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MEDIA UPDATE

****In the event of rain, the Memorial Day ceremony featuring Kane Kalas will be held at 10 a.m. at the Media Theater at 104 East State Street, Media, PA. Please visit our Press Room at www.paveteransmuseum.org for updated information and press info****

HARRY KALAS TO BE HONORED BY SON KANE AT MEDIA, PA MEMORIAL DAY PARADE KALAS WILL SING "AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL" AND READ FATHER'S POEM HONORING VETERANS

Media, Pa.-- Kane Kalas, son of Hall of Fame broadcaster and U. S. Army veteran Harry Kalas, will sing "America the Beautiful" and read a poem honoring veterans that was written by his father at Media's Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony on Monday, May 25. The Kalas family has graciously offered to present the Pennsylvania Veterans Museum with the flag which draped Kalas' casket following his untimely death in April.

"We are deeply honored that Harry was a committed supporter of the Pennsylvania Veterans Museum," said Bob McMahon, mayor of Media and Museum board chair. "Harry Kalas spoke at the opening of the Museum. Having Kane here today makes this event particularly special."

Harry Kalas, who resided in Upper Providence, neighboring Media, narrated the Pennsylvania Veterans Museum-produced documentary, "In the Company of Heroes," which recounts the story of World War II's legendary Band of Brothers, the 101st Airborne Screaming Eagles. Kalas served with the U.S. Army, 25th Infantry Division and was a staple of Media Borough's Veterans Day Parade, emceeding the ceremony in front of Delaware County Courthouse each year.

The Media Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony, organized by the Veterans Legacy Project, will begin at 10 a.m. at State and Edgmont streets and end with a ceremony at the courthouse expected to conclude by 11 a.m. Military units, civic organizations and youth groups will be included in the parade line-up.

For more information, contact Patti Spaniak, at pspaniak@gmail.com or at 646-409-7775.

The Pennsylvania Veterans Museum, 12 East State St., will have a special Monday opening 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. Admission is free. Open to the public on Veteran's Day 2005, the Pennsylvania Veterans Museum is a non-profit organization whose mission is to preserve, promote and protect the legacy and dignity of all U.S. veterans and to educate the public, especially our youth, about the experiences and history of veterans during times of war. We strive to preserve the "living history" of our veterans through films documenting the experience of war in veterans' own voices. Our films are accompanied by accredited lesson plans designed for middle-school, high-school and JROTC students.



Caption: Harry Kalas (left) and Kane Kalas (right). Kane Kalas will sing "America the Beautiful" and present the PA Veterans Museum with the American flag that draped his father's casket.

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