

13th Annual

November 5, 2011



GREEN MOUNTAIN COUNCIL, BSA

2011 Veterans Parade

Scouting Salute to Veterans Parade

In honor of the brave men and women who continue to preserve freedom enjoyed by Americans, the Green Mountain Council of the Boy Scouts is proud to hold its 13th annual Scouting Salute to Veterans parade, Saturday, November 5th, 2011, rain or shine. This year's "Scouting Salute to Veterans Parade" will be hosted by the City of Springfield.

All Scout units, both Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts are invited to come to Springfield, in

uniform, march in the parade and honor our Veterans.

The parade, which began thirteen years ago was in honor of all Veterans. After September 11, 2001, it started to also honor the men and women of our Emergency Services Departments around the State.

At the conclusion of the parade there will be a brief ceremony on the fairgrounds at the Riverside Middle School. There will be the passing of the

the site of the 2012 Veterans Parade.



A Salute To America's Veterans

Directions



Grove Street at the High Rise Apartment Building. Turn right onto Mineral Street. State Office Building is on left and parking is on right in the lower parking lot. Drop marchers off and proceed to Riverside Middle School.

The parade route, which is approximately 1 mile, will be through downtown Springfield to the Riverside Middle School.

The parade will form at the Vermont State Office Building at 100 Mineral Street, Springfield.

Get off exit 7 on I-91 and proceed west on Route 11/Clinton Street. Turn left on to

To get to the School continue on Mineral Street, then left on Park Street. Turn right on to Chester Road/Route 11 and Riverside Middle School is on the left.

The parade will start promptly at 11:00am.



2011 Veterans Patch

This year we are again having to charge \$2 per patch in order to continue the patch set



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Vermont –Only State to Hold Parade Honoring Veterans



Vermont is the only state in the nation to have such a parade. Started in 1999 by Pete Whitaker, a Boy Scout leader and high school history teacher from Richmond, the parade has attracted thousands of scouts, veterans and spectators. Parade participants have included

Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and the Brownies from across the state, plus the Norwich University Corp of Cadets and various high school bands. Veterans marching in the parade include units and color guards for the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Vietnam Veterans of America, the Disabled American Veterans, the Purple Heart Society and other groups as well as non-affiliated veterans.

Parades in previous years have been held across the state in Saint Albans, Barre, Montpelier, Bennington, Burlington, Windsor, Saint Johnsbury, Essex Junction Vergennes, Waterbury, Northfield and the parade's birthplace, Richmond.



Remembering our Steering Committee Chair-Don Gamble



Don Maris Gamble, 71, Aug 27, 1940 to Sept. 2, 2011. Married to Arlis.

He was “in the Air Force,” as he termed it, from 1959 to 1984. He began as a noncommissioned officer in missile systems and retired after having been promoted to full colonel. He chose to retire as a lieutenant colonel and pursue other interests rather than accepting his promotion to colonel. Don was stationed many places, including San Antonio, the Pentagon, France and Germany, with his last assignment in Plattsburgh, N.Y. Out of all the places he had been, he chose Vermont to settle down.

Among Don's post-Air Force projects, he felt most deeply about his time as a professor at Johnson State College, helping to shape the futures of young people, and humbly offering his hard-won wisdom and wit.

Don was dedicated to the American Legion for over 25 years. He had been commander and chaplain of Waterbury American Legion Post 59, and was co-emcee for the Legion USO show for 10 years. He served in many American Legion offices and on many committees at the post and state level. Don enjoyed the Legion as a unique way to continue his military affiliation while helping the Legion serve the community in many ways.

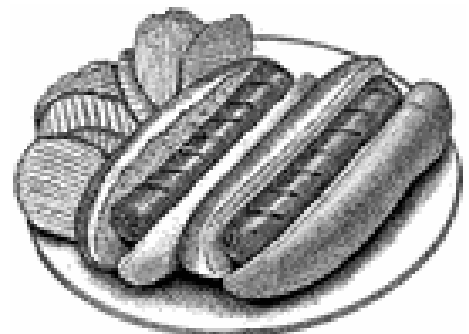
Don was the Steering Committee Chair for the Scouting Salute to Veterans Parade sponsored by the Green Mountain Council , BSA for over 10 years. Through Don's dedication to the Veterans and scouting the Parade grew. He was silently the driving force for all of those years. Green Mountain Council will be forever grateful to his leadership and guidance whenever it is time for the Parade. We will be honoring Don's memory by including a ghost of his hat in this year's Scouting Salute to Veteran's Patch.

Thank you Don-we will miss you.

Luncheon to be held at Riverside Middle School

There will be a luncheon after the parade at the fairgrounds of the Riverside Middle School. The meal will consist of hot dogs, chips and drink. The Lunch will be free to youth and adults who participated in the parade.

If your unit is going to attend the meal, please be sure to indicate how many persons will be eating on the registration form so we can get an accurate count on how much food to buy.



Veterans Parade Registration Form



Green Mountain Council Boy Scouts of America

P.O. Box 557 * Waterbury, Vermont 05676

Veterans Day Parade Registration Form

(Please use blue or black ball point pen & print legibly)

Unit Type: _____ Unit Number: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

Phone # (home): _____ Phone # (work): _____

Email address: _____

of Participants

(Be sure to list your quantities in each section.)

Marching in the Parade

_____ # of Scouts

_____ # of Leaders

Meals

Free Hot dogs, Chips and Drinks
for those who participate in parade.

_____ # of Scouts

_____ # of Leaders



Patches \$2 each

_____ Number of patches ordered

(We have to charge \$2 in order to continue the patch set)



TOTAL DUE TO GREEN

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\$ _____

The Green Mountain Council - Boy Scouts of America reserves the right to approve or disapprove the entry based upon appropriateness and/or repetition, the latter will be decided on a first come first served basis.

Please return by October 24th to:

Green Mountain Council Service Center - Veterans Day Parade, PO Box 557, Waterbury, VT 05676

or fax (802) 244-5259

ANY QUESTIONS? Call 802-244-5189

Signature: _____

Date: _____



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Flag Etiquette

In a Parade with Other Flags:

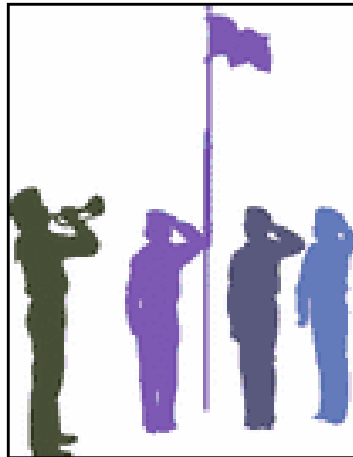
The flag, when carried in a procession with another flag, or flags, should be either on the marching right; that is, the flag's own right, or, if there is a line of other flags, in front of the center of that line.

With Non-National Flags:

The flag of the United States of America should be at the center and at the highest point of the group when a number of flags of States or localities or pennants of societies are grouped and displayed from staffs.

Saluting the Flag:

When a national flag is raised or lowered as part of a ceremony, or when it passes by in a parade or in review, all persons, except those in uniform, should face the flag and stand at attention with the right hand over the heart.



Those in uniform should give the military salute. When not in uniform, a man should remove his hat with his right hand and hold it at his left shoulder, the hand being over the heart. The flag should be saluted at the moment it passes in a parade or in review.

Timeline

Please plan on arriving early to the Springfield Vermont State Office Building so that the parade can be formed and ready to “step off” promptly at 11 a.m. It takes a huge effort to get everyone lined up and many people will be available to assist you to be sure you are in the right place.

- 10 am –10:45am Parade formation begins
- 11am Parade “Steps off”
- 12:45-1pm Luncheon begins at Riverside Middle School.

