

VETERANS MILITARY BANNER PROGRAM SPONSORED BY THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY OF POST 17, LEWES, DELAWARE

Lewes has always taken great pride in the men and women who have served our country in its times of need. Now we would like to take this opportunity to invite you to help us honor your friends and family who have served our great country.

The Military Banner Program salutes our brave men and women who are currently serving, and those who have served, in the military by creating and displaying 24" x 36" double-sided banners to be exhibited for years to come on the Lewes street light poles. They will be hung beginning Memorial Day through the Fourth of July weekend each year.

The American Legion Post 17 Family looks forward to honoring your military loved one with this highly-visible program. In order to participate, please submit your application package **no later than April 26, 2019.** If you have any questions, please call one of the contacts below and leave a message, including your name and number where you can be reached. Please allow 48 hours for a return call.

Auxiliary Contacts:

Alapost17@yahoo.com, Kellie Bergen 1-443-523-6133, Cindy Butler 1-443-618-0977

To have your loved one included, please do ONE of the following:

- Drop the completed application to American Legion Post 17 at the specific drop off times (listed on the bottom of the application form). Materials must include an unfolded photo of the military member in uniform, copy of DD-214/Discharge Papers, and check payable to American Legion Auxiliary Unit 17.
 American Legion Post 17 is located at 113 American Legion Road, Lewes, DE 19958.
- 2. Mail the completed application with an unfolded photo of the military member in uniform, copy of DD-214/Discharge Papers, and payment to American Legion Auxiliary Unit 17, PO Box 35, Nassau, DE 19969, Attention: Military Banner Program.
- 3. Email the photo and application to alapost17@yahoo.com and include "Military Banner /(Veteran's Last Name)" in the subject line. Do not forget to mail or drop-off the payment, copy of the completed application and copy of DD-214/Discharge Papers to the Post's address above.

PLEASE NOTE: YOUR PHOTO SHOULD BE OF THE HIGHEST QUALITY AVAILABLE, AND IF SCANNED, SHOULD BE AT 600dpi OR HIGHER. ALL ORIGINAL PHOTOS WILL BE RETURNED WHEN YOUR BANNER ARRIVES.

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APPLICATION FOR THE LEWES MILITARY BANNER PROGRAM Sponsored by the American Legion Post 17 Family

Please Print Clearly

Your Name			_ Email	
Address				
Phone Number (Home)				
Second Contact Name			_ Email	
Phone Number (Home)		(Cell)		
Service Member's Full Name a	and Military Title	e (s) (to appear on t	he banner)	
Circle One: Current Active	Retired	Veteran		
Rank		Branch		
Division/Squad				
Conflict		Years of Servi	ce	
Please provide copy of Vetera	ns DD-214/Discl	harge Papers or sor	ne official f	orm of Military Service.
Medals Received (Circle all tha	t apply; the two	highest-rated meda	als will be di	splayed)
Purple Heart	Bronze Star	Silver Sta	ar	Medal of Honor
Default Medals (If none of the	above are circle	<u>d</u>)		
National Defense Meda		Overseas	Medal	
Special Acknowledgements	7			
KIA	MIA		POW	

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** DEADLINE FOR ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS IS APRIL 26, 2019 **

Please 1) Drop off application, unfolded photo, copy of DD-214/Discharge Papers and check to the American Legion Post 17 at Drop-Off Times below; 2) Mail application, unfolded photo, copy of DD-214/Discharge Papers and check to American Legion Auxiliary Unit 17, PO Box 35, Nassau DE 19960, Attn: Military Banner Program; or 3) Email the photo and application to alapost17@yahoo.com and include "Military Banner /(Veteran's Last Name)" in the subject line. Do not forget to mail or drop-off the payment, copy of DD-214/Discharge Papers and a copy of the completed application to the Post.

Drop-Off Times at Post 17 will begin Feb. 4 on Mondays 5-7pm/ Wednesdays 5-7pm/ and Saturdays 5-7pm. The American Legion Post 17 is located at 113 American Legion Road, Lewes, DE 19958.



American Legion Post 17 and American Legion Auxiliary Unit 17 are seeking approval and support from the City of Lewes and the Board of Public Works for 2019 to implement our

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Banners to be placed prior to May 16th 2019 through the 4th of July weekend.

and

THE MOVING WALL VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL WALL

To be displayed in Lewes from May 16th 2019 through May 20th 2019.

At the Cape May Lewes Ferry – Lewes

These two programs are to Honor the Veterans of our Post 17, this community and to help us celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the American Legion as a primary Veterans Service Organization.

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IMPORTANT DATES - MILITARY BANNERS/MOVING WALL

- JANUARY 2: **MOVING WALL** The Members of Unit 17 Auxiliary voted to permit the Unit executive committee to make the final decisions regarding signing the contract with The Moving Wall and sending the deposit after the rest of the fact finding and necessary commitments are in place. Decision to be made on Monday January 28th by Executive Team.
- JANUARY 14, 7pm: MILITARY BANNERS/MOVING WALL Auxiliary appears before Lewes City Council
- JANUARY 17, 5pm: MOVING WALL Visit to VFW at Easton (Commander Kenley Timms) for shared experience
- JANUARY 23, 4pm: MILITARY BANNERS/MOVING WALL Final approval from Lewes Bureau of Public Works (BPW)
- January 25th- 12:30pm- Meeting at the Cape May Lewes Ferry with key people there.
- JANUARY 28, 11am: MILITARY BANNERS Training session for volunteers accepting Military Banner Applications at Post
- FEBRUARY 4 through APRIL 26: MILITARY BANNERS Applications accepted at Post Mon-Wed-Sat 5-7pm
- FEBRUARY 18: MILITARY BANNERS Assess whether further need to advertise (Cape Gazette?)



VETERANS MILITARY BANNER PROGRAM FACT SHEET

The American Legion Family of Post 17 proudly introduces the Veterans Military Banner Program which salutes our brave men and women who are currently serving, and those who have served, in the military by creating double-sided banners to be exhibited for years to come on the City of Lewes street light poles. They will be hung beginning May 16 through July 7, 2019. In subsequent years, the banners will be hung before Memorial Day through the Fourth of July weekend each year.

- The American Legion, the Town of Lewes and the Bureau of Public Works (BPW) are not responsible for the banners. If a banner becomes tattered, torn or destroyed (by natural or unnatural events) or otherwise becomes unsuitable for public display, the family will be notified and have the opportunity to order another.
- All banners on display must be ordered through this program.
- Placement will not be guaranteed with another banner or on any particular street.
- The BPW will be responsible for the installation and removal of these banners and American Legion Post 17 will store them until the next season's re-installation.

An example of the banner is shown below:



This program includes:

- One 24"w x 36"h double-sided military banner (on heavy vinyl) to be displayed in town.
- Two 12" x 18" single-sided military banners to be presented to the family for personal display.
- Bracket-mounting hardware to hang the banner on the pole.
- Your veteran will also be featured online at www.TroopBanners/Lewes.com
- The veteran being honored does not have to be a native of Lewes and can be a veteran who served at any time in this nation's history.
- A one-time cost of \$150 which includes the brackets and mounting. The normal life expectancy of each banner is five years.
- Applications will be accepted beginning February 4 through April 26, 2019.

Applications, photos, copies of DD-214/Discharge Papers, and payments can be mailed or emailed to American Legion Post 17. Submissions can also be dropped off at Post 17 during certain hours where an Auxiliary Member will be available to personally accept the packages and answer questions (see application for hours). Auxiliary Contacts: alapost17@yahoo.com, Kellie Bergen 1-443-523-6133, Cindy Butler- 1-443-618-0977