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From the President: I have said it before and I'll say it again....Chapter 34 is on a roll. We are doing very well on our JROTC/ROTC awards as you can see from the photos attached. Mary Bain has the Charleston area, Glenn Dyke has Florence, Scott Fagan Northern Georgia and Clemson University, leaving Tom McLemore, John Rollinson and me in the Richland and Lexington county areas. We have been doing very well with our JROTC awards with consistency over the past 5 years since we started the program. This year we have committed to move to the college level ROTC units and not only present our standard Special Forces Medal of Excellence; but we are presenting a new award, the Major General Robert Frederick award for Leadership. This award consist of a shadow box with an exact replica of the famous V-42 Stiletto used by the 1st Special Service Force in WWII. Year we presented the MG Frederick award to The Citadel, Clemson University and Presbyterian College. Our plans are also to present them to both the University of South Carolina and Furman University. These awards are set aside to be presented by Gordon Sims of our Chapter and an original member of the 1st Special Service Force.



MG Frederick Award



Gordon Simms at the Citadel



MG Frederick Award to Clemson



Award of Excellence

Chaplains Corner:



Blessed Lord,

I can't even imagine how hard it is for the families who are stuck in the "unknown". Some of our men and women have been imprisoned overseas. Lord, even as Peter and Paul were thrown in prison, You were with them. May it be so with our brave and courageous troops. Be with those who are in danger. Please, provide them a way home to their families. Father, be with their loved ones back home. Give them a peace that passes all understanding to know that You have this under control even when it seems like everything is out of control. For those MIA, I pray that answers will be given so that closure can be had. Father, these situations are so incredibly difficult and overpowering to our emotions and can bring us to all-time lows in depression. Father, lead those who feel this way this day. Be with them. Wrap Your arms around them and love them like crazy! I love You, Father! Amen

Military Humor:

Funny Quotes

1. Give a man a match, and he'll be warm for a minute, but set him on fire, and he'll be warm for the rest of his life.
2. The real trouble with reality is that there's no background music.
3. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.
4. House Guarded By Shotgun 3 Days A Week. Guess Which Days.
5. Everyone is entitled to be stupid, but some abuse the privilege.
6. War doesn't determine who's right. War determines who's left.

Have you met these types of Officers?

These are actual phrases from Officer Efficiency Reports (performance appraisal for the military officers). "Not the sharpest knife in the drawer." "Got into the gene pool while the lifeguard wasn't watching." "A room temperature IQ." "Got a full 6-pack, but lacks the plastic thingy to hold it all together." "A gross ignoramus—144 times worse than an ordinary ignoramus." "A photographic memory but with the lens cover glued on." "A prime candidate for natural deselection." "Bright as Alaska in December." "One-celled organisms outscore him in IQ tests."

US Army rescues 47 sex slaves from ISIS



American History

The history of the United States is vast and complex, but can be broken down into moments and time periods that divided, unified, and changed the United States into the country it is today:

1700-1799

- The American Revolution (sometimes referred to as the American War of Independence or the Revolutionary War) was a conflict which lasted from 1775-1783 and allowed the original thirteen colonies to remain independent from Great Britain.

- American politician and soldier George Washington became the first President of the United States in 1789, serving two terms.
- Beginning in Great Britain in the late 1790s, the Industrial Revolution eventually made its way to the United States and changed the focus of our economy and the way we manufacture products.

1800-1899

- In 1803, President Thomas Jefferson agreed to the Louisiana Purchase, successfully adding 530 million acres of land to the United States. The area was purchased from France for \$15 million. The following year, President Jefferson assigned Meriwether Lewis (who asked for help from William Clark) to head west and explore the newly purchased land. It took about a year and a half for the duo to reach the west coast.
- The American Civil War divided the United States in two – the Northern States versus the Southern States. The outcome of the four year battle (1861-1865) kept the United States together as one whole nation and ended slavery.

1900-1999

- On December 17, 1903, brothers Wilbur and Orville Wright became the first people to maintain a controlled flight in a powered, heavier-than-air machine. The Wright Flyer only flew for 12 seconds for a distance of 120 feet, but their technology would change the modern world forever.
- On April 6, 1917, the United States entered World War I by declaring war on Germany.
- After nearly 100 years of protests, demonstrations, and sit-ins, women of the United States were officially granted the right to vote after the 19th Amendment was ratified on August 26, 1920.
- The worst economic crisis to happen in the United States occurred when the stock market crashed in October 1929 resulting in the Great Depression.
- World War II officially begins in September 1939 after Germany invades Poland. The United States didn't enter the war until after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941.
- On August 6 and August 9 1945, the United States dropped an atomic bomb on the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, effectively ending World War II.
- After World War II, an agreement was reached to divide Korea into two parts: a northern half to be controlled by the Soviet Union and a southern half to be controlled by the United States. The division was originally meant as a temporary solution, but the Soviet Union managed to block elections that were held to elect someone to unify the country. Instead, the Soviet Union sent North Korean troops across the 38th parallel leading to the three-year long (1950-1953) Korean War.

- From 1954-1968, the African-American Civil Rights movement took place, especially in the Southern states. Fighting to put an end to racial segregation and discrimination, the movement resulted in the 1964 Civil Rights Act, the 1965 Voting Rights Act, and the 1968 Fair Housing Act.
- The Vietnam War was a nearly 20 year battle (November 1, 1955–April 30 1975) between North Vietnam and South Vietnam. North Vietnam won the war and Vietnam became a unified country.
- The Apollo 11 mission (July 16-24, 1969) allowed United States astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin “Buzz” Aldrin to become the first humans to walk on the moon’s surface.

2000-Present

- The terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, changed the United States forever. Less than a month later (October 7, 2001) the United States began the War in Afghanistan, which is still happening today.
- On March 20, 2003, the United States invaded and occupied Iraq. The war lasted for more than eight years before it was officially declared over on December 18, 2011.
- In 2008, Barack Obama became the first African-American to be elected President of the United States.
- Operation Neptune Spear was carried out on May 2, 2011, resulting in the death of long-time al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden.

Remember to VOTE May 2, 2017 if you’re in South Carolina 5th Congressional District. Lee County, Sumter County, Kershaw County, Lancaster County, Fairfield County, York County, Newberry County, Spartanburg County (small section), Chester County, & Cherokee County,



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ANNOUNCEMENT FOR

ALL CHAPTER 34 MEMBERS AND GUESTS



*Cordially invites you to an informative
gathering*

and Special Bourbon Tasting Event

At the Bonefish Grill

1260 Bower Parkway Suite A-1

Columbia, South Carolina 29212

Friday, June 9, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

Bourbon Provided by Duke Spirits



*The Proceeds from this event will benefit the
John Wayne Cancer Foundation and the
Knights of Columbus Assembly 1072
Charity Fund*



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