



**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST 1177  
LOUDOUN COUNTY**

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**FLAG RETIREMENT PROGRAM**

FRIDAY NIGHT BEFORE THE PROGRAM,  
VOLUNTEERS CLEAN AND LAY OUT  
THE FLAGS



THE FLAGS MUST BE CLEANED,  
AND ALL NON-FLAG MATERIAL REMOVED.



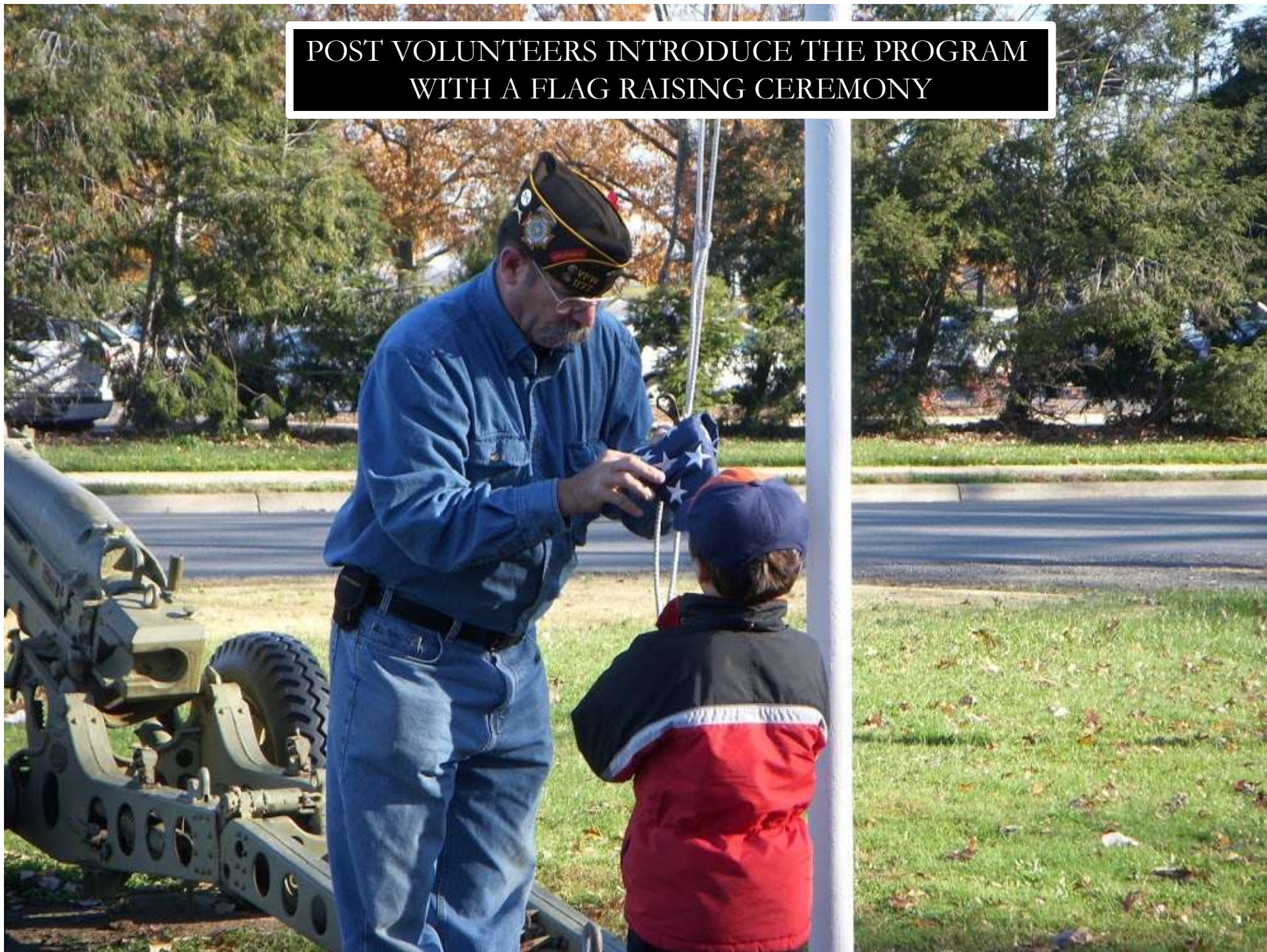
THE POST IS READY FOR OUR SATURDAY PROGRAM ATTENDEES



THE TROOPS ARRIVE.  
CUB SCOUTS, GIRL SCOUTS, BROWNIES, WEBLOS,  
KIDS FROM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.  
ALL ARE WELCOME



POST VOLUNTEERS INTRODUCE THE PROGRAM  
WITH A FLAG RAISING CEREMONY



POST VOLUNTEERS THEN TEACH THE TROOPS  
HOW TO PROPERLY FOLD THE FLAGS.



HANDS ON EXPERIENCE.





LOTS OF HANDS ON EXPERIENCE.

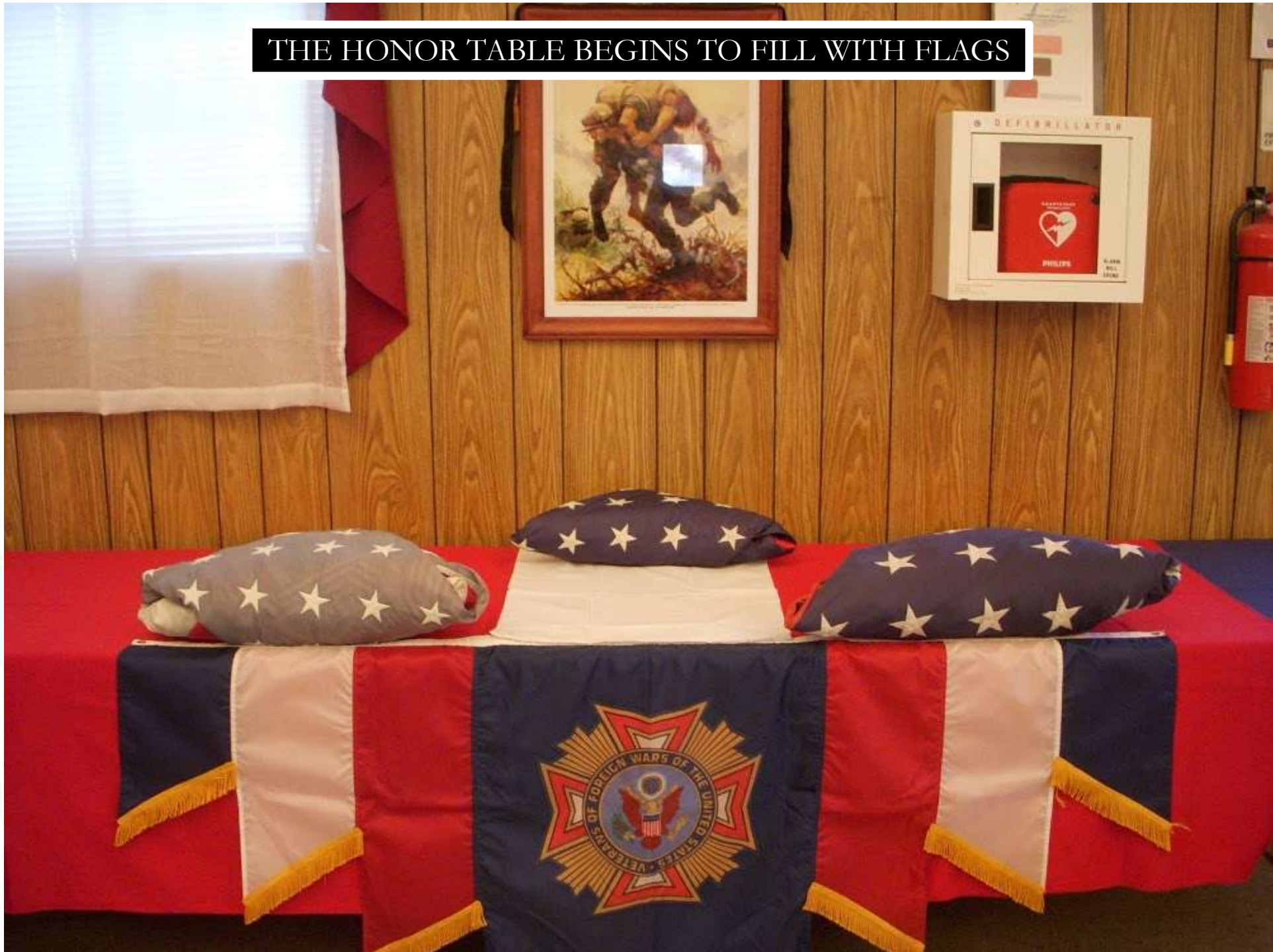




THE BIG FLAGS REQUIRE A TEAM EFFORT.



THE HONOR TABLE BEGINS TO FILL WITH FLAGS



EACH MEMBER PLACES THE FLAG IN THE BURN BARREL.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE IS RECITED.

THEIRS ARE THE LAST HANDS TO TOUCH THESE SACRED SYMBOLS.



EACH PARTICIPANT RECEIVES A SPECIAL MOMENTO.  
ONCE THE FLAGS ARE RETIRED,  
THE ONLY THING REMAINING IS THE METAL GROMMET.



THESE ARE THE METAL GROMMETS FROM THE FLAGS RETIRED  
A YEAR AGO BY YOUNG PEOPLE JUST LIKE THEM.  
THE GROMMETS FROM THEIR RETIRED FLAGS  
WILL BE PRESENTED TO NEXT YEAR'S VOLUNTEERS





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