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Memorial Day observance set for state veterans' cemetery

CASPER, Wyo. – The Oregon Trail State Veterans Cemetery will host the Natrona County United Veterans Council's Memorial Day Ceremony, at 11 a.m., May 31, in Evansville.

U.S. Sen. John Barrasso, who was sworn into the United States Senate in June 2007 and subsequently elected in November 2008, will be the keynote speaker. In the U.S. Senate, he serves on committees that directly impact Wyoming's economy, energy interests, public lands, national parks and trade.

The Oregon Trail State Veterans Cemetery was established through the cooperative efforts of the state of Wyoming and the U.S. Veterans Affairs Cemetery System. Any veteran who received a discharge other than dishonorable from the U.S. Armed Forces is eligible for burial in the cemetery.

"We are proud to pay homage on the one day of the year set aside for the nation to get together to remember, reflect and honor those who have given their all in service to their country," said Widmer.

In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held in the cemetery's chapel.

For more information about the Memorial Day Ceremony, call cemetery director Burt Widmer at 307-235-6673.