

**REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN
89th NATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE ON
AMERICANISM-PATRIOTISM
LEXINGTON HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER, JACKSONVILLE, FL
OCTOBER 13, 2016**

The National Convention Committee on Americanism-Patriotism met in the Dockside Room of the Lexington Hotel & Conference Center, Jacksonville, FL, at 0900 on Thursday, October 13, 2016.

In attendance were:

Chairman: PRPEC James W. Campbell, Branch 172
Members: PRPSE Bobby L. Smith, Branch 194
PRPSW Gordon C. Hewson, Branch 090
PRPSC Robert A. Holcomb, Branch 201
Richard A. Ruiz, Branch 101
PRPWC Peter J. McNamara, Branch 274

Visitors: Allen Langteau, Branch 70
Chris Murray, Branch 40
PRPNENG Phil Justin, Branch 42
PRPEC Paul Gunther, Branch 182

The results of evaluating the committee reports are as follow:

		<u>First Place</u>
Group I	-	Branch 269
Group II	-	Branch 175
Group III	-	Branch 77
Group IV	-	Branch 115
Group V	-	Branch 113

		<u>Second Place</u>
Group I	-	Branch 24
Group II	-	Branch 161
Group III	-	Branch 101
Group IV	-	Branch 130
Group V	-	Branch 217

		<u>Third Place</u>
Group I	-	Branch 61
Group II	-	Branch 93
Group III	-	Branch 162
Group IV	-	Branch 192
Group V	-	Branch 260

The Walter "Step" Rowell Award for the 1st place overall report goes to Branch 269.

The Leonard "Swede" Nelson Award for Shipmate of the Year goes to 186 Robert N. Huscher.

There were no submissions for the Robert Doherty Award for Shipmate for special recognition.

The committee recommends that the theme for the 2016-2017 Americanism Essay Contest be:

"What Memorial Day means to me"

I want to thank all the shipmates who participated in evaluating these reports.

I move that this report be received.

Meeting adjourned at 1100.

In Loyalty, Protection and Service,

PRPEC JAMES W. CAMPBELL
Chairman