



Arlington 4th of July Parade

May 12th, 2003

An informational newsletter for the community

We're well on our way to a GREAT Arlington 4th of July Parade for 2003! We had a lot of people come out for our Parade Fair on April 24th, from parade veterans to first-timer participants. **Keep in mind that, if you turned in your application, but not your supplemental form or 100 word announcer's script, they are due in by May 15th!**

We strongly encourage you to join us this Thursday, May 15th, at 7:00 pm at the central library downtown for our General Meeting. You can turn in your forms then, and **find out who our Grand Marshal is going to be as well as what artist and which school won the 2003 T-shirt contest.** You can go ahead and order your T-shirts too!

If there are still spots available in the bus barn, you can reserve one. And, as at the Parade Fair, you can ask questions about constructing floats, locating a towing vehicle, or anything else you need to know. We'll also have the trophies from *Accent Awards* available for viewing, and you can find out about the parade route, as viewing the historical scrapbooks of prior parades.

Until May 15th, if you have any questions, please refer to our website at <http://www.arlington4th.com> or call and leave us a message on our voice mail at 817-303-5700. Someone will return your call with an answer as soon as possible.

We look forward to seeing everyone on May 15th at the General Meeting!

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

Our Parade theme this year is:

***“PROUD TO BE
AN AMERICAN”***

And our Parade is dedicated to:

***“OUR CHILDREN,
OUR FUTURE”***

New York Officials Recognize 2002 Arlington 4th of July Parade

Our 2002 Parade theme was “United We Stand, Proudly We Serve,” and was dedicated to Those Who Serve America – All branches of the military, firemen, policemen, etc. The Medical Center of Arlington was one of our winning entries last year. They had chosen to honor Arlington’s Police Officer of the Year, Det. Elizabeth E. Hays, and Firefighter of the Year, Rick Paterson. Rose Marie Romano, Chairman of the Medical Center’s entry, sent pictures of their winning float and honorees with a letter to the Mayor of New York, the Hon. Michael R. Bloomberg, who forwarded them to N.Y. City Commissioner Nicholas Scoppetta. Mrs. Romano received letters back from both officials.

We would like for everyone to read the letters and view the picture, all of which will be placed on our website: <http://www.arlington4th.com>.

ATTENTION!! Do you need a towing vehicle to pull a float? Contact Charles Litterer of *Antique Tractors* at (817) 478-4170, or chuckjdr@aol.com





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MEETING SCHEDULE

May 15th General Meeting

**Supplemental forms and 100-word announcer's scripts due*

**Grand Marshal to be announced*

**Winning T-shirt design, artist and school to be announced*

**Order T-shirts*

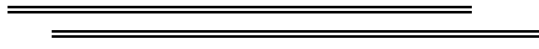
***June 19th General Meeting**

*Parade Packets handed out
 (*date changed from the 26th)*

July 4th – PARADE DAY!

General Meetings are open to the public, and are held at 7:00 p.m. downstairs in the George W. Hawkes Central Library at 101 East Abram Street, downtown Arlington. See our website for a map:

<http://www.arlington4th.com>



IMPORTANT!

Your supplemental forms and 100-word announcer's scripts must be turned in or postmarked by **MAY 15th!**

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