



What better way to celebrate Flag Day and Independence Day than by visiting this unique exhibit of historic American flags? The Lebanon Township Museum is extremely honored to be able to share the **Pierce Collection of American Parade Flags** with the public from **June 13 to July 13**.

Collector, author and historian J. Richard Pierce is a retired senior banking executive whose lifelong love of the Stars and Stripes parallels his strong interest in politics and US history. He has been collecting flags since 1991, when he acquired his first flag as a thirtieth wedding anniversary gift from his wife, Barbara.

An **opening reception** will be held on **Thursday, June 13 at 6:00 pm** with a lecture entitled "**Evolution of the American Flag**" to be given by Mr. Pierce at 7:00 pm. Light refreshments will be served. This reception is being sponsored by the Squiers Point Historians, Incorporated, a 501(c)3 group of individuals dedicated to preserving Lebanon Township history.

Additional festivities to celebrate this exhibit will include a **Flag Day Celebration on Saturday, June 15 at 1:00 pm**. Activities will include the chance to churn your own ice cream, and make Father's Day & Patriotic crafts and more! Enter our Flag Day Apple Pie Baking Contest and you could win a gift basket including a Lebanon Township pie plate! Call or email by June 12 to enter.

A closing lecture entitled "**Famous Flags in American History**" will be presented by Mr. Pierce at **2:00 pm on Saturday, July 13**. The exhibit and all events are free and open to the public.

