



General William Smallwood Chapter
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE--

Dear Friends and Fellow Members of the General Smallwood Chapter,

- 1. Next luncheon meeting is 2 December at Waldorf-VFW, starting at 11:30. It will be our annual Holiday luncheon with "Chinese" gift exchange.**
2. Thank you to Phyllis Smith who won the 50-50 at the 23 September luncheon and donated the winnings for the purchase of hygiene items for residents of the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home and Jake Mitchell who won the 50-50 at the 4 November meeting and also donated his winnings for the same purpose. Thank you both!
3. ** Ask all who are attending the December meeting to please bring some personal hygiene items that we can donate to the Charlotte Hall Veteran's Home (CHVH), the residents always have a need.
4. Thanks to a new member & our speaker at the November luncheon, Regina Chavis for giving us a talk on MOAA and how some of the programs work & are developed.
5. The La Plata Veterans Day parade on 5 November included Gen. Smallwood members. This year we had two cars in the parade and the members who participated were Roy Hale, Neil Johnson, Jim Goldsmith, Jake Mitchell & Dan Donohue.
6. Maryland Veteran's Memorial Museum is now open daily from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and their meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of the month, business at 6:00 p.m. & speaker at 7:00 p.m.
7. MOAA sent an e-mail requesting interested members to volunteer for events on The Mall on Veteran's Day, and two of our members will be participating in the event this weekend, Sandy Wadsworth, CWO-3{USN, Ret.} and Val Wadsworth, CWO-2 {USN, Ret} will be laying wreaths at Arlington National Cemetery..
8. RADM Poe will be supporting a Veterans Day spaghetti supper with talk afterwards at Christ Church-Wayside, on Friday, 10 November, program starts at 5 p.m., and our member Jerome Peuler, Maj {[USAF, Ret} will be speaking.
9. American Legion Post 82 in La Plata will be having its annual Veterans Day program on Saturday, 11 November at 1100, and I have been asked to participate on behalf of GSW/MOAA.
10. Hope that all members and their families have a safe & good Thanksgiving.

Very respectfully,
Dan Donohue
Col, USMC (Ret), Chapter President

2017 General William Smallwood Chapter Calendar

2 December Holiday Party

2018 General William Smallwood Chapter Calendar

Jan 27- Luncheon at VFW, followed by Board meeting

March 17- Luncheon at VFW

April 5- Board meeting

May 5- Luncheon at VFW

June 9- Cribbage tournament-picnic; location- TBD

Aug 2- Board meeting

Sept 8- Luncheon at VFW

Oct 4- Board meeting

Nov 3- Luncheon at VFW followed by Board meeting

Dec 1- Luncheon at VFW meeting-Holiday Party

Do You Know a Chapter Member Who is Ill? If you know of a chapter member or spouse, who is ill, please contact Dan Donohue at 301-283-6414. We want to at least send them a Get Well card.

Changes to Your E-mail Address or Phone Number? If you have a change please contact Sandy Wadsworth, Chapter Secretary, e-mail:Sandy.Wadsworth@comcast.net).

Speaker Suggestions? If you would like to recommend a speaker or a luncheon topic, please contact Dan Donohue at dadonohue@hotmail.com or 301-283-6414, we need your input. We are looking for a speaker for the 27 January 2018 meeting and will need speakers for 5 lunch meetings in 2018, ask for your assistance.

Recycle and Support Your Chapter!!!

Reminder that Jake Mitchell is happy to take your aluminum cans for recycling. Please call make arrangements w/him by calling 301-934-8086. Proceeds go to benefit the JROTC programs we support at St. Charles, McDonough, Stone, Lackey, La Plata, Westlake, & North Point high schools.

Date: Saturday, 2 December 2017 Cost: \$20.00 (please pay in advance if possible)

Place: VFW Post 8810, 2310 Old Washington Rd, Waldorf, MD 20601

Menu: Pork Loin, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Sweet Potatoes, broccoli, Salad, Tea, Coffee, Water

Dessert: Please bring some to share!

Time:

1130, Social Hour

1200, Luncheon

Please call Sandy Mitchell at 301-934-8086 to RSVP by 27 November 2017, so we give the VFW Ladies Auxiliary enough time to prepare. Please mail your check to Sandy: General Smallwood Chapter MOAA, P.O. Box 554, Waldorf, MD 20604.