

Flag Dedication Ceremony Set

MONROE — A flag dedication ceremony will take place on Sunday, May 2, at St. John the Baptist Cemetery and B'nai Israel Cemetery on Moose Hill Road.

The party will meet at 2 p.m. at St. John's Cemetery and 2:30 p.m. at B'nai Israel Cemetery, followed by a reception at 3 p.m.

The flagpoles were purchased and are being presented as a tribute to veterans buried at the grounds.

New flags will be presented to the original cemetery associations, replacing those presented in 1976, during a reception at the Masonic Lodge following the

dedications.

Each ceremony will feature the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus Honor Guard, American Legion Honor Guard, prayers by local and cemetery clergy, presentation of the flag, raising of the flag, placing a wreath by the Boy and Girl Scouts and taps by buglers from Masuk High School.

The flagpoles are a continuation of the 1976 Bicentennial Celebration Project, which installed flagpoles and presented flags to the Associations of Monroe Centre Cemetery on Route 110; Walkers Farm Cemetery, Hammertown Road; Stepney Cemetery, at the Stepney Green; Cutlers Farm and Elm Street Cemetery, Cross Hill Road; and

East Village Cemetery on East Village Road.

The Bicentennial Project was a tribute to the town's pioneers, forefathers and veterans buried within the cemeteries.

The dedication ceremony is hosted by the Rev. McCarten Assembly 119 Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, Pope John XXIII Council 5987 Knights of Columbus, Columbiettes Auxiliary of Council 5987 Knights of Columbus, Washington Lodge 19 AF & AM, Sippin-Winspur American Legion Post 176 and other organizations.

The event is free and open to the public.

Those seeking additional information may call 203-261-0875.