



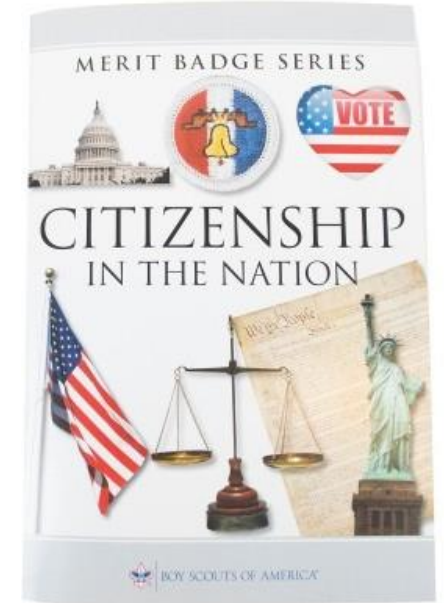
Citizenship in the Nation Merit Badge



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29-30 DEC Tour DC

: **National Archives** (Declaration of Independence, Constitution, Bill of Rights, etc); **Lincoln Memorial**, **National Museum of American Indian**, **Fords Theater**, **BSA Statues**, **FDR memorial**, **Jefferson Memorial**, **White House**, **Capital**, and **Supreme Court**.

1. What is the Constitution of the United States? What does the Constitution do? What principles does it reflect? Why is it important to have a Constitution?
2. List the six purposes for creating the United States Constitution set forth in the Preamble to the Constitution. How do these purposes affect your family and community?
3. List the three branches of the United States government. Explain:
 - (a) The function of each branch of government; (b) Why it is important to divide powers among different branches; (c) How each branch "checks" and "balances" the others; (d) How citizens can be involved in each branch of government.
4. Discuss the importance of:
 - (a) Declaration of Independence
 - (b) Bill of Rights (the first 10 Amendments to the Constitution) and the 14th Amendment
 - (c) "E Pluribus Unum," the traditional United States motto.
5. Watch the national evening news for five days in a row or read the main stories in a national media organization (e.g., a newspaper or news website) for five days in a row. Discuss the national issues that you learned about with your counselor. Choose one issue and explain how it affects you, your family, and community.
6. With your counselor's approval, choose a speech of national historical importance. Explain:
 - (a) Who the author was; (b) What the historical context was (c) What difficulties the nation faced that the author wished to discuss ; (d) What the author said ;(e) Why the speech is important to the nation's history; (f) Choose a sentence or two from the speech that has significant meaning to you, and tell your counselor why.
7. Do TWO of the following:
 - (a) Visit a place that is listed as a National Historic Landmark or that is on the National Register of Historic Places. Tell your counselor what you learned about the landmark or site and what you found interesting about it.
 - (d) Choose a United States national monument that interests you. Using books, brochures, the internet (with your parent or guardian's permission), and other resources, find out more about the monument. Tell your counselor what you learned, and explain why the monument is important to this country's citizens.
8. Name your representatives in the United States Congress. Write a letter to your representative in Congress explaining your views on a national issue. Show your letter, along with any response you receive, to your counselor.



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• **President Franklin D. Roosevelt's December 7, 1941 speech: "Address to Congress Requesting a Declaration of War;"** commonly known as the **"Day of Infamy" speech**. **Date delivered:** December 8, 1941; **Why:** Japan's surprise attack on **Pearl Harbor, Hawaii**; **Audience:** U.S. Congress (and the American public by radio); **Result:** Congress declared war on Japan the same day



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National Archives

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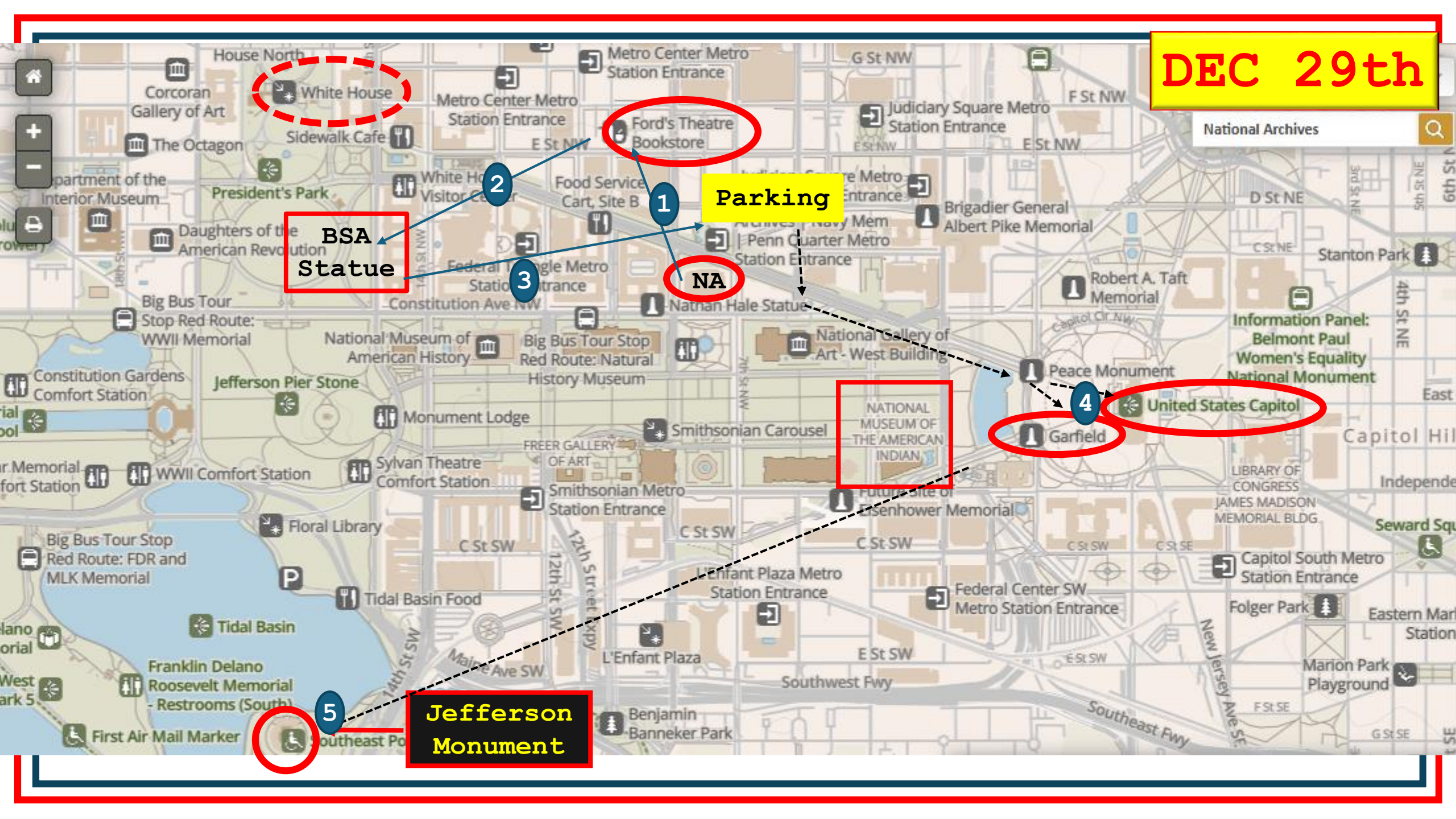
BSA Statue



NATIONAL
MUSEUM OF
THE AMERICAN
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United States Capitol

Jefferson Monument







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Memorial**

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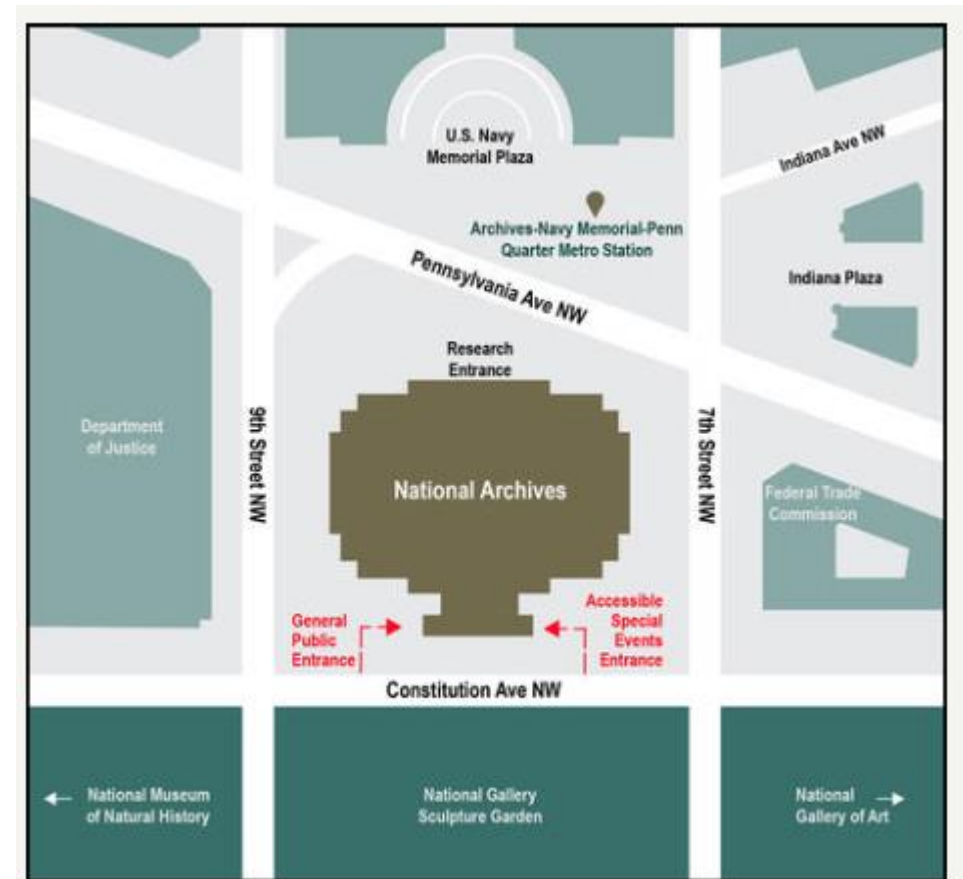


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The general public entrance is at the corner of Constitution Avenue and 9th Street, to the left of the stairs. We have a staffed, wheelchair-accessible entrance at the corner of Constitution Avenue and 7th Street, to the right of the stairs. Service personnel in uniform or presenting a valid military I.D. and veterans with proof of service and their families and guests may also enter through the Special Events entrance on the corner of Constitution Avenue and 7th Street.

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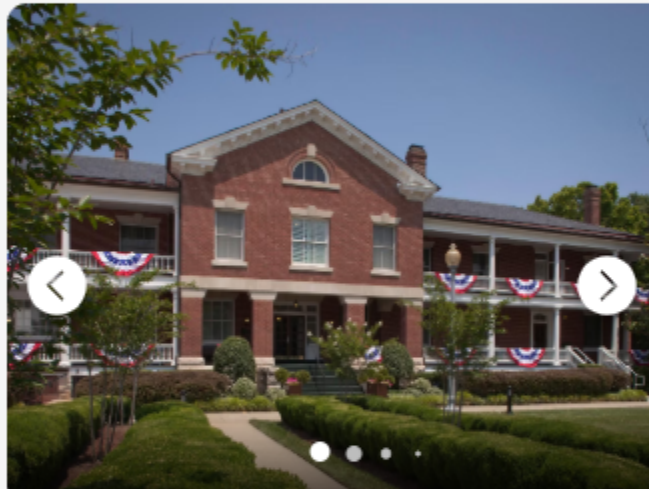
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Jen Kiggans



Official portrait, 2024

**Member of the
U.S. House of Representatives
from Virginia's 2nd district**

Incumbent

**Assumed office
January 3, 2023**

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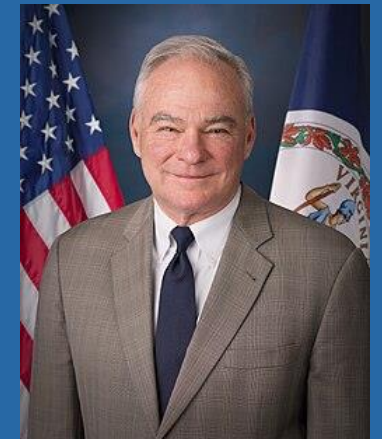
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Virginia's 2nd congressional district

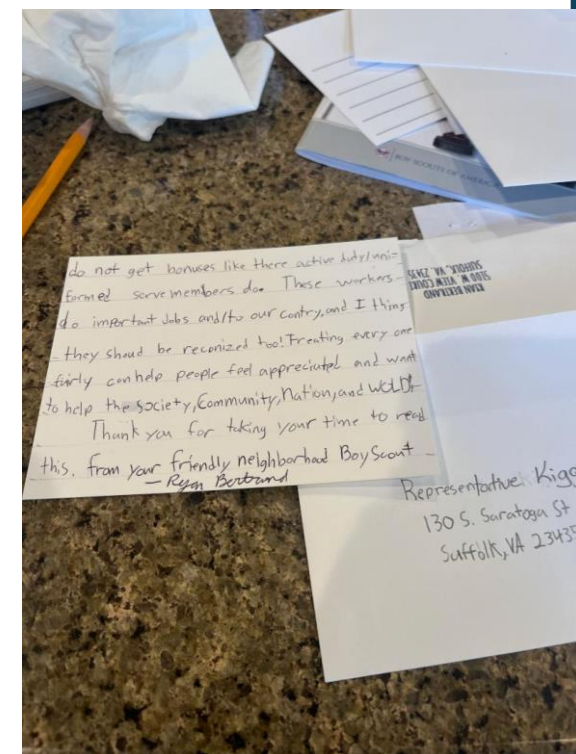
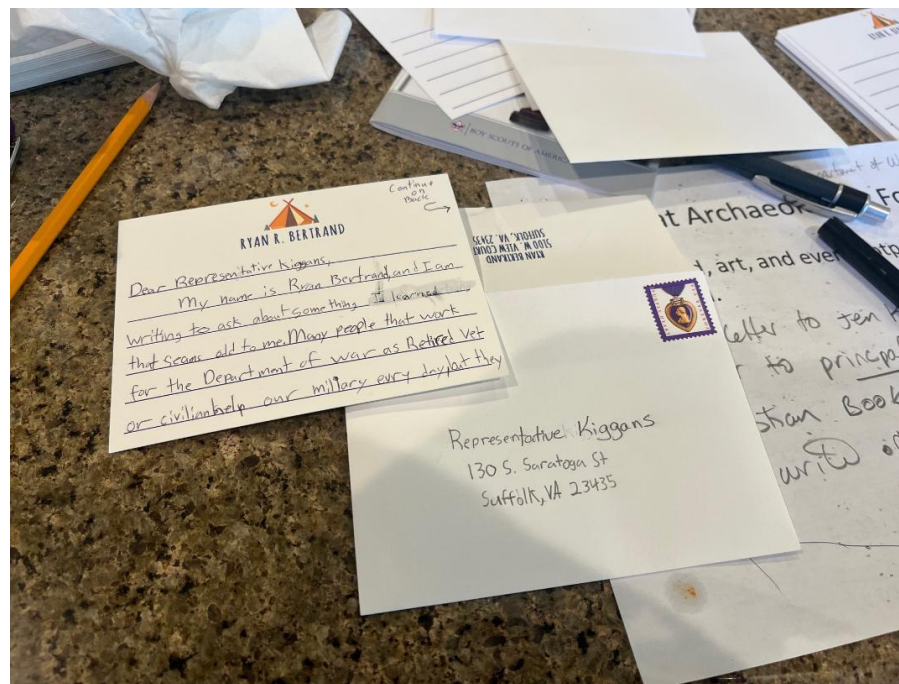
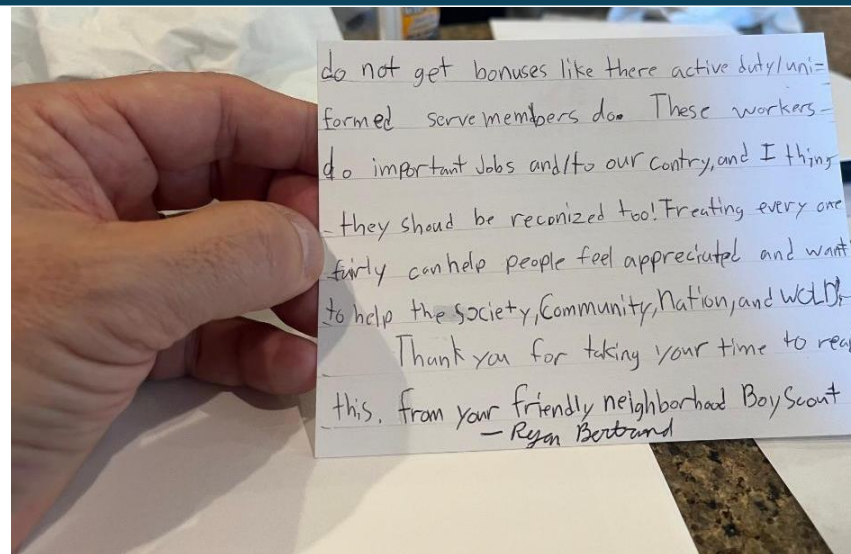
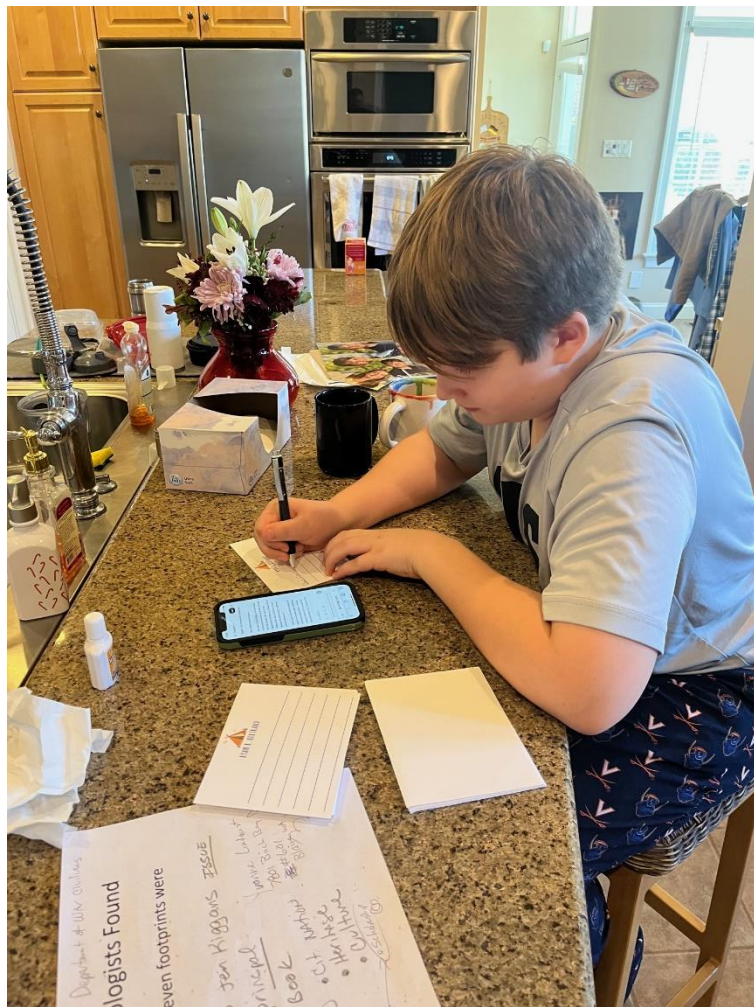


**Mark Warner,
U.S. Senator**



**Tim Kaine,
U.S. Senator**

**Letter Mailed to
Virginia 2d District:
Representative Keggan
DEC 27, 2025.**





Boy Scout Commemorative Tribute

Tuesday Lunch



Old Ebbitt Grill

American Restaurant

Date: Tue, Dec 30 Time: 12:00 PM

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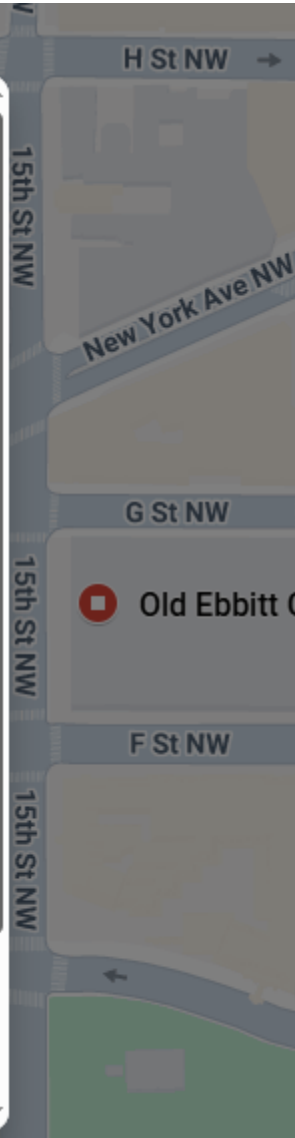
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30 Old Ebbitt Grill · Restaurant
DEC Party of 2
Tue · 1:00 PM (EST)

 **CALL**  **DIRECTIONS**

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Map showing the location of Old Ebbitt Grill at the intersection of H St NW and 15th St NW. The restaurant is marked with a red square icon. Other streets visible include New York Ave NW, G St NW, and F St NW.



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Dec
29

Parking Reservation Confirmed

Monday, Dec 29, 5:00 PM • 616 E Street Northwest and 1 more

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Your parking reservation at 616 E St. NW - DC140 - Penn Quarter Garage is confirmed for December 29, from 10:30 AM to 5:00 PM, with a rental ID of 113722476 and a total cost of \$24.32.

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Open daily 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.



Monday Dec 29

-Depart	0700
-Arrive DC	1020
-Park	1030
-Nat Archv	1100
-Declaration	1130
-Constitution	1200
-Bill of Rights	1230
-Other Documents	1300
-Depart NA	1400
-Walk-Fords Theater	1430
-Walk-BSA Statue	1515
-Walk-back	1600
-Secure POV	1630
-Jefferson Memorial	1700
-Dinner	1800
-O/O Hotel	

Tuesday Dec 30

-Wake-up	0800
-Breakfast	0830
-Lincoln Memorial	1000
-FDR Memorial	1100
-Park/Shop	1200
-Old Ebbits	1300
-Depart	1430

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