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Post #1111
Walla Walla, Washington**



Veterans Serving Veterans and our Community

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Memorial Day 2006

Flag at 1st & Main is flown at half-staff until Noon



Memorial Day 6:00 a.m.

Boy Scouts of Troop 305 pause to honor the American Flag being lowered to half-staff before continuing to put up the rest of the 130 flags in downtown Walla Walla

**AMVETS POST #1111
Annual Potluck Picnic**

June 17

10:00 am to ?

Lewis & Clark State Park

Lewis & Clark

Picnicked here

200 years ago

Highway 12

Halfway between

Waitsburg & Dayton

**All Veterans
and their families
are invited**

**Bring your favorite dish
& table service
Soft drinks will be
Furnished by the post**

The Commander's Corner

Let me start by saying that it is an honor and a privilege to serve as the Commander of AMVETS Post 1111. I have a long history associated with the military. I was born into a military family. My father spent thirty-one years serving in the United States Navy. By the time I joined the Navy at twenty-two I had seen most of the world and the United States. Both Eileen, my wife, and I are retired military; Eileen from the Naval Reserves and me from the United States Army. We have two children. My daughter Beth is married to Jake Zborowski and lives in Caldwell, Idaho. My son William is single, living at home, and attends the viticulture program at Walla Walla Community College.

As we move into the patriotic season of the year Memorial Day just past, Flag Day on June 14th, and the Army 231st birthday also on June 14th and the 4th of July, it gives us an opportunity to reflect on the sacrifices of those who have gone before us. I am proud to live in a country where I enjoy the opportunities and freedoms afforded to me by the Constitution of the United States. The United States is a country where every citizen has the opportunity to pursue his own concept of the American Dream regardless of race, color, religious affiliation, or sexual orientation. It is our diversity and our ability to disagree that makes us strong as a community and as a country. As we enter our 231st year as a nation, we can truly say we have come a long way. We owe a great deal to those who have served and those who continue to serve. So when you see our flag flying, please remember the sacrifices of the men, women, and families that have kept and continue to keep us free.

I would also like to recognize and thank Boy Scout Troop 305 and the downtown merchants, and other supporters of Walla Walla who have generously supported AMVETS downtown flag program. Your support and patriotic spirit allows us to provide the flag and veteran programs. God Bless,

Tim Bow, Commander AMVET Post 1111

Flag Day June 14

AMVETS will be at Land Title Plaza , First & Main Streets in Walla Walla to collect worn out flags for proper disposal
Volunteers are needed from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

4th of July In the Park

**Hosted by: Walla Walla Union Bulletin
Banner Bank & The City of Walla Walla**
AMVETS Honor Guard will post the Colors in Pioneer Park at the beginning of the Independence Day activities at **10:00 am** and retire the Colors at **6:00 pm**

At **12:00 Noon** there will be a special recognition of all veterans and present members of the Armed Services

Awards of Appreciation

Commander **Norm Graybeal** presented an Award of Appreciation to **Mel and Barbara Harnett** for their work on the Post yard sale. **Mel and Cecilia Blue** also received an Award of Appreciation for their major work on the Post Golf Tournament. **Post Officers** expressed appreciation to the Past Commander, **Norm Graybeal**, for a job well done and for the extra ordinary services render in behalf of area veterans.

New Officer for 2006-2007

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|-----------------|---------------|
| Commander | Tim Bow |
| 1st Vice Cmdr. | Steve Bird |
| 2nd Vice Cmdr. | Mike Dettmer |
| Finance Officer | Ken Paplinski |
| Chaplain | Don Schack |
| Adjutant | Bob Chicken |
| Provost Marshal | Doug Bain |
| Judge Advocate | Don Schack |

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2nd Vice Commander

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Adjutant

Robert "Bob" Chicken (509)522-5289

Provost Marshall

Douglas "Doug" Bain (509)529-6255

Judge Advocate & Chaplain

Donald "Don" Schack (509)525-5723

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Post # 1111

Current Membership 88

Annual Members 47 / Life 41

Annual Dues: \$25.00 per year / Life Member: \$150.00

To be eligible for membership, you must have served in the U.S. Armed Forces, including the National Guard and Reserves, anytime after Sept. 15, 1940. Additionally, unless still serving, your discharge must have been under honorable conditions. If you served as an American citizen in the armed forces of an allied nation, under honorable conditions, between Sept. 15, 1940 and May 8, 1975, you are also eligible, as are wartime members of the Merchant Marine. Proof of eligibility can take the form of a DD-214, an honorable discharge certificate or other appropriate document.

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An AMVETS Post #1111 project

Located at the

Jonathan M Wainwright Memorial

Veteran Affairs Medical Center

Walla Walla, Washington

451

installed bronze plaques to date

call Jim Irwin at 529-2411 for an order form

A Lasting Tribute to Members of the Armed Services

DOWNTOWN WALLA WALLA FLAGS

An AMVETS Post #1111 project

We are now starting our 6th year of providing the downtown with holiday flags. The response by the community to our flag project has been great.

Please support OUR sponsors

See our list of sponsors on page 3.

Flags will fly on the following upcoming holidays.

Flag Day, June 14th

Independence Day, July 4th

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