MEMORIAL DAY PARADES

PAYING TRIBUTE TO VETERANS

Honoring the fallen



Two-year-old David Blaine, Harveys Lake, is shown a flag by his father Joseph, who is a volunteer firefighter.



Spec. Jamie Sult, a member of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard, smiles in appreciation of citizen support while riding on a float made by Little League teams in Sweet Valley.

Residents of the Back Mountain, including many veterans and members of the American Legion, took the time earlier last week to remember the men and women who lost their lives in service to our country.

The Dallas American Legion Post 672 held its annual Memorial Day parade. The parade started at the Post Home on Route 415 and proceeded to the center of Dallas for a ceremony at the Veterans Memorial. The honorary parade marshals were state Senator Charles Lemmond and his son, Master Chief Petty Officer John Lemmond. Captain Francis Petroski, a Lake-Lehman High School graduate and member of the National Guard, was the guest speaker.

After the service at the memorial, American Legion members conducted a short service at Woodlawn Cemetery in Dallas and a brief service at Chapel Lawn Cemetery on Route 415 in Dallas Township. A wreath was placed at the cemetery in memory of fallen veterans.

The annual Memorial Day parade was held in Sweet Valley, with hundreds of people lining the parade route. The parade attracted civic organizations, youth sports teams, businesses and school groups throughout the Back Mountain.





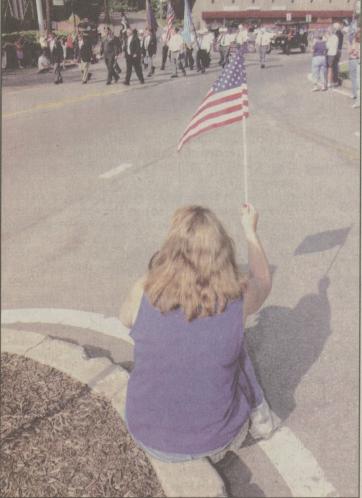
Girl Scouts riding on a float pass the Sweet Valley Fire Department



Dallas American Legion members Robert Hines and Joseph Drust take a reflective moment at the Memorial Day service and parade.



Michael Parmelee, a member of Boy Scout Troop 155 of Dallas, proudly waves his flag.



Susan Traver and her son Christopher, Lehman Township, welcome the parade participants to Dallas.



Residents of Sweet Valley enjoyed their annual Memorial Day carnival.



The Ford family of Shavertown awaits the parade in Dallas.