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MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND HAPPENINGS

(BRISTOL, CT)— The City of Bristol and its citizens will pay respect to those who lost their lives in wars and conflicts this coming week with events throughout the City. This information is provided in the hope residents will join us at one or all of these events as the City pays homage to those that paid the ultimate sacrifice for freedom.

On the morning of Thursday, May 23, Memorial Boulevard will be closed to vehicular traffic. From 8am-11am, students from local schools are provided a walking tour of the monuments on the Memorial Boulevard where they learn the history from Veterans of past wars and conflicts.

On Sunday, May 26, at 130pm, American Legion Post #209 and Forestville Village Association will host their annual Memorial Day Ceremony followed by a Parade at 2pm. The parade kicks off on Central Street with appearances by local high school marching bands, Bristol Police and Fire Departments, floats, elected officials and veterans. A rain date is scheduled for Monday at 2pm.

The 2nd annual Music among the Memorials Concert is scheduled Sunday, May 26, at 2pm, produced by the Bristol Historical Society in association with Team Bristol. A live performance on the Memorial Boulevard featuring music from the Revolutionary War through Vietnam. The concert is free, and parking will be allowed on the Boulevard for easier access.

On Monday, May 27 at 10am, the Veterans Council and American Legion Post 2 will host their Memorial Day Processional. (A processional is a parade that is held prior to 11am). **NEW THIS YEAR:** The processional route begins on Hope Street, crosses onto Main Street, turning left onto Memorial Blvd. At the end of the procession, on Memorial Boulevard over 15 World War II Veterans that registered will be honored with Bristol All Heart Awards in a ceremony recognizing the greatest generation.

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