

**News from
Julian Fourth of July Parade**

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Julian Salutes July 4th With a Star Spangled Parade

Julian honors our nation's birthday with a salute to those who made our country great, especially veterans who have served going back to World War II.

For more than 20 years, Julian residents, their friends and parade lovers from all over have lined up on the town's main thoroughfare to wave their flags, cheer the four marching bands, and salute the U.S. Marine color guards. In 2014 the parade was sadly cancelled at the last minute due to a brush fire roaring toward the town. Following the cancellation the Parade Committee vowed to make this year's event the best ever.

Local heroes on the honor roll include County Supervisor Diane Jacob, honorary mayor Stacy Payakov, and Merchant of the Year Jeremy Manley. Miss Julian and her court will be cruising along in snazzy cars as are others who simply want to show off their prize or antique vehicles. Expect to see a line of vintage tractors, a troupe of belly dancing gypsies, WWII veterans, boy and girl scouts.

Also riding along the parade route will be Grand Marshal David Lewis, whose Julian roots go back to 1887, when George Ritchie homesteaded 160 acres on Eagle Peak and then settled down to a life of teaching here. Best known as Julian's historian, Lewis wrote a book called *Last Known Address* that was a finalist in the San Diego Book Awards. While researching gravesites in the Julian cemetery he discovered the unmarked gravesites of the town's black pioneers: America Newton, Albert Robinson, Martha Boyd, and Susan Tull.

Many visitors spend a whole day enjoying the parade and the patriotic events that surround it...all within walking distance. Plan to arrive early to catch the pre-parade activities starting at 10 a.m. on Main Street. Find a spot along the parade route where you can get a good view of the vintage WWII airplane flyovers.

The American Legion presents a big celebration featuring a monumental barbecue lunch, entertainment, daylong fun.

Quilt lovers have their own patriotic events surrounding the Fourth of July Parade. The annual historic quilt show features a display of vintage and new quilts, presented by the Julian Woman's Club. The club always holds a raffle for a one-of-a-kind quilt, designed by the queen of quilt making Eleanor Burns, and assembled by club members.

For advance information about the parade, visit www.julianparade.com or visitjulian.com. Phone the Julian Chamber at 760/765-1857 for latest updates.

Planning Your Visit to Julian on July Fourth

When: Saturday, July 4, 2015

Where: Main Street, Julian High School staging area to Frank Lane Park

Pre-Parade Activities

10:00 to 12 noon

- Bank robbery by Doves and Desperadoes
- Flyover three T-34 military vintage training planes
- Music by Euphoria Brass Band, Emerald Society Bagpipe Band
- National Anthem performed by Vlad Wong
- Fire engine presentation
- T-shirts on sale at Town Hall

Noon

- Flyover Navy twin Beechcraft and T-38 vintage military trainer
- Parade steps off

Post Parade

Deep pit barbecue, music, dancing at the American Legion, huge raffle, admission \$10 per person

Picnic in the park, Julian Pioneer Museum
Julian Woman's Club Historic Quilt Show, Town Hall

Things you should know

Parade staging area at Julian High School, participants only please. Parade will end at Frank Lane Park.

Main Street closes to traffic at 9 a.m.; follow directions to the nearest parking lot
Public toilets are available next to the bank, and behind Town Hall.