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Palmdale to Host Annual Memorial Day Ceremony to Honor Fallen Veterans

PALMDALE - The Antelope Valley Service Organization Association (AVSOA) will hold its annual Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday, May 25 at 11 am at Desert Lawn Memorial Park, 2200 East Avenue S in Palmdale. Palmdale Mayor Jim Ledford will offer welcoming remarks and introduce the dignitaries.

Bobby Breech, AVSOA Chairman will serve as Master of Ceremonies. Local organizations participating in the Memorial Day event are Highland High School Air Force JROTC, Sons of the American Legion Post 311, Daughters of the American Revolution, American Legion Post 348, Elks Lodge 2027, VFW Post 3552, and a Color Guard.

Remarks will be made by Bobby Breech-AVSOA Chairman, John E.A. Clark-Sons of the American Legion Post 311, Viola Lawrence-Registrar, Daughters of the American Revolution; Bruce Robertson, Richard Hayes-Commander American Legion Post 348; Wes Snow-Past Exalted Ruler Elks Lodge 2027; Gary Bassett, Terry Hopper-Commander VFW Post 3552.

The ceremony will include the raising of the colors and Pledge of Allegiance, invocation and benediction by John E.A. Clark, National Anthem, Table of Honor Ceremony, laying of wreaths and a salute to veterans. The ceremony will conclude with taps.

The Memorial Day Ceremony is free and open to the public. The AVSOA comprises more than 30 area service clubs and encourages the community to participate in their events. Each year, the AVSOA implements services for Memorial Day, Flag Day POW-MIA Day, and Veterans Day.

Immediately following the ceremony, there will be an observance held at the old Palmdale Cemetery, located at 20th St. East.

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