



2024 MEMORIAL DAY ACTIVITIES

Under the theme "In Memory of Many, In Honor of All", residents gathered to honor the service and sacrifice of our fallen heroes.

The **Fuerst Field of Honor** event, held at Fuerst Park, commenced with a lively concert by Geff Phillips and Friends. Community members sang and danced along to familiar tunes. While the band played, 88 Veterans and their guests enjoyed Mission BBQ served by Staff, Rotarians, CERT, Parks Commissioners and City Council members. The VFW-Post #1519 presented the flags, and the Novi Scouts led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Novi Chorallaires performed 'God Bless America' along with the anthems of the United States Military Branches. Mayor Fischer delivered a Memorial Day message and encouraged everyone to walk the Trail of Honor. The memorial service rounded out with laying of the wreaths, a rifle salute, and playing of Taps. The **Trail of Honor** displayed 200 American Flags and 36 medallions. The flags were displayed through May 31, providing an opportunity for the community to reflect and pay respects at their leisure.

Memorial Day 2024	Stats
Veterans and Guests	88
Runners/Walkers	426
Money Raised for Jessica's Splash-pad	\$506
Parade Entries	35
Event Supervisors	S. Fellhauer S. Fisher M. Lachance

Memorial Day kicked off with the twelfth annual **Memorial Day Run** which included a 5K and 1-mile fun run. This year the event had 426 people registered (322 5K and 104 1 Milers). The race raised \$506 for Jessica's Splashpad.

Parade activities began as honored veterans and dignitaries enjoyed a continental breakfast in the Meadowbrook Activity Center. Gathering along the parade route, Novi residents saluted 18 veterans and cheered on 35 parade groups as the annual **Memorial Day Parade** traveled to the Novi Civic Center.



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