



President James Madison travels from Montpelier to the Towne of Portsmouth to congratulate its militia for brave leadership in defeating the British invasion, June 23, 1813. He commends Captain Arthur Emmerson and salutes Sgt Young who oversaw raising the Star Spangled Banner beneath a red glare of British rockets during the Battle of Craney Island. [Here he converses with a committeeman of the Cedar Grove Cemetery Foundation.]

Foundation President Pam Kloepfel informs the public that a celebration of STAR SPANGLED BANNER DAY will occur on Sunday afternoon, 9/14/14, at 2pm near the grave site of Captain Arthur Emmerson III. William Flora, hero of the 1775 Battle of Great Bridge, Captain Emmerson and his militia regiment, President James Madison, a chorus singing patriotic music dear to America between days of the Revolution and the War of 1812; and raising the Star Spangled Banner to commemorate the Bicentennial of our National Anthem are scheduled. America will conduct its national observance at Fort McHenry; - Portsmouth to recall a day 14 months earlier when a Star Spangled Banner was raised at Craney Island beneath a red glare of British rockets.

ALL WELCOME!