

# **WETHERSFIELD MEMORIAL DAY PARADE**

**SATURDAY, MAY 24, 2025**

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Starting time is 9:00 a.m.**

### **LINE OF MARCH**

Will begin at 8:15 a.m. in the parking lot at the Department of Motor Vehicles on State Street. Your organization's name will be posted in the area you are to assemble in.

Marchers will be lined up on the grassy area between the DMV and the Solomon Welles House. Vehicles and floats will be lined up in the DMV parking lot and on State Street. GET THERE EARLY - Beginning at 8:30 a.m., only parade traffic will be allowed from Hartford Avenue to State Street. Shortly before the parade is to begin, traffic will be closed off on State Street from both directions and access to the Line of March by vehicle will be prohibited.

Parking at the Department of Motor Vehicles will be for those marching only. Those who are simply dropping off individuals who are marching are asked to drop them off and then proceed to the exit. Buses and trailers will be directed to the rear parking lot of the DMV. Buses may pick up marchers at the conclusion of the parade at the First Church of Christ parking lot located on Main Street at the far side of the cemetery.

The Line of March is on the second page of this document and is also posted on the parade's website at [www.wethersfieldct.gov/memorial-day](http://www.wethersfieldct.gov/memorial-day). Please note it is subject to change.

### **NEW PARADE ROUTE 2025!! (See map on second sheet)**

The parade will step off promptly at 9:00 a.m. and will head west on State Street to Nott Street then to Garden Street. We will proceed down Garden Street, cross over Church Street and proceed on Garden Street to Main Street. The parade will turn left onto Main Street and continue to Hartford Avenue where the parade will end. The Reviewing Stand will be on Main Street at the intersection of Main Street and Church Street. Any marchers not staying for the Memorial Day Ceremony can either follow the sidewalk on Hartford Avenue back to State Street or follow the sidewalk on Main Street back to State Street.

### **MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY ON MAIN STREET NEW 2025**

At the conclusion of the parade, a Memorial Day Ceremony will be held in front of First Church of Christ. The Reviewing Stand will serve as the stage for the ceremony. The ceremony is expected to begin at approximately 10:00am. Guest speakers and parade guests will commemorate the day.

### **RAIN PLANS**

In case of rain, the ceremony will take place at Wethersfield High School, 411 Wolcott Hill Road at 10:00 am. A decision to move indoors will be made by 8:00 a.m. on the morning of the parade. Information about moving indoors will be announced on the Parks and Recreation Department program information line at 860 721-2890. An announcement will be posted on the Wethersfield Parks and Rec website at [wethersfieldct.gov/recreation](http://wethersfieldct.gov/recreation) under "Announcements" and on the Wethersfield Parks & Recreation Facebook page.

### **MISCELLANEOUS REMINDERS**

- Distribution of flyers and throwing of candy is not allowed.
- Carrying political signs and campaigning is not allowed.
- Distribution of other types of paraphernalia is not allowed.
- Due to overhanging wires, floats cannot be taller than 16' in height.
- The parade website is [wethersfieldct.gov/memorial-day](http://wethersfieldct.gov/memorial-day).

## **Wethersfield Memorial Day Parade**

### **Line of March**

**Saturday, May 24, 2025**

#### **First Division – Start at Camilliere Green**

1. Lead Motorcycles
2. WVFD and WPD combined Color Guard
3. Police Department (lines up @ monument)
4. Fire Department (lines up @ monument)
5. Dignitaries

#### **Second Division**

6. First Company Governor's Foot Guard
7. Parade Marshal – Thomas Mahar
8. Parade Marshal – Rafael Medina II
9. Parade Marshal – John Salvatore
10. Federal/State/Local/Essay Winner
11. WHS Marching Band
12. American Legion (1 car)
13. American Legion Auxiliary  
and Poppy Queen (1 car)

#### **Third Division**

14. Colonel John Chester Fife & Drum
15. Knights of Columbus
16. Wethersfield/Rocky Hill Elks Lodge 2308 (2 cars)
17. UNICO (2-3 cars?)
18. WECC
19. Wethersfield Dads Club
20. Wethersfield Moms Group
21. Wethersfield Teen Theatre
22. Red Onion

#### **Fourth Division**

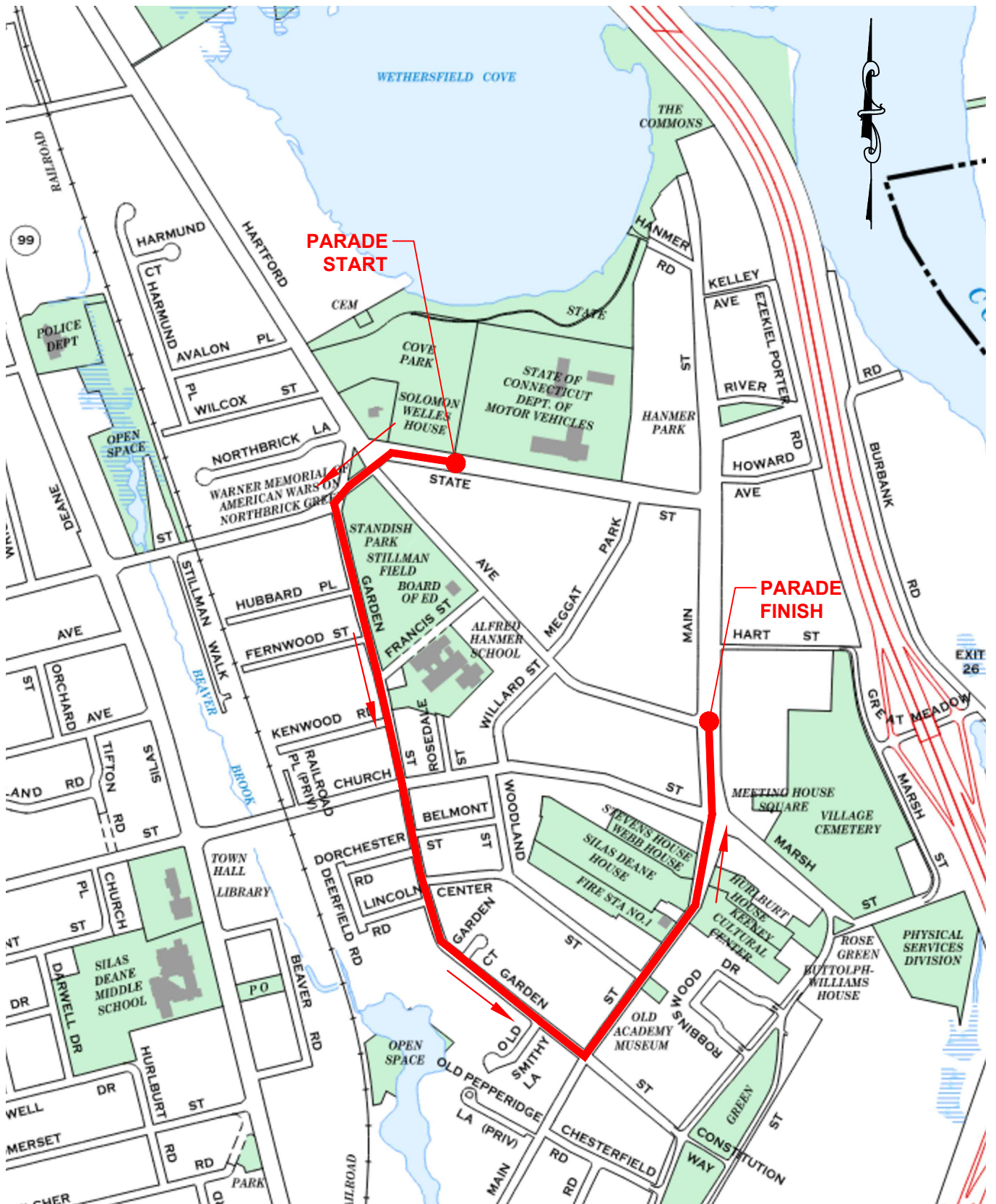
23. Windsor Fife and Drum
24. Wethersfield Little League
25. GDR/Wethersfield Soccer
26. Eagles Youth Football Cheer
27. Wethersfield Youth Lacrosse
28. Wethersfield Youth Lacrosse
29. Wethersfield Girl Scouts
30. Wethersfield Cub Scouts Pack 85
31. Wethersfield Cub Scouts Pack 246

#### **Fifth Division**

32. Oompa Meisters
33. Bike/Walk Wethersfield
34. Wethersfield Human Rights and Relations
35. Wethersfield Pride
36. Young Italian American
37. Town Crier
38. Webb Deane Stevens Museum 5<sup>th</sup> CT Regiment
39. Republican Town Committee
40. Wethersfield Chamber of Commerce (flatbed)
41. Wethersfield Emergency Medical Services Association
42. Fire Trucks - Remaining

**AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE PARADE ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE INVITED TO THE CEREMONY IN FRONT OF FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST ON MAIN STREET.**

**PLEASE DO NOT THROW ANY CANDY TO SPECTATORS. THROWING OUT CANDY HAS PROVEN TO BE A HINDRANCE AND NUISANCE TO THE SAFETY OF INDIVIDUALS. HANDING OUT CANDY IS ACCEPTABLE.**



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