returned to PHEAA by Dec. 31, 2007.

More information, including applications for the Armed Forces Loan Forgiveness Program, is available by contacting Everett's offices at (570) 546-2084 in Muncy or (570) 398-4476 in Jersey Shore or by visiting Everett's Web site http://repeverett.com/.

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CARNEY INTRODUCES LEGISLATION TO STOP THEFT OF VETERANS' GRAVE MARKERS



September 6, 2007

Washington, D.C.—Congressman Christopher P. Carney today introduced legislation to protect veterans' grave markers. "Our veterans have served our country with dignity; we owe them the honor of a proper burial and grave marker. I am outraged that grave markers are being stolen and not enough is being done about it. This legislation asks the Sentencing Commission to review and enhance the laws that currently protect veteran grave makers," said Congressman Carney.

Stealing veterans' grave markers has become a national and local problem. According to the Wilkes Barre Citizens Voice, 739 veterans' grave markers have been stolen from Luzerne County, one of the counties located in Pennsylvania's 10th district. Stolen grave markers are being sold to scrap yards and recycling centers as scrap metal (Citizens Voice, 7/26/07). "Our hope is that this will lead to stiffer penalties for both the thieves themselves and the scrap yards and recycling centers that knowingly take these markers," said Congressman Carney.

The **May Our Veterans Rest in Peace Act of 2007** is bipartisan legislation; Congressman John Peterson of Pennsylvania joined Congressman Carney as an original cosponsor in introducing the bill.

"I am humbled by the sacrifices our service members have made over the years while defending our country. Sadly, many who have fought and defended our country, liberty and freedoms have become victims of grave marker theft. We owe our veterans and their families a tremendous amount of gratitude for the sacrifices they've made. For that, I'm glad to join Mr. Carney in offering the May Our Veterans Rest in Peace Act of 2007, which aims to stiffen penalties for the criminals that commit such atrocious acts. It's our duty to vigilantly guard what our veterans have so

bravely secured by honoring and remembering their service and selflessness and this important legislation does just that," said Congressman John Peterson.

"It is my hope that this legislation will bring attention to this issue and increase the penalties for this crime so that thieves no longer consider this easy money," said Carney.

The legislation is endorsed by the Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States of America, The Navy Reserve Association and the Military Order of the Purple Heart.



Service Reflections

The following is a first-person narrative written by Major General (Retired) Fred Marty, who is the Director of Administration for Lycoming County. He served in Vietnam from 1967-1968 and again from 1970-1971.

uring the Tet Offensive in January-February 1968, I served as an active-duty Army captain commanding a field artillery battery in the 25th Infantry Division. The battery was part of a 105mm battalion based at Cu Chi, about 25 miles northwest of Saigon. Cu Chi was a large division support base for several command and control head-quarters and approximately 20 battalions of various types. I recall a day during that period when beer appeared to be a commodity more essential than ammunition.

During the country-wide offensive by the Viet Cong, the VC effectively used mines and snipers to interdict traffic along the main road between Saigon and Cu Chi. As a result, daily ground convoys of supplies were suspended. These convoys consisted of about 75-100 trucks loaded with food, ammunition, fuel, repair parts and countless housekeeping supplies for the units assigned at Cu Chi. A PX retail facility located on the base provided a large inventory of health and welfare items for troop benefit including snacks, soft drinks and beer. The Cu Chi PX was also supported by shipments in the daily convoy that originated in Saigon.

During the first week of the Tet offensive the Cu Chi ammunition supply point began running low on large caliber artillery ammunition. The big 8-inch and 275mm guns located at Cu Chi provided longrange supporting fires to attack VC formations in the surrounding areas. Transporting projectiles for heavy artillery is a very consuming logistical effort since the rounds weigh nearly 200 pounds each. Typically, ammunition re-supply is conducted using trucks. The demands of combat, combined with the

closure of the road to ground re-supply, however, forced senior commanders to "re-prioritize" the use of limited airlift resources (heavy cargo helicopters and large C-130 airplanes) to "fly-in" heavy ammunition to Cu Chi for the big guns.

By early the following week—as a result of the curtailment of ground re-supply—the PX stocks of soda and beer were nearly depleted. At that point it became apparent that the road to Saigon must be reopened! A mechanized infantry unit was re-assigned from other combat tasks to provide route security and convoy escort duties to accompany numerous empty cargo vehicles from Cu Chi to depots in Saigon where they could obtain needed fuel, food, ammunition, soda and beer. When the convoy returned later that day, the lines were indeed long at the PX to satisfy soldier tastes. To my knowledge that road was never again closed during the remainder of my tour!



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CALLING ALL VETERANS

WEAR YOUR MEDALS

AND

SHOW YOUR PRIDE

The Department of Veterans Affairs calls on all veterans to express their patriotism and pride on Memorial Day and other major patriotic holidays through a display of medals earned in their military service.

Join your comrades in public display of your military decorations. It's a way to show your community the spirit of America's veterans and remind your neighbors of the service and sacrifice of those who guarded democracy.

As we salute America's heroes on Memorial Day, Veterans Day and the Fourth of July, wear your medals and show your pride, whether participating in public observances or relaxing with family and friends. Your medals tell a story of service in the cause of freedom that all Americans need to hear.

For more information, visit the VA's Web site at: www.va.gov/veteranspride/

Garrett Cochran Soldier, Athlete, and Industrialist

Guest Contributor: Lou Hunsinger, Jr.

The following article first appeared in the 11/6/06 issue of Webb Weekly.

The first American Legion post in Pennsylvania, Post 1, located here in Williamsport is named for a remarkable man, Garrett Cochran. He was an accomplished figure in the field of athletics, soldiering, and industry.

He was born in Driftwood, Pennsylvania, on August 26, 1876, the son of J. Henry, a prominent area financier and later a state senator, and his wife, Avis. His family came to Williamsport in 1885, and he went to its schools. He later attended several distinguished private schools such as Trinity College School and the Lawrenceville School.

He attended college at Princeton University from 1894 to 1898 where he excelled as an athlete. He was captain of the football team in 1896 and 1897 and was named to Walter Camp's All-America Football Team as an end. One sportswriter at that time wrote of Cochran, "No name is better known in American football than that of Garry Cochran."

After graduation, he coached football and baseball at the University of California at Berkley and at the United States Naval Academy.

He also worked for a year in a mining operation in Arizona. When Cochran returned to Williamsport he became associated with the Williamsport Wire Rope Company, where he eventually became general manager of the plant. He was also a

director of the Northern Central Trust Company and the Cochran Coal Company. He married Eleanor McNeely of Philadelphia in 1902. The couples had two sons and a daughter.

He became keenly interested in military matters and joined the Pennsylvania National Guard, Battery D, where he was commissioned as a first lieutenant. He was mustered into federal service for service along the Mexican border in July 1916, fighting the bandits of Pancho Villa until December of that year.

When the United States entered World War I in April 1917, he was again called into federal service. While sailing for France in April 1918 he contracted a severe cold while standing guard duty as an anti-submarine lookout. When he landed in France he was urged to seek medical attention, but refused so he could join his unit for artillery training. His cold reportedly evolved into tuberculosis. He died on July 8, 1918 while sailing home on the U.S.S. Susquehanna (ironically), as it was ready to sail from the French port of St. Nazaire.

Cochran was widely mourned throughout the community. The Grit noted his death this way, "Garrett Cochran was one of Williamsport's finest citizens. His service to this city in finance, industry and business activities and in support and every activity that enhanced the city's well being was superb. That service earned him the esteem and gratitude of the citizens of this community." The *Gazette and Bulletin* editorialized, "Lieutenant Cochran was one of the highest type of volunteer soldier. He not only played a large part in the upbringing of Battery D, using his influence to induce the right kind of men to become members. He has made the supreme sacrifice, has given the last full measure of devotion, has yielded his life that posterity might be free. No man could do more."

Garrett Cochran 1876 - 1918 (photo courtesy of American Legion Post 1)

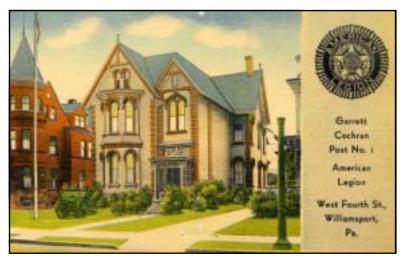
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Cochran's body was brought home and rendered full military honors. His flag-draped coffin was escorted from his home to a hearse by an honor guard from Battery D while the Imperial Teteques Band played a hymn. He is buried in Wildwood Cemetery. When that first American Legion post in Pennsylvania was organized, it was decided by the members to name for Cochran as tribute for his service and contributions to this community.

History of Williamsport's Post #1



THE AMERICAN LEGION was founded on March 15, 1919, during a caucus convened in Paris, France, by Lt. Col. Theodore Roosevelt, son of President Teddy Roosevelt.

One of the colonel's friends. with whom he talked about his plans. was Carl A Schug, later a district attorney of Lycoming County. Mr. Schug was enthusiastic about the idea of a veteran's organizations and, although hospittalized in France, backed it strongly.

When in May 1919, a caucus was called by Roosevelt for St. Louis, Mayor Archibald M.

Hoagland appointed Byron C. Houck, then city clerk, and Lyell S. Spangle, later a chief clerk to county commissioners, to represent Williamsport. They attended.

Enroute home, Mr. Spangle was present in a railroad coach while Colonel Roosevelt, Franklin Dolier, and George Tyler, two Pennsylvanians, discussed launching the Legion in the state, they faced the problem of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh vying for Post No.1. And at this point Mr. Spangle suggested the honor of the first unit be given "a Central Pennsylvania city" with nos. 2 and 3 going to the metropolitan areas.

His idea was endorsed with the result that Williamsport became the home of Pennsylvania's first American Legion Post; Mr. Schug was chosen first commander; Mr. Spangle, the first adjutant; with Mr. Houck and Carl W. Herdic being prominent in organizational efforts.

For more information on American Legion Post 1, please check their website: http://garrettcochranpost1.org

Special Delivery Update

In our last issue of *The Lycoming Vet*, we told you about the students at Hope Enterprises in Williamsport who have been sending care packages and notes of support to soldiers stationed in Iraq. Barbara Ohnmeiss, Program Specialist Aide from Hope Enterprises, reports that the students continue to write every other week to four soldiers. One of the servicemen, Army Staff Sergeant William Houdeshell from Mifflinburg, recently sent the classes T-shirts that had the Stryker decal on them. SSG Houdeshell is currently deployed with the 4th battalion of the 2nd ID.



His wife has told the staff and students at Hope, "He has been serving our country for five years, for most of that time he was with the 82nd Airborne. He appreciates all the support that everyone at Hope has shown him and his soldiers, and he can't wait until he can thank all of you in person."

Pictured at left is one of the classes proudly wearing their new shirts and showing their patriotic spirit.

(photo courtesy of Hope Enterprises)

VA Takes Aim at the Flu

WASHINGTON – To safeguard the health of America's veterans, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is urging all veterans, especially those enrolled in VA's health care system, to receive flu vaccinations this season.

Walk-in clinics, even drive-in clinics for the vaccinations -- which are free for veterans enrolled in VA's health care system -- are being offered at many of VA's 153 hospitals and more than 900 outpatient clinics. Veterans should check with their nearest VA health care facility to learn about local vaccination programs.

"Vaccination is a simple way of preventing serious health care problems, especially among the elderly, those with compromised immune systems and veterans with spinal cord injuries," said Acting Secretary of Veterans Affairs Gordon H. Mansfield. "Part of VA's world-class health care service is ensuring veterans get their flu shots."

Veterans should discuss flu vaccinations with their primary health care provider. Physicians recommend flu vaccinations for pregnant women, people with chronic medical conditions, those at least 50 years of age, patients in long-term care facilities, and people who live with those at high risk for complications from flu.

A recent study by Dr. Kristin Nichol, a nationally recognized expert on the flu and chief of medicine at the Minneapolis VA Medical Center, found dramatic reductions in deaths and sickness after getting a flu shot. Vaccination reduced hospitalizations for pneumonia or influenza by 27 per cent, and there was a 48 per cent reduction in deaths. In addition to information about flu vaccines available in VA's medical centers and clinics, VA maintains information for consumers on its Web site at: http://www.publichealth.va.gov/flu/.

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The role of the Veterans Employment Representative at the **Pennsylvania CareerLink** - **Lycoming County** is to assist Veterans with their employment and training needs.

- Mack Duncan Jr. is the Local Veterans Employment Representative (LVER) responsible for providing employment assistance to all labor exchange eligible veterans and eligible persons. Phone: 570-601-5942
- ◆ **Allen Hubler** is the Disabled Veterans Outreach Program (DVOP) Specialist responsible for providing employment assistance to all labor exchange eligible veterans and eligible persons with specific emphasis to disabled veterans. Phone: 570-601-5934

The PA CareerLink—Lycoming County office is located at 145 West Third Street in Williamsport and is open Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Fridays. Please feel free to contact either of the Veteran Employment Representatives for assistance. Or check online at www.cwds.state.pa.us.

CAREERLINK NEWS:

- **Veteran Job Search Class** will be held at the CareerLink on **November 14, 2007 from 9:30-12:00 noon**. Veterans interested in attending should call the CareerLink at (570) 601-5465 to register.
- > On September 4, 2007 The Careerlink website has changed to the new Commonwealth Workforce Development System (CWDS). This system can be accessed at www.cwds.state.pa.us.
 - If you are a previous user, click on PA Careerlink existing users and type in your previous user name and password.
 - If you are a new user, a Keystone identification will be established for you. The new user accessing the system for the first time will be asked to set up a new password using upper and lower case letters.

If you have any questions please call the Careerlink at (570) 601-5465 for assistance.

VA Outpatient Clinic

The VA Outpatient Clinic was established July 1997 on the Campus of Divine Providence Hospital in the Wenner Building, 1705 Warren Avenue, Suite 304, Williamsport, PA **Phone:** 570-322-4791 **Fax:** 570-322-5170 Open: Monday—Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Scheduled appointments only ~ No Emergency Services/No walk-ins

Services Include: Primary Care, Enrollment/Eligibility forms, Psychiatry, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Social Services, Counseling, Lab, Nutrition services, and Immunizations.

The VA Clinic has a social worker at the clinic on Tuesday and Thursday. Her name is Chris Beach; please call the clinic at (570) 322-4791 to schedule an appointment.



COUNTY VA OFFICE ~ OUTREACH SCHEDULE

To make it more convenient for veterans living in the eastern and western parts of the county, the VA Office comes to you! Feel free to stop in at the following locations November through January:

Tuesday, November 6 - 1:00 to 4:00 PM—Muncy Outreach:

Don Cohick will be at the VFW Post 3428, Edward J. Smith Post, 12 North Market Street, Muncy, PA

Tuesday, December 11 - 1:00 to 4:00 PM—Jersey Shore Outreach:

Don Cohick will be at the American Legion Post 36, George Webster Pepperman, 320 Seminary Street, Jersey Shore, PA

Tuesday, January 8 - 1:00 to 4:00 PM—Muncy Outreach:

Don Cohick will be at the VFW Post 3428, Edward J. Smith Post, 12 North Market Street, Muncy, PA

AM. LEGION, VFW & OTHER COUNTY VETERAN ORGANIZATIONS

American Legion Post 1- Garrett Cochran 10 E. 3rd St., Williamsport, PA 17701 Phone: 570-323-9409 Lloyd Brooks, Adjutant

American Legion Post 35- Glenn Sharrow 78 N. Main St., Hughesville, PA 17737 Phone: 570-584-2123

American Legion Post 36 - George Webster Pepperman P.O. Box 211, Jersey Shore, PA 17740 Phone: 570-398-4174

American Legion Post 104 - Eugene Grafius 1312 Broad St., Montoursville, PA 17754 Phone: 570-368-8234

American Legion Post 251 - Bower Decker 185 Broad St., Montgomery, PA 17752 Phone: 570-547-2039

American Legion Post 268 - Roland Ritter 515 Legion Rd., Muncy, PA 17756 Phone: 570-546-5210

American Legion Post 617 - Royal P. Steinbacher 901 Market Street, South Williamsport, PA 17702 Phone: 570-327-0255 Jim Lusk, Commander Gail Eppler, Adjutant & Secretary

> **VFW Post 3428**- Edward J. Smith Post 12 N Market St., Muncy, PA 17756 Phone: 570-546-3820

American Legion Post 999 - West Branch Service Post Michael J. Jones, Commander; Phone: 323-9421 P.O. Box 1971, 1061 John Brady Rd., Pennsdale, PA 17756 George Diffenbaugh, Adjutant; Phone: 570-546-6508 Meets at the Montoursville Presbyterian Church 900 Elm Street, Montoursville, PA 17754

> VFW Post 5859- Billy O. Brandt Post 201 N. Lincoln Ave., Jersey Shore, PA 17740 Phone: 570-398-2801

VFW Post 7863- Le Roy O. Buck Post 150 Shaffer St., Williamsport, PA 17702 Phone: 570-323-9195

VFW Post 844- Howard W. Kahler Post 1260 West 3rd Street, Williamsport

Veterans of the Vietnam War - Post PA 51

P.O. Box 23, Hughesville, PA 17737 Web site: www.vvnw.org/postpa-51 Commander: Randall Sayman Phone: 570-547-6527

Korean War Veterans of Lycoming County, Inc.

P. O. Box 3232, Williamsport, PA 17701 Commander Fred Schaefer Phone: 570-323-5627



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Do you have announcements or information to share?

The Lycoming County Office of Veterans Affairs invites you to submit articles and items of interest to be published in the next edition of *The Lycoming Vet*, which are published quarterly on the first of August, November, February, and May.

Deadline for article submissions are the 15th of the month prior to publication date.

For questions or to make submissions, please contact Joan Blank at the Veterans Affairs Office.