

PATRIOTISM

Did you know that for almost a century, the Knights of Columbus has walked hand in hand with the men and women of the United States Armed Forces. Beginning in 1916 during the Mexican campaign commanded by General John J. Pershing, the Knights established recreation centers where they could attend to both the physical and spiritual needs of the enlisted men. The program was so successful that it was greatly expanded in World War I with the "hut" program. The motto of these huts was "Everybody Welcome. Everything Free". The Knights—first at home and later abroad—established huts near the front, at or near military bases and in cities frequented by our soldiers and sailors. In November 1917, General Pershing signed General Order No. 63 allowing the Knights to provide services to men in Europe. At the end of the war, Pershing said that "of all the organizations that took part in winning of the war, with the exception of the military itself, there was none so efficiently and ably administered as the Knights of Columbus."

This poster was produced as part of the United War Work Campaign which brought together seven organizations--the YMCA, the YWCA, the American Library Association, the War Camp Community Service, the Knights of Columbus, the Jewish Welfare Board, and the Salvation Army--into one large

funding drive charged with raising over \$170 million for the war in 1918. In a public address in 1917, John D. Rockefeller described the War Work Campaign as "the greatest voluntary altruistic endeavor the world has ever known."



Keep The Tradition Alive - Participate

FRONT LINE FAITH



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WELCOME HOME A HERO



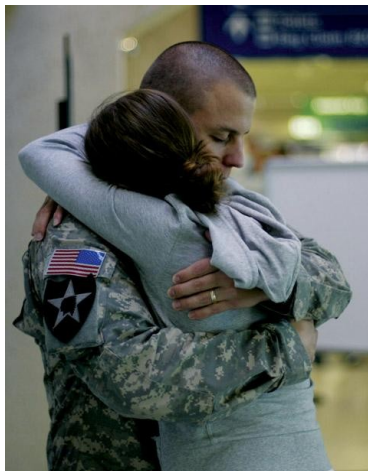
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Council 10245

THIS IS WHAT IT IS ALL ABOUT



**A GREAT
OPPORTUNITY
TO SHOW
YOUR
GRATITUDE
FOR THEIR
SERVICE**



**BRING YOUR
FAMILY
ALONG TO
CLAP AND
CHEER**

COMMITMENT



Donna Cranston, left, on-site coordinator of Welcome Home a Hero program, and greeter Linda Tinnerman welcome returning soldiers and Marines from Iraq and Afghanistan for rest and relaxation upon their arrival at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport. Donna has been greeting soldiers since her own son served in Iraq early in the war. Though he is back, her commitment to this cause is as strong as ever.

PLAN TO ATTEND

TERMINAL D, GATE 22

August 8, 2009
September 5, 2009
October 3, 2009
November 7, 2009
December 5, 2009
January 2, 2010
February 6, 2010
March 6, 2010

WHERE & WHEN

Before Arriving at DFW

- **R&R Update Hotline:** Call the R&R update line at 972-574-0392 for an estimated time of arrival. Flights are scheduled to arrive between 7am and 9am. Calling the hotline the evening before (after 8:30pm), as well-as in the morning will alert you to any delays.
- **Signs:** This is a great activity for children to do that are coming along with you. You are welcome to leave them and the onsite coordinator will see that they are displayed.
- **Food:** Welcome treats or goodie bags are permissible. Simple is best! Note, there are approximately 200-275 soldiers that arrive daily. No home baked items are allowed. Only pre-packaged items are allowed.

Arrival at DFW

- **Plan two hours** for this event for driving, parking, greeting, and return. You can park across from the entrance in the two hour parking at Terminal D, Gate 22— stay on the ground level. Parking vouchers will be available when you arrive.
- **Flags:** There are some flags available to you, but please return for later use.
- **Balloons:** If you would like to bring balloons to help decorate, only Mylar balloons are allowed— NO regular helium balloons, please.

Soldiers Arrival—DFW

- **Families of Troops** are to line up in front, all other volunteers on either side of the barriers behind family members. Veterans are up front to greet the troops.
- **Keep aisles wide and clear:** The objective is to welcome the soldiers, but not encumber their progress to their connecting flight.
- **Cell Phones:** You are welcome to offer troops cell phones to call home as they arrive. The best place to do this is outside as they wait for their buses.