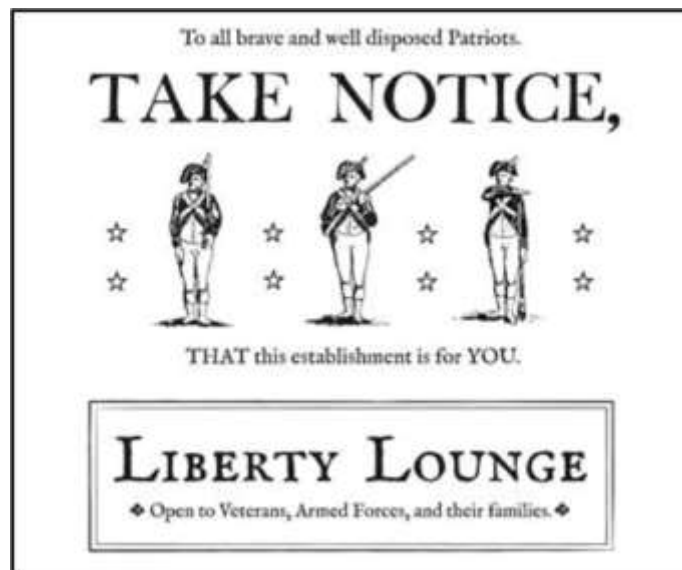


COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG "LIBERTY LOUNGE"

On May 26, Colonial Williamsburg officially opened their new "Liberty Lounge" located in the heart of the Foundation's Historic Area. The purpose of this new facility is to further honor the nation's brave service men and women, who uphold the ideals and values that originally were set forth in this very special place during the 18th century.

The Colonial Williamsburg Foundation is committed to honoring the service of American military personnel. Elisabeth Reiss, wife of Colonial Williamsburg President and CEO Mitchell B. Reiss, spearheads the expansion of military outreach, including the Honoring Service program.

The new Liberty Lounge will enable ticketed active duty, retired, or veterans of any U. S. military branch and their families to have a respite from their walking tour of the Historic Area and enjoy a refreshing hot or cold beverage.



Colonial Williamsburg volunteers, many of whom are military retirees, will be on hand each day to welcome visitors to the site. Like the rest of the CW Historic Area, the Liberty Lounge will be open 365 days a year, with opening hours varying with the season. The Liberty Lounge is fully Americans with Disabilities Act compliant.

In order to make the Foundation's Historic Area more accessible to military visitors, CW is proud to offer complimentary tickets to the Historic Area on Veteran's Day when many active duty and retired military personnel and their families take part in our annual "Honoring Service" program. They also offer military members discounted tickets every day throughout the year.

Additionally, the CW indoor museums complex is a designated Blue Star Museum, which means they provide free admission daily throughout the summer to all active duty military guests and their families at both the DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Museum and the Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Folk Art Museum. In the summer, CW offers Merchants Square concerts – the Summer Breeze Concert Series – which feature military bands through the month of August.

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