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The Sam & Shirley Anderson Beautification Day

On April 2, 2007 the Haymarket Town Council dedicated the 2007 Beautification Day to Sam & Shirley Anderson. You may often see Sam cleaning up Washington Street in the mornings. In 2006, Sam lost his wife Shirley of 44 years. Both have been dedicated to the continued beautification of the Town of Haymarket.



This year's event will be held on Saturday, April 28, 2007. It is co-sponsored by the Gainesville-Haymarket Rotary Club. We will be offering Shredding of paper products, collection of eyeglasses, personal electronics, and old cell phones. The Haymarket Women's Club is

hosting a barbeque lunch at noon for all who participated in the clean-up. There will be fresh plantings courtesy of the Town and Country Garden Club.

On Beautification Day, the Town Hall will be open from 9am – Noon for the purchase of Town Decals. Please remember that you do not need a Prince William County decal if you live within the corporate limits of Haymarket. The cost of the permanent decal is \$15 and free to residents that are 65 years or older; military, police, or fire and rescue personnel. For additional information on the beautification day or Town decals, please call 703-753-2600.



Haymarket Day 2007!

The Haymarket Town Council is pleased to announce Haymarket Day 2007! This time-honored tradition will be held on Saturday, September 15, 2007 Rain or Shine! We look forward to sharing a day of family fun with everyone. We will feature our annual parade at 11:00 a.m. Live music, children's activities, crafters, and delicious foods will be enjoyed throughout the day.

If you are interested in participating as a crafter, the application will be accessible on our web site at www.townofhaymarket.org by May 1, 2007. The cost for a 10 x 10 booth is as follows:

Crafter (hand-made items) \$65
Non-Profit Organizations \$100
Commercial Vendors (In-Town Businesses only) \$100
Commercial Vendors (out-of-Town) \$150

Parade Info
email: parade@townofhaymarket.org



Great seal of the commonwealth



The Virginia Convention adopted Virginia's Great Seal on July 5, 1776. Its design was the work of a committee composed of George Mason, George Wythe, Richard Henry Lee, and Robert Carter Nicholas. George Wythe, a classical scholar, was probably the principal author of the design, which took its theme from ancient Roman mythology.

The original design was never properly cast and a number of variations came into use. attempting to legislate uniformity, the General Assemblies of 1873 and 1903 passed Acts Describing the seal in detail. In 1930 a committee was named to prepare an "accurate and faithful description of the Great Seal of the Commonwealth, as it was intended to be by Mason and Wythe and their associates." It set forth the official design in use today, substantially that adopted by the Convention of 1776.

The obverse side of the Great Seal depicts the Roman Goddess **Virtus**, representing the genius of the Commonwealth. She is dressed as an Amazon, a sheathed sword in one hand and a spear in the other. Virtus stands with one foot on the form of Tyranny, who is pictured with a broken chain in his left hand, a scourge in his right and his fallen crown nearby, implying the struggle has ended in complete victory. Virginia's motto, Sic Semper Tyrannis (Thus Always to Tyrants), appears at the bottom.

On the reverse side of the Great Seal are three Roman goddesses. Libertas (Liberty) stands in the center holding a wand and a pileus in her right hand. Aeternitas (Eternity) stands to the left With a globe and a phoenix in her right hand. Ceres (Fruitfulness) stands to the right with a Cornucopia in her left hand and an ear of wheat in her right, at the top is the word Preservando, which means "by preserving". A border of Virginia Creeper encircles the designs on each side.

The Art Commission established official colors in 1949. A water color, the only official model for flag makers and stationers, hangs in the Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

The Great Seal is affixed to documents signed by the Governor and intended for use before tribunals or for purposes outside the jurisdiction of Virginia. The lesser seal, a smaller version of the obverse side, is used on commissions for gubernatorial appointees and notaries, and to authenticate the signature of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.



From the desk of the town manager

Later this month, on April 28, Haymarket will sponsor its annual Beautification Day. This year, thanks to a lot of help, the day will be bigger than ever. The details of the activities planned for the Beautification Day are described in the newsletter. I wanted to say a few words of thanks to those organizations that are helping this year:



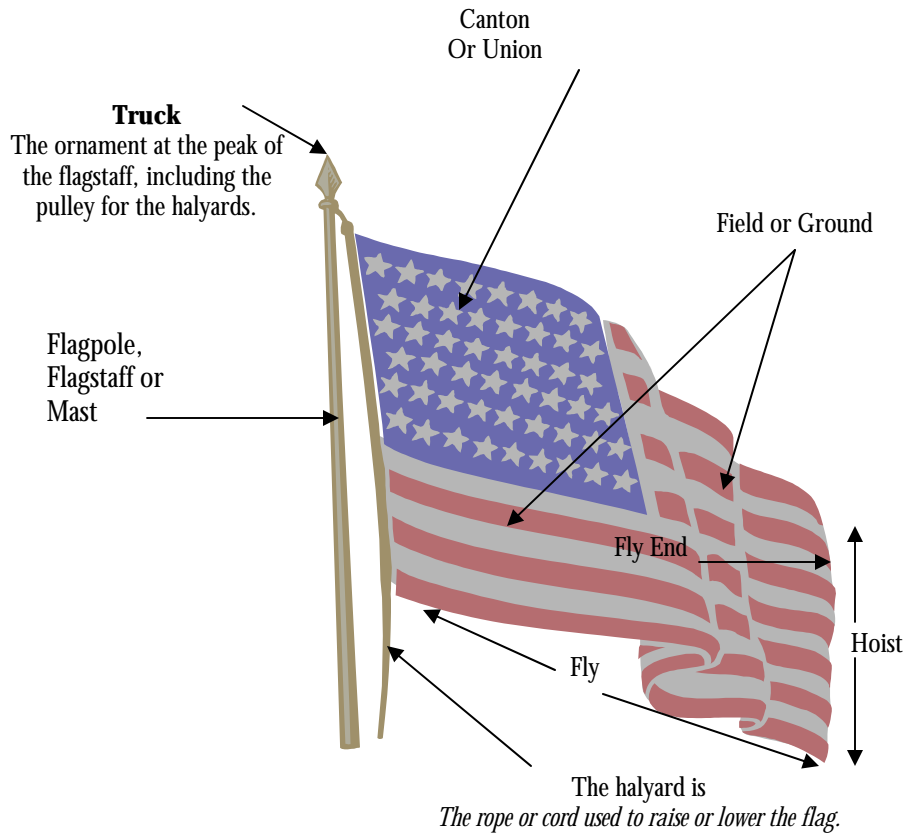
Haymarket/Gainesville Rotary Club. The Rotary Club has been a driving force in planning the event, developing the advertising and promotional materials and providing volunteers for the day.

Haymarket Woman's Club. The Woman's Club will be serving the Barbeque picnic we are holding for all of the folks who come to the beautification day. It sounds like they are planning a great meal!

Town and Country Garden Club. The garden club will be planting flowers around the "Town of Haymarket" sign on the eastern end of town as well as other selected locations along Washington street.

Thanks to these organizations for all their help in making the upcoming Beautification Day a great success! And for laying the groundwork to make this an even better event in the coming years.

How well Do you know your flag????



Here's a quiz to find out how well you know your flag!

Answers can be found on the back page (4) of this newsletter

1. How many different flags has the United States of America had?
2. What does each color of the Flag stand for?
3. What do the stars on the Canton represent?
4. What do the 13 stripes on the Field represent?
5. What is the most accepted manner of retiring a flag?
6. Name the days on which to display the flag.
7. On September 14, 1814, Francis Scott Key discovered a still standing flag over Fort McHenry after the British had shelled the Fort during the night. That flag weighed approximately 200 pounds. It was 30 feet high and 42 feet long. It took two dozen men to carry it. What did this official flag have that no other official flag has?
8. In what year was the "Star-Spangled Banner" officially designated as our National Anthem?
9. On what holiday does the flag fly half-staff until noon then to the peak the rest of the day?
10. The flag may be displayed at night time only if ?
11. What is the unit of measurement used for a flag?

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Answers to “How well do you know your flag”

1. Twenty-seven.
2. Red for hardiness and courage; White for purity and innocence; Blue for vigilance, perseverance and justice.
3. One star for each state in the Union.
4. The 13 original states.
5. You cut the blue field of stars from the red and white stripes, thereby rendering it no longer a flag. The resulting two pieces of cloth should be thoroughly burned so that nothing is left that is recognizable as a flag. The ashes should be scattered or buried.
6. January 1 New Year’s Day; January 20 Inauguration Day; Martin Luther King’s Birthday; Lincoln’s Birthday; Washington’s Birthday; April 6 Army Day; Easter Sunday; Mother’s Day; Armed Forces Day; Memorial Day; Flag Day; Independence Day; Labor Day; September 11 Patriot Day ; September 17 Citizenship Day ; Columbus Day; October 27 Navy Day ; November 11 Veterans’ Day; Thanksgiving Day; Christmas Day; Days proclaimed by the President; Days of states’ admission to the Union.
7. Fifteen stripes
8. 1931
9. Memorial Day
10. It is to be lighted
11. A breadth.

Do you know that the correct way to place a flag at half-staff is to first raise the flag to its peak, then lower it to half staff?