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## EAST GREENWICH MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

The Town of East Greenwich proudly announces their annual Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 29, 2017 at 10:00 AM.

The parade will kick off from Academy Field and wind through the Hill District by way of Mawney Street. It will then continue to First Avenue (Rt.401) for a brief wreath-laying ceremony at the World War II Memorial on the corner of Cliff Street. The parade then proceeds North on Main Street to the Town Hall for closing ceremonies to conclude at about 11:00 AM.

The "Lone Piper" Aaron Lindo will lead the parade which will feature Police and Fire Honor Guards, Elected Officials, Grand Marshal Lt. Col. Patrick C. Gallogly, USMC and the always resplendent local militia groups the Kentish Guards and Varnum Continentals. Spectators will be delighted by the return of The Nightlife Marching Band, and our own East Greenwich High School Band will be marching and providing patriotic favorites for young and old. Numerous classic and antique cars will participate along with the ever patriotic Blue Knights Law Enforcement motor group. Local fire companies will display an outstanding array of apparatus featuring antiques from the East Greenwich Veteran Fireman's Association.

Closing ceremonies will include a recitation of the Gettysburg Address by Dylan Brunner, and 8th grade student at Our Lady of Mercy and some brief comments by the Grand Marshal Gallogly. The 143 Airlift Wing from the RI Air National Guard will provide a flyover. This parade, and the other Town parade on Veteran's Day, is a long time tradition by one of a handful of Rhode Island communities who continue to honor the living and the dead of past conflicts. It is with a great deal of pride that the Town of East Greenwich sponsors these parades.

A temporary parking ban will be in effect on several of the streets surrounding Academy Field in order to accommodate parade vehicles.

There is NO RAIN DATE. In the event of inclement weather, a ceremony will be held inside the Swift Community Center, 121 Peirce Street, at 10am including participants from Divisions 1 and 2. All are welcome as capacity allows for.

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