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4 ***Bellows Falls***

5 • American Legion Post 37, 42 Rockingham St., will host
6 Memorial Day ceremonies Monday, May 25, starting at 10 a.m.
7 Legion family members and the color guard will lay wreaths at
8 nine local cemeteries and memorials, and snacks will be offered
9 at the post to follow.

Brattleboro

• The annual Memorial Day service — presented by American Legion Post 5, VFW Post 1034, and Marine Corps League Detachment 798 — will be held on the Common Monday, May 25, at 11 a.m. Before the service on the Common, a color guard will visit memorials and cemeteries around the town for a brief ceremony at each stop to honor the lives of service members who have died.

Dummerston

• Evening Star Grange, which has done a “traditional” Memorial Day Program on May 30 every year for nearly 30 years, will hold this year’s program on the Common across from the Grange Hall in Dummerston Center, weather permitting, on Saturday, May 30.

If the weather doesn’t cooperate, the program will be inside the Grange Hall. The Brattleboro American Legion Band will play a mini-concert beginning at 5:30 p.m., and the rest of the program will begin at 6 p.m. There will be music, readings and recognition of all veterans present. The Brattleboro area Boy Scouts will participate.

This year, the featured speaker will be Staff Sgt. Travis Dennison, accompanied by Sgt. 1st Class Justice Keith. Light refreshments will follow the program. Attendants may bring chairs or blankets.

Grafton

• Memorial Day observances will take place on the traditional date, Saturday, May 30. The memorial procession will form at 2:15 p.m., and step off from Grafton Elementary School at 2:30 p.m., marching to the Community Church for a bell toll, and then on to a brief service for those who died on land at the Village Cemetery, then to the Village Bridge for a brief service for those who died at sea.

The procession will be followed by a Memorial Day Program on the Library Lawn. Inclement weather location is the

44 Grafton Community Church. All interested veterans are invited to
45 join in the procession. Transportation is available if needed.

46 Children and teens are invited to carry and place wreaths on the
47 graves of veterans, toss flower tributes in the river for those who
48 died at sea, and recite poems and sing as part of our observance.

49 Community members are welcome to help create
50 wreaths for veterans' graves at 1 p.m. Friday, May 29, at the
51 Grafton Historical Society. For more information, contact Sheryl
52 Fisher Miller at 802-843-2217 or sherylfishermiller@gmail.com.

53 **Guilford**

54 • The Christ Church Guilford Society invites the public to
55 honor our veterans and their families at an outdoor Memorial
56 Day ceremony. The short program Monday, May 25, at 9:30 a.m.
57 will feature remembrances and readings and will be followed by
58 volunteer attendees placing American flags on veterans' graves in
59 Christ Church Cemetery.

60 Christ Church Guilford is located at Melendy Hill Road
61 and Route 5 in Algiers Village, Guilford. Participants are welcome
62 to bring chairs or blankets to the ceremony.

63 **Vernon**

64 • The town of Vernon will honor family, friends and,
65 neighbors who served, sacrificed, or died protecting our country,
66 during a special observance Monday, May 25, at 2 p.m. at the
67 Vernon War Memorial on Burrows Road.

68 **Wilmington**

69 • Memorial Day services will be held Monday, May 25,
70 at 10 a.m. at Memorial Hall, 14 West Main St. The service will be
71 followed by a community parade through the downtown area.

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