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Memorial Day Parade and Service

Remembering Veterans and showcasing community pride

NOVI, MICH., May 8, 2015 – On Monday, May 25, 2015, the City of Novi will commemorate Memorial Day with a morning of activities to honor the sacrifice and service given by Veterans for our country. Veterans, community members, scout troops, businesses, and other civic organizations are encouraged to participate.

Memorial Day Run

The day begins at 8 am with the 4th annual Memorial Day Run with 5K and 10K races. The one-mile Fun Run will begin at 9 am. The starting line is located at Fuerst Park (Ten Mile and Taft Roads). Pre-registration is recommended at novimemorialdayrun.com.

Cemetery Ceremony

At 8:45 am, a tribute ceremony, presented by the VFW and American Legion, will take place at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens (Novi and Twelve Mile Roads).

Parade

The parade begins at 10 am and travels west along Ten Mile Road from Karim Boulevard to the Novi Civic Center. Parade highlights include floats designated especially for Veterans, the Harmony Acres Arabian Parade Horses, antique cars and military vehicles, local marching bands and entries by several Novi businesses, churches and civic organizations.

Families may decorate their bikes and join the parade by calling (248) 347-0474 and pre-registering. Cyclist will meet at 9:30 am at the Huntington Bank located at Ten Mile and Novi Roads.

Memorial Service

Following the parade Veterans, both living and deceased, will be honored with a fitting tribute including a traditional wreath laying, gun salute, patriotic songs and guest speaker, Colonel Miles A. Davis, Deputy Division Commander, 98th Division (IET), Fort Benning, GA.

Local Veterans are encouraged to take part in the parade and ceremony by pre-registering in-person at the Novi Older Adult Services or Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services offices, Meadowbrook Activity Center, online at cityofnovi.org or by calling (248) 347-0414.

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Veteran Luncheon

Registered Veterans and their families will enjoy a lunch, presented by American Legion - Post 147 of Northville and VFW Post 1519, following the Memorial Service at the Novi Civic Center.

The parade and service are sponsored by Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America, American Legion – Post 147 and Veterans of Foreign Wars – Post 1519. For more information about the Memorial Day Parade and Service, please contact Karen Kapchonick, Older Adult Services Manager at (248) 347-0414.

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