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The Central Florida Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution during its October meeting bestowed its Law Enforcement Commendation Medal, Ribbon and Certificate to Orlando Police Chief Val Demings and Orange County Sheriff Jerry Demings. This husband and wife exciting duo brings to Central Florida's major law enforcement networks in both a marriage of their profession and to their home which is a very rare happening in the United States. They shared with the Chapter members and guests an excellent overview of their respective programs of law enforcement.



(l-r) past presidents Robert Miller & Norman Myers, Orlando Police Chief Val Demings, president Douglas Marshal and Orange County Sheriff Jerry Demings.

The timing of this special recognition was a prelude to the Chapter's November program that will recognize the following special members of Safety Forces who will be awarded SAR Medals in the areas of Law Enforcement, Fire Rescue and Heroism. The Honorees being recognized by the Central Florida Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution are: the Heroism Medal to Captain Jon "Mike" Dickens of the Orange County Fire Rescue Department and Sergeant Mike McCaskill of the Osceola County Sheriff's Department; Law Enforcement Medals to Sergeant Dan Purcell of the Seminole County Sheriff's Department and Deputy Rafael Colon of the Osceola County Sheriff Department; Emergency Medical Services Firefighter/Paramedic Mario Milhauchich of the Seminole County Fire Rescue and Firefighter/Paramedic Ben Faber of St. Cloud's Fire Rescue Department.