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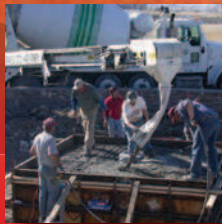
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Capital City 4th of July Celebration

Centennial Park – 10 am to 1 pm

Free to the Public

10:00 a.m.	Skateboard Exhibition	
	Kiddie Parade - All Kids Welcome	
10:30-11:00	Patriotic Music	
10:30 to 1:00	Kids Activities Including Large Bounce Houses	
	Emergency Vehicles Exhibition	
11:00 a.m.	Old Glory Flag Raising Ceremony	
11:30 to 1:00	Free Hot Dogs and Root Beet Floats	
11:30 to 1:00	Coffee Can Stash Band	



Celebrate July 4th and the 15th Anniversary of the Old Glory Landmark at Centennial Park

Head over to Centennial Park on July 4th for the Fourth Annual Capital City 4th of July Celebration, sponsored by the Helena Ambassadors (Red Coats) with the support of numerous businesses and organizations. The Celebration is a Community-wide Free event. The Celebration will honor Servicemen and Servicewomen in the Armed Forces and All Veterans, as the 30 ft tall and 50 ft wide Old Glory Flag arrives at 11:05am via helicopter, thanks to Reach Air Medical, followed by the Flag Raising Ceremony.

In recognition of the 15th Old Glory Landmark, commemorative 4x6 inch flags, courtesy of the Old Glory Landmark Committee, will be handed out by Boy Scouts with Troop 214 and Helena Ambassadors.

Thanks to Helena Ambassador President Ed Jasmin for the vision to establish the Old Glory Landmark and to Ambassador Bob Henkel for his dedication to the Landmark project from its inception and for being its 'keeper' ever since. "The Helena Ambassadors are delighted to host this 4th Annual Capital City 4th of July Celebration," said Jasmin. "For me," Henkel, a WWII Marine Veteran said, "this year's Celebration is especially meaningful because it is also the 15th Anniversary of the Old Glory Landmark and raising Old Glory."

The Old Glory Landmark was dedicated on July 4, 2003 by the Helena community as a fitting reminder for generations to come of our enduring pride in this great land and our privilege in honoring this beautiful symbol of our heritage and FREEDOM. Today, Old Glory and the Old Glory Landmark are supported by the sale of Commemorative Bricks, quarterly Flag sponsors: Independent Record, North Western Energy, Valley Bank and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Montana and monthly lighting sponsors. The engraved bricks are placed at the base of the 110 ft tall Old Glory and only cost \$250, which is tax-deductible. There are 804 bricks at the Landmark today with plenty of space for more, so please join these Old Glory supporters and purchase your brick now.

Celebration co chair Tyler Miller, also expressed thanks to the Sponsors, noting "what a wonderful way to Celebrate the 4th of July at the Old Glory Landmark on its 15th Anniversary with families and friends and especially the Veterans of our nation's Armed Services."

Best wishes for a special July 4th Celebration on the 15th Anniversary of the Old Glory Landmark.

Chuck Butler, Helena Ambassador

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THANK YOU!

The Old Glory Landmark was built because of the work and contributions by Helenans from all walks of life.

All of the construction materials and work were donated by local individuals, unions and companies.

Caird Steel Fabrication.....	Foundation Reinforcement
Carpenter's Local Union 153	Monument construction sidewalk & retaining walls
Cole Drywall	Monument Finishing
Diamond Construction.....	All foundations and flagpole erecting
Dick Anderson Construction	Crane Services
Elk River Concrete Products.....	Concrete flats to hold engraved bricks
Flagstone Masons	Flagstone masonry
Helena Sand & Gravel	All concrete for the project
Hjelm's Auto Body	
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers	
Local 206 & 233 Crews.....	Installation of electric & lightpole construction
Laborer's International Union of North America Local 254	Cement finishing
Maxim Technologies	Geotechnical services
Mergenthaler Transfer & Storage.....	Flagpole hauling from New York
Merit Mechanical.....	Flagpole and monument trim
Montana Department of Environmental Quality	
Montana Flag & Pole Company.....	Flagpole and flag coordination
Montana Granite Co.	Engraved granite
Montana Powder & Equipment Co.	Flagpole crane equipment
Morrison- Maierle, Inc.....	Engineering, design, surveying & construction management
Pacific Steel & Recycling	Steel reinforcement
Parriman Construction	Project general contractor & construction
Pierce & Associates - Builders.....	Excavation and trucking
Smitty's Fireplace Shop	Flagstone, paint and materials
Watkins & Shepherd Trucking.....	Engraved commemorative brick hauling

Other companies that provided services:

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Special Thanks

City of Helena, City Commissioners, Jim Smith, Mark Parriman, Steve Netschert, Sandy Oitzinger, Tom Poliot, Tim Burton, Randy Lilji, Jeff Curry, Mike Barros & Brandt Salo.

(Reprinted from the July 4th, 2003 Commemorative Edition)

The story behind the construction of Old Glory Landmark



It all began the summer of 2002, when Helena Ambassadors met for coffee, Ed Jasmin suggested Helena should have a giant sized community flag like Great Falls. Bob Henkel, a WWII U.S. Marine, liked the idea and promised to research it.



Just a year after the terrorist attack on the twin towers in New York City on Sept. 11, 2001, Henkel found Helena residents had a renewed sense of patriotism and respect for our country's symbol of freedom. The timing was perfect to place a super-sized American flag in the Capital City.



A Pierce & Associates shovel lifts the 13-foot-deep flagpole sleeve into the foundation built by a Diamond Construction Crew.



Above Pierce and Associates Builders first attached the project with earth-moving equipment in the 75-foot stone-walled circle. They removed soil and landfill down to 13 ft deep, and replaced the soil with compact gravel.

Henkel selected this site and received City Commission approval. Then worked with former state architect Phil Hauck and Morrison-Maierle, Inc. on design and engineering. Contractors, labor unions, businesses and individuals were contacted for materials, labor and funding. Mark Parriman volunteered to supervise construction. Everyone said YES! All the project costs were donated, except the \$12,000 flagpole. Pictured on the right is Henkel's photo mock up to sell the project.



Helena Sand and Gravel trucks poured 24-cubic yards of concrete into the flagpole foundation around the flagpole sleeve. A Diamond Construction crew placed the concrete with the help of project general contractor Mark Parriman.



Old Glory Landmark Commemorative Engraved Bricks Under the "Big Flag"



- Memorials for passed loved ones.
- Veterans.
- Family members.
- Helena businesses.

New brick display just installed. Print what you would like to have deeply engraved on the 4"x8" commemorative brick. Fill out form below with text for your memorial brick. Up to 16 letters, including letter spaces, per line. Up to 4 lines of type (3 lines preferable).

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A crew from Carpenters Union UBC 1153 and Pennington Construction built the forms for the monument, sidewalks and retaining wall. Reinforced rods had to be welded in place. The carpenters were busy on the project for several weeks. Much of the work was done in the evenings and during weekends. David Warner of the Carpenters Union coordinated the construction.



Members of the Laborers Union Local #254 provided cement finishing on the monument after the forms were removed. They also placed the concrete for the sidewalks and finished the retaining wall.



Elk River Products of Montana donated the precast forms for each side of the monument which would hold the commemorative engraved bricks.



Five journeymen masons set nearly 300 ft. of flagstone in front of the monument. Smitty's Fireplace Shop donated the flagstone and materials. Montana Granite Company supplied the engraved granite.



Volunteers worked to set the flagpole in place at Centennial Park.



It took a lot of donated teamwork to erect the 110-foot flagpole. The giant crane was supplied by Montana Powder and Equipment Company; the operator was from Dick Anderson Construction, and the working crew was from Diamond Construction.

Supervised by Mark Parriman, a layer of Silicon Sand was added so that the pole could bend in the wind.



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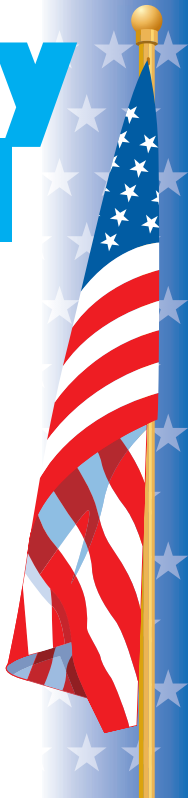
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July 4th and the
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10am ★ Wednesday, July 4
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It's impossible to miss the beautiful
American flag in Helena's Centennial
Park. Join us for a star spangled event
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The late Col. (Retired) Bill Beaman placed the majority of the 650 commemorative engraved bricks in the brick displays, a program still used to pay for Old Glory Landmark maintenance.



The Ambassadors, left to right, Bob Henkel, Al Adams and Peter Sullivan, put the finishes on the monument with a second coat of special 20-year paint. Seven Ambassadors helped apply the prime coat. At left are the monument's commemorative engraved bricks.



Each year, hundreds of Helena citizens gather for the annual flag changing to summer-weight ceremony. the Capital City July 4th Family Celebration and Concert is an annual community event.



Flagstone was laid by masons Bill Willis and Dick Benner, supplied by Smitty's Fireplace Shop. See names of other businesses, labor unions and donors on bronze plaques at monument front. Pictured is Old Glory Landmark founder/manager Bob Henkel.



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On July 4th, 2003 2,000 Helena residents turned out for the dedication of the Old Glory Landmark in Centennial Park. The \$100,000 project was the culmination of nearly a year's work by patriotic community businesses, labor unions, and individuals.

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