



# Post 9/11 U.S. Armed Forces Memorial

at Patriot Park

# News and Updates

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## \$50K MATCH CHALLENGE

The 50K challenge fell just a few hundred dollars short of being maxed out. The final number was \$49,740.80. That was an amazing effort by our donors!

## ANNUAL RETIRING OF THE FLAGS

On Sunday, November 17th, many volunteers and board members worked hard together to retire the 7000+ flags in the Field of Heroes for the winter. It was a somber day as we pulled each flag from the ground and reflected upon the ultimate sacrifice of the brave heroes



## GET INVOLVED!

e-mail: info@patriotparkfoundation.org  
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## WREATHS across AMERICA

A wreath was placed at the Park to honor Post 9/11 armed forces. Wreaths were also provided for Brian Hause and Nils Thompson, our Somerset County post-9/11 fallen. Hause's wreath was placed at his grave site by his mother, and Thompson's was placed at his memorial marker in Harnedsville.



## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Looking back at 2024 I am amazed at the gratitude of our visitors, the relationships we have built, the hard work of our volunteers and the generosity of our supporters! It reinforces our steadfast dedication that, with your help, we will complete our mission at Patriot Park. To try and list all those who need to be thanked for our progress would take pages and pages. Let me just say to you all who have helped, your contributions to the mission have not gone unnoticed and are very much appreciated! THANK YOU ALL! I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year. I can hardly wait to see what 2025 will bring! Stay tuned.

Randy Musser, President Patriot Park Foundation

## 2024: A YEAR IN REVIEW



PAVED PARKING AREA, VOLUNTEER WORK DAY, FLAG PLACEMENT, MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY, PATRIOT PARK DAY & 5K



NEW SIGNS ARE PLACED, VISITORS FROM WARRIOR EXPEDITIONS, GOLD STAR MARKER PLACED, COL. GADSON VISITS AND ANNUAL BENEFIT DINNER HELD



PATRIOT DAY-SERVICE DOG TRAINING GROUP, GREAT AMERICAN RELAY PASSES THROUGH, REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY FOR 13 FALLEN AT ABBEY GATE, BAREFOOT DUTCHMAN VISITS (WALKED 3000 MILES FROM LA TO NYC BAREFOOT)