

ARLINGTON

4TH OF JULY

PARADE

APRIL 15TH, 2005

*An informational newsletter
for the community*

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WELCOME ABOARD NEW ASSOCIATION MEMBERS :

Darla Benline Debbie Callas, new
bride elect of Bob Callas, Wanda
Oliver and Gerald Urbantke.

Glad to have you!!

Our Parade Theme

It's Still

a

Grand 'Old Flag

Thank You, Arlington,

For 40 Years

Of

Successful Parades

The dedication is a "THANK YOU" to all those who promote a spirit of patriotism, especially those that have paid the ultimate sacrifice for the Flag. The "Thank You" goes to Arlington, for contributing to 40 years of successful Independence day celebrations. Included in this "Thank You" are our sponsors and parade participants, as well as the spectators.

Volunteer with the Arlington 4th of July
Parade Association
Call 817-303-5700 Or go to our
website at <http://www.arlington4th.com>
Or speak to one of the parade officers at our
next General Meeting.

Meeting Schedule

APRIL

28th General Meeting
Parade Fair

MAY

19th General Meeting
Grand Marshals Announced
T-Shirt Winner

JUNE

16th General Meeting
Hand Out Packets

JULY

4TH PARADE

The Arlington 4th of July Association is expanding the community partnership with UTA by offering an internship. The Association is working with Dr. Dan Gossett of the Department of Marketing to make the partnership successful. Brett Bell and Robert Miles will make an informational presentation to several of his marketing classes and to a [AMA@UTA](#) meeting. These meetings will be held in April.

Brett Bell, President
Arlington 4th of July Association

If you are needing a place to build your float without the hassle of weather related incidents, contact Patrick Sayen at (817) 460-7826 and reserve a space at the AISD Bus Barn for only \$25.00

**"The Star-Spangled Banner"
-Francis Scott Key 1814**

Oh, say can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through
the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly
streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

On the shore, dimly seen through the mists of the deep,
Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,
What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,
As it fitfully blows, now conceals, now discloses?
Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,
In full glory reflected now shines on the stream:
'Tis the star-spangled banner! O long may it wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

And where is that band who so vauntingly swore
That the havoc of war and the battle's confusion
A home and a country should leave us no more?
Their blood has wiped out their foul footsteps' pollution.
No refuge could save the hireling and slave
From the terror of flight, or the gloom of the grave:
And the star-spangled banner in triumph doth wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Oh! thus be it ever, when freemen shall stand
Between their loved homes and the war's desolation!
Blest with victory and peace, may the heaven-rescued
land
Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a
nation.
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto: "In God is our trust."
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

Francis Scott Key wrote the lyrics to our anthem during the War of 1812. On the night of September 13, 1814, Key watched as our country was under attack by the British Navy. Rockets and bombs burst throughout the night. As dawn broke, Key was stunned to see a battered but still flying American flag waving in the sunrise. So moved was Key that he wrote the poem that later became our National Anthem.

**The Parade Association
Supports the
National Anthem Campaign**

Did you know that two out of three Americans don't know the words nor the historical events that inspired our National Anthem?

Did you know that the "official standards" of the anthem was for "*The Star Spangled Banner*" to be sung together? It has now become the custom for our anthem to be performed by soloist at special events.

Do you know and understand the significance of our anthem's history. and how our national anthem came to be?

We want to remind all Americans to treasure our national riches and to celebrate our unity and our values in song.



**Circle T Girl Scouts
North Star Community
Troop 1646**

The Parade Association would like to thank Troop 1646 with Circle T and their leader Jennifer Ragsdale, for presenting our Flag Ceremony at the March 17th General Meeting.

This group of 4th and 5th graders that attend Sherrod Elementary are working on their Bronze Award.

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