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May 11, 2022 Monthly Meeting

This month the meeting will be on a Wednesday evening starting at 6:30 PM with dinner served around 7:00 PM.

This meeting will be held at the Winter Park Elks Lodge located at 4755 Howell Branch Rd, Winter Park, FL 32792

Program - Chapter Awards Ceremony

Menu Choice - Chianti braised beef with gravy, rice, broccoli or Chicken medallion with a shallot cream sauce, angel hair pasta, broccoli. Each choice is served with a salad with ranch dressing and chocolate chip cookies as dessert.

Cost - \$25.00 (Payable either by check or cash)

Please let us know if you are to attend this meeting by contacting Compatriot Phil Markoe via email at markoevikingsfan@aol.com. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

From the Chapter President

Compatriots,

With the month of May comes our last meeting of the season on Weds, May 11, 2022 at 6:30pm, which will be our Annual Chapter Awards Meeting. Awards are given out at the end of each season by a panel of current & past Presidents to show our appreciation and say thank you to our officers and members.

The awards range from a Certificate of Appreciation to an array of service medals earned for participation and dedication to us

Chapter for going above and beyond. Some of these medals are a cumulative effort which are earned over several years. A member may receive the same service medal award more than once which is represented by the awarding of an Oak Leaf Cluster pin, placed on the ribbon of the original medal. Congratulations to all of our upcoming 2021-2022 award recipients!

A special thanks to Scott Cook for his assistance helping us reinstate an old tradition of issuing Chapter membership cards. Our new membership cards will be handed out during the May meeting. Any cards not picked up will be sent through

the mail after the meeting.

On Monday, April 25, 2022 our Chapter, in response to an invitation by Make-A-Wish Central & Northern Florida, was honored to participate together to make a big impact on the life of a 16-year-old young man named Nakeem Blackman who is suffering from a rare disease. When Nakeem was asked where he wanted to go on a Wish Trip, his request was to see Mount Vernon. In an emotional response, our officers unanimously voted to assemble a uniformed member delegation of several members of our Color Guard, the Daniel Morgan Camp #10, Sons of Liberty Brigade. Compatriots Harry Rinker, Maynard Pittendreigh, Burt Fairchild & myself jumped at the opportunity to help give him a perfect send-off. Nakeem was also presented with the SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate for his patriotism and love of country. We hope his send-off and Wish Trip was a wonderful experience!

Have a safe and relaxing Summer with family and friends and I look forward to gathering together again next Fall!

For These We Strive,

Philip Markoe

Upcoming Events

FLSSAR BOM/Annual Meeting , May 13-14, 2022 at the Embassy Suites near SR535 & US192, Kissimmee, FL.

2022 National NSSAR Congress
July 2022, Hyatt Regency in Savannah, GA.

With Deep Regret

It is with deep regret that the chapter announce the passing of Orville Allen. He died on April 21, 2022. Please remember this family in your

prayers. In case you didn't already know, he was the father of our past president, Randall Allen and both attended the meeting together when we were meeting at the Mayflower Retirement Center before COVID-19.

Monthly Birthday

On behalf of the Central Florida SAR Chapter, we would like to wish the following individual a Happy and Enjoyable Birthday.

\Scott Cook
Michael Danforth
Murdoc Gould
Lincoln Hall
James Holton
Grant Hughes
Ian Kaminski
Ed McGlynn
Andrew Ruiz-Isasi
Daniel Ruiz-Isasi
Andrew Sechler
Brian Smith
Jerry Tillman
John Weatherwax

An Interesting Article

Below is a link to an interesting documentary that Harry Rinker mentioned that may be of interest to our members.

<https://www.dailywire.com/news/cannons-found-in-georgia-river-believed-to-be-from-british-ships-during-the-american-revolutionary-war>

Noteworthy Mentioning

On 4/16/2022, President Phil Markoe was invited to attend the Volusia Chapter meeting in

Daytona Beach Shores to give a presentation on his patriot ancestor, Abram Markoe, organizer and First Captain of the Philadelphia Lighthorse Troop.

On 4/25/2022, the Central Florida Chapter participated with the Make A Wish Foundation of Central and Northern Florida in a send-off for Nakeem Blackman, a 16 year old high school student whose wish was granted to visit Mount Vernon & Williamsburg to observe a reenactment. Four of our members attended and dressed in full uniform. Nakeem was presented with a Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate for his patriotism and love of country, as well as a few other send-off gifts from the group. Fox 35 News covered the local event.

Liberty Tree

In the past, the chapter has planted in several trees to honor the patriotic cause of the American Revolution. As you know, our patriots met at specific trees that came know as Liberty Trees to plan our their strategy to strive for independence from Britain.

One of these trees was planted at the Mayflower Retirement Complex and has a granite marker located at the base of the tree. Another one was planted that the City of St. Cloud City Hall complex located off of New York Avenue and has a bronze marker located at the base of the tree.

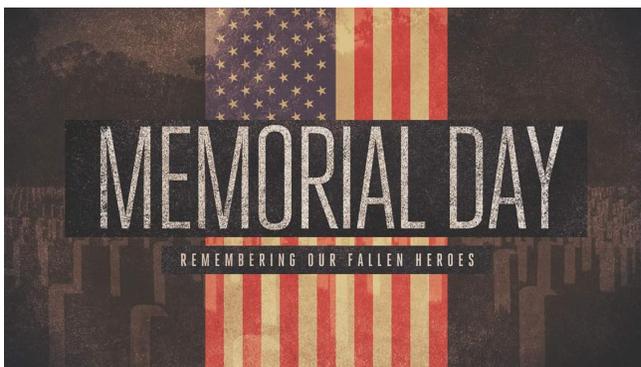
All we need as a chapter to do is to start making monetary contributions to this worthwhile project. If you would like to contribute, please let our chapter treasurer know. If you have a source to help us in the procuring of a site, please let the chapter officers know if you have a location that needs to be considered. Thanks for your assistance.

Inspiration Message

This quote is from a small town weekly in the north one May after Independence Day. “There is a strong sense of patriotism in our town this past week. At our Memorial Day and

Independence Day parades, our country’s flag was proudly displayed on every lamppost along Main Street, on fire trucks, and on many T-shirts on young and old alike. Our veterans received enthusiastic ovations along the parade route as we let them know we appreciated the sacrifices they have made for our freedom. We realize how easily our freedom can be threatened or lost.” As we approach once again the first of these national days of thankfulness and remembrance here is a prayer for our use from the Episcopal Prayer Book for the Armed Forces:

“Heavenly Father, we commend to they gracious care all the men and women in our Armed Forces at home and abroad. Defend them by day with heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials; give them courage to face the perils that beset them; and help them to know that non can pluck out of they hand those who put their trust in thee And we give thanks for all those they servants who have laid down their lives in the service of our country. Grant to them



133rd CONGRESS RAFFLE (2023)

Dedicated to the modern-day "Minutemen" who are keeping watch.

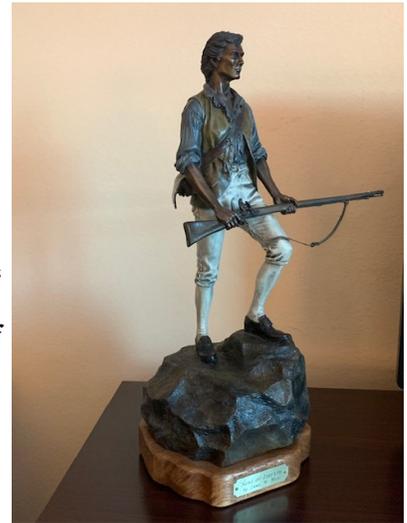
"The price of Liberty is eternal vigilance"

"God who gave thy fathers Freedom
 God who made thy fathers brave;
 What they built with love and labor
 let thy children watch and save.
 For thy fathers long before thee
 armed with Freedom faced the deep;
 What they won with love and anguish
 let thy children watch and keep."

Anon.

"Sons of Liberty-1775"

"Sons of Liberty-1775" by James N. Muir depicts a typical Colonial Militia citizen-soldier on that date, the original "Patriots' Day" of 19 April 1775. The sculpture is historically authentic in every regard as to arms, accoutrements, clothing and hair style. He is carrying a captured 42-inch barrel "Short Land" Model 1740 British Musket adopted in 1765 to replace the earlier 46-inch first model "Long Land" or "Brown Bess" (which is depicted in the maquettes of "Sons of Liberty-1775). Powder and ball were carried either in a powder horn and pouch or preferably, as depicted, in the more military cartridge box in the form of pre-made paper or linen cartridges. A vent pick and frizzen brush hang handily from his vest.



This Limited Edition (#10/50) bronze sculpture will be raffled during the 133rd NSSAR Congress in Orlando, FL in 2023.

Twenty-five dollars per ticket, five for \$100.00

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