



**The Kapiti U.S. Marines Trust
in association with the United States Embassy**

invite you to commemorate

MEMORIAL DAY

**with a flag raising ceremony in Q.E.II Park
Paekakariki**

Time: 9.30am

Date: Monday 31 May 2010

Venue: Q.E. II Park. Paekakariki State Highway 1. At the U.S Marines Memorial site approx 0.5 kilometers inside the park.

Memorial Day in the United States is similar to New Zealand's ANZAC Day. Always held on the last Monday in May the day is set aside to commemorate all US service personnel who have died in the service of their country in time of war. During World War II, two large training camps for US Marines were situated on what is now Queen Elizabeth Park and Whareroa Farm. Memorial Day is a suitable day to recall this unique chapter of Kapiti Coast history. U.S. Marines from the American embassy will raise the U.S. flag to half staff and a dedication will be given by Kapiti Coast District Council Mayor Jenny Rowan. All are welcome.