



Department of Pennsylvania May 2011 News Bulletin

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Upcoming Important Dates:

Memorial Day May 31, 2011

MOPH, Department of PA. Convention, June 3RD thru 4TH

Where? Somerset Quality Inn, Exit 110 off the PA. Turnpike

Phone: 814-443-4646

Retraction:

The April News Bulletin had an Item named, "Target Stores - What a surprise." This Story however true to some extent, was not entirely true or entirely factual. Target does donate at Corporate Level to those it chooses. Please except our sincere apologies.

I, S. Havelka while Fundraising for Hospitalized Veterans for a Veterans Organization have been turned away from the Homestead Pennsylvania, Waterfront Target Store. I requested a Fundraising Drive be allowed in the front of their store and we were turned down. But this is not just their policy; **almost all** the Businesses in the Homestead Waterfront won't allow collections. Many just use Corporate as their excuse but still allow say Salvation Army and the Boy Scouts to solicit funds.

The Giant Eagle on Centre Ave. in Oakland Pennsylvania also turned us down even after a phone call to Corporate Giant Eagle. Only some Organizations are allowed and continue to collect there. Some "Privately Owned" Giant Eagles still allow Veteran Organizations to solicit funds. Wal-Mart and SAM's Club here in the West Mifflin, PA. Area have been particularly good to Veteran Organizations with allowing us to collect for Hospitalized Veterans.

The FULL TARGET STORY, "Target Stores – What a Surprise" can be viewed at,

<http://www.snopes.com/politics/military/target.asp>

Alert: Cell Phones for Soldiers...

http://www.mophdepartmentpa.org/ALERT_Cell_Phones_4_Soldiers_MAJOR_CHANGES_in_Shipping_via_FedEX.pdf

May News Items

Type: Email

Received:

From: Steven Cobb, Chapter 353 Adjutant & Welcome Home Project Team Leader

Subject: Addition for Suicide Prevention Hotline

Dear Patriots and Ladies:

Enclosed below, as part of this message, are some additional contact points for suicide prevention and crisis intervention, received after I shared some of the concerns about the National Suicide Prevention Hotline with some of our medical service providers. If you have any concerns, or are not satisfied with a response from the National Hotline, please feel free to call directly any of the contact persons listed below.

These contact persons were kindly provided by Navy Captain John A. Lamberton MSC, USN, of the Naval Support Activity Bethesda. He has called and followed up on some of the concerns expressed by our troops about the National Hotline. I will defer to the expert medical judgments made by our professional military people who pursue this issue. Their willingness to follow up on this issue is greatly appreciated.

The contact list message is below my signature name line.
Best Regards.

Yours in Patriotism,

Steve Cobb
Adjutant, Chapter 353, MOPH
Welcome Home Project Team Leader
Military Order of the Purple Heart

The phone numbers and E-Mail addresses for the senior staff at the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline are...

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618-530-7236
618-530-7236

Lee Judy, M.S.W.
Follow-up Coordinator
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Thank you!

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CAPT L.

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Executive Officer
Naval Support Activity Bethesda

May 31, 2011, Memorial Day in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania at Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Museum and Hall

[May 31 2011 Memorial Day at Soldiers and Sailors Museum and Hall.pdf](#)

[May 31 2011 Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Day Volunteer Sheet.pdf](#)

WWII Tribute: Semper Fidelis

True story of the recovery of 19 US Marines Killed in Action on Makin Island in WWII and their return home to Arlington National Cemetery 58 years later.

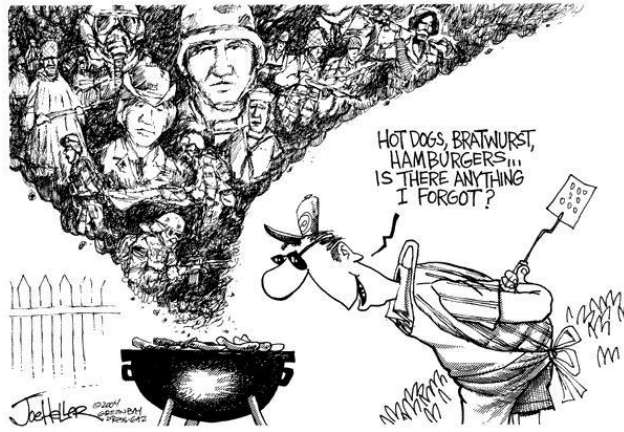
Story: Pat Mendoza. Music arranged by Pat Mendoza; Trumpet: Steve Wiest. Singers: the Islanders and Pat Mendoza

For information on the one hour video contact: patmendoza.com

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C6f_FvZpm3g

DOD 2011-07, Army Directive, Executive Order 11016, Authorizing the Award of the Purple Heart

<http://www.mophdepartmentpa.org/DOD%202011%2007%20Army%20Directive%20Executive%20Order%2011016%20Authorizing%20the%20Award%20of%20the%20Purple%20Heart.pdf>



Thanksgiving is a day when we pause to give thanks for the things we have.

Memorial Day is a day when we pause to give thanks to the people who fought for the things we have.





At a Formal Dinner at the National Museum of the Marine Corps in Quantico, VA. The Marines are a class act...

This slide show consists of photos taken at a formal dinner at the National Museum of the Marine Corps in Quantico, VA. It is a beautiful presentation of the honor, commitment and pride today's heroes share with yesterday's.

If you know a Marine or a soldier of any branch of the Military (of any age) make sure he or she sees this. Wouldn't hurt if all other Americans saw it too!

<http://www.jensensutta.com/slideshows/RTB/>

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

CAUSES: [Show Your Thanks to World War II Vets by Watching This 2-min Video.](#)

This is for Marines (DEVIL DOGS) Everywhere, [The Warriors Song.](#)

Send in your Favorites!
Scotto426@verizon.net

VA Looking for Gulf War Photos

Week of March 07, 2011, Source: Military.com

In honor of the 20th anniversary of the start of ground combat in the first Gulf War, and those veterans who served in the area during the 1990-1991 conflict, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is calling for submissions of Gulf War-era photos. If you are a Gulf War Veteran, take a look at VA Chief of Staff John Gingrich's reflections on the conflict at the [VA blog](#). If you have any photos of yourself during the war, submit them to newmedia@va.gov.

LETTER OF CAUTION:

After receiving a lot of emails concerning the Invitation/Olympic Torch Virus, I had a good friend look into this. Below is the jist of his comments to me concerning this and other "Same Type Alerts."

To all, neither McAfee nor Norton have this listed as a dangerous threat. Probably because it's so obvious you'd have to be pretty dumb to open it. The rules listed at the end of the piece say it all. Use common sense and you won't have any problems. As for SNOPEs, it's a rumor sight. It even says so on their home page.

If you ever have any doubts about what is or isn't a real threat, the FBI sight is definitely one of the best resources at, <http://www.fbi.gov/scams-safety>. They're always on top of things.

Oh yeah, the "Invitation" malware email. That's over 3 years old. I haven't seen that in years. It isn't always the same malware. There have been several versions of it. Same name, different malware. I don't recall it ever being called "the worst ever".

CNN STORY: [Fake bin Laden links spreading malicious software](#)

Date: May 4, 2011

Received: Multiple times in the beginning of May.

TWO SUBJECT LINES of which to be AWARE .

Just verified this with Snopes and it is REAL. ALSO WENT TO TRUTH OR FICTION, IT'S on their site also. PLEASE INFORM EVERYONE you know !

1.) Emails with pictures of Osama Bin-Laden hanged are being sent and the moment that you open these emails your computer will crash and you will not be able to fix it!

If you get an e-mail along the lines of 'Osama Bin Laden Captured' or 'Osama Hanged', don't open the Attachment!!!!

This e-mail is being distributed through countries around the globe, but mainly in the US and Israel .

Be considerate & send this warning to whomever you know.

2.) You should be alert during the next few days:

Do not open any message with an attached file called 'Invitation' regardless of who sent it.

It is a virus that opens an Olympic Torch which 'burns' the whole hard disc C of your computer!!!!

This virus will be received from someone who has your e-mail address in his/her contact list, that is why you should send this E-mail to all your contacts.

It is better to receive this message 25 times than to receive the virus and open it.

If you receive an e-mail called 'invitation', even though sent by a friend. Do not open it!!!

This is the worst virus announced by CNN, it has been classified by Microsoft as the most destructive virus ever.

This virus was discovered by McAfee May 1, and there is no repair yet for this kind of virus..

This virus simply destroys the Zero Sector of the Hard Disc, where other vital information is kept.

SEND THIS E-MAIL TO EVERYONE YOU KNOW!!!!

More on this subject, a must read...

http://articles.cnn.com/2011-05-04/tech/fake.bin.laden.scam_1_show-bin-privacy-settings-facebook?s=PM:TECH

Email posted on MOPH Department of Pennsylvania's Website May 18, 2011 on the Webmasters Corner Page.

From: Steve Cobb, Adjutant, MOPH Chapter 353.

Welcome Home Project Team Leader

[http://www.mophdepartmentpa.org/MOPH Chapter 353 Tri Fold Brochure Costs.pdf](http://www.mophdepartmentpa.org/MOPH%20Chapter%20353%20Tri%20Fold%20Brochure%20Costs.pdf)

Email posted on MOPH Department of Pennsylvania's Website May 18, 2011 on the Webmasters Corner Page.

From: Ulysses Miller, Jr., Adjutant, MOPH Chapter 0049.

[Veterans Administration Sued Over PTSD Cases Decision Reached At Court](http://www.mophdepartmentpa.org/VUFT%20Bulletin45.pdf)

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**It is the
VETERAN,
not the preacher,
who has given us freedom of religion.**

It is

the **VETERAN**,
not the reporter,
who has given us freedom of the press.

It is
the **VETERAN**,
not the poet,
who has given us freedom of speech.

It is
the **VETERAN**,
not the campus organizer,
who has given us freedom to assemble.

It is
the **VETERAN**,
not the lawyer,
who has given us the right to a fair trial.

It is
the **VETERAN**,
not the politician,
Who has given us the right to vote.

A small Tribute of our own for those who gave the “Ultimate Sacrifice”

[American Dead at Cemeteries over in Europe.pdf](#)



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