



Memorial Day

Monday, May 25, 2026

“A special day of reflection and remembrance to honor the brave men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. We are forever grateful.”

★★ **250 Years of Service** ★★

Dear Residents:

Today, we gather with wreaths and flags in hand to honor the brave men and women who gave their lives in defense of our nation and the freedoms we cherish as Americans. Their courage and sacrifice remind us that freedom is never free and must always be protected and remembered.

As our nation prepares to celebrate the 250th Anniversary of America, we reflect not only on the founding of our country, but also on the generations of patriots who have defended and preserved it throughout every chapter of our history. For two and a half centuries, Americans have answered the call to serve with honor, courage, and an unwavering commitment to the ideals upon which this nation was built. Their sacrifices have allowed our democracy to endure and our freedoms to flourish.

Here in Weehawken, we are reminded of our community’s proud legacy of service each time we pass the memorials along Boulevard East. The names engraved there belong to individuals who believed in serving something greater than themselves. Though their lives were cut short, their legacy continues to live on through the freedoms we enjoy today.

This Memorial Day, we express our deepest gratitude to those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country, and we thank all who continue to serve and protect our nation. May God watch over all who serve, now and always.

God Bless America.
Mayor Richard F. Turner





Parade Officials

General Chairperson

**Gabriela Reynoso, Commander
*American Legion Post 18***

Parade Liaison

**Donna Macina
*Weehawken Township***

Grand Marshal

**Joseph J. Ehret, Sr
*US Air Force***

Aide to the Grand Marshal

**The Honorable Frederick J. Theemling, Jr.
*US Army***

Line of March

Assembly Place: Highpoint and Gregory Avenues

Assembly Time: 9:00 am

Forward March: 9:30 am

Patriotic Exercises: 11:00 am at the Soldiers' & Sailors' Monuments,
On Boulevard East

Starting at assembly point of Highpoint and Gregory Avenues, west on Highpoint Avenue to Hudson Avenue, north on Hudson Avenue to Maple Street, east on Maple Street to Ridgely Place, continuing onto Pleasant Avenue and north on Pleasant Avenue to Park Avenue, proceeding up Park Avenue to 49th Street, east on 49th Street to Boulevard East (stopping for a few minutes), south on Boulevard East to Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument.

Memorial Day Parade Order

- ✪ Weehawken Police Motorcycle Escort and Honor Guard
- ✪ Hudson County Sheriff's Department – *James M. Davis, Sheriff*
- ✪ Union City HS Marines Corps Jr. ROTC - *CWO2 Yessica Ramos - Mayor Brian P. Stack*
- ✪ Union City Young Marines - *Commander Jessica Flores – Mayor Brian P. Stack*
- ✪ Weehawken High School Marching Band –*Anthony Nunez, Director*
- ✪ US Army National Guard B Co 2/113th Infantry
- ✪ Weehawken Post #18 American Legion – *Gabriela Reynoso, Commander*
- ✪ Historic Military Vehicles
- ✪ Hampton Pipes & Drums
- ✪ **Mayor Richard F. Turner and Township Council**
- ✪ Grand Marshal: ***Joseph J. Ehret, Sr., US Air Force***
- ✪ Weehawken Senior Citizens Bus
- ✪ Aide to the Grand Marshal: ***The Honorable Frederick J. Theemling, Jr., US Army***
- ✪ Flag Display Float - *Honoring Veterans throughout history*
- ✪ Weehawken Police Department Marching Unit
- ✪ Memorial High School Band – *Charlie Castiblanco, Director – Mayor Albio Sires*
- ✪ Weehawken Recreation Department
- ✪ Weehawken Girl Scout Troops – *Lynn Earle, Catalina Villasuso, Meg Carson, Kerrin Burke Leaders*
- ✪ Cub/Boy Scout Troop #223 - *Steven Fox, Leader*
- ✪ Classic Car Procession
- ✪ Durning String Band and Mummers
- ✪ Weehawken Elks Lodge #1456 – *Elizabeth Sylvester, Exalted Ruler*
- ✪ Weehawken Board of Education – *Jennifer Bolcar, President*
- ✪ Weehawken High School Girls Softball and Boys Baseball Teams
- ✪ Durning String Band and Mummers
- ✪ Weehawken Parking Authority
- ✪ Classic Car Procession
- ✪ Weehawken Water Tower Float – *Department of Public Works*
- ✪ Union City High School Band – *Jessica D'Elia, Director – Mayor Brian P. Stack*
- ✪ Weehawken Volunteer First Aid Squad Marching Unit -- *Jeff Welz, President*
- ✪ Weehawken Fire Prevention Bureau Vehicle Escort
- ✪ Weehawken Volunteer First Aid Squad Ambulances
- ✪ No. Hudson Reg. Fire & Rescue Marching Unit & Vehicle Escort

In case of rain, program and exercises will be held in the Weehawken High School Auditorium, Liberty Place, Weehawken, NJ, at 11:00 am

For updates, please check: <https://www.weehawken-nj.us/recreation>

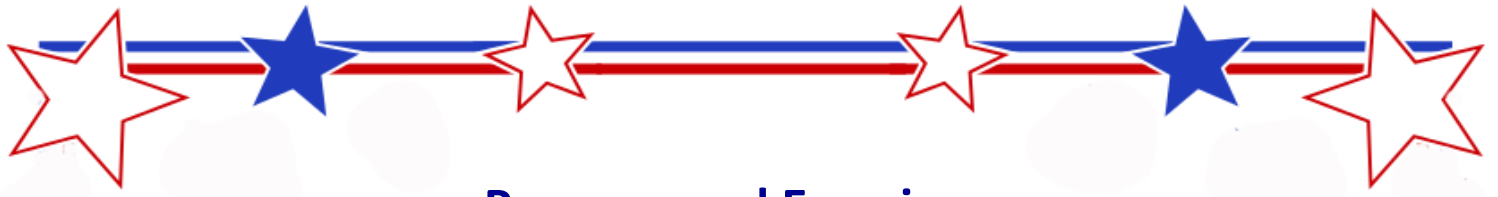


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Program and Exercises

Soldiers & Sailors Monument

Boulevard East – 11:00am

Program Chairman	Gabriela Reynoso Commander, American Legion Post #18
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag	Eiden Becovic Roosevelt School
Star Spangled Banner	Weehawken High School Marching Band Anthony Nunez, Director
Invocation	Fr. Rolando Yadao St. Lawrence R.C. Church
Gettysburg Address	Eddie Fox Weehawken High School
Greetings	Mayor Richard F. Turner
Presentation of Wreaths	Carmela Silvestri-Ehret , Deputy Mayor, 1 st Ward Councilwoman, Weehawken Township Elizabeth Sylvester , Exalted Ruler, Weehawken Lodge of Elks #1456 Marta Bialkowski , Sergeant-at-Arms, American Legion Post #18 Katie Sosa/Megan Verdon , Weehawken Senior Citizens
PFC Salvatore P. Cemelli Memorial Scholarship Award	Anya Chaoui Weehawken High School Introduced by Mayor Richard F. Turner, presented by Frank Cemelli
Weehawken Elks Scholarship Award	Niomi Rodriguez Weehawken High School Elizabeth Sylvester , Exalted Ruler, Weehawken Lodge of Elks #1456
Veterans' Rituals	American Legion Post #18
Roll Call Deceased Members (2025 - 2026)	Elizabeth Sylvester , Exalted Ruler, Weehawken Lodge of Elks #1456 Gabriela Reynoso , Commander, American Legion Post #18
Taps	Ramael Graham Weehawken High School Band
Benediction	Pastor Corinne Arthur Park United Methodist Church
God Bless America	Weehawken High School Marching Band

