

Flag Day June 14th.

This Year We Celebrate the
US Army's 236th Birthday

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Celebrating Flag Day In Gig Harbor

This morning we celebrated Flag Day with my Rotary Club in Gig Harbor. This year we had a 27 year professional soldier speak. His name was Command Sergeant Major Mark Thornton. He is with the 201st Battlefield Surveillance Bde, US Army.

After the ceremony I went and spoke with this humble man. I asked him for a copy of his words. He gave them to me so I could share them with you. He also expressed his *Thanks* to each individual there saying that we are his employer and he is proud to work for us. (Now his words):

“Please accept my thanks for inviting me to speak with you today as we celebrate Flag Day. It has been my privilege and honor to serve you as a Soldier in the Army for 27 years now, and I am humbled to look back across this time and realize how much our flag has come to mean to me.

When our forefathers began this

‘Great experiment’ we now call the United States of America, we were seen by the rest of the world as a group of malcontents, upstarts with no respect for the established order of the age. Luckily for us, those men and women didn’t worry about the opinion of others– they simply stayed the course and fought until they established the kind of country they wanted to pass on to us.

The flag of the United States was officially adopted by resolution on June 14, 1777 by the Second Continental Congress. There is a story about a teacher in Wisconsin who decided that for the 108th anniversary of the acceptance of our flag as our symbol, his students would celebrate “flag birthday”. From that initial samall celebration, other communities decided to follow suit and organized their own activities to recognize the flag on the date of its acceptance. Although not a federal holiday, in 1916 President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation establishing June 14th as Flag Day. The official Act of Congress designating June 14th as the national flag day wasn’t signed until August 3, 1949 by President .

Truman. Now you have the cliff notes version of how we arrived to today– Flag Day. But is that’s all you know about the flag, what could it possibly mean to you?

Do you ever wonder how many Americans have given their lives defending our flag? How many days have American prisoners spent wondering if they’d ever see the stars and stripes flying freely over them again? How many millions of people came to the United States from around the world taking chances that they might make it here to become citizens of our nation? How is it that so much pain, suffering and hope could possibly be tied to a simple piece of cloth with only three colors?

For me the answer is simple: our flag represents everything positive that our forefathers wanted this country to provide

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Hey the Garth Brooks Concert was AMAZING. Just Garth with his guitar in a small theater at the Wynn in Las Vegas. He played for 3 hours. What was really cool was that he took you down memory lane. He shared the story of the music he grew up with. The influence of his family and other artists.

Then he brought you to his time starting in late 1989. Only about half the songs he played were his. You really got to see his talent in singing and playing.

While in Vegas we got to see a friends new home. Boy are they getting a deal. Are you ready for this? How about 6,000 square feet with 6 bedrooms and 6 bathrooms. Yes a pool in the back yard. All for only \$469,000.

Well enjoy this months newsletter and be sure to order your copy of my new book today. (just email me:

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To any person willing to accept the fact that all people deserved a chance to enjoy “life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness”. That we would be given the chance to pursue our dreams through our efforts to achieve what we want out of life, without fear that someone would unfairly take away either our property or our ability to make better the conditions in which we live. That we would be guaranteed the chance to find out what matters most to us, and to build a future for ourselves and our families as we see fit to do so. And that we would be responsible to make sure that we would be good stewards of our flag to insure that future generations after us could enjoy the same opportunities which we have been given by our forefathers.

The flag of the United States is the symbol of both our gift of the freedoms we enjoy, and our promise to pass that gift to those with us now as well as those who come after us. The flag of the United States is the symbol of our nation, and all that we as a nation can do to make our world a better place for all mankind. We just have to take time every once in a while to remember what our flag represents, and to insure that we do our part to hold true to our promise for future generations.

I ask you to do one thing today as you go about your work; take the time to stop doing anything and consider what the flag means to you. What is it about you that makes you uniquely American, and how does the flag represent you? More importantly, what do you do to make sure that the things you do represent the flag...

It is my honor to speak with you on Flag Day, and I hope you have a great day today. Thank You.”

(My special Thanks Again to Command Sergeant Major Mark Thorton for sharing this message).



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Real Estate Question of the Month

What is the real story in this market?

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Why isn't housing recovering?

By BURNS JOHN

For nearly two years, corporate profits have been surging, gross domestic product has been growing, and the majority of the key indicators we track have been moving in the right direction. Yet, home sales have remained in the dumps.

The indicators that...

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New-home sales see monthly rise in April

Sales of new, single-family homes saw a monthly rise in April, the U.S. Census Bureau and Department of Housing and Urban Development reported today.

New-home sales increased an estimated 7.3 percent last month from March, to a... [Continued »](#)



Do you really think the media checks the information before they print these articles? I had to laugh at the report above that was sent to me a couple weeks ago.

So here is what the local statistics show us. In the Pierce County, Washington there are two good signs and one different sign. First good is the Inventory supply is now down to only 3.9 months supply. Second the number of closings is up. In fact year to date we are up 3%. And May this year is up 7% over last year. These are both positive signs for the market. We see that more properties are being sold as the inventory decreases. These stats show a positive direction for the market.

The one strange number is the 7% year to date pricing drop. This seems to be in certain areas where the short sales and foreclosures have had the most affect. With a positive note on this being that the time for short sales to close has decreased considerably in this last year. With this continued pattern the outlook calls for more stability through the rest of this year.

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"The attitude you have as a parent is what your kids will learn from more than what you tell them. They don't remember what you try to teach them. They remember what you are."

Jim Henson
1936-1990, Creator of The Muppets

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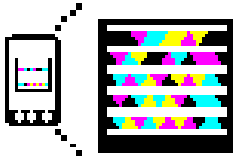
June Quiz Question

What is the real story in this market?

Hint: the answer is somewhere in this newsletter...

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June Quiz Question

Everyone who calls 278-9251 or emails (David@DavidCathers.com) the correct answer by the **30th of this month** will be entered into a drawing for Free Movie Pass for Two.

Enjoy a night out with someone special on me.
(Your Odds are better than you think)

BE A WINNER!

“Congratulations to May’s Winners”

Anthony and Jean Blas of Gig Harbor were the **winners** of Movie Tickets for answering the May Quiz Question.

Your tickets will be sent to you this week! Enjoy the show and remember to tell your friends to enter each month. You never know who will be drawn!!

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