

Hartland's Memorial Day Parade

As Hartland observes its 79th annual Memorial Day celebration, Community Council takes this opportunity to remind residents that safety for our young people is a concern. Last summer a young man in Annapolis, MD died as a result of being run over by a float. Please instruct children not to attempt to get on or off a moving vehicle, trailer or float and set the example with your behavior. Throwing items from a moving vehicle, float or trailer is prohibited to prevent youngsters from running into the road and being exposed to the dangers of moving vehicles. Items may be distributed by walkers near the outside edges of the Parade route, away from moving vehicles. Your cooperation in helping reduce the safety risks is greatly appreciated.

As we honor our veterans and service people this Memorial Day and remembering that Freedom's Not Free, please follow the proper etiquette with respect to our American Flag. There are several sources for rules and etiquette regarding the Flag, two references are <http://www.legion.org/flag/code> and <http://www.senate.gov/reference/resources/pdf/RL30243.pdf>

The CRS Report for Congress, Order Code RL30243, *The United States Flag: Federal Law Relating to Display and Associated Questions*; Updated April 14, 2008 contains the following paragraph:

§ 9. Conduct During Hoisting, Lowering or Passing of Flag.

During the ceremony of hoisting or lowering the flag or when the flag is passing in a parade or in review, all persons present in uniform should render the military salute. Members of the Armed Forces and veterans who are present but not in uniform may render the military salute. All other persons present should face the flag and stand at attention with the right hand over the heart, or if applicable, remove their headdress with their right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart. Citizens of other countries present should stand at attention. All such conduct toward the flag in a moving column should be rendered at the moment the flag passes.

See you at the Parade.