

## May 2025 SMPHOG Chapter Challenge Ride

In May our country pays homage to our veterans on Memorial Day. This challenge takes you to various locations in Maine memorializing veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice during times of war. To complete the challenge, you must ride your motorcycle to the five sites listed below, take a picture of your bike at the site, and submit the photo our Secretary – Anne Zahares. Your photos must be submitted before June 01, 2025. In the event it is not possible to park your bike safely close to a site, park it as close as possible to take your photo so that the site will be in the background. All participants who successfully complete the challenge will be entered into a random drawing at the end of the month for a \$25.00 Big Moose gift card. Additionally, all participants who successfully complete the monthly chapter challenges will be entered into a random drawing at the annual SMPHOG Christmas Party for a chance to win a \$50.00 Big Moose gift card.

Sites you must visit to complete this month's challenge:

**1.) John Paul Jones State Historic Site** – On Route 1 near Water Street, Kittery, ME.

-- This site, named after Revolutionary War hero John Paul Jones, commemorates his warship *Ranger*, that was built at the Portsmouth Shipyard in Kittery in 1777. The site also includes the Maine Sailors and Soldiers Memorial.

**2.) Joshua Chamberlain Monument** – 227 Maine Street, Brunswick, ME.

-- At this site there is a statute of Joshua Chamberlain. Chamberlain and the 20<sup>th</sup> Maine successfully defended Little Round Top at the Battle of Gettysburg during the Civil War.

**3.) Harold T. Andrews grave** -- Sec-R Lot-601 Grv-3, Evergreen Cemetery, 672 Stevens Ave., Portland, ME.

-- Corporal Andrews was the first person from Maine to die in World War 1.

**4.) Durham World War 2 Veterans Memorial** – Intersection of Royalsborough Road, Newell Brook Road, and Ferry Road, Durham, ME.

-- Like most towns in Maine, Durham has a memorial dedicated to its residents that served during World War 2.

**5.) Veteran's Memorial Park** – 2 Main Street (near Lincoln Street), Lewiston, ME.

-- This site remembers veterans from Korea, Vietnam, the Persian Gulf, and other combat and peacetime conditions.