

# Memorial Day Festivities To Focus on Patriotism

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Mountainside will also address the crowd. American Legion Chaplain Henry Loffler will conduct the opening prayer and benediction.

Before the parade starts along its route, an a cappella performance of God Bless America will be sung by Kerry Stubbs, a voice teacher for the New Jersey Workshop for the Arts (NJWA) as well as a rendition of echo "taps" played by Dr. Theodore K. Schlosberg, Founder and Director of the (NJWA) and brothers Christopher and Matthew Velderman during a traditional wreath laying ceremony around the Soldiers Monument.

The Grand Marshall of this year's parade is Robert Tinervin, a Vietnam War Veteran, who served in the war for five years. He has served as Commander of the Martin Wallberg Post and currently belongs to the Westfield Chapter of the Knights of Columbus. He has lived in Westfield for 26 years.

After opening ceremonies, the parade will march up East Broad Street, turn left on Elm Street, right onto Orchard Street and take a right onto Mountain Avenue where services will be held at the Colonial Cemetery.

"The Sons of the American Revolution (S.A.R.) and the Daughters of the American Revolution (D.A.R.) will break ranks at the Colonial Cemetery to con-

duct services honoring American military personnel buried there," stated Stan Cuba, a representative of the Parade Committee from the American Legion.

Marching in the parade will be the Westfield Fire and Police Departments, the Volunteer Rescue Squad and vehicles, the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce, the West Fields Chapter of the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution, the Westfield Community Center, the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Brownies and Cub Scouts as well as five marching bands including the Westfield High School Marching Band, the Westfield Fife and Drum Corps, the Westfield Community band, the Bound Brook Drum and Bugle Corps and the New Jersey Field Music Fife Drum and Bugle Corps, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

"The rest of the parade will conclude at Fairview Cemetery in the veteran's section where services will be conducted by the Westfield and Mountainside VFW. Also, a repeat performance of echo Taps will be done at the conclusion," he explained.

Mr. Cuba also reported that in the event of rain, ceremonies will be held at the American Legion Meeting Hall. Information in this regard can be obtained by calling (908) 654-9181 where a recorded message will be available.