



**Camp Gordon Johnston World War II Museum**  
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Dear CGJ Friends and Supporters:

Camp Gordon Johnston Association [CGJA] cordially invites you and your organization to participate in the 23rd annual **CGJA Parade** in Carrabelle, Florida on **Saturday, March 10, 2018 at 10:45 AM (EST)**. This parade will give, as always, special recognition to our WWII veterans, while focusing on **all** veterans for their many sacrifices in service to our nation.

This year's parade should include CGJ Museum vehicles [DUKW, Willis Jeep and German Lieferwagan], vintage WWII vehicles, vehicles from more recent conflicts, nearby JROTC Units, color guards, veteran organizations and auxiliary units and, of course, many floats, antique cars and beauty queens.

Please come and honor all veterans, past and present, at the March 10<sup>th</sup> parade at Carrabelle. To be placed **within** the parade, please fill out the attached application and return it by the deadline date of **March 7, 2018**. If you arrive without pre-registering, you are welcome to join us but may be placed at the end of the parade if time doesn't allow your placement in like-unit portions within the parade.

CGJA and the community truly appreciate the many parade entries that return each year as schedules allow. Please know that your participation is what makes this military recognition parade an ever-evolving tribute to all veterans that draw participants from the Big Bend Region and beyond. This event will give your organization not only an opportunity to have a good time, but also the privilege of meeting a diverse gathering of veterans and participants, each with their own stories to share. Come early, have breakfast, enjoy the parade, eat locally and even do some shopping. We hope you stay overnight and can participate in our annual dinner/dance at the Senior Citizens Center.

But after the parade, visiting the Military Vehicle Preservation Association pieces of history, shopping and lunch, come visit the NEW CGJ WWII MUSEUM at 1873 U. S. Highway 98 West across from Carrabelle Beach. Most parking will be at Carrabelle Beach Park as site completion requires circular drive and parking.

The CGJA Board of Directors thanks Linda and Tony Minichiello for their 20-year commitment to growing this WWII Museum from 200 sq. ft. to its 7,000 sq. ft. rental facility planning, and designing this new WWII Museum. As they retired at the end of 2016, BOD is expanding community involvement to grow the educational mission of this WWII Museum.

Sincerely,

Co-Chairmen,  
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