

## Memorial parade both solemn and festive

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Major General I. G. Brown, director of the Air National Guard, gave the keynote address at Farmington's Memorial Day parade Monday.

He spoke of Memorial Day's meaning to each individual. Also, he said, "We honor over one million people on this solemn day."

He pointed out the military's role in world peace. One point that he strongly emphasized was, "peace through power."

Brown delivered his speech in front of the Farmington City Hall on Grand River.

The parade had "countless" entries and participants, according to Parade Marshall, Joe Gibbons.

Four awards were given out by Judges from the Farmington Chamber of Commerce following the parade.

Harrison High School's marching band received top honors in that category.

For junior high bands, Farmington Junior claimed the top slot.

The YMCA's Indian Guide canoe was awarded first place for the best float.

In the "mounted" category, the Elk's motorcycle squad placed first.

Other parade highlights included the Air Force jets flyover. A group of F-100 jets flew over in a "missing flyer" formation.

Parade Marshall Gibbons estimated that "two thousand people must have been in the parade, at least."

