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TBD—Next membership meeting

TBD—Next Executive Council Meeting

The Virginia Society for the 9th year won the most outstanding Society Award. The award was accepted by VA Governor Shane Newcombe. Below—Left to right—Governor General Daniel C. Warren, VAOFPA Deputy Governor and OFPA Attorney General Walt Sheffield and VA OFPA Governor Shane Newcombe.

To the Associates of the Virginia Society, this award is a result of your hard work. Thank you. Without hurting yourself, give yourself a pat on the back. Additional notes from the GC on page 3.



VA OFPA presented the following **ROTC** awards in 2017.

George Mason University

Cadet Douglas Whang

Virginia Military Institute—Airforce

Cadet John R. Bove

Virginia Military Institute-Army

Cadet Cody Bennett

Virginia Military Institute—Navy

MIDN 1/C Evan C.B. Richey

MIDN 1/C Dakota S. Woodgie

James Madison University

Cadet Christopher B. Huber

University of Virginia—Air Force

Cadet Hannah Earl

University of Virginia—Army

Cadet James Aguilera

University of Virginia—Navy

Midshipman Timothy Foxen

Christopher Newport University/William and

Mary University

Cadet Caroline M. Collier

Hampton University

Arielle Patterson

Haley Ruiz

Latrena Jackson

Keyshawn Lee

University of Richmond

Cadet Jay A. Davis

Virginia Commonwealth University

Cadet Baylor M. Dickerson

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State Univer-

sity, popularly known as:

Virginia Tech—Army

Cadet Jacob Phillips

Virginia Tech—Air Force

Cadet Ashley Marshall

Virginia Tech—VPI

Gregory House

Virginia Tech—Navy

Midshipman Matthew Wilson

Radford University—

Cadet Jessica Wyllie

Congratulation to all recipients. We appreciate your dedication and devotion to the armed forces of the United States of America.

VA OFPA presented the following **JROTC** awards in 2017.

First Colonial High School—Navy

Cadet Seaman Joshua Horner

Orange County High School—Army

Cadet Sierra Drew

Harrisonburg High School—Army

Cadet LTC Michelle Pineda-

Hernandez

Smithfield High School—Army

C/SFC Amiya Johnson

Deep Run High School—Air Force

Cadet Victoria Slocum

Princess Anne High School—Navy

C/SN Scott Durkin

Culpeper County High School—Marine

Cadet Radley Mosher

Monacan High School—Air Force

Cadet Essence A. Williams

VA OFPA presented the following **Virginia National Guard** Awards in 2017

Army—Bravo Troop, 2nd Squadron, 183rd Cavalry Regiment

Air Force—203rd Red Horse Squadron

The following Associates presented one or more awards listed on this page:

Ben Fegan,

Jerry Hubbard,

Richard Raymond III,

Doug Graves,

Carl Bess,

Taylor Cowardin,

Donald Moore,

Mike Lyman, and

Richard Campbell.

Thank you all for your assistance, it was greatly appreciated

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 121ST GENERAL COURT—OFPA

- The 122nd General Court will convene after Memorial Day in Dearborn, Michigan on May 31-June 2, 2018. Future General Courts are being planned for 2019 in Virginia and 2020 in Massachusetts.
- The Louisiana Society Amendment to the OFPA Constitution and Bylaws was approved to allow At-Large Memberships, Life Memberships and the issuance of diploma upon admittance (effective upon ratification by two-thirds of the societies by December 31, 2017.
- 2018 Operating Budget was approved with no increase in dues.
- The *Bulletin* will be re-formatted from a 30+ page magazine to a 4-8 page newsletter to ensure timely publication. Societies are urged to send the editor their photo and article submissions for publication. (VA OFPA editor query—Is it going to a four or six times a year edition or still only twice a year?)
- A limited-edition officer and membership directory will be published soon.
- Membership roster of the entire Order, roster of the Executive Council and General Officers, and roster of Society Officers are available for download in an Excel spreadsheet format in the Members Only Section of the OFPA website under Reports & List
- The Parish Award and Hinckley Cup were awarded to the Virginia Society and the Phelps Award was presented to the Texas Society.
- The Langsdale Library at the University of Baltimore recently updated its catalog of the Order's archival collection, see: https://archivespace.ubelt.edu.repositories/2/resources/86. All society officers with noteworthy items of archival interest, such as society histories, officer & membership rosters, photographs, banquet programs and other ephemera are invited to submit to the Secretary General an inventory of documents to be considered for inclusion in the Order's archival collection at the Langsdale Library.
- The Order will be considering proposals for the digitization of application records at the Langsdale Library.
- A comprehensive revision of the OFPA Handbook was approved.
- New policies adopted by the Executive Committee regarding Conflict of Interest Policy, Non-discrimination Policy, Document Retention Policy, Code of Ethics, and Whistleblower Policy were reviewed and Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statements distributed.
- A procedure for the expulsion of members was approved.
- 35 new Associates were approved since the 120th General Court.



ROTC recipients are from left to right: CDT May (accepting the award for CDT Ariella Patterson), CDT Haley Ruiz, CDT Latrena Jackson, and CDT Keyshawn Lee. The staff official on the right, is CPT(P) Flower The ROTC awards were presented April 28, 2017 by Associate Carl Bess at Hampton University located in Hampton, Virginia.

Below—Past Governors Taylor Cowardin and Mike Lyman representing the VA OFPA at a ceremony in Hollywood Cemetery Richmond, Virginia honoring President James Monroe on Friday, April 28, 2017.





THE VIRGINIA SOCIETY
OF THE <u>ORDER OF THE</u>
<u>FOUNDERS AND PATRI-</u>
<u>OTS OF AMERICA</u>
<u>AWARD</u> RECOGNIZES A
CADET WHO DEMONSTRATED SUPERIOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN
BOTH MILITARY AND ACADEMIC ENDEAVORS, IS
HARDWORKING, HONEST, AND A TEAM PLAYER. MR. BEN FEGAN
PRESENTS THIS AWARD
TO:

Cody Bennett
The above is from the
"script" at the VMI Army
ROTC Ceremony held May
1st, 2017.

Below– Jerry Hubbard presenting the OFPA ROTC Award at George Mason University on April 15, 2017 to Cadet Douglas Whang.

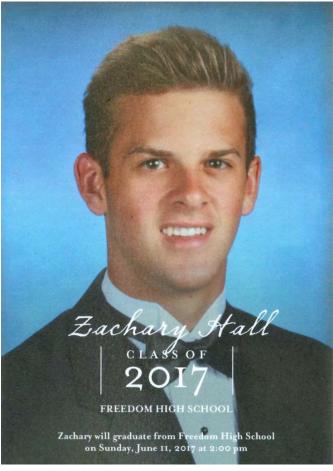




Above—Doug Graves presenting the Virginia Society of The OFPA JROTC award to Cadet LTC Michelle Pineda-Hernandez at Harrisonburg High School Harrisonburg, Virginia on Friday May 12, 2017. Below—Doug Graves and Jerry Hubbard presenting The Virginia Society of the OFPA JROTC award to Cadet Radley Mosher on May 10, 2017 at Culpeper High School Culpeper, Virginia.







Above—Zach Hall receiving his youth Membership certificate. Zach's genealogy was approved on 29 September 2007, when he was eight years old. Proud grandfather Doug Graves standing alongside Zach.

Left—Zachary Hall, Freedom High School, South Riding, Virginia—class of 2017. Zach will be attending Randolph Macon College Ashland, Virginia in the fall on a scholarship.

Zach turns 18 years old on July 4, 2017, and has requested *full* membership in the Order of The Founders and Patriots of America. Vote will be taken at our next membership meeting.

(I would be willing to bet that Grandpa does not forget Zach's birthday!)

Congratulations Zach and enjoy college.



Above -Associate Carl Bess, Jr. presents the Virginia Society of The OFPA JROTC bar to C/SN Emily Dugas at First Colonial High School in Virginia Beach, Virginia on Thursday May 25, 2017. Below—Past Governor Mike Lyman presents the Virginia Society of The OFPA JROTC Bar to C/SFC Amiya Johnson at Smithfield High School, Isle of Wight County, Virginia ceremony May 25th, 2017.



Ancestor Memorials

Associate-James M. Bayne **Founder-**William Hatcher **Patriot-**Edward Hatcher

Associate-A. Brian Cowardin **Founder**-Peter Cowardine **Patriot**-John Cowardine

Associate-L. Taylor Cowardin **Founder**-Peter Cowardine **Patriot**-John Cowardine

Associate-Asa Wesley Graves, VI **Founder**-Thomas Graves **Patriot**-Thomas Graves

Associate-Douglas M. Graves
Founder-Thomas Graves
Patriot-John Graves
Patriot-Thomas Graves

Associate-Michael T. Halterman **Founder**-Christopher Wadsworth **Patriot**-Joseph Wadsworth

Associate-Liam Jackson Hubbard **Founder**-George Hubbard **Patriot**-Peter Hubbard

Associate-Roger P. Jones **Founder**-Rev. Richard Jones **Patriot**-Peter Jones

Associate-George W.B. Elder **Founder**-Robert Abernathy **Patriot**-John Abernathy

Associate-Myron "Mike" E. Lyman Founder-Richard Lyman Patriot-Ozias Lyman

Associate-Eugene A. Walker **Founder**-Capt. Samuel Walker **Patriot**-Sgt. Timothy Walker

Associate-Cranston Williams, Jr.
Founder-Ambrose Cobbs
Founder- Robert Cobbs
Associate-Cranston Williams, Jr.
Patriot-Capt. Robert Lewis Cobbs

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Associate-Christopher L. Hubbard **Founder**-George Hubbard **Patriot**-Peter Hubbard

Associate-Donnel J. Hubbard Founder-George Hubbard Patriot-Peter Hubbard

Associate-Walter Jervis Sheffield **Founder**-Col. Robert Wynne, II **Patriot**-John Winn and son Peter Winn

Associate-Asa Wesley Graves, VIII Founder-Thomas Graves Patriot-Thomas Graves

Associate-Robert S. Marks **Founder**-Robert Abernathy **Patriot**-John Abernathy

Associate-Hugh E. Fraser, III **Founder**-John Barker **Patriot**-Henry Barker, Jr.

Associate-Asa Wesley Graves, VII **Founder**-Thomas Graves **Patriot**-Thomas Graves

Associate-James Lewis Wheeler **Founder-**George Wheeler and son William **Patriot-**Sgt. Timothy Wheeler, Sr.

Associate-Charles B. Fegan

Founder – Robert Moulton & son Robert Moulton

Patriot – Freeborn Moulton

Elijah Moulton

Associate-Wade Howard Osborne Kirby **Founder** - Thomas Kirby **Patriot** - Captain William Kirby

Associate-Charles Edward Phebus **Founder** - Gov. Leonard Calvert **Patriot** - Obediah Calvert

Associate—Jeffrey Dean Thomas **Founder** - Thomas Burton **Patriot** - Joseph Burton

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Ancestor Memorials

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Associate— Walter A. Sheffield Founder— Col. Robert Wynne, II Patriot— John Winn, Sr. & son Peter Winn

Associate-Robert B. Kendall Founder-Francis Kendall Patriot-Josiah Kendall

Please Remember

VA OFPA has several wreaths, a parade banner and an OFPA flag which can be used by any VA OFPA Associate at an event. It is a good way to let people know you are an OFPA member. And, the VA OFPA has two magnetic signs that can be placed on cars if you are in a parade that allows autos. Contact Bob and Vicki Kendall. (email next column)

If you participate in an activity where you are identified as an OFPA Associate, please advise the Governor and Secretary. Save a copy of the program, and a photograph of your participation if possible. If you write an article, save a copy and send to Governor Sheffield and Secretary Graves to be included in the annual Governor's report.

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 $\underline{\text{http://www.facebook.com/pages/Founders-and-Patriots-of-America/212618818770058}}$

The VA OFPA web site is www.vaofpa.org. Donald Moore is our webmaster and has recently updated it. Take a look at a *great* web site!

This is how the OFPA Handbook describes the OFPA flag.

"SECTION 3. COLORS. The colors of the Order shall consist of the National Colors or Flag as prescribed by an Act of Congress, and the colors of the flag of the Order. The latter shall be cross, Gules, on a field, Argent, with canton, Azure, a constellation of thirteen stars, Agent."



Above—OFPA Flag