

# ***“Remembering D-Day”* Living History Event**







**June 9, 2018 (*DDay+3*) – 10am to 4pm**








**Camp Hearne Historic Site**

**Hearne, Texas**

**This June 9, Camp Hearne will partner with WWII re-enactors in a D-Day Remembrance of the courage, honor and sacrifice of America’s men and women in military service during WWII. These re-enactors help to enrich our visitors’ museum experience. Wearing the uniforms and carrying the equipment of both the Allied and Axis forces, they share their knowledge about the day-to-day lives of military men and women and the broader lessons of WWII.**

## **THINGS TO DO AND SEE!**

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| <p><b>SPECIAL GUESTS</b></p> <p><b>You!</b></p>  | <p>As long as you enjoy playing the part!</p>                          |  <p><b>Get those old clothes out of the attic or visit a local resale shop and dress in vintage apparel for the day!</b></p>   |
| <p><b>Camp Hearne Historic Site</b></p>          | <p>Self-guided trails<br/><b>WEATHER PERMITTING</b><br/>10am – 4pm</p> | <p>Camp Hearne, a WWII prisoner-of-war base camp located on FM 485 northwest of Hearne, Texas, is touted as the best-documented POW camp in the US. Many folks simply do not realize almost 432,000 German, Italian, &amp; Japanese prisoners were housed in the US during WWII. Camp Hearne, where more than 4800 mostly German prisoners were detained, is the perfect historic site to tell this story. You will be able to visit our WWII POW Camp Exhibit, walk the trails to prisoner-built remains, interact with WWII living historians as they “show and tell” their collections, watch weapons demonstrations and view WWII vintage vehicles.<br/><a href="http://www.camphearne.com">www.camphearne.com</a></p> |
| <p><b>Camp Hearne Guard Tower</b></p>           | <p>Self-guided tours<br/>10am – 4pm</p>                                | <p>Camp Hearne’s guard tower replica was built following a set of plans from the period. After reviewing the complexity and feasibility, the decision was made to build a similar structure for its visual context; that is, the tower is the most iconic symbol of the POW camp. Primarily due to cost, this structure is more of a visual silhouette than exact replica. Still, our tower offers a unique view of the Camp. Structural differences are shown and each opening’s view is explained on posted interpretive panels.</p>   |
| <p><b>Bert Wheeler Barracks</b></p>              | <p>Self-guided tours<br/>10am – 4pm</p> <p>Docents available</p>       | <p>The barracks front interior depicts a soldier’s living quarters, as it would have been during WWII. Authenticated by a set of 1942 Corps of Engineer plans and original photographs, we are working to recreate all the features. The next room displays the photographs, artifacts, and objects collected by Dr. Michael Waters and ROLL CALL. These tell the story of the Camp’s origins and a day in the life of the prisoners as well as our GIs who guarded them from 1942-1946. The back room is our visitors’ center where guests may relax, obtain tourist information and learn more about Camp Hearne.</p>  |
| <p><b>Glenn Miller Exhibit</b></p>              | <p>Ongoing “show &amp; tell”<br/>10am – 4pm</p>                        | <p>In the middle of Glenn Miller’s very successful career as one of America’s Big Band trombonist, arranger, composer, and bandleader in the swing era, he joined the Army Air Force to command their military bands. He rose to the rank of Major before his plane went missing over the English Channel in December 1944 on his way to a liberated Paris.</p> <p><i>“Entertainment is always a national asset. Invaluable in time of peace it is indispensable in wartime... All those who are working in the entertainment industry... are building and maintaining national morale both on the battlefield and on the home front.”</i></p> <p>- President Franklin D. Roosevelt- 12 June 1943</p>                      |

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| <p><b>Home Front "Soliders"</b></p>    | <p>Ongoing<br/>"show &amp; tell"<br/>10am-4pm</p>   |  <p><b>HOME FRONT HEROES!</b></p> <p>Camp Hearne always highlights the contributions made by the millions of ordinary citizens during extraordinary work and sacrifice to win the war.</p>   |
| <p><b>WWII Love Story</b></p>    | <p>Ongoing<br/>"show &amp; tell"<br/>10am – 4pm</p> | <p><b>Baby Boomers – here we come!</b></p> <p>World War II was an amazing time in our history. Fast moving changes and opportunities were happening daily. Yet, young men and women were being asked to do extraordinary things with very little assurances they even had future. It was romance accelerated with little time to spare. Such is the story of many young couples on both sides of the pond.</p>  |
| <p><b>British Allies</b></p>    | <p>Ongoing<br/>"show &amp; tell"<br/>10am – 4pm</p> | <p><b>Whiskey Coy, 1 Airborne Division, Re-enacted</b><br/><b>Gordon Highlanders, 51 Highland Division, re-enacted</b></p> <p>These two British units are represented by a passionate group of WWII reenactors donned in authentic uniforms and geared up for war. They will also have vintage jeeps and light armor vehicles on display.</p>   |
| <p><b>Camp Lili Collection</b><br/><b>441 AAA Bn SigCoy</b></p>             | <p>Ongoing<br/>"show &amp; tell"<br/>10am – 4pm</p> | <p><b>Camp Lili</b> is an effort to recreate a United States Army Signal Corps Company encampment in a forward position in southern France during WW2. The unit is based on a signal company attached to the 441st Anti-aircraft artillery battalion, a part of "Camel Force" which invaded southern France between Cannes and St. Raphael in August of 1944 as part of Operation Dragoon. This area was spear headed by the 36th Infantry Division (shoulder patch of Camp Lili) to which the 441st was attached. Once the beach was secured the 36th fought up the Rhone Valley to join U.S. Forces from the Normandy invasion.<br/><a href="https://www.facebook.com/camplili?ref=br_tf">https://www.facebook.com/camplili?ref=br_tf</a></p> |
| <p><b>D-Day Paratrooper/ Glider Troops</b><br/><b>Medical Display</b></p>  | <p>Ongoing<br/>"show &amp; tell"<br/>10am-4pm</p>   | <p>Medics of the <b>101st and 82nd Airborne</b> also jumped into France with their armed counterparts. This display depicts the range of combat and medical equipment carried by U.S. paratroopers and glider-born infantry on D-Day and throughout the operation. Included in the display will be helmets, uniforms, personal equipment/personal belongings, safety equipment, and first aid/medical gear that each medic carried.</p>   |
| <p><b>Allied Soviet Union Solider</b></p>                                  | <p>Ongoing<br/>"show &amp; tell"<br/>10am-4pm</p>   | <p>Although the Soviet Army was not engaged in the D-Day Operations, they certainly earned their medal during WWII along the Eastern Front.</p> <p>This impression is of an infantryman of the <b>32nd Red Banner Rifle Division of the Workers &amp; Peasant's Red Army</b>. This is an example of the Soviet soldier during the opening stages of Operation Barbarossa in 1941. Visitors will learn about the Red Army and the Eastern Front in general. The display will include a PM1910 Maxim Heavy Machine Gun, several infantry rifles, grenades and ordinance as well as different uniforms.</p>  |
| <p><b>Deutschland Regiment</b><br/><b>Military Police</b></p>              | <p>Ongoing<br/>"show &amp; tell"<br/>10am-4pm</p>   | <p>Deutschland Regiment is a WWII reenacting unit portraying 3rd Regiment Panzer-grenadiers under 2nd Das Reich Panzer Division. As a living history unit, they strive for historical accuracy. As a "living history" unit, they educate the public about the German soldier through static displays and reenacted battles at sponsored public events.<br/><a href="http://www.deutschlandregiment.com">www.deutschlandregiment.com</a></p>   |