



VVA CHAPTER 23 - PRESIDENT'S REPORT,  
FLORIDA STATE COUNCIL MEETING - MARCH 2, 2024

1. Chapter 23 had the privilege of attending the 9th Annual Veterans Day Celebration on November 10th, at the Big Cypress Seminole Indian Reservation. They had a free breakfast and lunch for the attendees. The main event was having the HAKA MAORI CULTURAL EXPERIENCE NATIVES from the Waikato Region of New Zealand. They were in their native costumes, singing in their native language, and dances. They were fabulous and made you feel like you were watching National Geographic live. Our wives and members were impressed. We met three of our Seminole members, Mitchell Cypress, Paul Bowers, and Charles Hiers. We missed the Seminole celebration at Brighton Indian Reservation on November 9th.
2. Chapter members attended the American Legion Post 321, Cooper City, Veterans Day Celebration on November 11th, where there was food and entertainment all day.
3. The laying of Wreaths at Forest Lawn, Pompano Beach, was postponed due to stormy weather on December 16th. The 'American Legion Riders' drove to the National Cemetery in Lake Worth, Florida to lay wreaths. The weather was better there.
4. The Chapter thanked our 2nd Vice President, Louis Cohen and his AVVA wife, Ellen for giving a donation on behalf of the Chapter, to the "Explosive Ordnance Disposal, Department of the National Police of Ukraine" to purchase equipment and uniforms here, to be sent to Ukraine. Louis and Ellen also donated funds to Zomba, Malawi after Cyclone Freddy destroyed the land.
5. The Chapter donated money to the Hollywood West Elk Lodge for their Golf Tournament. Hopefully, they can donate to our own Golf Tournament on April 6th, at the Seven Bridges Golf Course, Sunrise, Florida. This is our annual fundraiser. For more information call Kenny 954-649-3612 or Christine 954-903-8272.
6. Chapter Polo Shirts with our logo and individual names were distributed to 34 members. We must order another 12 shirts for members who didn't sign-up before with their sizes.

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