What social studies teachers do with their time

The Bethlehem Gadfly Fun Stuff, Local Color August 6, 2019

The Gadfly invites your "local color" photos and reflections of this sort

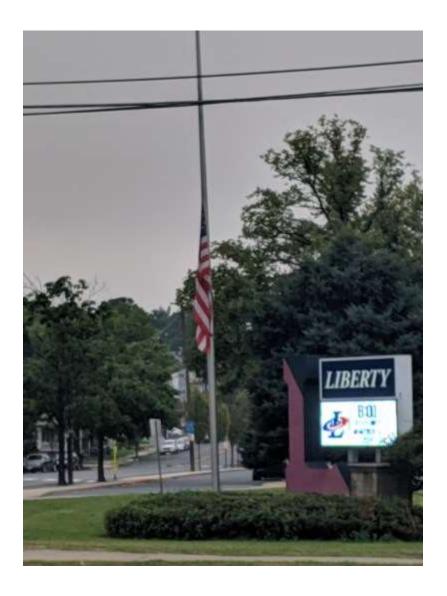
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US flag code

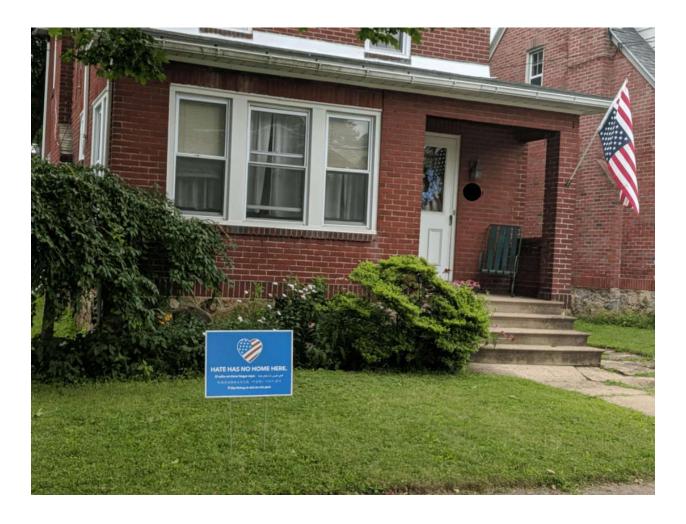
§176. Respect for flag

"The flag should never be displayed with the union down, except as a signal of dire distress in instances of extreme danger to life or property."

Gadfly: While on my morning walk, I noticed the flag at half-mast. I took a moment; it always catches my eye, my thoughts, and sometimes my heart. I had to pause to catch my breath because I wanted to cry, no, scream, no . . . I don't know. Here I am again at another flag, at a different high school, and in my hometown.



I haven't had a flag at my house since the last ceremonious disposal. So, I procured a new US flag. I was hanging it, and my neighbor asked me if it was some sort of protest. I responded, "No. A sign of distress. I don't know the answers." He recognized the distress signal from being in the Navy. He agrees, we're in distress. He's on his way to get a new flag too.



We then spoke with another neighbor.

For me, for this morning, maybe that was the answer, talking to my neighbors.

Martha