



## COMING IN OCTOBER

The Cincinnati Chapter of Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge will be sponsoring a Young Patriots Conference on October 13 at the Tri-State Warbird Museum.

It is open to high school students as well as the membership of the chapter.

The theme Educate, Honor and Challenge will help us focus on a variety of issues related to engaged and knowledgeable citizenship.

Our guest speakers for the day will include Cheryl Popp, the director of the TriState Honor Flight and Judge Patrick Dinkelacker, retired from the Court of Common Pleas of Hamilton County, and David Harmer, President and CEO of Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge.

The participants also will be involved in activities and discussion centered on themes and topics of the Constitution.

Following the activities, all participants will tour the Warbird Museum.

Watch for registration information coming in August. Plan to join us for a full and informative day.

## SPIRIT OF AMERICA YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE RETURNS

Due to the pandemic, the Spirit of America Conferences had been canceled for the spring of 2021.

However, the campus in Valley Forge reopened for programming on June 1st.

The Cincinnati Chapter will be sending students to the Spirit of America Conference on March 10 - 13, 2022.

This four day conference focuses on becoming a knowledgeable and responsible citizen. It is an interactive, experiential event; the students are engaged in learning in a variety of ways. They get to meet students from across the country.

If you know of a high school junior or senior, please tell them about the conference. More information will be coming in the fall.

If you have questions, please contact Theresa Bradley at [ffvcincichapter@gmail.com](mailto:ffvcincichapter@gmail.com)

### Veterans Recognition Service

Sunday, November 7, 2021

Watch for more information.

Join us for the evening.

### Our newly elected Board Members are:

Theresa Bradley

Brady Eyer

Ted Kalsbeek

Bob Stevens

Jane Burke

Bob Goering

Jenny Kilgore

# A SUCCESSFUL CONTEST

The Cincinnati Chapter of Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge sponsored an essay contest in the spring. The topic - What happens when a community no longer respects public property? - was based on the Foundation's Bill of Responsibilities. Responsibility #6 is that citizens respect property of others.

Our first place finalist was Erica Shah, a sophomore at Lakota West High School. The first place finalist won \$300.

Our second place finalist was Sophia Rooksberry, a junior at Walnut Hills High School. The second place finalist won \$150.

Both students submitted well written essays discussing the topic.

Both essays will be submitted to the National Awards Essay Contest at Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge.

We appreciated the efforts of all of the students who entered the contest, and we congratulate Erica and Sophia on a job well done.



*Erica Shah,  
Lakota West  
First Place Finalist*



*Sophia Rooksberry  
Walnut Hills  
Second Place Finalist*

*"The most serious danger Americans now face – greater than terrorism – is that our country's future may not end up in the hands of a citizenry capable of sustaining the liberty that has been America's most precious legacy."*

**Professor William Damon,  
Stanford University**

*"Freedom makes a huge requirement for every human being. With freedom comes responsibility. For the person not willing to grow up, the person who does not want to carry his own weight, this is a frightening prospect."*

**Eleanor Roosevelt**

*"America was not built on fear. America was built on courage, on imagination, and an unbeatable determination to do the job at hand."*

**Harry S. Truman**

