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**“ NATIONAL SOJOURNERS ”**  
**“ A CHAPTER OF EXCELLENCE IN 2004 ”**  
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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**  
 Brother Sojourners,

Attendance at our August meeting with 67 people present was truly outstanding. My thanks to Bro. Bob Tidwell our 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President for organizing the reservations and to Charlie Euripides for the fine food and drink. Thanks also to Barbara Klementz and the ladies for the festive Independence Day décor. We quickly moved through a busy agenda and initiated four candidates: Bro. Ronald S. Seale, Sovereign Grand Commander, Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction, Bro. Jim Coates, Bro Demetrios A. Armenakis and Bro. Dean Alban. To all of you we give a hearty welcome into the ranks of National Sojourners. I am grateful to Bro. Bill Turner for reporting on the National Convention and clearing up any confusion over the Sojourner Endowment Memorial Fund (SEM). The Bridge of Light presentation on folding the Flag was moving and elegant. I congratulate Bro. Heroes Mark Arbeen, Scotty Cameron and Larry Lisle for this inspiring ceremony.

Please note the National Sojourner dues increase for 2005 and consider becoming a Member in Perpetuity now. It greatly benefits our organization forever.

For our August meeting, Bro Terry Gigure, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, who recently returned from Iraq, has agreed to say a few words about his time there. I look forward to seeing you all on August 18<sup>th</sup>.

Hans S. Pawlisch  
 President, OD Chapter 364

The August meeting is on WEDNESDAY, August 18, 2004 AT 1830 HOURS  
 At GADSBY'S TAVERN AMERICAN LEGION HALL, 400 Cameron Street, Alexandria, VA

AUGUST MEETING PROGRAM: 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Terry Gigure on his tour of duty in Iraq.

UNIFORM OF THE DAY IS HAWAIIAN SHIRTS

COST: \$20 – PAY AT THE DOOR

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS THROUGH 3<sup>rd</sup> VP BRO. BOB TIDWELL AT (H) 703-250-3216 OR (W) 703-929-2923 OR  
 AT [rtidwell@quixnet.net](mailto:rtidwell@quixnet.net).

YOU CAN ALSO RSVP TO YOUR CALLING COMMITTEE MEMBER  
 DEADLINE IS 1200 HOURS, JULY 19

THE NEXT HEROES OF '76 ENCAMPMENT WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 6:30PM, AT CAMP  
 COLLINGWOOD, ALEXANDRIA, VA.



**Commander's Message  
August 2004**

My Fellow Heroes: This is a slow, summer month. I hope everyone is being safe, and enjoying the weather.

I am pleased to report that, this coming November, your Camp will be represented at the Grand Lodge of Virginia, as the Color Guard for the Installation of Officers. It is a high honor, and one that we take very seriously.

A scoundrel was caught, and is awaiting trial, in the Guardhouse. He claims to be a Treasurer. Maybe a bribe is in order? Who knows? Come out 29 September 2004, we will find out. A fine Chinese dinner will be served. The cost for this dinner (only this month) will be **\$15.00 per person**.

To prepare for our next bivouac, I ask all the Camp Officers to report to Fort Collingwood on 18 September 2004, at 0900 hours, for rehearsal and officers meeting. It should take no more than an hour.

Baby Watch 2004 – Nothing new, at this time, to report. Lady Heather and I are anxiously awaiting the arrival of our first child. When we meet the little child, we will let you know. Maybe a new Hero? Maybe a new Camp Follower? We will find out soon.

Let's keep having fun this year.

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Mark F. Arbeen, PM  
Camp Commander

Light Horse Harry Lee Chapter, Heroes of 76



OD364 was proud to sponsor three students to the 2004 Spirit of America Youth Conference: (l to r) Samantha Kinne, Rianna Mendelsahn, and Chelsea Johnson. 82 students participated in the conference which was held at Freedoms Foundation located in Vally Forge, PA on 22-2d July 2004. OD364 members participating in the conference included: Bro. Harry Sanders (National Americanism Committee Chairman and National Sojourners host for the conference), as well as, Lady Lyn Sanders, Bro. Bill Turner and Lady Patti Turner who served as chaperones. Special thanks to all chapter members who so generously contributed to our Freedoms Share youth conference scholarship campaign ---you make it possible!

**OLD DOMINION 364 AMERICANISM AWARDS FOR 2004**

**Senior ROTC Detachments**

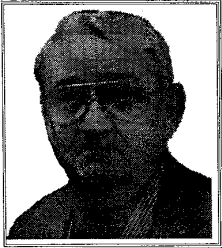
School	Award	Recipient	-Presenter
Howard University	Americanism	Cadet Dionne Drayton	Ralph Smith
Clarkson University	Americanism	Cadet Brian Bohan	School Official
University of Virginia	Excellence and Patriotism	Cadet Hugo Kleinhans	Scotty Cameron and Ed Arndt
	Americanism	2/C Conor P. Donahue	
	Excellence and Patriotism	1/C David A. Theisz	
University of Virginia	Excellence and Patriotism In Absentia	1/C Ernest T. Buchanan	Scotty Cameron and Ed Arndt
	Americanism	Cadet Brian G. Franklin	
University of Virginia	Excellence and Patriotism	Cadet Venetia G. Eldridge	Ed Arndt Scotty Cameron and Ed Arndt
	Excellence and Patriotism	Cadet Harrison Garlick	
George Washington University	Americanism	Cadet Justin Grove	Ralph Smith
	Excellence and Patriotism	Cadet Christopher J. Peters	Mark Arbeen
Georgetown University	Americanism	Cadet Jason Desai	
	Excellence and Patriotism	Cadet Wilson D. St. Pierre	

**Junior ROTC High School Detachments**

School	Award	Recipient	Presenter
Arlington Career Center	Americanism	Maria Hernandez	Ralph Smith
Bluefield High School	Americanism	Cadet Trey Brown	School Officials
Thomas Edison High School	Americanism	Cadet Jackson Parker	John Shroeder
	Excellence and Patriotism	Cadet Phil Yi	Ralph Smith
Harrisonburg High School	Americanism	Cadet Chera Webber	
Awards held at:- Thomas Harrison Middle School			
King George High School	Americanism	Cadet Chris Eckel	Charles "Buddy" Wagner Ralph Smith
	Americanism	Cadet Christina Rossi	
Hayfield Secondary School	Excellence and Patriotism	Cadet Bradley Koehler	School Officials School Officials Monty Quick
	Americanism	Cadet Mitchell Simonsen	
	Americanism	Cadet Crystal Hall	
	Americanism	Cadet Dominic Purnell	
Lakeland High School	Excellence and Patriotism	Cadet Brandon Harrington	School Officials School Officials
	Americanism	Cadet Stevie Anderson	
Montcalm High School	Americanism	Cadet Shaun P. Hodges	Ralph Smith
Mt. Vernon High School	Americanism	Cadet Frank Scheer	Ralph Smith
Pikeview High School	Americanism	Cadet SSgt. Joana Prosser	Col. Elam
	Excellence and Patriotism	Cadet Michael Herrington	
Princeton High School	Americanism	Cadet Clifton Gross, Jr.	
T.C Williams High School	Americanism		
West Potomac High School	Americanism		
Woodrow Wilson High School	Americanism		

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National Sojourners**

Minutes of the Meeting July 21, 2004



President Hans Pawlisch sounded the dinner gavel at 1900 hours at the Gadsby Tavern location in Old Town, Alexandria, with 67 people present. Bro. Mark Arbeen offered the dinner prayer and we all enjoyed a great meal. At 1945 hrs. Pres. Pawlisch called the meeting to order and directed Marshal Gary Akin and the color bearers to post the colors. The color bearers, Bros Larry Lisle, Mark Arbeen, and Scotty Cameron were in Heroes uniforms. 2nd VP Bill Sanner led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Bro. Sanner then opened the Bible and gave the opening prayer, and Pres. Pawlisch read the Purpose of the Sojourners. Pres. Pawlisch then acknowledged all distinguished guests, introducing RT. WOR. Bro. John Randall Quinley, Deputy Grand Master of Virginia, and Bro. Ronald A. Seale, Sovereign Grand Commander, Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction

The minutes of the June meeting were unanimously approved and then the secretary cleared his desk. A request for approval of a new domain name for the OD 364 Web site was read as received via email from Bro. Rick Reichert...the majority decided on **OldDominion364.org**. The Secretary thanked all committee chairmen for their timely submission of the end of the year reports and announced the cumulative report has been submitted to National Headquarters. A request to differentiate the 3-6-5 Club/SEM Fund was deferred to Bro. Bill Turner and explained further in these minutes. A letter received from the National Secretary, Bro Nelson Newcombe, was read announcing the resolution of National Regulation 19.8. C3, on June 19, 2004, effectively raising the Per Capita Tax by \$5.00 effective 01-01-05. In accordance with OD Chapter No. 364 Constitution and By-laws, Article V, Section 1, "the annual dues shall be double the per capita assessment of National Sojourners, Inc.," the dues will be raised to \$34.00. (2 X \$17.00 per capita). Bro. Bill Turner pointed out this is even better reason for all to think about becoming MIP members. The secretary received a request via email from Bro. Albert McClelland, Secretary, Northern Indiana Sojourners No. 544, to perform a courtesy initiation for his son, Matthew, who was voted in the newly formed chapter as an Honorary Member on 06-23-04. He lives in Alexandria. He is a member of South Gate Lodge No. 731, Ft. Wayne, IN. The initiation date has been set for the next regular meeting on 08-18-04.

There were two applications for action read; Bro. Jim Coates, Henry Lodge 57, sponsored by Bro. Harry Sanders, and Bro. Ronald S. Seale, Sovereign Grand Commander, Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction, sponsored by Bro. Gene Sizemore. Both brothers were accepted unanimously and welcomed by all.

The Treasurer, Bro. Phil Tilson, announced that with the bills presented and money taken in at this meeting we have around \$3800.00.

Under committee reports, Bro. Harry Sanders announced there are 82 students going to the Valley Forge Youth Conference for Freedom's Foundation...and praised OD 364 for sending three of those students. Bro. Lisle stated his son, in conjunction with Chapter 444, will also be there. For Membership, Bro. Bill Sanner announced there are roughly 380 members of OD 364, 120 of which live in the metropolitan area...and that there is plenty of room for new members.

For ROTC, Bro. Ralph Smith reported 24 awards (Senior ROTC, Americanism, Excellence, and Patriotism) went to 24 high schools, and 10 to colleges from this area to West Virginia, North Carolina, and New York. Those who assisted in making presentations were Bros. Mark Arbeen, Ed Arndt, John Shroeder (ETL 54), Scotty Cameron, and Ralph Smith. For programs, Sec. Ron Dooley advised that the schedule for the year will now be posted on the Web Site. For Sick and Distressed, it was announced, via Bro. John Cole on June 28, that Bro. George Allen's wife, Bobbie, contracted pneumonia while at the National Convention; nothing further is known and Lady Lyn Sanders will send a card.

Pres. Pawlisch called for old or new business at which time Bro. George Harrington, National Trustee, CLMA, called for Bro. Scotty Cameron and presented him with his 50-year pin and certificate. Scotty received a huge hand and well deserved standing ovation. Bro. Al Ungerleider gave a brief synopsis of his annual trip to Normandy for the D-Day reunion. We all thank Bro. Al for his sacrifice in service.

Bro. Bill Turner then gave a report on the National Convention reporting there were 74 chapters, 150 delegates, and 300 registered members in attendance. Some hi-lights mentioned were new National Trustees Bros. Joe Ryland, Jim Norris, and our own Ben Sutherlin. Bro. Larry Lisle, Americanism Chairman, was elected as the National Sentinel, Heroes of 76. Bro. Ben Sutherlin was awarded the highest award...Legion of Honor, and Bro. John Cole the 2nd highest, the Houghton Award. Congratulations were extended to all brethren. A full report will be in the next issue of *The Sojourner*.

Awards and Presentations...Bro. Turner then presented an Award of Excellence to Lady Lyn Sanders and Bro. Jack Whistler (not present), and Patriot 76 Awards, to Bros. Mark Arbeen (Commander LHHL), Scotty Cameron, Larry Lisle, Harry Sanders, and Tom Anderson and Art Pierson who could not be present. All received a big hand of congratulations. Bro. Frank Dunaway then presented Bro. Larry Lisle, Heroes National Sentinel, the Bridge of Light Award from National Sojourners to OD 364 for his work in that category. A big round of applause resounded.

Bro. Turner then explained the 3-6-5 Club vs. SEM Fund. Basically, he wanted it clarified that the SEM fund is the Sojourner Endowment Memorial Fund used for the business and operation of the Order. The 3-6-5 Club is subordinate to the SEM Fund. Basic membership in the 3-6-5 Club is \$3.65 a year. (penny a day) A life membership is \$36.50 and used as a measure for achievement and special recognitions. CLMA is a separate organization and can always use donations. Bro. Turner announced that the special "Keep the Flags Flying" fund for his year collected \$6000.00, way above that expected.

Initiations: There were four initiations: Bros. Coates and Seale, who were voted in at this meeting, and Demetrios A. Armenakis and Dean Alban who were previously accepted at the meeting on April 21, 2004. 2nd VP Bill Sanner read the Sojourner lecture, and Pres. Pawlisch read the Obligation and Medal Lecture. All were presented medals and New Member Handbooks, and given a big hand of welcome by all.

Under announcements, Rt. Wor. John Quinley announced that Bro. Frank Dunaway, PP, PC, will be the new District Deputy Grand Master effective November 6, 2004, for Masonic District 1-A. Bro. Frank received a resounding applause of approval. RW Bro. Quinley also announced that Past Grand Master, MT. WOR. Albert Hugh Tignor, Jr., 1998, and Grand Treasurer, 2003-2004, has been diagnosed with cancer. A card was signed by all and sent to him by the secretary. Bro. Mark Arbeen announced the newest Hero, Bro. Gary Akin, Chapter Marshal, crossed the "D" on June 30, 2004. He also announced there will be a LHHL officers meeting on September 18, at 0900 hrs. at Collingwood.

There being no further business the President directed Bro. Sanner to close the Bible. Pres. Pawlisch passed the gavel and many comments were offered. Then Bros. Mark Arbeen, Scotty Cameron, and Larry Lisle, all from Light Horse Harry Lee Camp, Heroes of 76, presented a striking Flag Folding Ceremony, demonstrating the proper way to fold our flag, along with narration for each 13 folds. All enjoyed.

President Pawlisch called for any further business...there being none he closed the meeting at 2120 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Dooley  
Secretary/Adjutant