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## ALLEN FREYMAN INSTALLED COMMANDER MAY 11

### GRAVE FLAGGING SET FOR 1 P.M., MAY 26, MEMORIAL SERVICES BEGIN 8:30 A.M., MAY 30

All loyal Legionnaires are asked to assemble at the Post Home at 1 P.M., Sunday, May 26, to assist in flagging the graves of all veterans buried in Calvary Cemetery. This is a yearly duty of Post 372. Chaplain Alexander R. Willey says that, if as many members show up as have the past two years, it will take only about one hour of their time.

On Memorial Day, the Color Guard will meet at the post home at 8 A.M. Other members are asked to be there by 8:25 for the flag raising ceremony at 8:30 A.M.

Everyone will then proceed to Calvary and Locustwood Cemeteries to join the families of the Post's deceased members at their graves for memorial services to be performed by Chaplain Willey, with the assistance of the Color Guard.

With hearts grateful for their contribution to our organization and to their country's welfare, it is our sacred obligation to stand beside the graves of our comrades of Post 372 who have gone to their Post Everlasting. Don't fail in your duty.

At 11 A.M., we will meet with members of George R. Cholister Post 3247, VFW, for joint services at the township monument, which is on Route 70 opposite Township Hall.

Following the services, the post home will be open to members and their friends until 6 P.M.

### WEAR A RED POPPY FOR REMEMBRANCE

The bright red poppy you'll purchase during the week of May 23 to May 30 from the American Legion Auxiliary was made by a disabled veteran. It's his badge of courage . . . a tribute to the war dead from the Argonne to Korea. Accept it gratefully and wear it proudly over your heart in loyal memory of those who died to keep America free. Keep memory bright! Give as generously as you have received.

To the disabled veteran, the war widow and orphan, the memorial poppy is a heart-warming message of thanks for the sacrifices they have made



### POPPY SALES HELP DISABLED VETERANS

The encouragement of earning money again comes to this disabled war veteran who was among the thousands of hospitalized veterans who made memorial poppies to honor America's war dead. The bright red crepe paper flowers will be sold by the members of Unit 372 from May 23 to May 30.

After the disabled veterans are paid for making these small red flowers symbolizing the Flanders Field of World War I where so many American boys died, all of the balance of the money derived from their sale is earmarked for Rehabilitation for those thousands of veterans still in hospitals or physically incapacitated at home, or for Child Welfare, according to Dea Miller, President of Unit 372.

### CO. COMDR. HUHN AND STAFF WILL OFFICIATE

Essay Winners to Receive Awards;  
Buffet Supper, Dancing  
To Follow Ceremony

Allen Freyman, elected Commander of Post 372, will be installed together with the other officers elected with him on Saturday, May 11, at 8:30 P.M., by County Commander John R. Huhn III and his staff of officers at ceremonies in the Candlelight Room.

Other to be installed are Ernest Staudenmayer, vice commander; Jack Huhn and Charles Porter, 1st and 2nd junior vice commanders; Carlo Degioanni, finance officer; Herbert Schloo, historian; Alexander R. Willey, chaplain; Robert Thomas, sergeant-at-arms; Jack Welham, adjutant and Maurice Boyle, service officer.

Elected trustees were Luce Burrell, Ray Bussemeyer, Ray Ward, Ray Goffinet, and Dick Ward.

Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to our local safety essay winners from Heritage Junior High School, and a gold medal to Harry Kennedy, a senior at Camden Catholic High School, who represented Post 372 in the county oratorical contest.

Victor J. Tambone, a senior at Cherry Hill High School, and one of our eight Boy Statesmen from last year will tell the members of his experiences at the sessions at Rutgers University.

Following the ceremonies, members of the Auxiliary will serve a buffet supper and The Rhythm Lads will play for dancing.

All members and their friends are invited by Sidney Glynn, retiring commander, to attend the installation ceremonies and remain for refreshments and dancing. There will be no admittance charge.

The House Committee announces that the Trophy Room will be open at 7 P.M. for members and their guests who wish cocktails prior to the program.

Your silent tents of green

We deck with fragrant flowers:

Yours has the suffering been,

The memory shall be ours.

—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

**BINGO EVERY THURSDAY AT 7:45 P.M.**

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**MEMORIAL DAY - OUR SACRED DUTY**

"Let no vandalism or avarice or neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten as a people the cost of a free and undivided republic." This was the closing sentence of General John A. Logan, Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, when he first issued the order for the observance of Memorial Day in May, 1868.

For about 50 years the GAR in the North and the Confederate Veterans in the South took charge of Memorial Day ceremonies in their communities.

"If other eyes grow dull, and other hands slack, and other hearts grow cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remain."

These words of General Logan inspired one of the very early acts of The American Legion which was its pledge to help perpetuate the annual observance of Memorial Day. When the founding organizations became no longer able to carry on actively these rites. The American Legion caught the torch which they threw "with failing hands" and it is the sacred obligation of every Legion Post "to hold it high."

Memorial Day is a day set aside for remembering as we reach across time and space and touch hands for a moment of silent, spiritual communion with our heroic dead. Those to whom we pay homage this day, from the patriots of early American history to our hero dead of three wars in this century, have played their role in shaping the destiny of our beloved land. Because they dared to die, we live today and breathe the precious air of Freedom. In the prime of life they surrendered a lifetime of Living that we might enjoy a lifetime of Freedom.

From them we inherited a sacred trust. To be worthy of that trust, our remembrance must not be the mere speaking of platitudes on one day of the year. We must rededicate ourselves to preserving that Freedom so costly won in order to assure our children the way of life that was handed down to us. Only then can we say with finality that "our honored dead have not died in vain."

How can we better repay our pledge to our hallowed dead than in the daily performance of our duties, as jurors, as voters, as active participants in the government we, the people, have elected? Respecting the dignity of the individual and unsparing in our efforts to do service for our Nation, we can do our part to build an America where each of us obeys not only the letter of the law, but the spirit of the law as well, where men and women accept not only the privileges but also the responsibilities of democratic citizenship.

In his own way, each of us, mindful of the other, can make America a better place for all. For this would be the kind of memorial of which our fallen heroes would approve. This will be the only decent and honorable way to justify the sacrifices they so nobly made.

**CALENDAR**

**MAY**

- 1—Auxiliary Meeting, 8:30 P.M.
- 6—Post Meeting (Election of Officers), 8:30 P.M.
- 11—Installation of Officers, 8:30 P.M. and Dance, 10 P.M.
- 13—County Government Day, Camden Court House, 8:30 A.M. to 3 P.M. Executive Meeting, 8:30 P.M.
- 16—County Committee Meeting, Post 84, Oaklyn (Post 47 hosts), 8:30 P.M.
- 17-19—Legion College, Ft. Dix
- 20—Social Meeting, 8:30 P.M.
- 23—Auxiliary County Meeting, Post 259, Laurel Springs, 8:30 P.M.
- 26—Flagging Graves, Meet at Post at 1 P.M.
- 27—Executive Meeting, 8:30 P.M.
- 30—MEMORIAL DAY (Fly Your Flag) Flag Raising at Post, 8:30 A.M. Proceed to graves of deceased members. Joint services with VFW at Township Monument, 11 A.M.

**JUNE**

- 1—County Legion Bowling Banquet, Clementon Post 94, 6:30 P.M.
- 2—State Memorial Service, Locustwood, 2:30 P.M. (Parade 2 P.M.)
- 3—Post Meeting, 8:30 P.M.
- 5—Auxiliary Meeting, 8:30 P.M.
- 10—Executive Meeting, 8:30 P.M.
- 11—County Auxiliary Dinner and Installation of Officers, Kenney's Suburban House, 6:30 P.M.
- 12—County Boys' State Rally, Post 38, Haddonfield, 8 P.M.

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Ernie ran a great Spring Assembly. Had room for a few more bodies but those who attended had a ball and the dips, goodies and cocktails were delicious . . . Good to see Fay Ward out again. Says she's feeling better . . . Finally got to meet Art Cramer's better-half, Marie. Hope she bore up under the strain of the dinner and getting home in broad day-light. Jack always says it's safer to drive then . . . Joe McArthur started a new extra job driving a Philadelphia News Service truck to the shore on Saturday nights and so had to miss the Spring Assembly. His wife almost has to make an appointment to see him anymore.

Allen sure will make someone a good wife if he ever decides to get married. The ham and eggs and home fries were delicious after Easter Sunrise Service. Bill Rananowski was a capable assistant. Too bad more of you sleepy-heads didn't get up to enjoy the beautiful sunrise.

Dick Ward is home recuperating and Grace says she's having a time keeping him inactive . . . Joe Caruso was in Cherry Hill Hospital for tests and they found he has diabetes. Good thing to find out in time . . . Bill Ramanowski's mother broke her leg, which is bad when there are three active kids to care for . . . Flo and Carl have really had a time. Finally got both boys up and back to school and now Flo has her sprained arm in a sling and Carl has a badly abscessed tooth.

Saw where Bob Vesper won a Safe and Courteous Drivers Award from the N. J. State Federation of Women's Clubs. He's been driving for the Courier-Post since 1937 . . . Jim Seiberling was appointed sales representative for the Southern New Jersey area by the Theo. Hamm Brewing Co.

Another letter from Walt and Marty Keane says they'll be up to see us early in June and plan to stay about a month. Everyone is looking forward to seeing them.

Ask the Auxiliary members who is size 18-20-18. The girls are back to serving coffee and doughnuts after their one meeting a month and have been having a nice social hour. Why don't more of you wives come out to the meetings?

The Legion Bowling League is almost over and we can get back to our jolly Friday nights in the Trophy Room. Their banquet will be Saturday, June 1, at Clementon and we understand that our boys will take a fair share of the trophies.

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**Safety Essay Contest  
Winners Are Announced**

From a group of essays on the subject of "Safety in the Home. Safety on the Street, and Safety in the School," submitted by Heritage Junior High School Students, judges appointed by J. Warren Wynkoop, Americanism Chairman, have chosen the following winners, all eighth grade pupils, to be entered in the Camden County American Legion Safety Essay Contest:

Kip Malick, 152 Cherry Tree Lane, 1st place; Robin Jacobs, 156 Mansfield Blvd., second place; Barbara Dildine, 169 Cherry Tree Lane, and Patricia Flannagan 148 Cherry Tree Lane, tied for third place.

Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to these students at our installation of officers on Saturday, May 11. Kip Malick's essay has won second in the Camden County Contest and has been entered in the state contest where the prizes are a \$100, \$50 and \$25 U. S. Savings Bond for the first three with fourth through seventh place winners receiving cash prizes and honorable mention certificates. The student placing first also receives the department American Legion Safety Trophy and the Bergen County "Byron R. Christie" Trophy. Kip will also receive a cash prize and certificate from the Camden County Committee.

Barbara Dildine, tying for third place this year, won honorable mention last year as a seventh grade student.

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**McKINLEY TO SPEAK  
AT COUNTY MEETING**

The Camden County Committee of The American Legion, composed of delegates from the 38 Legion Posts in the county, will meet Thursday, May 16, at 8:30 P.M., at the home of Oaklyn-Bettlewood Post 84, 705 Newton Avenue, Oaklyn. Members of Cpl. Raymond C. Thoirs Post 47, Camden, who do not have a Post Home in which to entertain, will be the hosts.

William G. McKinley, of Jersey City, National Executive Committeeman from the state of New Jersey, and known throughout the nation as "Mr. American Legion," will be the guest speaker and will outline the national programs and aims of the organization.

All delegates are expected and other Legionnaires are welcome to attend the meeting and remain for the social hour and refreshments to follow, according to John R. Huhn III, County Commander, who will preside at the meeting.

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## State Services Held At Locustwood June 2

The climax of The American Legion's Memorial observance in remembrance of those who made the supreme sacrifice in the great wars, will be the 28th annual state-wide services at Locustwood Memorial Park on Sunday, June 2, at 2:30 P.M.

The Color Guard of Post 372 will participate in the short parade into the cemetery preceding the services and will appreciate a large turn-out of members to follow them.

As has been the custom in the past, Post 372 is making the post home available to all color guards, musical units, Legionnaires and Auxiliary members from all over the state before and after the services.

Be sure to come out to play host for our visitors. We always have a large crowd.

## FOR THE RECORD

Art Erdman reports that Cherry Hill High School is in the process of selecting our eight juniors for Boys' State and that he and Carl Degioanni again will spend a week of their vacations at New Brunswick as counselors. The Camden County Boys' State Rally will be held Wednesday, June 12, at Haddonfield Post 38.

The County Auxiliary Dinner, at which the new officers will be installed, is to be held Tuesday, June 11, at 6:30 P.M., at Kenney's Suburban House. Mrs. J. Stanley (Dottie) Tupper will receive the charge as President this year.

Make plans now to attend the Department Convention in Wildwood, September 19-21.

Charlie Porter reports that everything points toward an American Legion Junior Baseball team for Post 372 this year.

Please report any change of address to Adjutant Art Erdman. The Post Office doubled (from five to ten cents) its charge for the service of providing address information, and it is proving costly to The American Legion Magazine as well as your Post.

A privately administered memorial fund is being established in memory of the crewmen of the submarine *Thresher*. The money will be utilized either to erect a memorial or to provide a scholarship foundation for the children of the crewmen. Donations may be sent to the *Thresher* Memorial Fund, P.O. Box No. 00, New London, Conn.

National Commander James E. Powers of Georgia will make his official visit to New Jersey on Friday, May 24. A dinner will be held in his honor at the Terribles Casa Mana, 647 Cedar Lane, Teaneck, N. J., at 7:30 P.M. (Cocktails at 6:30) in Bergen County. If you're interested see County Commander Jack Huhn.

A testimonial dinner will be held in honor of Department Adjutant Morris W. Kuzbyt by his Post on Sunday, May 26, at 5 P.M. (Cocktails at 4 P.M.) at Mazdabrook Farms, Smith Road, Parsippany, N. J., in Morris County. See Jack Huhn for tickets.

## Cherry Hill Participates In Legion Co. Govt. Day

Among the 142 tenth grade students from nineteen public, private and parochial schools in Camden County participating in County Government Day, sponsored by The American Legion and The American Legion Auxiliary in cooperation with the Board of Chosen Freeholders of Camden County on Monday, May 13, will be four girls and four boys from Cherry Hill High School, sponsored by Post and Unit 372.

The students, who were chosen by the school faculty for leadership, scholarship and character, are: Loreita J. Walters, 116 Sharron Vale Road; Linda C. Laning, 302 Pleasant Drive, Woodcrest; Claire E. Dockstader, Kay Drive West; Joan E. Garber, 1026 Horal Place; Alan S. Josselson, 26 Glen Lane; Charles G. Miller III, 108 Chaucer Place; Donald E. Mitchell, 1213 Winston Way; and Michael H. Turk, 18 Glen Lane.

We, also, offered to sponsor eight students from Camden Catholic High School, but, because of time lost in moving into the new building in Cherry Hill, the faculty decided against allowing the students the day away from classes. However, the principal indicated a real interest in the program and hoped that the invitation would be extended next year.

The student delegates will register at the Camden County Court House at 8:30 A.M. and be assigned to one of eight groups to elect their own student Freeholders. Following a short orientation period and a briefing by one of the county judges, the Freeholders will report to the students and each Freeholder will lead a group headed by his student counterpart on a tour of the Court House which will include visits to the courts, the offices of the sheriff, surrogate, register of deeds, county clerk, county engineer and other county services as time will permit.

Following luncheon at Kenney's to which Congressman William T. Cahill, State Senator Joseph W. Cowgill and the Assemblymen from Camden County, as well as the county officials, are invited, the students will participate in a meeting of the Freeholders and take part in a question and answer period until dismissal at 3 P.M.

Members of the Legion and Auxiliary are invited to attend. There will be a \$1.50 charge for luncheon.

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## THE COMMANDER GOES TO COLLEGE

Allen Freyman, newly-elected commander of Post 372, is going to attend the 9th annual New Jersey Legion College to be held at Ft. Dix, May 17, 18 and 19, to learn more about the history and programs of The American Legion.

Our new historian, Herbert A. Schloo, Jr., is going to accompany Commander Allen to the college. Herb has been active in the VFW and now is going to learn all about The American Legion programs.

This is a course of instruction planned to train Legionnaires to be better leaders in their posts. Post 372 is fortunate to list a number of graduates among its members.

While the deadline for registration is past, there are a few vacancies and you may still have a chance to attend. All it costs is your time.

The Editor of the SCOOP, who has planned several times in the past to attend but never made it, is registered this year.

We honor our heroic and patriotic dead by being true men, as true men by faithfully fighting the battles of our day as they fought the battles of their day.—David Gregg.

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