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Delaware County Veterans Memorial Annual Flag Day Ceremony To Include Groundbreaking for New Veterans Hall

Delaware County, PA – In honor of Flag Day, Friday, June 14th, the Delaware County Veterans Memorial Association (DCVMA) will host its annual Flag Day Ceremony beginning at 10am at the Delaware County Veterans Memorial located at 4599 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square, PA.

This year's ceremony will include a groundbreaking /ribbon cutting for a new Veterans Hall that will be a place where Veterans can come together to share stories, build friendships and be celebrated for their sacrifices.

They will also announce this year's Freedom Medal Honorees, selected from Delaware County Veterans recognized for their service and accomplishments in the military and community service.

Everyone attending will be treated to a special performance by singers from Garrett's Way Kindergarten Class in Delaware County, singing patriotic songs. And finally, a Flag Retirement Ceremony presented by Comcast's *Operation Old Glory* program, where hundreds of old flags that have been collected by Comcast Military and other Veterans organizations will be retired in an official solemn burning ceremony behind the monument.

Flag Day is special to Delaware County, as "The Father of Flag Day," William T. Kerr, called the Delaware County Borough of Yeadon home from 1928 until his death in 1953. Kerr stood by President Truman's side as he signed the Act of Congress, House Bill 203, declaring June 14th a day of national recognition for the flag on August 3, 1949.

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