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Sarasota Memorial Day Parade Reminder – Monday 27 May 2013

***Saramana Chapter Color Guard
Muster 0930, Monday 27 May 2013,
At the Parking Lot on Corner of
Route 301 and Main Street. Trolley
Available for those wishing to Ride.***

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Brief History of Memorial Day

Memorial Day, an American holiday observed on the last Monday of May, honors men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971.

Many Americans observe Memorial Day by visiting cemeteries or memorials, holding family gatherings and participating in parades. Unofficially, it marks the beginning of summer.

Sarasota Memorial Day Parade

The City of Sarasota in conjunction with the Sarasota Patriotic Observance Committee will host the annual Memorial Day Parade in downtown Sarasota on Memorial Day, Monday, 27 May 2013. The event will begin at Main Street and Osprey Avenue and will continue Sarasota's longstanding history of honoring those military personnel who have fallen in battle. The Parade will terminate at the Chaplain J.D. Hamel Park at the Main Street and Gulfstream Avenue, where a Memorial Day Ceremony will be held. Violinist Gracie Cespedes, a second year student at the Sarasota Military Academy, will perform the National Anthem. Erin Smith, a recent graduate of the Sarasota Military Academy, will sing "God Bless America."



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