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PRESIDENTS REPORT

I would like to take this opportunity to thank FFC Member, Bud Nelson, and the Northern Region for hosting our second quarter meeting at his museum. Looks like Bud's museum is coming along nicely. Bud's Marine Corps League Detachment was there serving up lunch for everyone and there were a few vendors on hand selling their wares. Several Re-enactor groups also had their displays set up. The meeting was held outside until Mother Nature intervened and drove us inside to finish up.

Our previous meeting was also held at a museum. Thanks to FFC John Piazza and the Western Region for hosting the first quarter meeting. John's museum is in Largo, FL. The meeting was held in the museum's half Quonset hut built inside the museum.

In both cases attendance could have been better. What is the problem? Is it the economy? Or is there just no interest? We try to make the meetings interesting by holding them at places like John's and Bud's museums. Should we go back to holding just a quarterly staff meeting and forget about a general membership meeting? You tell me what you want!

Our third quarter meeting will be hosted by the Central Region and will be held on the grounds of the Dade Battlefield in Bushnell, FL. in conjunction with their annual tribute to WWII. The meeting will be held after the activity around 1500 hrs. (3:00pm) outside under the lean-to in the picnic area. We will cook up hot-dogs and burgers on the grill. Please bring a dish to share. Also bring you vehicle to display for the show. There will be plenty of vendors there selling their wares as well as displays set out by the various re-enactor groups. Let's make a good showing for this event. RSVP to Charlie Hildebrandt, 352-603-2627. See the activity section for additional details.

Till we meet again,
Dick Deren,
President.



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