

Schedule of Events

Historic Downtown Bryan Veterans Weekend Celebration Nov. 7th - 9th, 2008

Recorded history tells us that in 1917 during a celebration in Historical Downtown Bryan there was a WWI tank displayed in the middle of town and this year - 91 years later we will reenact that celebration. Make downtown Bryan your weekend destination and support our veterans, our local businesses and the Museum of the American G.I.

Friday Nov 7th Veterans Weekend Kickoff Celebration - Art Step is kicking off Veterans Weekend with a red, white and blue theme with Bryan Parks & Rec. & Atmos sponsoring Live Entertainment from 6-8pm and showing the movie, Forrest Gump from 8pm-10pm. We have free popcorn and other surprises for the kids.

Saturday Nov. 8th starts with a convoy of military equipment from the Museum of the American G.I. ("Suzie" - WWII M-5A1 Stuart Tank, "Tarheel" - WWII M-3 75mm ½ track self-propelled gun, "Miss Emily" - WWII M-8 Armored Car, WWII Ford GPA Amphibious Jeep and WWII MB Willy's Jeep) led by General George Patton. Arriving College Station - 9:30am at Hwy 6 & Texas Ave. traveling down Texas Ave arriving in Bryan about 10am. From noon to 6pm Saturday and noon to 5:30pm Sunday the equipment will be displayed on 26th Street in Bryan. The Masonic Lodge and Downtown 202 will be converted into veterans museums displaying our historical Brazos Valley military history. The museums will be opened from noon to 6pm Saturday and noon to 5:30pm Sunday.

Sunday Nov 9th our yearly Veterans Celebration will kick off at noon with equipment displays, veterans museums, entertainment from 12:30pm - 5pm presented by Names & Numbers Phone Book in the Palace Theater starting at 12:30am with the presentation of the colors. 1:00pm a Patriotic performance by BV Troupe and then Karan Chavis will take the stage from 1:45pm-2:30pm and again after the parade at 3:30pm. At 2:30pm we will have a Air Force Fly Over to start our Bryan Rotary Club Veterans Parade.

College Station Veterans Events Nov. 10th - 11th, 2008

Mon. July 10th The event is a public reading of personal reflections. Its goal is to present the diversity of war's impact on our lives. 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Friends Congregational Church, 2200 Southwood Drive, College Station.

Tues. Nov. 11th at 11:00am a 11-11 service at the VFW Post #4692, 14475 FM 2818, Bryan. For information: 979- 823-0550.

Tues. Nov 11th at 6:00pm there will be a veterans program at Brazos Valley Veterans Memorial Park along with a military equipment display by the Museum of the American G.I. There will be a for a Veterans Fellowship BBQ to follow held at the pavilion. Tickets will be sold in advance (\$8.00) with all proceeds to benefit the Museum of the American G.I. and the Brazos Valley Veterans Memorial.

All donations/proceeds from this year's weekend celebration in Historical Downtown Bryan will go to the Museum of the American G.I. (www.magicstx.org) in College Station who is trying to raise the funds to reassemble the USS Iwo Jima island as the main component of their museum infrastructure.

Monies raised from the Veterans Fellowship BBQ at College Station Veterans Memorial Park will be split between the Museum of the American G.I. and Brazos Valley Veterans Memorial.

If you wish to participate, volunteer, sponsor, donate or have any questions contact:

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Courtesy of Bryan Rotary Club - American Flags will be put up in downtown Bryan Thursday evening and remain until Weds Nov 12th .