

Pledge of Allegiance

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, One Nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for All.

SAR Pledge

We descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of Liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.

The American's Creed

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed, a democracy in a republic, a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it, to support its Constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies.

William Tyler Page, 1917

Preamble to the Constitution of the United States of America

We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America

Governour Morris, 1787

Recessional

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men.



Liberty Tree Dedication

Historic Warrior Run Church
41 Warrior Lane, Watsonstown PA
Saturday, April 25, 2026
11:00 AM



An America 250th Anniversary Celebration of the Founding of the United States of America by Patriots Signing the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, in Philadelphia, PA

Program

The Tiadaghton Chapter, NSSAR, in partnership with the Shikelimo Chapter, NSDAR and Warrior Run – Fort Freeland Historical Society, are pleased to welcome you all to this Liberty Tree Dedication Ceremony.

This meaningful event honors America’s enduring commitment to freedom and the sacrifices made by our nation’s veterans. The dedication of this Liberty Tree is part of the SAR’s 250th Liberty Tree Program, a national initiative launched in 2023 to plant 250 Liberty Trees across the United States in commemoration of the country’s 250th anniversary in 2026.

The original Liberty Tree, a famed elm in Boston (1646–1775), served as a rallying point for colonists in the years leading up to the American Revolution. By planting and dedicating new Liberty Trees, the Sons of the American Revolution aim to preserve the spirit of that original symbol and inspire future generations to uphold the values of patriotism, courage, and unity.

The Tiadaghton Chapter, of the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, continues this legacy locally through partnership, with the Shikelimo Chapter, NSDAR and Warrior Run – Fort Freeland Historical Society in dedicating this American Princeton Elm. This dedication will serve as a living tribute to veterans and a reminder of the principles upon which our nation was founded.

Presentation of the Colors	Washingtonburg Chapter SAR Color Guard
Pledge of Allegiance	Chapter Vice President - Greg Forsburg
The Star-Spangled Banner	United States Navy Band
Invocation	Chapter Chaplain - Rev. Bryon Reynolds
Posting of the Colors	Washingtonburg Chapter SAR Color Guard
Welcome and Introductions	Chapter Vice President - Greg Forsburg
SAR Pledge	Chapter President - William Welter II
The American Creed	Shikelimo Chapter DAR - Valerie Bieber

Preamble to the U.S. Constitution	PASSAR First Vice President - Dale Leppard
Remarks	Warrior Run – Fort Freeland Historical Society - Landon Koch
Remarks	Shikelimo Chapter DAR - Valerie Bieber
Remarks	Chapter President - William Welter II
Remarks	PASSAR President - Peter Reinhart

Unveiling of Plaque	VPG Atlantic Middle States SAR Eric Troutman
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Playing of song	The Liberty Tree – Johnny Tremain
SAR Recessional	Chapter Vice President - Greg Forsburg
Benediction	Chapter Chaplain - Rev. Bryon Reynolds
Playing of Taps	United States Marine Band
Retiring the Colors	Washingtonburg Chapter SAR Color Guard

Special Appreciation:

Warrior Run – Fort Freeland Historical Society
Shikelimo Chapter, NSDAR
Washingtonburg Chapter SAR Color Guard
Valerie Bieber
Melissa Kilgus
Landon Koch
Dale Leppard
Peter Reinhart