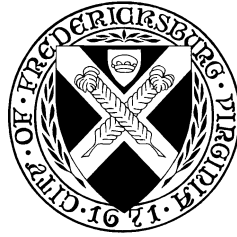


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Subject: Flag Retirement Ceremony

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The second annual retirement ceremony for American and Virginia flags collected through the City of Fredericksburg's participation in the Retire Your Old Glory program will be held on Saturday, November 8 at 2:00pm at the Izaak Walton League of America Park, located at 12400 Herndon Road, Spotsylvania (see below for driving directions.)

The ceremony will be conducted by the Fredericksburg-Rappahannock Chapter of the Izaak Walton League. Boy Scouts of America Troop 835 & other local Boy and Girl Scouts troops will also participate in the ceremony.

Fort A. P. Hill Garrison Commander Lieutenant Colonel David Meyer will be a special guest at the ceremony. All US military veterans and active duty personnel, as well as the general public, are invited to attend.

The flags to be respectfully retired during this ceremony are those collected at bins placed by the City of Fredericksburg at City Hall and at the Dorothy Hart Community Center. The first flag retirement ceremony was conducted in November, 2013, during which over 200 flags were retired. Over 160 flags have been collected in the bins since that time and will be retired during the November 8 ceremony.

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Directions to the site of the ceremony from Fredericksburg: Take Route 3/Plank Road west toward Culpeper. Go past the Chancellorsville Battlefield Park. Take a left across from Historic Wilderness Baptist Church on to Old Orange Plank Road (Route 621.) Travel approximately one-eighth of a mile and take another left onto Herndon Road (Route 600.) Travel approximately 3/4 mile to the park (on right at top of hill); approximately 14 miles from downtown Fredericksburg.