



## HOPKINS ACADEMY 350th CELEBRATION

### PARADE SUB-COMMITTEE

### TOWN OF HADLEY, MASSACHUSETTS

#### **PARADE LINEUP INSTRUCTIONS**

#### **HADLEY'S ANNUAL VETERAN'S MEMORIAL DAY PARADE ALONG WITH THE HOPKINS ACADEMY 350TH CELEBRATION PARADE DIVISION**

**Sunday, May 25, 2014 at 2:00 PM [Check www.hopkinsacademy350.org for updates](http://www.hopkinsacademy350.org)**

The annual Memorial Day parade will start with American Legion members marching to the amazing music of the Hopkins Academy band. The parade formation begins, as usual, behind the Hadley Senior Center, then exits at American Legion Post #271 and proceeds west on route 9 (Russell Street) down to the West Street Commons (1 mile). Many town organizations and businesses join in this parade every year to remember and honor members of our Armed Services.

**This year, a special 350th Hopkins celebration parade division will form on North Middle Street, starting at the Senior Center driveway entrance on the west side of the street (Donut Man coffee shop side) and extend north towards River Drive. The Hopkins parade division will move out onto route 9 (Russell Street) and merge with the regular Memorial Day parade which marches west on route 9 and then turns right onto West Street at the commons. (marching distance is 1 mile)**

**There will be signs and parade staff (in bright yellow-green shirts) at the north Middle Street formation area to help with banners as well as to help you line up in a designated position. We are asking that all Hopkins parade participants arrive at the formation area on north Middle street by 1:00 to 1:15 PM as the parade kicks off at 2:00 PM and area traffic will be heavy. There will be parade staff at various "closed" road locations, so tell them you are a parade participant and they will let you through.**

**The parade will end about half way down the West Street Commons and there will be signs and parade staff at the parade disband area. There will be bus and car parking at the north end of the commons for parade participants.**

**There is an "after" party back at the American Legion Post 271 where the parade started. Come and enjoy the celebration of 350 years for Hopkins Academy!**

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