

## For Immediate Release

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## **Dedication of Martinez War Memorial**

2018 Martinez War Memorial Ceremony will be held Saturday, June 16, 2018. The Ceremonies will begin at 10:00 A.M. at the All Veterans Monument at Berrellesa Street and Alhambra Ave. The program at the monument includes the rededication of the park on its thirtieth anniversary and the dedication of the new Martinez War Memorial – a black granite monument displaying the names of all service members from Martinez who died in battle defending our country. Speakers include Mayor Rob Schroder, Congressman Mike Thompson, and Federal Glover, Contra Costa County, District 5 Supervisor. The keynote speaker will be Mike Menesini, Martinez's former mayor, who dedicated the park 30 years ago.

The national anthem will be sung by Ann Daman. The invocation will be by Andrew Mundinger, Vicar of Messiah Lutheran, Danville. The ceremonies will include reading the names of the 37 service members who died in battle, the unveiling of the monument by family members of the Fallen, and conclude with the 21 gun salute by the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars and Taps by Jennifer Oertel. After the ceremony, a reception will take place at City Hall, 525 Henrietta Street. The community is invited to attend.

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