



NATIONAL SOJOURNERS, INC. ST. LOUIS CHAPTER #22

"Proudly Serving the Cause of Patriotism"



January 2020

PRESIDENT Richard Nelms

No. 20-1

SAINT LOUIS 22 WEBSITE ADDRESS

["stlchapter22.org"](http://stlchapter22.org)

The December 2019 meeting of St Louis Chapter #22 will be held

Monday, January 13, 2020

at: The Pasta House Restaurant

8213 Delmar Boulevard

University City, MO 63124

1830 Hours (6:30 PM) Fellowship/Cash Bar

1900 Hours (7:00 PM) Dinner /Meeting

Costs (Dinner \$25.00) + \$1.00 (50/50)

MENU SAME

Please make your reservations by

SATURDAY, January 11th BY

8:00pm

PLEASE Leave a message on

Dennis's phone

Cell 314-422-4329

entertaining and informative about a large nationwide group of dedicated individuals that truly honor and respect the men and women who give their all as military and first responders. I was pleased to be able to present a donation check of \$100 in the name of our chapter and the National Sojourners to such a devoted cause. I received a great email from Denny complementing the Sojourners for what we do. Again, back to us being a force multiplier organization.

Along those same lines, a huge thank you to all of you that brought items to be donated to the patients at Jefferson Barracks. The items were delivered before Christmas and were extremely well received. I'm looking forward to doing this again toward the end of next quarter. It makes me proud a Mason and Sojourner when we do those things that meet or exceed our mission goals.

I'm hoping to have guests from DeMolay, Job's Daughters, and Rainbows next meeting. Not confirmed yet.

Looking forward to seeing more smiling faces on January 13. Happy New Year!

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Nelms, President

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President's Message January 2020



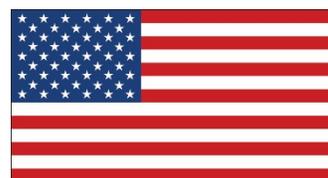
Wow! The December meeting was really a lot of fun, productive, and informative. Once more....many thanks to those of you in attendance.

I hope everyone is having a wonderful holiday season, are

celebrating with gusto, and looking forward to a great new year. We even get an extra day on February 29th since this is a leap year.

Sorry that we lost some of the positive impact of the "Salute to Our Veterans" lapel pins that were distributed. Obviously, it was meant to be a Veterans Day memento. Darn weather! Please wear with pride when thinking about those who serve.

Denny Klier, our guest speaker representing the Patriot Guard Riders was very



The Purposes of the National Sojourners shall be to organize those current and former members of the uniformed forces of the United States, and Honorary Members who are Master Masons, into Chapters for the promotion of good fellowship

among its members, for assisting such as may be overtaken by adversity or affliction, for cultivating Masonic ideals, for supporting all patriotic aims and activities in Masonry, for developing true Patriotism and Americanism throughout the Nation, for bringing together representatives of the uniformed forces of the United States (past and present) in a united effort to further the military need of National Defense, and for opposing any influence whatsoever calculated to weaken the National Security.



HEROES OF 76



Commander's Message



Brethren & Heroes:

Welcome to a new decade! I hope that your holidays were safe, joyous and that you enjoyed the bit of warmer weather that graced us. We are looking at having another Bivouac in the Spring. We

will communicate the schedule when we have it set.

Looking forward to seeing you at The Pasta House Company for some great food and even greater fellowship.

Terry Shofner, Commander

Meeting minutes of December 12, 2019

The meeting was opened by the President Richard Nelms with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our country. The Bible was opened and the opening Prayer was given by Terry Shofner. Craig Skinner gave the purposes and Richard declared the meeting opened. The President then paused the meeting for dinner and the twenty in attendance enjoyed a delicious meal. When every finished their desert Richard called the meeting back to order and introduced our guest speaker Denny Klier, our guest speaker representing the Patriot Guard Riders of the Saint Louis Chapter. Denny gave us a very interesting, humorous, and informative about the activities of the Patriot Guard and their functions. The President then presented Denny with a certificate of appreciation and one of our coins, he thanked Richard and had to leave for another commitment.

We then conducted the business portion of our meeting the minutes were approved as read and the treasures report was given. There were no communications to be read and no bills presented on this evening.

Brother Pete announced we were going to attend Tuscan Lodge and present them with a Toast to the Flag poster on December 17th at their regular meeting. We will hold our February meeting at Tuscan Lodge as we have done for countless years, nobody can remember when this tradition started so like all fun events it will continue. They always welcome us, feed us and we present one of our programs for their members.

The President then ask of a report from the Commander of our Camp. Terry announced that a Bivouac was held and our brother Sam Wilk joined the forces of our Heroes line. He also announced the Nobel Lodge held a veterans honor night and Paul presented a program to a full house.

There being no further business to come before the Chapter the President closed the meeting peace and harmony prevailing. The next meeting will be on our regular Monday night of January 13, 2020.

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Dennis E. Fetter

Dennis E. Fetter, Secretary