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NORTH PLAINS MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

NORTH PLAINS –The North Plains Chamber of Commerce and the City of North Plains invite the North Plains area community to join with them for the first Memorial Day Observance at the North Plains Veterans Memorial Park. The Park, that was dedicated November 11, 2020, is located in North Plains at Highland Court and 313th Avenue. The Ceremony will begin at 11:00 am on Monday, May 31st. Masks will be required and social distancing observed.

Featured Speakers will be State Senator Chuck Riley, a veteran of the US Air Force, and currently representing Oregon District 15, and Major General Dennis Klein, US Army (Ret.), currently State Chair for the Department of Defense Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR).

The National Anthem will be led by Catherine Loyer of Strawberry Roan, and the Martin J. Ryan VFW Post 2666 Color Guard will present the Colors and end the Ceremony with a rifle salute and playing of "Taps."

The ESGR will also present four Seven Seals awards for the work done to construct the North Plains Veterans Memorial Park. This 11,000 square foot park features a 100-foot flagpole with a 50x30 foot flag as the centerpiece, commemorative plaques honoring Veterans and POW's for their service and sacrifice, benches, the town's first EV charging stations, an American Legion flag disposal box, bike rack and repair station, and more.

Memorial bricks that are part of the park design, have been for sale to honor those who have served, are serving, as a living or deceased veteran. A total of 274 Memorial Bricks will be unveiled at the Memorial Day Observance.

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