

Former Steeler Rocky Bleier will be the guest speaker at this year's AHEC Memorial Day ceremony

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Liberation Pointe at the Army Heritage and Education Center

Decorated Vietnam War Veteran Rocky Brier will be the guest speaker at this year's Carlisle Memorial Day ceremony. The ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. Monday the 31st. At the Soldiers Walk at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center, 950 Soldiers Drive. The event will move indoors if there is inclement weather.

Memorial Day 2021 events in Cumberland County

Below is a list of Memorial Day Events scheduled throughout Cumberland County by Veterans and civilian Organizations. Army War College speakers are in bold print. This list is not comprehensive, just the ones that we know of in Cumberland County.

Sunday, May 23, 2021

Newburg (Newburg Memorial Day Committee) will hold their annual Memorial Day Observance with a Morning worship service at 10:45 a.m. on the Monument Green. The annual Memorial Day Parade will move through town promptly at 2 p.m. In inclement weather, the parade will be canceled, and the Newburg Community Memorial Service will be held at the Newburg UM Church, 203 N. High Street. The guest speaker is Army War College student Col. Brian Jacobson. Contact person: Curt Cramer, 729-5459.

Tuesday, May 25

Central Penn College will host a Memorial Day Ceremony at noon at the flag pole in front of its ATEC Building, 600 Valley Road, Summerdale, with guest speaker Col. Leo Wyszynski, director of the Center for Strategic Leadership the U.S. Army War College.

Sunday, May 30, 2021

Mount Holly Springs VFW Post 7343 will hold a small Memorial Day Ceremony at the Mount Holly Springs Cemetery at 1:00 p.m. The guest speaker will be Army War College Student Lt. Col. Paul A. Tomcik. Contact person: Rick Bower, 717-440-2635.

Boys Scouts Troop 180 Longsdorf Cemetery at Locust Point Road, New Kingstown at 1 p.m. The guest speaker is Army War College student Lt. Col. Daman Torres.

Monday, May 31, 2021

Camp Hill-American Legion Post 43 will hold a Memorial Day Service at 9:30 a.m. at the Camp Hill Cemetery behind the Fire Hall at 2145 Walnut

Street, Camp Hill. In inclement weather, the service will be held at the Camp Hill Borough Building at 2145 Walnut Street, Camp Hill. There will NOT be a parade this year. The guest speaker will be Lt. Col. Matthew P. Smith, PA Army National Guard. Contact person: Commander Keith Beebe, 717-574-5000.

Carlisle -The Joint Veterans Council of Carlisle will hold a Memorial Day Service beginning at 10 a.m. at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center, 950 Soldiers Drive, Carlisle. There will NOT be a parade this year. Contact person: Kirk Wilson, 717-226-1554.

The Mechanicsburg Area Veterans Council will hold a Memorial Day Service at the Mechanicsburg Cemetery GAR monument on Marble Street at 11 a.m., rain or shine. There will NOT be a parade this year. The guest speaker will be retired Army Col. Doug Eppers. Contact person: Paul Kreiner, Jr., President, 579-4560.

Newville: The Joint Veterans Council of Newville will hold a parade starting at 1 p.m. Services will immediately follow the parade at the fountain and will include a guest speaker and playing of Taps. In inclement weather, the parade will be canceled, and services will be held at the American Legion Failor Wagner Post 421 at 28 Shepherd Road, Newville.

The Vietnam Veterans of Mechanicsburg will hold a Memorial Service at 2 p.m. at the Lincoln Colored Cemetery off Winding Hill Road in Mechanicsburg, rain or shine. Contact person: Paul Kreiner, Jr., Commander, 579-4560.

Shippensburg -The Joint Veterans Council of Shippensburg will hold the annual Memorial Day Ceremonies and Parade beginning at 10 a.m. at Locust Grove Cemetery, followed by services at Spring Hill Cemetery at 11 a.m. and flag-raising ceremony at Shippensburg Veterans Memorial Park at noon. At 1:15 p.m., the Navy & Marine Memorial Services will be conducted at Branch Bridge on King Street. The

Memorial Day Parade will begin at 2 p.m. from the corner of King and Prince Streets. In inclement weather, each unit returns to the post involved for refreshments and a time of fellowship. Contact person: Guy Hayslett, Shippensburg Veterans Council President, 717-385-2168.