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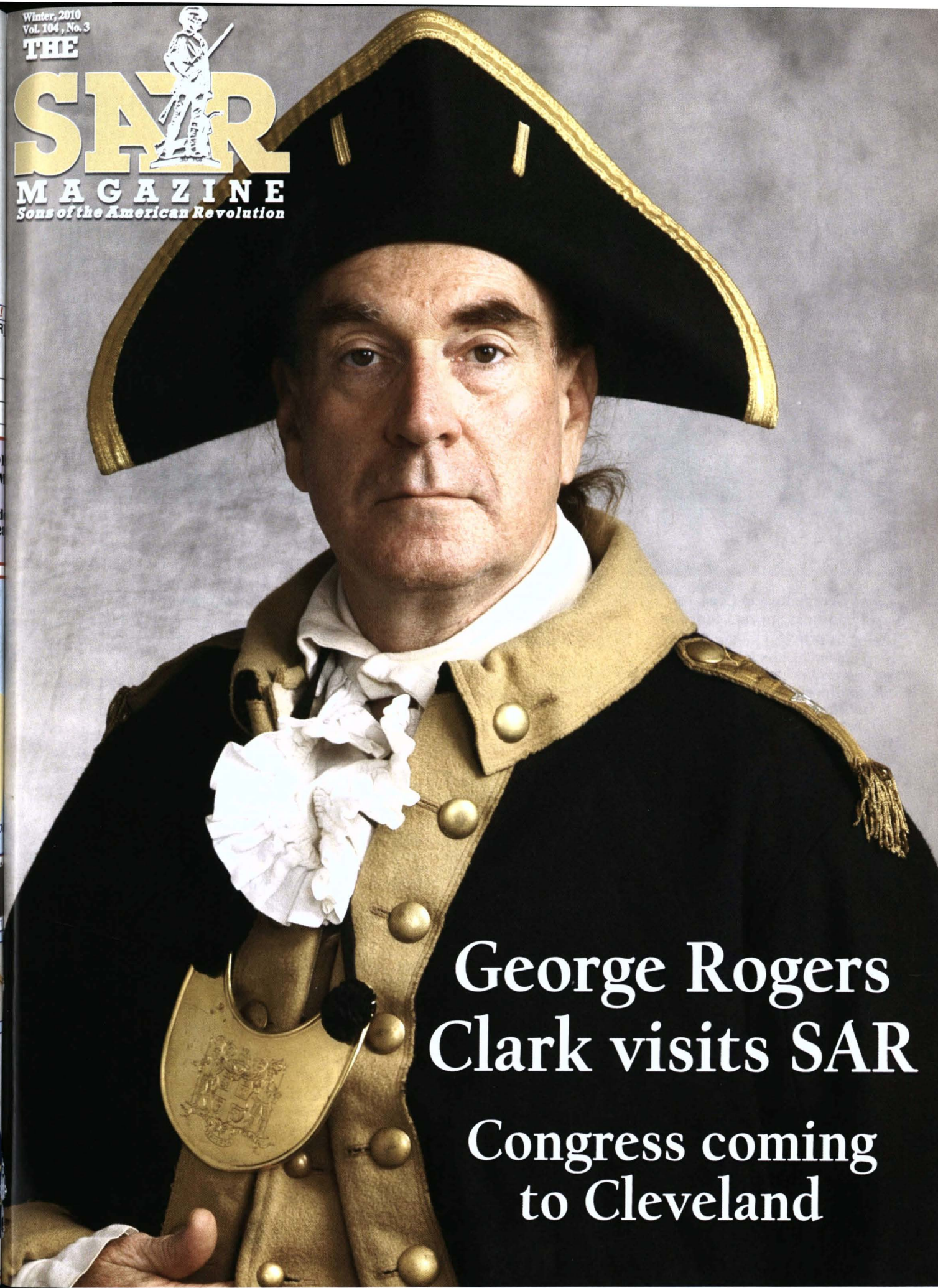
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The President General's Message

Letter from the President General for the Winter 2010 SAR Magazine

Dear Compatriots,

At the time I am writing this report, my tenure as your President General is at the halfway mark. I have several pieces of great information.

Shortly after I was inducted as President General, Foundation President Bill Allerton, Secretary General David Sympton, Executive Director Joe Harris and I made a presentation to Greater Louisville, Inc. (GLI). GLI is the organization that represents the Louisville metropolitan area with regard to appropriations from the Kentucky Legislature. We asked GLI to recommend that the state give us a grant of \$1 million. During the first week of January we were notified that GLI endorsed our foundation's \$1 million capital outlay request to the Kentucky General Assembly.

Unfortunately, before we could celebrate, the governor published his proposed budget, which did not include the \$1 million for SAR. GLI's endorsement was critical to securing the united support of the Louisville legislative delegation. Our work at the State Capitol has now begun. Next, we must get legislative sponsors for a bill to fund this request. Allerton will request the Louisville mayor's assistance with our legislative delegation. Then, we must have a lobbyist in Frankfort to push our appropriation, to ensure that it doesn't get lost in the system. We are making inquiries with established lobbyists now. Hopefully, we will obtain this important grant this year.

● Past President General Larry McClanahan advises me that the library construction is still ahead of schedule and under budget. The ribbon-cutting ceremony will be June 22. Currently, we are examining the possibility of bringing all employees to the library until we move into the adjacent building. This will enable us to place the current building and our vacant lot on the market at the same time. Such a scenario should help us reap the maximum value for both properties.

● Our membership as of Nov. 3, 2009, was 28,441, which was a gain of 364 over the same period in 2006. In 2006, we were processing about 200 applications per month, yet this year we are seeing about 300 per month. Retention is a major problem; some states are experiencing lower renewal rates than usual. I have offered to send a telephone recording to delinquent members asking them to renew. This message should go out soon. In the meantime, each chapter president should take it upon himself to call every member

who has not paid his dues. Please call those from last year, too!

● Wayne Griswold and Jim Faulkinbury are putting together a traveling exhibit of SAR Museum items. The exhibit would be on display at major museums around the country, typically for about 90 days each. This innovative program will provide enormous publicity for the SAR, and

will also bring in needed income, without us having to incur any substantial expense for the tour. In March, their plan will be presented to the Museum Committee, which hopefully will enthusiastically endorse this wonderful idea.

● All color guard participants in the George Washington Parade in Laredo, Texas, not only will receive credit toward the SAR Silver Color Guard Medal, but also will qualify for the TXSSAR Bernardo Galvez Bronze Medal, which they can purchase for \$12. If you missed it last year, plan on a good time this year.

● The economy has hampered our plans for the SAR trip to Spain in May. If we don't obtain the minimum of 40 demanded by the Spanish tour agency, we will rework the plan so that all interested may participate. We will definitely be conducting the charter ceremony for the new Spain Society, with guaranteed participation by members of the royal family. More later.

● One of the year's most outstanding events will be the SAR Conference on the American Revolution. Through this important event the SAR should gain enhanced status in the academic world. The conference will be conducted at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., from June 18-20. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this historic event. Kudos to Genealogist General Joseph Dooley, who is the conference director and who conceived the idea.

● Planning continues to make the 2010 Congress in Cleveland the best and most family-friendly ever. Bring your kids and grandkids; there will be many activities for the young people.

● We have set up a Facebook page for the France/USA youth exchange. We have a goal of getting at least one SAR youth representative from each state to join the Facebook group. They don't have to be committed to going to France in order to join the Facebook group, just interested and within the 12-20 age group.

● Robin and I started an unofficial Wounded Warrior Program. We made presentations of awards to wounded warriors at Tripler Army Hospital in Honolulu; VA Hospitals

Our Capital Campaign, under the leadership of Bill Allerton and Sam Powell, is making great headway despite a horrible economy. As of Jan. 10, we had received more than \$220,300, which includes \$24,200 as payments on pledges, and two grants totaling \$35,000. And the checks continue to come in the mail. Our expenses totaled \$36,702, so we achieved a net of \$183,624. We may not have to borrow any money to complete construction of the library. That is excellent news.

We are in hopes of securing on long-term loan a number of documents and first editions for display from Remnant Trust. We will need to present these valuable works in a secure display that will have controlled temperature, light and humidity. This will entail some additional costs, but will be well worth the expenditure. Recent meetings between Secretary General David Sympton, Frazier Museum and myself have resulted in a plan to cooperate in the future on several levels.

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in Johnson City, Tenn., and Louisville, Ky.; U.S. Army clinics at Fort Knox, Ky., and Fort Hood, Texas; and at Veterans Park in Albuquerque, N.M. The pilot program was so successful the Executive Committee approved it as an official SAR program. A presentation at the Intrepid Center, Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio was the first program without me, and it worked very well. I recommend that each chapter locate wounded warriors in their area and plan a ceremony. We now have a beautiful coin and specialized Certificate of Appreciation, which you can order from the merchandise department. As past President General David Appleby stated, "This is the right thing to do."

Of the 178 days during 2009 that I served as President General, I was on SAR business for 104 days, traveling more than 42,000 miles on your behalf. This entailed 42 trips to 35

cities in 21 states, covering nine districts. Your First Lady accompanied me on all but two weekend trips. Our current schedule for 2010 involves about the same amount of travel. It is my goal to visit as many states and chapters as possible during my tenure, as I feel that many members get enthused when they meet a President General, and this enthusiasm results in better programs, enhanced recruitment and retention.

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Edward F. Butler Sr., President General, 2009-2010

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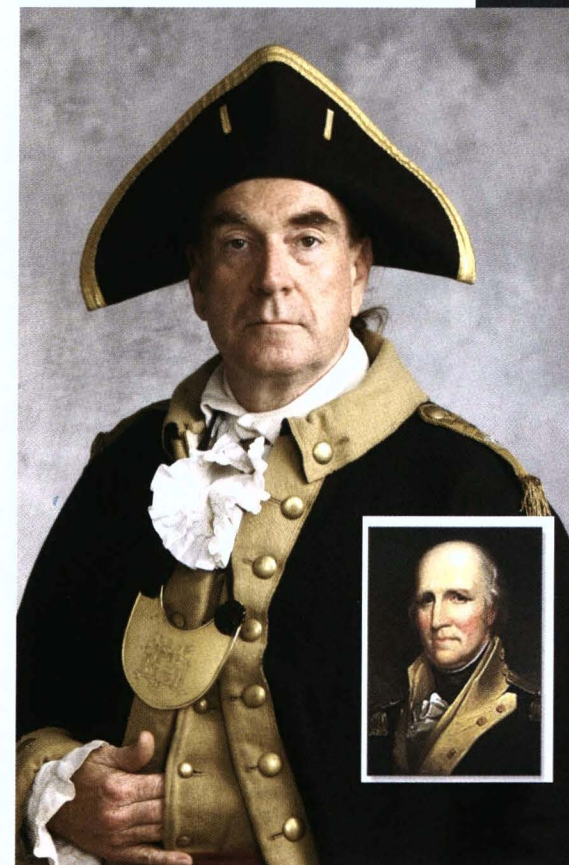
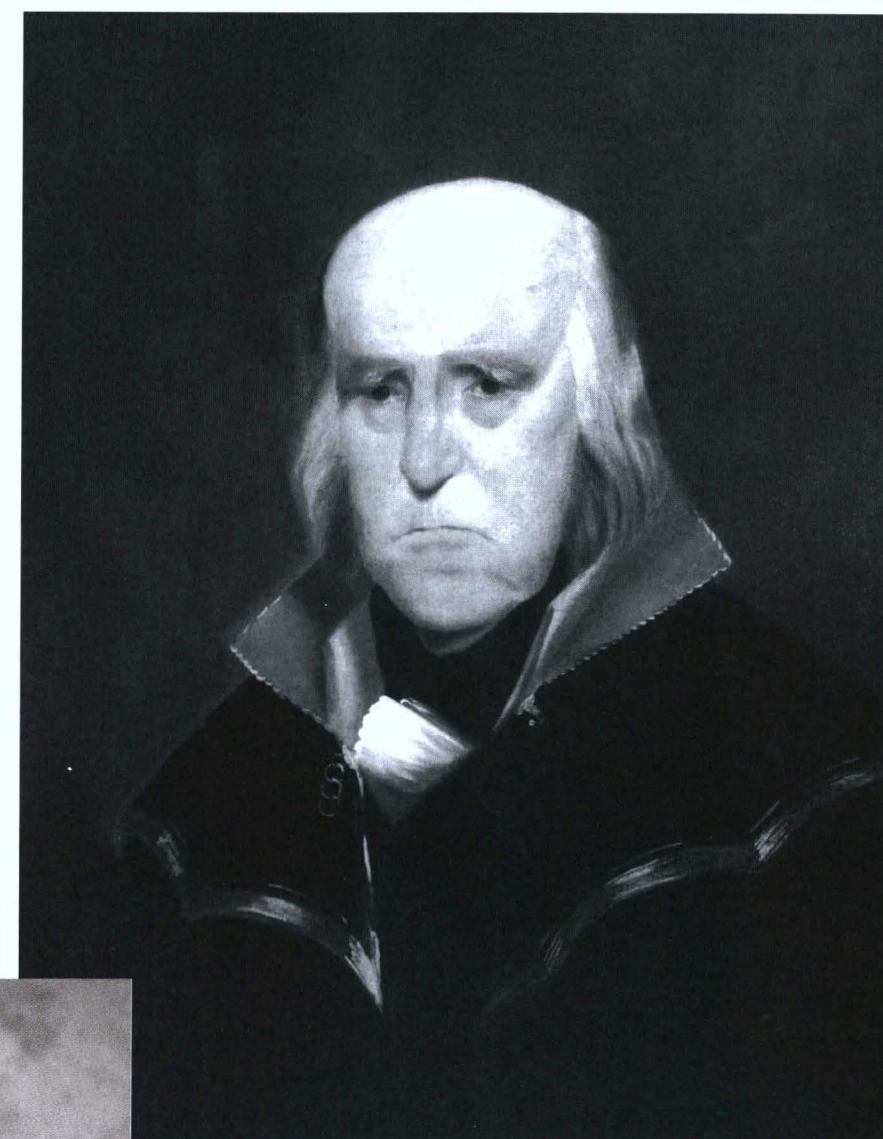
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Clark coming to March Leadership Meeting

Gen. George Rogers Clark is featured on the cover of this edition of *The SAR Magazine* for three reasons. On June 22, we are planning a ribbon-cutting ceremony at our new library on West Main Street in Louisville. Our two buildings on West Main are within the footprint of old Fort Nelson, headquarters for Clark. He was the senior officer west of the Alleghenies for both Virginia and the American Army. Our future home is within the close¹ of Fort Nelson.

We want all of our members and the public to know that we are moving into a very historic spot. Many historians have postulated that without the efforts of Clark and his troops at Fort Nelson, the entire Northwest Territory—including Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Illinois—would be part of Canada. Our library, museum and archives should focus on acquiring letters, documents, artifacts and art reflecting the contributions of Clark and those who supported him.

The second reason Clark is depicted on our cover is in honor of Spain's assistance during the Revolutionary War. This issue's feature story is a chronology of events reflecting Spain's assistance during the conflict with Britain. Gen. Bernardo de Galvez, Spanish governor in New Orleans, pro-



vided extensive support to Clark and assisted him in fighting the English and their Indian allies in Arkansas, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Michigan. That article clearly shows that without the support of Galvez, Clark would not have been successful. So, we might easily conclude that without the assistance of Spain the residents of our midwestern states might now be Canadians. That story will be fleshed out

in a new article scheduled for the next edition of *The SAR Magazine*.

The final reason for Clark on the cover is that our own Mel Hankla, of the KYSSAR, will portray the general at our leadership banquet in March. He will regale you with stories of Clark's exploits. It is sure to be an interesting evening.

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Kentucky Compatriot Mel Hankla, left, will portray Gen. George Rogers Clark, above and inset, during the Saturday night banquet of the Spring Leadership Meeting in Louisville. The images of Gen. George Rogers Clark were provided by Historic Locust Grove, Clark's Louisville estate.

President General makes tracks



Top left, President General Edward Butler Sr., the First Lady, and several members from Louisville presented awards to 29 "Wounded Warriors" at the Fort Knox (Ky.) Clinic in September 2009; top right, PG Butler points to the name of his ancestor, Thomas McClanahan, on the Fort Boonesboro (Ky.) monument. Fort Boonesboro was the first settlement in what is now Kentucky; above, Two "SAR 1" license plates side by side. In an October 2009 visit to Burlington, N.C., the President General parked his SUV with Texas plate "SAR 1" next to the SUV of NCSSAR President Sam Powell, with N.C. plates reading "SAR 1"; The PG, First Lady, VPG Perkins Patton and Dr. Rudy Byrd of the Tucson Chapter visited Old Tucson on the Rocky Mountain Tour on Nov. 3, 2009.



Members of the Col. Frederick Hambright Family Association were part of the estimated crowd of 150 that participated in the Oct. 6, 2009, grave marking of Col. Frederick Hambright, who was one of the eight major leaders at the Battle of Kings Mountain. The family members included PG Butler and Dr. John Clemmons, a member of the Birmingham Chapter.



PG Butler was the featured speaker at the Kings Mountain National Park annual Oct. 7 ceremonies for the second time. His remarks focused on the "Over the Mountain Men" who marched from Sycamore Shoals, Tenn., and the important role played by Col. Frederick Hambright in the battle.



Oct. 7, 2009, grave marking at the grave of Capt./Rev. William McClanahan at the Reedy River Baptist Church graveyard in Greenville, S.C. Among those present were PGs Butler and Larry McClanahan, who are both decedents of Capt./Rev. McClanahan.

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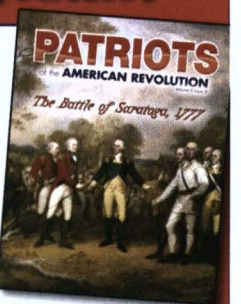
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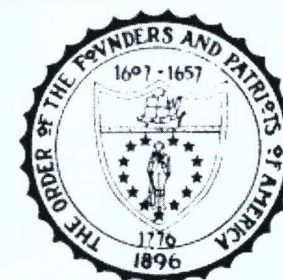
Clockwise, from top, The Santa Fe (N.M.) Chapter meeting was well attended on Nov. 6, 2009. Jim Thornton, NMSSAR President and his wife, Maryanne, drove the PG and First Lady to Santa Fe and back. The PG and First Lady helped NMSSAR celebrate its 100th anniversary. Also presented was VPG Perkins Patten and his wife, Pat; COSSAR President Ed Karr presents gifts to First Lady Robin Butler at the state meeting at the University Club in Denver on Nov. 4, 2009; PG Butler, First Lady Robin (taking the photo), VASSAR President Bill Simpson were among those participating in the ceremonies at the French Soldiers Monument at Yorktown on Oct. 19, 2009. Judge Butler stated that the French were a very important ally and it was fitting that we participate in the ceremonies honoring those who died in the final battle that resulted in our independence; PG Butler swearing in the new officers of the SCSSAR at its board of manager's meeting in Columbia, S.C., on Oct. 8, 2009. Compatriot Mark Anthony, who had served as Judge Butler's Aide de Camp, was presented the national Meritorious Service Medal by PG Butler during the meeting.



Wounded Warrior ceremony at Veterans Park, Albuquerque, N.M., on Nov. 7, 2009, where President General Butler presented "Wounded Warrior" coins.



Judge Butler was the featured speaker at the Isaac Shelby Chapter in Memphis, Tenn., on Oct. 20, 2009. Joining him were his nephew, Hon. Robert Stephen Butler and the First Lady. When PG Butler joined SAR he applied with the Isaac Shelby Chapter, but by the time his application was approved, he had moved to Texas.



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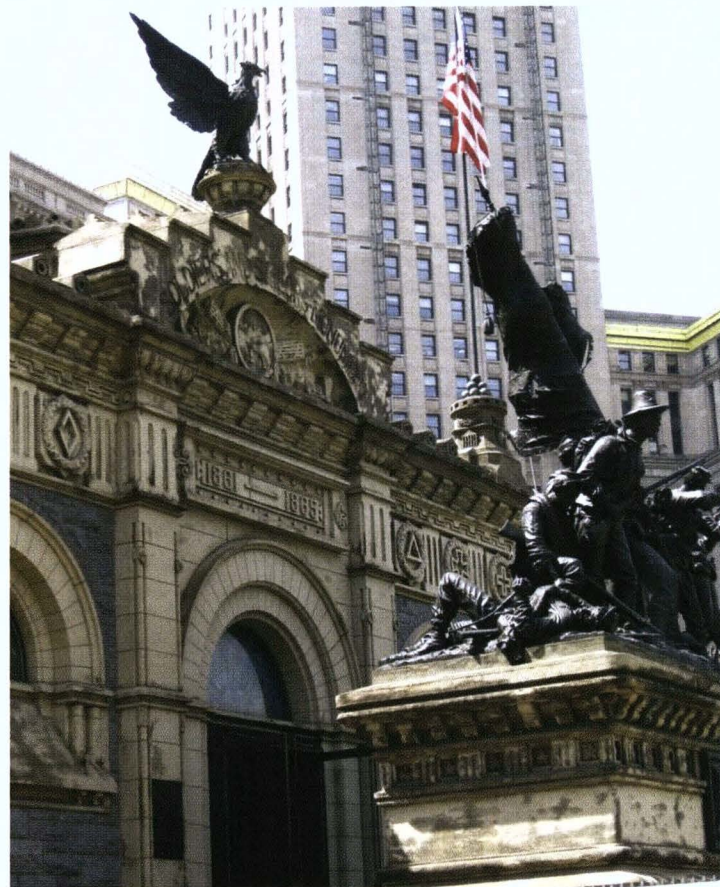
Historic Cleveland: A Monument to Enjoy

The Ohio Society is ready to welcome you to the southern shores of Lake Erie. In 1796, Moses Cleaveland started his survey of Connecticut's Western Reserve to lay out a city near the Public Square that is in front of our host hotel, the Cleveland Renaissance by Marriott. His statue is around the corner from the hotel. For sculpture, history, family activity and genealogy, you will truly enjoy this Congress.

The Cleveland Renaissance is located above the Tower Station Shopping Mall that is above the train stop from the airport. Our rate for Congress is \$141 per night plus tax. If you are a fan of the movie, *A Christmas Story*, you will surely recognize the famous "leg lamp" images in the hotel. The hotel faces Public Square and the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument commemorating the Civil War. Topped by a 125-foot-tall shaft, the monument is the most visible of many sculptures and statues nearby. The tour of this monument is free. Check out the Congress Web site for maps and other information.

The Cleveland Renaissance will be occupied by another group starting before and overlapping with our Congress. This group reserved the Club Level, limiting our access until Monday, so the Club Level lounge is not open from Friday night through Sunday night. Those who want to reserve a room on that level anyway may try to do so at the going rate by directly contacting the hotel. This rate should be between \$229 and \$249.

To start your Congress planning, call the hotel and reserve your room. If we use up our block of rooms, we have an overflow alternate at the Marriott Cleveland Downtown at Key Center at the same rate. Plan some time before or



The Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument in Cleveland.

after Congress to immerse yourself in all Cleveland has to offer. You will be amazed at all there is to do.

— LARRY GUZY, CONGRESS PLANNING CHAIRMAN

120TH CONGRESS EVENTS PLANNED:

Friday, June 25, will start with a genealogy conference followed around noon by golf and later a color guard workshop. Friday evening will see a dinner cruise for those sailor wannabes of Lake Erie lakefront aboard the Nautica. The Saturday tour to Cuyahoga Valley scenic area by train will be available for those who want to explore inland. An alternate zoo tour Saturday is also planned for families with young members. Of course, having a mall beneath the hotel will offer a gem of an opportunity to stimulate the economy. The local trolley can take you

exploring the many sights and museums in the area.

This year we are striving to provide activities for children. There will be a special price for the banquet meals for children under 16. A History Scavenger Hunt will take place over several days with the winners being announced Tuesday. Several other activities will be available, including a Colonial Dance after the Monday Youth Luncheon. The Science Museum on the waterfront, a baseball game and a tour of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum also will be offered.

Of course, we are there for the business of the society and to elect our officers for the upcoming year. The orations contest on Sunday is a true highlight of the week. With the Memorial Service at the

historic Old Stone Church and meetings on Sunday, it is a full day before the real work starts on Monday. Election Day is, of course, Tuesday. Our Tuesday banquet speaker is not yet booked; we have to leave something to reveal later.

Early registration is encouraged. The registration form below, or on the Web site, will allow you the opportunity to plan your involvement to maximize your time in Cleveland. Much more information is available on the Web site. Go to sar.org and click on the link to the 120th Congress.

Registration of \$320 includes: (1) the Host Society Reception on Saturday, 4:30-6:30 p.m.; (2) a Memorial Service on Sunday, 2:30-3:30 p.m., at the historic Old Stone Church across the plaza from the hotel; (3) the Monday Youth Awards Luncheon in the hotel;



The Cleveland Renaissance Hotel

(4) the President General's Banquet Tuesday; and (5) the Installation Banquet on Wednesday. In order to properly plan, we and the hotel need a count for meals, so please check attendance at these functions on the registration form. Registration after June 1 is \$345.

OPTIONAL EVENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(6) Friday, June 25, 9 a.m.-noon, Genealogy Seminar featuring local and area topics and an explanation of why the city's name is misspelled; \$20.

(7) Friday, June 25, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Golf Outing for those who love the great outdoors. Join Jack at his country club for a walk in the woods; \$110.

(8) Friday, June 25, 1-4 p.m., Color Guard Workshop featuring classroom topics, clothing and more; a great value for your money: free, but sign up anyway.

(9) Friday, June 25, 6-10:30 p.m., Nautica Evening Cruise on Lake Erie, includes dinner; \$63.

(10) Saturday, June 26, 10:45 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Zoo Trip, includes transportation, lunch and zoo entrance; bear food extra; \$45 adults/\$42 children under 12.

(11) Saturday, June 26, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad Tour; if you can pronounce it you have been there before; \$60 adults/\$55 children under 12.

(12) Sunday, June 27, 8-9:30 a.m., Color Guard Breakfast with calisthenics and your week's marching orders; \$26.

(13) Monday, June 28, 7-8:30 a.m., Council of State Presidents Breakfast with upcoming, current and past presidents and the nominating committee preview; \$21.

(14) Tuesday, June 29, 7:30-8:45 a.m., Southern District Breakfast, the bastion of Southern in the North (sorry, no grits unless you bring your own); \$26.

(15) Tuesday, June 29, 7:30-8:45 a.m., Atlantic Middle States Breakfast. Hear plans for the first District Meeting of the next season and celebrate no snow; \$26.

(16) Tuesday, June 29, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Ladies Luncheon & Tour of Museum of Art. Join the First Lady for a day in the museum and enjoy the beautiful indoors; \$42.

(17) Tuesday, June 29, noon-1:30 p.m., George Washington Fellows and VPSG Luncheon; the ladies will be elsewhere so this could be a stag party; \$37.

(18) Wednesday, June 30, 7-8:45 a.m., SAR 1000 Breakfast, the last opportunity to hear the latest news (and the ladies are back); \$27.

(19) Wednesday, June 30, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Cleveland City Tour, where Lolly the Trolley will show us things only locals know; lunch included; \$45.

(20) Wednesday, June 30, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum Tour; see and hear your favorite music within walking distance, includes lunch; \$30.

Registration for the 120th Annual Congress, \$320. Late registration after June 1, \$345. Note: Registration applies to members, their spouses and guests, including family members over 18 who will be attending more than a single event. All exceptions must be cleared by the executive director. Single-event attendance, including banquets, may be available on a space-available basis payable before the event. A special banquet meal price for the under-16 crowd is provided.

Congress events included in registration fees:

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(2) Sunday Memorial Service, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

(3) Youth Awards Luncheon

(4) Tuesday Banquet

(5) Wednesday Banquet

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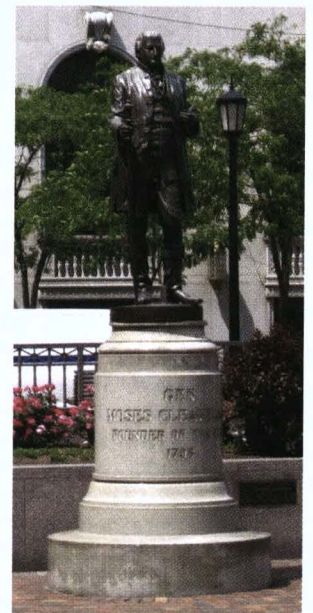
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REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE 120TH ANNUAL CONGRESS Cleveland, Ohio

National Number

☐ First Time Attendee

Name

State Society

National Title

Address

City / State / Zip Code

Phone Number:

Email:

During the Congress, I / we plan to stay at:

Special Diet:

Send Registration to: National Society SAR, 1000 South 4th St, Louisville, KY 40203

Enclosed is my check (payable to NSSAR) for the total registration(s) and/or events indicated for my guest in the amount of \$ _____.

These fees apply to Registrations received on or before May 28, 2010; after this date, fees increase to \$350.

Child prices indicate children under the age of 12

* Registration fee includes this event

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Recruiting Gov. Perry into the SAR: a collaborative effort

By JOSEPH W. DOOLEY,
NSSAR GENEALOGIST GENERAL

Near the end of March 2009, Ed Butler told me that members of the San Antonio Chapter were going to Austin two weeks later to meet with a Texas state senator and to present him with a Silver Good Citizenship Medal. Ed, who was at that time the Secretary General of the National Society said that he hoped to meet with Gov. Rick Perry on the same trip to Austin. Ed asked me if I could determine whether the governor had a patriot ancestor, so that he might invite the governor to join the SAR.

After a few days' frantic search, I found a patriot ancestor for Gov. Perry. Ed's reply was "Fantastic! Any chance this (an SAR application) can be ready for signature by April 15, when we are meeting with him in Austin?"

Of course, I hadn't expected to research and document the lineage solidly, as would be necessary for an SAR application; I had only set out to determine whether the governor had a patriot ancestor. I certainly hadn't expected to have a sufficiently documented SAR application ready for the governor's signature within two weeks, but Ed's request made a lot of sense. He wanted to hand Gov. Perry his application, and ask him to sign it at that time, rather than determine his level of interest and have to work through the governor's handlers at a later time to get him to sign the application. So, I e-mailed Ed that although the application would probably have more holes in it than I am comfortable with, I would try to have it ready for his meeting with the governor.

The application was ready within 10 days, and the story of how it was made ready is one of collaboration among SAR compatriots.

I was able to trace the Perry line back to 1802, just by surfing the Net and reviewing federal census records and other online sources. From one secondary source, I got a tip that the maiden name of the governor's paternal grandmother was "Densmore" or "Dinsmore." Gov. Perry was born and



Back row, from left: Bill Marrs, Marvin Morgan, Ray Cox, John Knox, Jim Heath, Frank Rohrbough; front row, Don Pugh, Tom Lawrence, Gov. Perry, President General Ed Butler and Jim Jones.



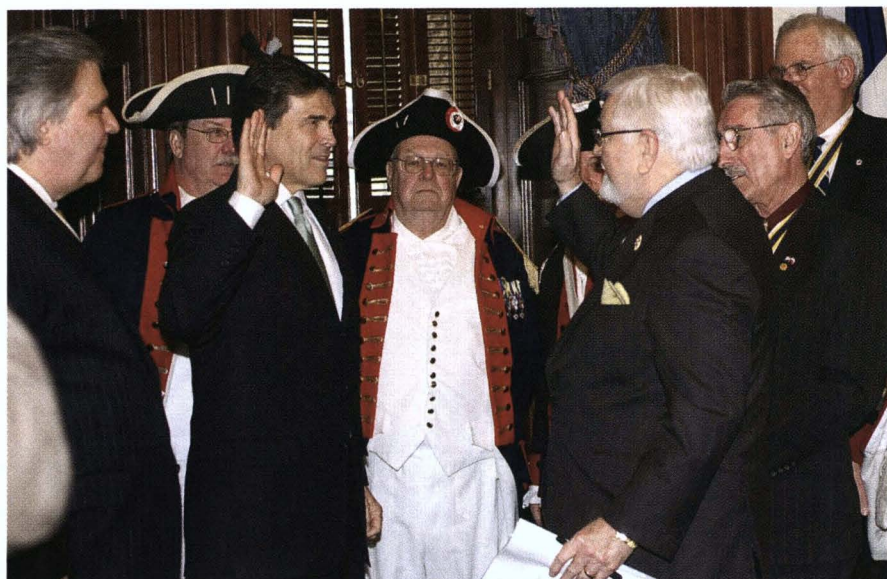
Texas Gov. Rick Perry signs his application for SAR membership.

raised in Paint Creek, Haskell County, Texas. I called the Haskell County library and established a rapport with Librarian Joan Frazier, a very nice lady. Mrs. Frazier knew the Perry family personally, remembered Gov. Perry when he was a boy and young man and was on good terms with the governor's parents.

In addition to determining the birth and marriage dates for Gov. Perry's parents, Mrs. Frazier mailed me photocopies of some pages from "Putting Paint Creek on the Map," which included "An Interview With Hoyt Perry." Hoyt was Gov. Perry's paternal grandfather, and in this interview, he states quite clearly, "I was born in 1903," and that he was married to Thelma Dinsmore. Now, I had a solid link from the Perrys to the Dinsmores.

Federal census records trace the Dinsmore family from Texas back to Alabama. Record copies of approved DAR applications, and more important, notarized transcriptions of Dinsmore family Bible records on file at the DAR connected the Dinsmores in Alabama back to the patriot James Dinsmore.

James Dinsmore was born in Ireland in 1760. He immigrated to America and served as a private in Capt. George Maxfield's company in Col. Isaac Shelby's North Carolina Regiment of the Continental Line. After the Revolution, James Dinsmore was awarded bounty land for his service during the Revolution. He and his family relocated to Alabama, where the next three generations of Dinsmores were born, including Thelma Dinsmore's father, Joseph R. Dinsmore. It was Joseph R. Dinsmore who moved the family to Haskell County, Texas, which is where Thelma Dinsmore was born in 1904.



President General Ed Butler inducts Texas Governor Rick Perry into the SAR. From left: Tom Lawrence, John Knox, Gov. Perry, Jim Heath, Frank Rohebaugh, Ed Butler, Jim Jones, Peter McLellan and Peter Baron.

The Alabama Society is lucky to have two exceptionally talented SAR genealogists: Ron Bearden and Larry Cornwell. I e-mailed Larry and asked for his help. Within a day or two, Larry was able to determine, or closely approximate, the date and place of death for Gov. Perry's great-great-grandparents, Andrew McDonald Dinsmore and Mary A. (Rogers) Dinsmore.

The Texas Society is also very lucky to have an exceptionally talented genealogist in Lloyd Bockstruck. Lloyd has written and compiled several genealogical books and writes about genealogy for The Dallas Morning News. I e-mailed Lloyd, and asked for his help. Within a day, Lloyd e-mailed me the dates and places for the births and deaths of the governor's great-grandmother Ollie L. (Higgins) Dinsmore and of his grandparents, Hoyt Perry and Thelma E. (Dinsmore) Perry.

Information about Gov. Perry's wife and children proved to be more difficult. David Bowles, a member of the San Antonio Chapter, knows people in the Texas state government who have access to the governor. I asked David to inquire about dates and places of marriage and births, but the governor's staff was understandably reluctant to divulge such personal information.

In its final version, the SAR application for Gov. Perry relied on information about his wife and children that was gleaned from his Web site, with a little help from Mrs. Frazier at the Haskell County Library.

After this frenzy of collaborative research, I sent an SAR application for Gov. Perry to Ed Butler by overnight mail so that Ed could take it with him for his meeting with Gov. Perry on April 15, but the meeting never materi-

alized and the application languished until Tom Lawrence, president of the Texas Society, stepped up to the plate. Tom, a Texas judge, knows the governor. After several phone calls and much coordination with the governor's staff, Tom was able to schedule a meeting with him on Feb. 11.

Lawrence also arranged for members of the TXSSAR Color Guard to be part of the ceremony. The TXSSAR Color Guardsmen who participated were Peter Baron, Ray Cox, Jim Heath, John Knox, Marvin Morgan, Frank Rohrbough and Larry Stevens.

The record-breaking blizzards that hit the mid-Atlantic states kept me from flying to Austin to be part of the SAR induction ceremony for Gov. Perry, for which I was deeply disappointed. But even here, we have more examples of SAR members collaborating for the society's good. We had planned that I would bring a backup copy of the application for the Governor, and since I couldn't be there, I e-mailed the governor's application to Mike Radcliffe of the Plano Chapter in Texas. But Mike learned later that he would not be able to attend Gov. Perry's induction ceremony because of bad weather, so he e-mailed the governor's application to Bill Marrs and Peter Baron. Bill printed this backup application and took it with him to Austin.

Rick Perry, governor of the Lone Star State, is now a compatriot of the SAR. This would not have been possible without the collaborative efforts of Joan Frazier, Larry Cornwell, Lloyd Bockstruck, David Bowles, Mike Radcliffe, Bill Marrs, Peter Baron, Tom Lawrence and Ed Butler.

Texas Society awards Gov. Rick Perry the SAR Gold Good Citizenship Medal

By JOSEPH W. DOOLEY,
NSSAR GENEALOGIST GENERAL

On Feb. 11, Tom Lawrence, president of the Texas Society, and Ed Butler, president general of the National Society, presented the SAR Gold Good Citizenship Medal to Gov. Rick Perry of Texas. The presentation took place during the same ceremony in which Gov. Perry was inducted into the SAR. (See related article, "Recruiting Gov. Perry into the SAR: a collaborative effort.")

Governors of U.S. border states are not only concerned with the welfare of their states, but with the welfare of the entire nation. Of all states, Texas has the largest border with Mexico, and this fact places greater responsibilities on the governor of Texas. Throughout his term in office, Gov. Perry has made it a priority to improve the quality of life for all Americans along the U.S./Mexico border.

Gov. Perry has worked with local authorities to ensure a stronger law enforcement presence throughout the border region. He has also sought to fund efforts that are singularly focused on the reduction of violent border crime. In addition to providing several million dollars to local law enforcement along the border, the governor directed the Texas Department of Public Safety to deploy a rapid response team of state troopers. He directed increased patrols and surveillance activities, both fixed and rotary aviation assets, and permanently assigned additional criminal investigators to support local law enforcement efforts. Gov. Perry also directed Texas Army National Guard planners and analysts to provide support to law enforcement and ordered the Texas Rangers to investigate alleged incursions by the Mexican Military.

The governor called for the deployment of National Guard troops to watch certain high-traffic spots of the U.S./Mexico border. This action was in part a response to an incident in 2006 where U.S. officers involved in a hot pursuit in western Texas lost suspected drug smugglers. When the U.S. officers

crossed the Rio Grande, they were met by several men armed with assault rifles and dressed in Mexican military uniforms.

Gov. Perry deployed more than 2,300 Texas Army National Guard troops to the U.S./Mexico border to help law enforcement officers reduce crime and increase security. The troops support U.S. Border Patrol activities and stay active for an undisclosed period of time in different areas across Texas. A U.S. Border Patrol agent and a local police officer accompany each of the platoons of Texas Army National Guard troops.

Gov. Perry requested \$250 million from the Texas Legislature to secure the U.S./Mexico, and to combat transnational gangs. The governor has said, "I have asked the [Obama] administration for an immediate deployment of 1,000 additional National Guard troops to support civilian law enforcement and border patrol agents and remain hopeful that we will get the resources we need. The state of Texas will continue to fill in the gaps until the federal govern-



ment provides adequate resources necessary to secure our border and protect our citizens from those seeking to do us harm."

Upon application made by the Texas Society, the National Medals & Awards Committee and the National Executive Committee found that Gov. Perry had made numerous contributions of National importance by improving the quality of life along the U.S./Mexico border. Gov. Perry has exhibited exemplary leadership by enhancing border infrastructure, improving border medical care, and making the border safer by increasing law enforcement in the area.

Gov. Rick Perry's efforts have not only enhanced the security of the great state of Texas, but of the entire United States.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Spring Leadership Meeting
March 4-6, 2010
Brown Hotel, Louisville

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Honoring Spain Trip
May 10-20, 2010
Madrid and Malaga, Spain

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120th Annual Congress
June 26-30, 2010
Renaissance Cleveland (Ohio)
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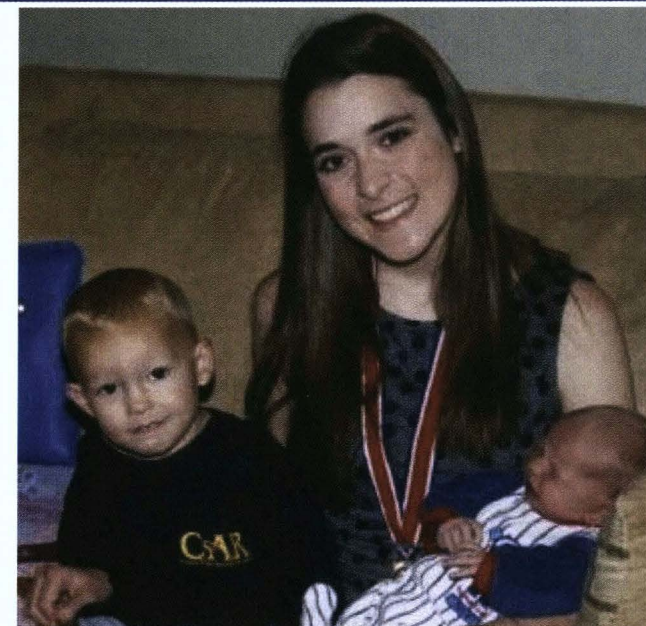
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Fall Leadership Meeting
Sept. 23-25, 2010
Brown Hotel, Louisville

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121st Annual Congress
July 9-13, 2011
Marriott, Winston-Salem, N.C.

+
122nd Annual Congress
July 7-11, 2012
Arizona Biltmore, Phoenix, Ariz.

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123rd Annual Congress
July 6-10, 2013
Marriott KC Downtown,
Kansas City, Mo.

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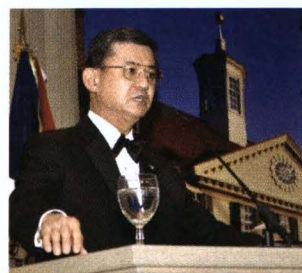
"C.A.R. has provided for me a safe and nurturing environment for amazing educational experiences and lifelong friendships throughout our great nation. That is a legacy I would like my nephews, Charles and William, to experience."

Emily Michelle Falkenstein,
National President N.S.C.A.R.

SAR and C.A.R. work together to secure the legacy of God, Home and Country.
Thank you for your support.

General Eric Shinseki Awarded the SAR Gold Good Citizenship Medal

On Jan. 9, compatriots and distinguished guests gathered at the Mount Vernon Inn to present the SAR Gold Good Citizenship Medal to Gen. Eric K. Shinseki. Virginia and national SAR officers, general and flag officers of our military services, and representatives of other SAR chapters and DAR chapters attended this gala evening, which was sponsored by the George Washington Chapter.



The presentation was made by the chapter's immediate past President Dave Walker, NSSAR Genealogist General Joe Dooley and VASSAR President Bill Simpson, who were involved in nominating

Shinseki for the award and promoting its approval by NSSAR. The award recognizes the general's long and dedicated service to the United States.

In an inspiring speech, the general reviewed his 38 years of U.S. Army service and described how that experience had nurtured and strengthened his love of our country and the freedoms we enjoy.



Gen. Eric K. Shinseki received the Gold Good Citizenship Medal and a bust of George Washington for his 38 years of service to the United States and the armed forces.

He concluded with a discussion of his present responsibilities as Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the important goals he has established for that organization. He spoke of his special concern for homeless veterans and his goal of ensuring that no veteran should be without a home. Veterans' health care, job opportunities, education and claims processing are other areas that will receive special attention.



NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

The Rev. Canon Jerry Caroon was the featured speaker at the New England District Council meeting in Wethersfield, Conn. His topic was "Alias John Bolton," which was a fascinating saga of Gen. George Washington's spy network.

Pictured, from left, The Rev. Canon Jerry Caroon; Kenneth D. Roach, president CTSSAR; Hans E. Jackson, past vice president general; Donald P. Hayes Jr., president NHSSAR; Carlen Booth, vice president general, New England District Council; Bruce C. MacGunnigle, president RISSAR; Charles McGillicuddy, former secretary, New England District Council and current National Trustee from Maine; Daniel O'Connell, past president RISSAR; and William E. Battles III, president, MASSAR.



Georgia's Revolutionary War Trail

BY LARRY WILSON, CHAIRMAN, GEORGIA'S REVOLUTIONARY WAR TRAIL

During the American Revolution, Georgia, while the youngest and least populated colony, was important to the success of establishing a new nation. One of the objectives of the Georgia Society SAR is to promote, preserve and perpetuate the knowledge of Georgia's role during the Revolution and to identify the historic Revolutionary sites in Georgia. In implementing this objective, one of the Society's projects is to identify, document and publicize the major Revolutionary War battles that occurred in Georgia as a start of "Georgia's Revolutionary War Trail."

In June 2008, Compatriot Larry Wilson obtained a matching grant for the Society from the Georgia Tourism Foundation. A committee, originally formed by past GASSAR President Charlie Newcomer and composed of members of GASSAR began development of the trail.

The project, chaired by Wilson, came under the direction of the Sites and Celebrations Committee Chairman Walker Chewning. Compatriot Bill Ramsaur was named primary editor and one of the authors of the project. The design graphics artist and producer was Compatriot Ed Fluker of Fluker Designs.

The trail is a series of battle sites along the Savannah River and the Georgia Coast, and the planning committee began creating the history of each battle with the intention of producing brochures to place in each of Georgia's Visitor Information Centers and other locations. The

planning committee was composed of authors, historians, history majors and members who travel the "circuits" speaking on topics about Georgia in the Revolution. Authors of the brochures, in addition to overall editor Bill Ramsaur, include Gordon B. Smith and Dr. Russell Brown, both published writers, as well as Larry Wilson, Charlie Newcomer, Norman J. Hoffman, Robert F. Galer and Rabun "Alex" Lee. The authors represent eight Georgia chapters. Historian Steven J. Rauch of the U.S. Army Signal Center of Excellence, Fort Gordon, Ga., and Revolutionary War historian and author Dr. Christine Swager did some "ghost editing."

The work began early in 2009, after funding was secured. Funds in the amount of \$22,840 came from the matching grant from the Georgia Tourism Foundation, from the GASSAR and from a grant courtesy of the George Washington Endowment Fund. The project focused on the development of each battle site brochure and finalized with a map showing the battle sites and much more. The battle sites identified were 1) Vann's Creek Skirmish, 2) Kettle Creek, 3) The Hornet's Nest, 4) Sieges of Augusta, 5) Brier Creek, 6) Sieges of Savannah, 7) Sunbury/Midway/Fort Morris, and 8) the naval action on the Frederica River.

As part of a grant from the Georgia Division of Tourism, the GASSAR group has prepared a series of eight historic site brochures with supporting Web pages, which describe the specific battles and the military leaders involved. Information is provided for the selected location and details about each historic site to discover on the trail, as well as the date of the annual celebration of each battle. The trail overview brochure includes photos of some of the historic sites and annual celebrations, a summary of the battles and a timeline, which illustrates the battles, leaders and other key events in Georgia during the Revolution.

The brochures will be displayed in visitor information centers, museums and libraries so tourists and Georgia citizens can discover and appreciate the significance of the historic locations. The brochures will also be used to support presentations to school children, heritage and historical societies and local civic organizations. This information will prove useful to generate interest and further the understanding of Georgia battles, people and other key events during the American Revolution.

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Spain's Involvement in the

American Revolutionary War

In the 2009 summer SAR Magazine, President General Judge Edward F. Butler Sr. outlined much of the history regarding Spain's involvement in the American Revolution. As he noted, most American history books have not adequately explained Spain's role. Spain's involvement would take an entire book to cover in detail. This and subsequent articles in this series will provide more information about the people and events.

EVENTS LEADING TO SPAIN'S INVOLVEMENT

King Carlos II of Spain was a Habsburg king and when he died in 1700, he bequeathed Spain and its empire to Philippe—later to become Felipe V—the Bourbon grandson of his half-sister, Maria Teresa, wife of Louis XIV of France. The prospect of a single family ruling both Spain and France concerned the other European powers, and they proposed that Karl of Austria be crowned King Carlos III of Spain. This brought on the War of Spanish Succession—known in the colonies as Queen Anne's War—fought from 1701 to 1714. The final outcome of the war was that Felipe V was given the throne, but Spain gave up all of its European possessions and retained her American possessions.

A second Bourbon Family Compact took place during the War of Austrian Succession, when the Austrian ruler died in 1740. Spain joined France in a power play to regain Spain's Italian possessions, which it had lost during the War of Spanish Succession.

In a third Bourbon Family Compact in 1761, France and Spain declared mutual support if either went to war or someone declared war against them. Thus in 1762, Spain entered the French and Indian War (1754 to 1763) in the colonies. Because Spain entered the war late, when peace was declared it had lost east and west Florida, Havana, Cuba, and Manila in the Philippines. It was suggested that France compensate Spain for the costs of its involvement. By separate agreement prior to signing the Treaty of Paris on Nov. 3, 1762, France secretly ceded New Orleans and the Louisiana Territory to Spain. Because England was unaware of this secret agreement, the wording of Section VII of the Treaty of Paris became confusing. Section VII drew a line between British and French terri-



tories along the Mississippi River from its origin in the north to its mouth at the Gulf. Thus the British claimed the territory east of the river except that France would retain the town of New Orleans and the island on which it was situated and the French would retain territories west of the Mississippi. The first time that Spain was mentioned in the Treaty was in Section XVII in which the subject of the Bay of Honduras is mentioned with the surrounding land returned to Spain. Section XIX returned to Spain the island of Cuba and the fortress of Havana. England also returned Manila and the Philippines to Spanish control.

KEY PERSONALITIES

Don Bernardo de Galvez was born in Macharaviella, Spain, on July 23 or 25, 1746. He was born into a noble family to his father, Matias, and his mother, Josepha de Madrid. He would follow in the family tradition and distinguish himself in a successful military career.

It can be safely said that the most visible and important Spanish family in the New World was the Galvez family.

The Galvez family held several notable positions within the Spanish government. Matias became the captain-general of Guatemala and Central America. In 1783, he was named viceroy of New Spain, a position he held until his death on Nov. 3, 1784. Don Bernardo's uncle Jose was the visitador of New Spain and marques of Sonora prior to being named as the minister of the Indies (second-most powerful man in Spain next to the king). He died on July 17, 1786. Another uncle, Miguel, became a field marshal in the Royal



Army, while his uncle Antonio became the ambassador to Russia.

In 1768, Bernardo was part of his uncle's entourage that came to New Spain. In April, he was a captain and second in command of an expedition against the Apaches on the frontier of Nueva Vizcaya. Several of the officers in the region were less than happy with Bernardo's position, stating that he had no experience in fighting the Indians.

Bernardo led several expeditions against the Apaches. His first was in the fall of 1770, when he led 135 frontier soldiers and Indian allies against the hostiles. They set out from Chihuahua in mid-October and when they reached the Pecos River on Nov. 2, they found the Apaches. The soldiers made a cold camp that night and were ready to attack an hour before dawn. But the troops, discouraged and hungry, wanted to return to Chihuahua without attacking. Bernardo gave a pep talk and then turned his horse and started to ford the Pecos River. All 135 troops immediately followed him. He would later describe the incident as one of his most gratifying accomplishments.

The attack was a success, as Bernardo's troops caught the Indians by surprise and they were unable to defend themselves. Some tried to escape by jumping in the river, but Bernardo, setting an example for his soldiers, followed the Indians into the river and attacked them, leaving them to perish between the soldiers and the water. Many Indians surrendered and became captives.

The booty from the battle included 204 animals, which were divided among the Indians that accompanied the soldiers, plus many buffalo hides and antelope skins valued at 2,000 pesos. By this one action, Bernardo proved that he possessed the leadership skills required to silence his critics.

Six months later, he led another successful expedition against Apaches. The next couple of skirmishes were not as successful as the first two, and he was severely wounded in both of them.

In 1772, he returned to Spain with his uncle Jose. He took a leave of absence from the Spanish military and went to France to enhance his military skills. Returning to Spain in 1775, he took part in the war with Algiers, in which he was again severely wounded. He was promoted to lieutenant colonel and assigned to the military school. In 1776, he was sent to New Orleans as the

colonel of the Louisiana regiment. In a royal order of Sept. 19, 1776, he was instructed to succeed Luis de Unzaga as governor, which he did on Jan. 1, 1777.

(There will be much more in Part III of this series concerning Bernardo and his role in the American Revolution.)

Jose Monino y Redondo (1728-1808), the conde de Floridablanca, was the minister of state. He was a leader in declaring a strategy of patience before agreeing that Spain would declare war on England. And for the rest of the American Revolution, he was instrumental in working with his French counterpart, Charles Gravier, the comte de Vergennes. Redondo was among those who systematically built up the Spanish army and navy prior to Spain declaring war. Depending on the account, Spain declared war on England on May 8, June 16 or June 21, 1779. However, the date used most often is June 21. One of the principal reasons for Spain supporting the American Revolution was to regain the geographic territories that were lost to the British as a result of the French and Indian War. Redondo's predecessor as minister of state, Jeronimo Grimaldi, the marques de Grimaldi, carried the same stated goals as Floridablanca. Spain mainly desired to bring Gibraltar, Minorca, the Floridas, Jamaica and the Bahamas under Spanish control. With the peace of 1783, Spain regained all these territories except Jamaica and Gibraltar.

Pedro Pablo Abarca de Bolea (1718-1798), the conde de Aranda, was Spain's minister to France and stationed in Paris. His primary duty was to arrange military aid to the 13 colonies before Spain declared war and until the peace of 1783. He also was one of the 1783 peace negotiators and proved his abilities as an advocate for Spain.

Jose de Galvez (1720-1787), Bernardo's uncle, as a teenager was chosen by a local bishop of Malaga, Diego Gonzalez Toro, to study theology. When the bishop died in 1737, Jose decided to forgo his theology training and instead began to study law. Upon obtaining degrees from the University of Salamanca and the University of Alcala, he went to Madrid and practiced law. He became more interested in international law and in that arena made a reputation for himself. He then joined the government and started to rise to more powerful positions. Eventually, he was appointed visitador general of New Spain and was made an

honorary member of the Council of the Indies. He was also the individual who exercised Carlos III's 1767 order that expelled the Jesuits from America. In 1776, he became the minister of the Indies. During the American Revolution, he was known as the second-most powerful person in Spain next to the king. He recommended strategic actions to the king and relayed these back to the captain-general of Havana. He held this position of authority until his death in 1787.

Captain Francisco de Saavedra de Sangronis (1746-1819) was born in Seville. He was educated at the College of Santo Tomas and at Sacro Monte de Granada, where he received a doctorate in theology. He chose to pursue a military career and soon came to the attention of Carlos III, who appointed him secretary to the Portuguese embassy in 1776 and in 1779 to a position on the Council of the Indies under Jose de Galvez. He was chosen by the king to convince many of the members of the Council of the Indies and even Havana of the king's desire to be more aggressive in their support to defeat the British and bring the Floridas back under Spanish control.

He fully supported the military plans of Bernardo de Galvez in driving the British out of the Floridas. He won the confidence of the Comte de Vergennes and as a result he was reassigned to the Indies, where he worked with Comte Francois-Joseph-Paul de Grasse, the French naval commander. He was also instrumental in convincing the captain-general of Havana to use the Spanish navy to protect French colonies in the Caribbean so that de Grasse could take the whole French fleet to support the Americans in the Battle of Yorktown. After Yorktown, he became a principal fund-raiser throughout New Spain for the support of the combined French and Spanish forces in their continued attack on the British until the peace treaty of 1783, which ended the American Revolution.



Juan de Miralles y Trajan and Francisco Rendon

Gardoqui was preceded by two unofficial ambassadors during the American Revolution—Juan de Miralles y Trajan and Francisco Rendon. They were assigned prior to Spain's declaring war on England and thus were officially known as "observers." Their primary duty was to keep Gen. George Washington informed of Spain's continued involvement in supporting the American Revolution. Both were well-liked, trusted and respected by Washington. When Miralles died in 1780, Washington ordered the Continental Army to act as an honor guard for Miralles' funeral, even though Miralles was a devout Catholic. Rendon then assumed Miralles's position as an observer.

Diego Maria de Gardoqui Aniquibar was a private-sector businessman who accepted various assignments from the king. His company, Gardoqui and Sons, was one of many that sent aid to the colonies in the form of money and supplies. At one time, he assisted American privateers with supplies and also supported John Paul Jones in his naval activities around the British Isles. At the end of the American Revolution, he accepted an appointment as Spain's official ambassador to the United States in 1785.

(More figures of importance will be discussed in Part III of this series.)

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Chronology of events surrounding Spain's participation in the American Revolution

By JUDGE EDWARD F. BUTLER SR.

Many Americans are aware that the French assisted the colonists in their battle for freedom. Unfortunately, most Americans are not aware of the tremendous assistance rendered by Spain. In the summer 2009 edition of *The SAR Magazine*, an article summarized the assistance that Spain rendered on the Mississippi River as far as Natchez and along the Gulf Coast.

My next article will cover Spain's military and economic assistance to the colonies in what is now Arkansas, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana and Michigan, as well as direct support of Gen. George Rogers Clark at Fort Nelson, now Louisville, home of our national headquarters.

Here is a chronology of events in Spain's involvement:

1588—The sinking of the Spanish Armada by Sir Francis Drake and Adm. Robert Cross was the main cause of Spanish hatred of the English.

1589—The destruction of the remainder of the Spanish fleet and the capture of Cadiz by Cross cemented Spanish hatred of the English, which had lasted almost 200 years at the outset of the American Revolution.

1761—The Bourbon Family' Compact formed an alliance between France and Spain, provided that any nation that attacked one nation, attacked both; and that when one of the countries was



at war, it could call upon the other for military or naval aid.

1763—At the end of the Seven Years War (which we call the French and Indian War) between England and the Spanish-French alliance, Spain lost Havana and Manila to the English in the treaty. To get these forts back, Spain traded East Florida and West Florida to England. Spain received New Orleans from the French. This treaty in effect removed France as a power in North America, if not the Western Hemisphere. France was left with only a few small islands, or portions of islands, in the Caribbean. So, before the Revolutionary War, with the exception of Portugal's holdings in what is now Brazil and a few small islands in the Caribbean, Spain and England were the only European powers in the Western Hemisphere.

Nov. 29, 1775—The Continental Congress established a Committee of Secret Correspondence, tasked with seeking foreign aid, primarily from France and Spain.

May 1776—The (Virginia) Committee of Safety sent George Gibson and William Linn down the Mississippi River to New Orleans, where, with the help of Robert Morris' agent, Oliver Pollock, they secured more than 9,000 pounds of gunpowder from the Spanish. Note that Spain was providing supplies to the colonists two months before the signing of the Declaration of Independence!¹ It took Linn until the spring of 1777 to bring the bulk of the purchases back up the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers to Wheeling in western Virginia ...² The supplies from Spain were enough to save Fort Pitt and U.S. Capt. James Willing from defeat.³

Before July 4, 1776—Spain and France entered into a secret agreement with the colonists to support them in their rebellion against England.⁴ Since supplies were being furnished in New Orleans by May 1776, this agreement must have been made around March or April.

1776-1779—Spain provided credit to the colonists totaling 8 million *reals* for

military and medical supplies and food.

August 1776—Gen. Charles Henry Lee, second in command to Gen. George Washington, sent Capt. George Gibson with a group of 16 colonists from Fort Pitt to New Orleans to obtain additional supplies from Spain.

September 1776—Spain sent 9,000 pounds of gunpowder to the colonists along the Mississippi River, and an additional 1,000 pounds by ship to Philadelphia. This shipment arrived in New Orleans on Sept. 1, 1776. This is strong evidence that Spain had entered into an agreement to supply the colonists well before the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Nov. 25, 1776—King Carlos III of Spain ordered Gov. Bernardo de Galvez to secretly collect intelligence about the British. Later, Galvez was ordered to render secret help to the colonies.

Nov. 26, 1776—Galvez received orders from his uncle, José de Galvez, minister of the West Indies, to start shipping gunpowder to the colonists. By year's end, he had shipped \$70,000 worth of gunpowder. In that directive, he was also instructed to send secret commissioners to the English colonies to collect information.⁵

Dec. 24, 1776—A royal order issued by José de Galvez instructed all Spanish officials, including the governors of Havana and Louisiana, "to quickly supply the 'Americanos' with

what gunpowder, rifles or muskets, and 'fusiles' were available." The governors were instructed to ship these war materials on free-merchant ships,⁶ because neither Spain nor France, as neutrals, could openly give aid to rebels in another country.

Before July 1777—Spain sent another 2,000 barrels of gunpowder, lead and clothing up the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers to assist the colonists. Carlos III made secret loans to the colonists of 1 million *livres*. Additional arms, ammunition and provisions were sent to Gen. George Rogers Clark's posts along the Mississippi and to Washington's Continental Army through Fort Pitt.

1777—The American representative⁷ in France, Benjamin Franklin, arranged for the secret transport from Spain to the colonies of 215 bronze cannons; 4,000 tents; 13,000 grenades; 30,000 muskets, bayonets and uniforms; 50,000 musket balls; and 300,000 pounds of gunpowder. During this time, England attempted to cut off the supplies coming up the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers. England's plan was to attack from Canada down the Mississippi River and to reinforce their forts along the Mississippi.

September 1777—By this time, Spain had already furnished 1.87 million *livres* *tournaises* to the Americans. Much of this was contributed through a dummy corporation,⁸ for which some unin-

formed historians gave complete credit to France.

October 1777—Patrick Henry wrote two letters to Galvez thanking Spain for its help and requesting more supplies. Therein, Henry suggested that the two Floridas that Spain lost to England should revert back to Spain.

1778-1779—At Fort Nelson, Clark obtained a considerable amount of his supplies from Galvez in New Orleans. These supplies were used in his victories over the British at Kaskaskia, Cahokia and Vincennes.

January 1778—Henry wrote another letter to Galvez thanking Spain for its help and requesting more supplies.

February 1778—The Treaty of Alliance between France and the United States obligated Spain to assist France against the English. Galvez began to recruit an army, under the guise that it was for the defense of New Orleans.

March 1778—Willing left Fort Pitt with an expedition of 30 men, bound for New Orleans to obtain more supplies for the war. They plundered the British settlements along the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. Galvez welcomed them to New Orleans and assisted them in auctioning their British plunder. Galvez sold them military arms and ammunition for their return trip to Fort Pitt.

1779-1782—Spanish ranchers (which included the seven missions) along the San Antonio River between San

DEALT WITH THE ALLEGED MOTIVES OF SPAIN AND ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH FRANCE, AND SPAIN'S ATTITUDE TOWARD THE COLONIES. CLEARLY, ALL OUR ALLIES HAD DIFFERENT MOTIVES. EACH SOUGHT TO GAIN FROM BECOMING INVOLVED. ALTHOUGH SPAIN AND FRANCE WERE ALLIES, THEY OFTEN DISAGREED ABOUT HOW AND WHEN TO PROCEED. THIS ARTICLE IS NOT MEANT TO CRITICIZE FRANCE, AS FRANCE WAS A VALUABLE ALLY. RATHER, BECAUSE SPAIN'S ASSISTANCE HAS FOR HUNDREDS OF YEARS BEEN IGNORED BY MANY HISTORIANS, THE PURPOSE OF THIS ARTICLE IS TO SHOW THAT SPAIN WAS ALSO A VERY VALUABLE ALLY. AS A DESCENDANT OF BOTH FRENCH AND SPANISH ROYALTY, I AM MERELY REPORTING THE FACTS.

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8 SINCE THE COLONIES HAD NOT OBTAINED THEIR INDEPENDENCE FROM ENGLAND YET, FRANCE COULD NOT ACCEPT AN AMBASSADOR. YET, FRANKLIN, THE "REPRESENTATIVE" WAS AFFORDED ALL THE COURTESIES NORMALLY EXTENDED TO OTHER AMBASSADORS.

9 THE FAMOUS "RODRIGUE HORTALEZ AND COMPANY" DISCUSSED IN THE SUMMER 2009 EDITION OF *The SAR Magazine*, SERVED AS THE CONDUIT FOR SPANISH ASSISTANCE. IT'S MAIN DIRECTOR WAS THE FRENCH PLAYWRIGHT AND STATESMAN, PIERRE AUGUSTIN CARON DE BEAUMARCHAIS.

10 NAMED FOR CARLOS III.

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14 IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT TO A LESSER DEGREE, THE COLONISTS RECEIVED ASSISTANCE FROM HOLLAND (NOW THE NETHERLANDS) AND SWEDEN. EACH ALLOWED AMERICAN SHIPS THE USE OF ITS PORTS. THE CURRENT KING OF SWEDEN HAS BEEN OFFERED MEMBERSHIP IN THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

15 ALTHOUGH THE HOSTILITIES BETWEEN THE AMERICAN AND BRITISH FORCES WERE HALTED BY THE SURRENDER, THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR WAS NOT OVER. INDIANS ALIGNED WITH THE BRITISH CONTINUED TO FIGHT IN OHIO AND INDIANA. FRANCE AND SPAIN CONTINUED THEIR HOSTILITIES AGAINST THE BRITISH.

16 BOTH THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AND THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION RECOGNIZE SERVICE BETWEEN THE PERIOD OCT. 19, 1781, AND SEPT. 3, 1783, AS "QUALIFIED" PATRIOTIC SERVICE.

1 KING CARLOS III OF SPAIN WAS THE UNCLE OF THE KING OF FRANCE.

2 THERE IS SOME AUTHORITY FOR THE PROPOSITION THAT LINN DID NOT DEPART UNTIL LATER AND DID NOT ACQUIRE THE GUNPOWDER FROM SPAIN UNTIL SEPT. 22, 1776. THE CITATION FOR THAT THESIS COMES FROM *The Blackpowder Journal*, JUNE/JULY 1997, VOL. 2, NO. 3, A NON-HISTORICAL PUBLICATION, WHICH ACCORDING TO ITS WEB PAGE CEASED OPERATIONS LESS THAN A YEAR AFTERWARD. THIS 7 1/2-PAGE ARTICLE CITES NO FOOTNOTES AND STATES THAT THE INFORMATION WAS TAKEN FROM THE JANUARY 1965 ISSUE OF *The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*.

IN A SECOND ARTICLE FOUND IN CHAPTER V OF *The Westmoreland County Genealogy Project*, NATHAN ZIPFEL ASSERTS THAT LINN DID NOT LEAVE FORT PITT UNTIL JULY 19, 1776, AND OBTAINED THE GUNPOWDER ON SEPT. 22, 1776. THERE WAS ONLY ONE CITATION FOR THREE FULL PAGES OF TEXT: PAGES 31-36: *Old Westmoreland, A History of Western Pennsylvania During the Revolution*, BY EDGAR W. HASSLER,

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THIS INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED TO ME THE NIGHT BEFORE *The SAR Magazine* WENT TO PRESS. THE PRIMARY ARTICLE WRITTEN BY ME IS A SURVEY OF THE LITERATURE AVAILABLE. I ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO PERFORM ORIGINAL RESEARCH AND ESTABLISH A DIALOG ABOUT THE TYPE OF SUPPORT RECEIVED BY THE COLONISTS AND DATE THAT SUPPORT WAS RECEIVED. MANY ORIGINAL SPANISH DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN MORE RECENTLY TRANSCRIBED AND WERE REPORTED IN CHAVEZ' 2002 BOOK *Spain and the Independence of the United States*. I AM CURRENTLY RESEARCHING ANOTHER ARTICLE ABOUT THE CONNECTION BETWEEN GEN. GEORGE ROGERS CLARK AND GEN. BERNARDO DE GALVEZ AND PLAN TO FOLLOW UP ON THESE LAST-MINUTE ASSERTIONS.

OTHER CITATIONS WERE ALSO PROVIDED AT THE 11TH HOUR, WHICH

Antonio and Goliad sent between 9,000 and 15,000 head of cattle, several hundred horses, mules, bulls and feed to Galvez in New Orleans. The cattle were used to feed his troops and to provision Washington's Continental Army at Valley Forge.

1779—All males over 18, including Indians, in New Spain were required to become members of the militia in their respective areas.

April 1779—A secret treaty was entered into between the French ambassador in Madrid and Count José Moñino Floridablanca, Spanish secretary of state, which drew Spain further into the conflict.

June 21, 1779—Spain declared war on England. Carlos III ordered Spanish subjects around the world to fight the English wherever they were. In New Orleans, Galvez was ready for battle.

Aug. 27-Sept. 7, 1779—Galvez led the Spanish army in New Orleans 90 miles up the Mississippi River to attack Fort Bute, in Manchac, La. The English surrendered Fort Bute on Sept. 7, 1779.

Aug. 29, 1779—Carlos III proclaimed that the main objective of the Spanish troops in America was to drive the British out of the Gulf of Mexico and the Mississippi River.

Sept. 20, 1779—Galvez's army captured the British fort at Baton Rouge and negotiated the surrender of the British fort at Natchez. By clearing the Mississippi of British forces, Galvez allowed Capt. William Pickles to bring an American schooner onto Lake Pontchartrain. Pickles seized the British privateer *West Florida*, which had controlled the lake for two years.

Nov. 8, 1779—Thomas Jefferson wrote to Galvez expressing his thanks for Spain's assistance.

1780—Carlos III issued a royal order requesting a one-time voluntary donation (donativo) of 2 pesos per Spaniard and 1 peso per Indian in each provincial site in Spain's New World Empire to defray the expense of the war with England.

Jan. 28-March 14, 1780—Galvez led the attack on the British Fort at Mobile. The siege lasted from Feb. 10 to March 14, 1780, when the British surrendered. Galvez was promoted to field marshal and given command of all Spanish operations in America.

April 1780—The Spanish fleet sailed from Cadiz, Spain, to America to support Galvez' army.

May 26, 1780—The Spanish authorities at Fort Carlos¹⁰ in St. Louis aided Clark in the conquest of the territories northwest of the Ohio River and rallied to defeat the combined British and

Indian attack on St. Louis in 1780. The attack came on May 26, 1780. About 300 defenders successfully held off 2,000 to 3,000 attackers, which included British soldiers, Indians and French Canadian soldiers. About 60 militiamen from Ste. Genevieve (now Missouri) participated in this battle.¹¹ This was a significant victory of the American Revolution, for it consolidated the defense of the frontier against British expeditions and Indian raids and preserved the Mississippi-Ohio River supply route for the American army.¹²

Oct. 16, 1780—Galvez led a Spanish fleet of 15 warships and 59 transport ships from Havana to attack Pensacola. On board were 164 officers and 3,829 men.

Oct. 18, 1780—A hurricane hit the Spanish flotilla and many were lost. The survivors retreated to Havana. Fearful that the British might seek to retake Mobile before he could take Pensacola, Galvez dispatched two warships and 500 soldiers to reinforce it.

Nov. 22, 1780—At Fort Carlos, Spanish Commandant Balthazar de Villiers crossed the Mississippi River with a detachment of Spanish soldiers, captured the English Fort Concordia,¹³ ejecting the English from the Mississippi basin.

Feb. 28, 1781—A second (and smaller) Spanish flotilla, with 1,315 soldiers, sailed from Havana to assist Galvez in his attack on Pensacola.

March 9, 1781—Galvez led his Spanish troops and the Louisiana Militia in a two-month Spanish siege on Pensacola. Galvez had previously ordered troops stationed in New Orleans and Mobile to join in the attack on Pensacola. Mobile sent 500 men, and 1,400 Spanish soldiers arrived from New Orleans.

April 19, 1781—1,600 reinforcements of Spanish troops from Havana arrived in Pensacola. Galvez led about 4,800 Spanish soldiers and militiamen at the Battle of Pensacola.

May 8, 1781—The British surrendered at Pensacola. This decisive Spanish victory removed the British threat from the Gulf of Mexico and the Mississippi River. Galvez was assisted by four French frigates. He gave them 500,000 pesos to re-provision their ships. These ships then proceeded to join the French blockade of Yorktown, which led to the British surrender.

August 1781—Washington drank a toast to the kings of France and Spain¹⁴ at the home of Robert Morris in Philadelphia.

Oct. 19, 1781—Gen. Charles Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown.¹⁵

May 6, 1782—Galvez attacked the Bahamas, which surrendered.

April 1783—The final battle of the Revolutionary War was fought at Arkansas Post in April 1783. The Spanish soldiers and militia defeated the British. It was also the westernmost battle of the Revolutionary War.

Sept. 3, 1783—With the signing of the Paris Peace Treaty, peace was declared between England, the United States, Spain and France.¹⁶

1784—The U.S. Congress formally cited Galvez and Spain for their aid.

1785—Upon his father's death, Galvez was named viceroy of New Spain.

Nov. 30, 1785—Galvez died in Mexico City. His remains were entombed in the walls of San Francisco Church, along with those of his father.

SUMMARY

The substantial military and economic as well as moral support supplied by Spain reflect that the country was an important ally of the colonists. The current DAR regent in Spain recently advised the author that it had discovered a group of records from New Spain in the Barcelona archives. I hope these records can be translated into English and made available to the public soon.

Now, only service after Dec. 24, 1776, may be considered to join either the DAR or SAR. From this chronology, we see that from Nov. 29, 1775, Congress established its secret correspondence committee, which led to an agreement by the Spanish king to supply the colonists in the spring of 1776. The supplies were distributed to the colonists by Gen. Bernardo Galvez in New Orleans in May 1776, pursuant to that agreement with King Carlos III.

It is strongly suggested that the SAR backdate the eligibility date from Dec. 24, 1776, to May 1776. It is further suggested to the SAR that it accept applications on a case-by-case basis that reflect actual involvement with securing the agreement with King Carlos; transmitting that information to the colonists; and transporting the supplies that were delivered in May 1776.

It is also recommended that at all formal SAR events, the flags of our two major allies be placed in prominent positions of honor to reflect our appreciation of and admiration for the two most important countries whose support in our fight for freedom was indispensable.

First American dollar was a Spanish coin

By JUDGE EDWARD F. BUTLER SR.

The first legal-tender coin to circulate in the American colonies was the Spanish gold half-escudo coin. Thus it became America's "first gold dollar." It was the backbone of America's economy before and during the American Revolutionary War. Except for some small mintage in Boston, coins from Spain were the currency most used both in colonial times and up until the first coins were minted by the U.S. Mint in 1793. Spanish coins continued to be legal tender until 1849. Imagine these coins jingling in the pockets of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin.

Spanish Gold Coins minted in Mexico City were in circulation in the colonies before the American Revolutionary War.

The coins used in colonial America came from all over the world: Spain, Portugal, France and England. The vast majority of them were Spanish coins because during this time Spain controlled the world's supply of gold and silver.¹

Gen. Bernardo de Galvez, governor of New Spain, funneled gold and silver coins, arms, ammunition, medical supplies, uniforms and tents to Gen. George Rogers Clark at Fort Nelson, and to George Washington via Fort Pitt. A portrait of Galvez hangs in the office of the SAR president general.

Most of the silver and gold coins in circulation in the colonies during the Revolutionary War were transported overland to Veracruz and shipped to Havana.

King Carlos III of Spain had millions of these coins delivered to Galvez in New Orleans. Through Galvez the Spanish government donated the coins to the colonists. These coins were in addition to those jointly donated by Spain and France through a dummy corporation in Paris.² From 1776, the number of Spanish coins in circulation in the colonies increased dramatically.

Spanish colonial silver coins were milled. The great majority of these coins were struck at the Mexico City mint. Others were minted in the Santiago (very rare), Lima, Guatemala, Bogotá (very rare) and Potosi (Mexico) mints from 1732 to 1772. Such silver coins were in common use before, during and after the Revolution. Virginia, Massachusetts and Connecticut each passed laws making Spanish coins legal tender.³ The first cent was minted in Massachusetts in 1787, and its stated value was 1/100th of a Spanish "dollar."⁴

SPANISH SILVER COIN MINTED IN MEXICO CITY

This silver coin, valued at 8 *reals*, came to be known as a "piece of 8," which could be cut into 8 "bits." The coin has become famous in American history as the principal coin of the American colonists.⁵ One "bit" was worth 12 1/2 cents, so 25 cents became known as "two bits."⁶

In 1771, the Mexico City mint began producing the final type of Spanish colonial silver coin design in the New World. Each silver and gold coin carried the bust of Carlos

III on the obverse. They were struck at the Mexico, Lima, Bogotá, Guatemala, Potosi, Santiago, Popayan and Cuzco mints from 1771 to 1825.

COINS STARTED CARRYING BUST OF KING CARLOS IN 1771

Around the world this coin was known as the "pillar dollar" because of the two pillars shown on the reverse of the coin. These pillars symbolize the two huge escarpments that border the entrance into the Mediterranean: Gibraltar, which was historically part of the Spanish mainland, and Ceuta, the other monolith off the Mediterranean coast of Morocco. Although Gibraltar has been in the hands of the British for more than 200 years, the Spaniards still consider it part of their homeland.

AMERICA'S FIRST GOLD DOLLAR, ADOPTED AS LEGAL TENDER BY THE U.S. CONGRESS IN 1788.

After the Treaty of Paris concluded the revolution, Congress in 1788 officially adopted as legal tender the

Spanish half-escudo of the series that began in 1771, with the profile of King Carlos. Thus Carlos III was depicted on the first U.S. gold dollar!

Since Congress could just as easily have selected a coin from France,⁷ Portugal, Sweden or Holland, it is suggested that our Founding Fathers were very appreciative of the support given by Spain, which started even before the Declaration of Independence was signed. Apparently, Carlos III was viewed by our founding

fathers as our most important ally during the revolution.⁸

FOOTNOTES

- 1 *The Journal of the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation*.
- 2 See "SPAIN'S INVOLVEMENT IN THE AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR," by E.F. BUTLER, *SAR Magazine*, SUMMER 2009, VOL. 104, NO. 1, PP. 20-25.
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- 4 *A Guide Book of United States Coins*, ID AT P. 9.
- 5 *A Guide Book of United States Coins*, ID AT P. 2.
- 6 *Complete Encyclopedia of U.S. and Colonial Coins*, BY WALTER BREEN, NEW YORK, NY: DOUBLEDAY PUBLISHING, 1987.
- 7 NOTHING IN THIS ARTICLE SHOULD BE CONSTRUED IN SUCH A WAY AS TO MINIMIZE THE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR BY FRANCE. THE KING OF FRANCE WAS THE NEPHEW OF KING CARLOS III. UNDER THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THEM IN EARLY 1776, THEY WERE TO PROVIDE EQUAL AMOUNTS OF FINANCIAL AND LOGISTICAL SUPPORT THROUGH THE DUMMY CORPORATION IN PARIS. FRANCE ALSO PROVIDED ABOUT 8,000 SOLDIERS, WHO FOUGHT THE ENGLISH IN THE COLONIES AND SUPPLIED MANY SHIPS AT THE BATTLE OF YORKTOWN. BOTH SPAIN AND FRANCE WERE INDISPENSABLE ALLIES. WITHOUT THE SUPPORT FROM EACH, OUR CAUSE WOULD HAVE FAILED.
- 8 AS A PRACTICAL MATTER, ONE OF THE REASONS THIS COIN WAS SELECTED AS THE OFFICIAL U.S. CURRENCY WAS THE FACT THAT IT WAS ALREADY SO WIDELY CIRCULATED. THIS BROAD CIRCULATION WAS BY RESULT OF THE SHEER NUMBER OF THESE COINS PROVIDED TO THE COLONISTS BY OUR SPANISH ALLIES.



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Judge Edward F. Butler Sr. was born in Memphis, Tenn., where he attended public schools. He was a regional scholar at the University of Mississippi, graduating with honors in 1958. During that time, the governor of Mississippi presented him with a medal as the outstanding ROTC cadet of the Army, Air Force and Navy ROTC units. At Ole Miss he became a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity. In ΣΧ he has served as a distinguished faculty adviser at the annual Balfour Leadership Training event; as a member of the house committee; and as an alumni adviser to a chapter. In 2005, ΣΧ honored him as "Significant Sig," along with Barry Goldwater and John Wayne. He has remained an active member of the ΣΧ Alumni.



Butler was awarded a Ford Foundation Scholarship to the Vanderbilt University School of Law. At Vandy, he was admitted into Phi Delta Phi, an honorary legal fraternity; was on the Law Day Moot Court Team; was elected vice president of his graduating class; and served as editor of the school newspaper. He graduated from Vanderbilt Law School with honors in 1961.

Butler spent 35 years as a reservist in the United States armed forces. After eight years in the Air Force Reserve, he was honorably discharged as a staff sergeant. He served 27 years in the U.S. Navy Reserve as a naval intelligence officer. He retired in 1990 with the rank of commander. During the last 10 years of his naval career, he served as a "blue and gold officer" for the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. For his service, he received awards as the Outstanding Blue and Gold Officer from both the commandant (1988) and the superintendent (1989).

At the time of the writing of this article, Butler was serving as the 106th president general of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution. He became a member of the Isaac Shelby Chapter of the SAR in Memphis on Sept. 16, 1986. He had applied before moving to South Padre Island, Texas, where he served as the presiding municipal court judge. He was a charter member of the Liberty SAR Chapter in Brownsville, Texas. While on South Padre Island, he was tapped for an appointment as a federal administrative law judge. Immediately after his honeymoon with wife Robin, he reported to the National Judicial College (NJC) in Alexandria, Va., for a three-week course. After graduation from the NJC, he moved to Dallas, Texas, where he assumed his judicial duties. There, he became affiliated with the Plano, Texas, chapter.

Butler retired in 1997, at which time he and Robin went on a around-the-world trip, visiting 58 countries. Butler has visited more than 160 countries. Since August 1998, Butler has been a member of the San Antonio Chapter, serving as the chapter president. He served as chapter and state genealogist and as a vice president of the Texas Society.

Butler's first appearance on the national SAR scene was in 2000, when President General Larry D. McClanahan appointed him as the SAR ambassador to Mexico and Latin America. At the time, he had some proficiency in reading, writing and speaking Spanish, having lived briefly in Mexico and conducted business there for many years. The Butlers made eight trips to Mexico that year, spending 47 days south of the border. In less than a year, Butler secured a charter for the Mexico Society, which at the time had 22 members living in Mexico. He was elected the charter president and trustee, and also served two terms as Vice President General for the International District.

Butler's SAR awards include the National Distinguished Service Gold Medal, the Minuteman Award, Military Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Silver and Bronze Good Citizenship Medals, Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Silver Color Guard Medal.

For many years he has also served as SAR ambassador to Spain. Through his work with the DAR regent in Spain, and an SAR member in Madrid, enough members have been obtained to charter the Spain Society during the SAR trip to Spain in May 2010.

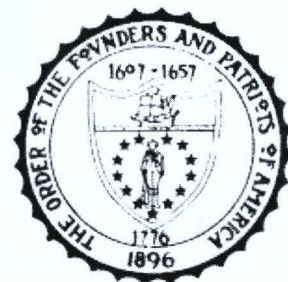
This is Butler's second article in *The SAR Magazine* about Spain's assistance during the American Revolutionary War. He is working on a third article that will cover the assistance rendered to Gen. George Rogers Clark at Fort Nelson and the involvement of Spanish troops and militia in what is now Arkansas, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky and Michigan.

AUTHOR'S SAR Bio

Compatriot Charles R. Lampman, the author of "Spain's Involvement in the American Revolution," is a retired U.S. Navy commander, past president and National Trustee of the California Society and past vice president general for the Western District. He was National Color Guard commander from 2006-07 and received the Minuteman Award in 2006. He is a George Washington Fellow.



Lampman holds degrees from the California Maritime Academy and the University of West Florida. He taught at the U.S. Naval Academy and Barstow College. He holds the NSDAR Founder's Medal, the Ellen Hardin Walworth Medal for Patriotism, The Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge George Washington Honor Medal, and the Daughters of Colonial Wars' award for the preservation of colonial history.



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STATE SOCIETY & CHAPTER EVENTS

News stories about state and chapter events appearing here and elsewhere in the magazine are prepared from materials submitted through a variety of means, including press releases and newsletters (which should be directed to the Editor at

the address shown on page 2). Please note the deadlines below. Compatriots are encouraged to submit ideas for historical feature articles they would like to write. Each will be given careful consideration.

DEADLINES: WINTER (FEBRUARY) DEC. 15; SPRING (MAY) MARCH 15; SUMMER (AUGUST) JUNE 15; FALL (NOVEMBER) SEPT. 15.



From left, SAR Awards Chairman John Goss, honoree Deonte Albert, Leroy McGaughey, Chapter President Stan Virden and Jim Wardlaw.

ALABAMA SOCIETY

The November 2009 meeting of the Gen. Galvez Chapter was held at Ryan's Steak House in the Eastern Shore Mall in Spanish Fort, Ala.

Compatriot John Goss announced that the recognition ceremony for Deonte Albert, the 13-year-old Good Samaritan who defended a woman who was being beaten, was held on Oct. 29, 2009, at Albert's school, Calloway-Smith Middle School. Albert, who was stabbed by the assailant, was awarded the SAR Outstanding Citizenship pin and certificate.

President Stan Virden introduced the speaker, ALSSAR Vice President Bruce Pickette, who spoke on the Battle of Kettle Creek, which took place near the town of Washington, Ga. Pickette noted that the smaller patriot assembly of three small bands of troops routed the larger British force.

ARIZONA SOCIETY

Brothers Christopher and Jeffrey Herrera were inducted into the Sons of the American Revolution Society (See *California Society* section). What makes this special is that they are the first to be inducted into SAR based on a Spanish Soldier, Tucson Presidio 2nd Lt. Manuel Ortega, who was their

ancestor. He served in what is now Arizona during the years of the American Revolution.

President General Edward Butler and his wife, Robin, visited the Arizona Society from Nov. 1-3, 2009.

Accompanying the Butlers were Rocky Mountain District Vice President General Perkins Patton and his wife, Patricia. Butler's visit was kicked off with a Sunday evening state board meeting at the Skyline Country Club in Tucson, followed by a banquet honoring the President General. At the banquet, Butler presented past State President Dick Zeilman with the National Meritorious Service Medal and, in turn, Butler was presented a handsome bola tie by state President Al Niemeyer. Robin Butler was given a necklace by Ladies Auxiliary President Nancy Alter.

AZSSAR members took the Butlers on tours of the Tucson Presidio, San Xavier del Bac and the Arizona State Historical Society. Their stay ended with a tour of the Saguaro National Park and the saguaros that border the Old Tucson movie set.

BARRY M. GOLDWATER CHAPTER

The speaker at the June 2009 meeting was Astronaut John Phillips, son of chapter President Carlton Phillips. John was aboard the STS-119 *Discovery*



Past President General Bruce Wilcox met with U.S. Sen. John McCain in Washington, D.C., and presented him with his SAR rosette. McCain acknowledged receipt of his membership certificate and expressed pride to be an SAR.

(March 15-28, 2009). During the 13-day, 202-orbit mission, the crew delivered and installed the S6 integrated truss segment to the International Space Station, including the final two solar array wings. Phillips operated the Canadarm-2 robotic arm to unberth and install the S6 truss. He also served as loadmaster, rendezvous mission specialist and crew medical officer.

RIM COUNTRY CHAPTER

A charter was given to the Rim Country Chapter of Payson on Sept. 12, 2009. The ceremony of institution was presided over by AZSSAR President Al Niemeyer with

Historian Dr. Rudy Byrd acting as sergeant-at-arms. Secretary Warren Alter also attended.

Bill Herzig was installed as the chapter's first president and presented the chapter charter by Niemeyer. Ward Johnson is the acting secretary/treasurer. James David Patterson was inducted as a new SAR member.

Thirty members and guests attended the historic breakfast meeting, held at Tiny's in Payson.

SAGUARO CHAPTER

The annual Constitution Day Celebration was held Sept. 26, 2009, at the Sun Grove Resort Village in Peoria. The chapter hosted the event and more than a dozen Arizona DAR chapters were represented. The entire program

had a patriotic theme. The speaker was Judge John Keegan, a member of the Saguaro Chapter, who discussed the branches of the government as listed in our Constitution.

TUCSON CHAPTER

AZSSAR President Al Niemeyer, Vice President Walter Seaton and Historian Dr. Rudy Byrd together with Tucson Chapter President George Lipphardt attended the organizational meeting of the Coronado Society, NSCAR in Sierra Vista on Aug. 30, 2009.

Later, C.A.R. State President Jonathan Slusser installed Lee Lovorn as the president of the Coronado Society. Lovorn is a newly approved member of the Tucson Chapter, SAR.

PALO VERDE CHAPTER

At a Sept. 9, 2009, memorial dinner for 9/11 heroes and victims, the Palo Verde Chapter honored five outstanding local firefighters. Each honoree was presented the SAR Fire Award Medal and Certificate. The dinner for the honorees and their spouses or guests was held at Dobson's Restaurant in Mesa. The speaker was Tempe Assistant Chief for Emergency Services John Valenzuela.

At the Law Enforcement Awards Chapter meeting on Oct. 12, five outstanding local law enforcement officers and their spouses or guests were honored with breakfast, also at Dobson's. Law enforcement awards and certificates were presented to the outstanding officers. Assistant Special Agent In Charge of the FBI's Phoenix Office, Stephen A. Cocco, spoke on the FBI's counter-terrorism program.



From left, Officer David Bishop, Det. Melissa Moore, Officer Doug Jennings and Sgt. Joseph Brudnock.

BELGIUM SOCIETY

(EUROPEAN DISTRICT)

At the request of President Comte Eric d'Aboville and Secretary Bertrand Desthieux, 15 members of the Belgian Chapter SAR attended and welcomed Jacques de Trentinan, vice president general Europe SAR, at a Christmas concert on Dec. 12, 2009, hosted by Comte de Lichtervelde in his presti-

gious Château de La Folie.

Chantal de Salaberry and André Guitard delighted the audience with their performance of Schubert's four-hand pieces for piano.

Younger participants of the members' families also attended the concert and following reception, which was held in the chateau's library.

CALIFORNIA SOCIETY

The San Diego Chapter and Casa de España en San Diego celebrated Spain's contribution to the American Revolution with a festive event held at the House of Spain in Balboa Park on Saturday, Nov. 21, 2009. The highlight of the event was the induction of Christopher and Jeffrey Herrera. Christopher lives in Anaheim and Jeffrey lives in San Diego. The induction ceremony was conducted jointly by the Rev. Dr. Stanley W. De Long, past president, CASSAR; and Dr. Abraham "Rudy" Byrd, past president of the Tucson Chapter, AZSSAR.

Christopher and Jeffrey Herrera's fifth-great-grandfather was Don Manuel Ortega, a Brevet 2nd Lieutenant who served in the Tucson Presidio during the American Revolution. Ortega was born in 1761 in Tubac, Sonora, Nueva España, and died Oct. 4, 1817. He enlisted in the military on Aug. 14, 1780, in Tucson at age 19 and served for 37 years. Ortega's father, Don Cristóbal Ortega, served at the Tubac Presidio as a sergeant from circa 1756 to 1760 prior to the Revolution.

Seventy-six people attended this year's event, the fifth annual San Diego Chapter commemoration of Spain's contribution to the American Revolution. In addition to SAR members, the DAR, C.A.R., Los Pobladores 200, Los Californios and the Tucson Presidio were represented. Following the induction, Byrd spoke about the history of the Tucson Presidio Trust for Historic Preservation to guide and aid in the interpretation of the history of the Old Pueblo at the Tucson Origins Heritage Park. The Trust places special emphasis on the Spanish Colonial period through research, education and living history.

Compatriot James E. Mattern, past president of the San Diego Chapter and the presiding Chieftain of the Dunbar



Christopher Herrera of Anaheim and Jeffrey Herrera of San Diego were inducted into the SAR.

Clan, formally introduced Monica Dunbar Herrera, the mother of the new inductees and other members of the Dunbar family and Dunbar Clan who had journeyed to San Diego from Tucson and other points in California.

Pedro Sánchez Catalá, president, Casa de España, concluded the event with an address about the history of the "House of Spain" in San Diego. The purpose of Casa de España is to provide a means for Spanish citizens, American citizens of Spanish ancestry, and others to foster and cultivate Spanish traditions and to form friendships. Casa de España has been a consistent supporter of SAR's endeavor to recognize the active support of Spain to the cause of the American Revolution.

Chapter President Michael J. Howard presented Catalá with a plaque expressing appreciation to Casa de España for its support of the chapter's annual Presidio commemorative service. The plaque is embossed with the SAR and chapter logos.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies, Casa de España served a meal consisting of a traditional Spanish salad, paella and sangria. The meal ended with an American favorite—homemade apple pie and ice cream.



President General Ed Butler visited with past State President Steve Renouf at the CASSAR Board of Managers meeting in November 2009.



CONNECTICUT SOCIETY

The society's color guard/living history unit, The Connecticut Line, participated in its annual "Grand Encampment" at the Gov. Jonathan Trumbull Sr. house (owned by the DAR) in Lebanon in September. The event has been held as a training weekend for the color guard. During the weekend the unit camps and cooks, and trains in 18th-century military drill. Pictured are members cooking chicken and pork on a spit over an open fire. This year marks the 300th anniversary of the birth of Trumbull, Connecticut's "Rebel Governor," and events are planned throughout the year.



D.C. SOCIETY

The District of Columbia Society hosted the 32nd annual Potowmack Ball for debutantes and others. This event honors C.A.R. in general and the D.C.C.A.R. specifically. In addition, young women who are members of C.A.R., and at least 17 years old (or a senior in high school) but no more than 21 years old, are invited to be presented as debutantes.

This year's event, which was held at Almas Shrine Temple in Washington, D.C. on Saturday, Nov. 28, presented 11 debutantes from Illinois, New Hampshire, Ohio, Louisiana, Virginia, and D.C.C.A.R. societies. The accomplishments of these young ladies are amazing! Involvement

in C.A.R. activities, church and community volunteer work, as well as outstanding academic achievement, only scratch the surface of what these individuals have accomplished in their short lives. Multiple facets of human endeavor—from gene research to teaching police officers to use a computer program (written by the debutante) that enabled them to do composites of suspects—were represented, as well as various musical talents and athletic accomplishments.

Receiving and honoring these young women were NSSAR President General Edward F. Butler and his wife, Robin, as well as NSDAR President General Linda Gist Calvin. Also among those attending were Lindsay Brock and his wife, Billie, as well as the C.A.R. Senior National President Lois Schmidt, C.A.R. National President Emily Falkenstein (both from the Washington, D.C. area).

Serving as co-chairs of this event were Mrs. Gerson Nordlinger III (wife of the DCSSAR President) and Mrs. Sunni Bond Winkler whose late husband, Thomas J. Bond Jr., was Registrar General in the mid-90s. Mrs. Winkler also served as debutante coordinator, while Paul M. Hays was master of ceremonies. His melodious voice made the presentations enjoyable. A full photographic record of this event can be found at jimbrownphotography.com. Plans for the 33rd Potowmack Ball, which will be held on Saturday, Nov. 27, 2010, are already under way.



From left, Delaware Society President J. Dallas Winslow Jr., past President General Roland G. Downing, President General Edward F. Butler Sr., past President General Howard F. Horne Jr. and Vice President General Mid-Atlantic District Richard I. Ashmun

DELAWARE SOCIETY

In December 2009, the Delaware Society celebrated the 222nd anniversary of the Delaware's signing of the Constitution of the United States on Dec. 7, 1787, an event that earned Delaware the sobriquet "The First State."

The celebration was a formal affair, with President General Edward F. Butler Sr. and Richard Ashmun, vice president general of the Mid-Atlantic District, in attendance, along with Delaware's former Presidents General Howard F. Horne Jr. and Roland G. Downing.

It was also a somber affair for Downing's Delaware compatriots as he announced that he and his wife, Norma, were retiring to Atlantic Beach, Fla. Downing related that after receiving his doctorate in organic chemistry from Vanderbilt University, he worked for the DuPont Company in Wilmington, Del., through 1992. It was then that he decided to devote his efforts entirely to the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Downing was presented with the Distinguished Service Medal and bid a fond farewell.

FLORIDA SOCIETY

The Florida chapters presented a total of 61 Bronze JROTC medals and six Silver awards, while the Pensacola Chapter presented a Outstanding Cadet Medallion and a \$100 saving bond to Cadet Maj. Victoria Glass of Pensacola High School.

The chapters also presented three SAR Heroism medals. Pensacola Chapter recognized Santa Rosa County Sheriff's Detective I.D. Brewton for saving people involved in a flaming multi-car crash on Interstate 10 in the middle of Escambia Bay. At the Veteran's Hospital in Tampa, the Withlacoochie Chapter presented a medal to Romulo Carmargo for his service in Afghanistan. St. Lucie River Chapter presented a medal to 17-year-old Joshua Ebright, who was driving to school when he came upon a car that had been rear-ended and was on fire, and pulled the driver to safety.

Liberty Trees have been planted so far this year by Emerald Coast and Caloosa chapters.

Pensacola Chapter, Palm Beach Chapter and St. Lucie River Chapter awarded flag certificates; five chapters participated in the Florida Good Citizenship program; Gainesville and Central Florida chapters participated in new citizenship programs; and there were five Eagle Scout presentations. Compatriots throughout the state gave 36 presentations about the Revolution and patriotic activities.

Meritious Service awards were given to Compatriots Jeffery Sizemore, Norman Myers and Jay Wise for their long and faithful service to the local, state and national societies.

GEORGIA SOCIETY

Continuing the educational emphasis on the American Revolution in Georgia, the Georgia Society's Revolutionary War Trail Committee last fall presented a series of programs for the Emory Adult Education-Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Emory University in Atlanta. The institute was open to interested adults 50 and older who paid a modest fee to enrich their lives by learning new and challenging topics.

Compatriots from several Georgia chapters presented programs for the eight-week session. Jack Ferguson of the Piedmont Chapter, with assistance from Billy Templeton of the Cherokee Chapter in the role of Benjamin Franklin, gave an overview of the American Revolution, and subsequent programs dealt primarily with Georgia's role in the fight for independence. Dr. Hugh Rodges of the Coweta Falls Chapter, Larry Wilson of

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Larry Wilson in Continental dress stands with DAR members Sara Lesseur as Georgia Patriot Nancy Hart and Betty Slaten as Mammy Kate. Mary Fortson Johnson, right, served as host for the Georgia Revolutionary War Trail's classes at Emory University.

the Samuel Elbert Chapter, Bob Sapp of the Piedmont Chapter, Gordon Smith of the Edward Telfair Chapter and Bill Ramsaur of the Marshes of Glynn Chapter emphasized Georgia's engagements and heroes, heralding the events and people at Augusta, in the Georgia back country, in Savannah, Sunbury and on Georgia's Golden Isles. DAR members assisted with "living history" presentations.

The recently developed Georgia's Revolutionary War Trail program and its eight informational pamphlets formed a basis for much of the successful program's curriculum. A copy of each GASSAR brochure explaining the major battles and patriots can be downloaded from the Web page:

www.grwt.gassar.org.

ATHENS CHAPTER

Members of the Athens Chapter recently visited Oconee County elementary schools, presenting framed copies of the Declaration of Independence and giving Revolutionary War era talks using the GASSAR's fully assembled "Traveling Trunk." Chapter President Jackson Guest in militia attire and Compatriot Charlie Newcomer in Continental dress appeared on the schools' televised morning news programs, and afterward as the trunk was unpacked, brought alive the story of the Founding Fathers and life in the Colonial Era to fourth-graders.

Teachers and students were informed of the annual Americanism Poster Contest for fourth-graders. An additional feature of the programs was an overview of Georgia's role in the Revolution, using GASSAR's Revolutionary War Trail pamphlets, and an invitation to the teachers and students to attend the commemorative events at nearby Kettle Creek and Vann's Creek/Cherokee Ford.

DALTON CHAPTER

Four "wounded warriors" from the Army National Guard unit headquartered in Dalton, along with their families, were honored by the Dalton Chapter GASSAR at a special Salute to Veterans Dinner on Veterans' Day 2009. Sfc. Jeffrey Boyles, Cpl. Andrew Sullens, Spc. Anthony Landowski and Spc. Nate Watson from Charlie Troop were recognized for their patriotism, love of country and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good. The men were wounded in Afghanistan in two separate incidents shortly after the unit had arrived in the war-torn nation last spring.

Chapter President Fred W. Snell and past President Larry Winter, who coordinated the program, presented each of the soldiers framed Wounded Warrior certificates signed by President General Edward F. Butler Sr.

Wives and mothers of the four men received engraved plaques and bouquets of roses in appreciation of their support and sacrifice.

"The program was the best ever for any SAR program I have attended," said longtime SAR member and past President Zack Norville. "At no time have I heard a message so astounding—ly historic, patriotic and army original."

JOEL EARLY CHAPTER

Georgia's Joel Early Chapter received the first-place ribbon in the adult group for its patriotic entry in the Harvest Festival Parade in Donalsonville, Ga., in late fall. Pictured in front of the float are Tom Peters, Fletcher Dunaway, Larry Grant, Harry Dunaway, Robert Dunaway and Clayton Penhallegon. Chapter President Neal Spooner holds the blue ribbon won by the organization.



"Wounded Warriors" from Dalton, Georgia's Army National Guard and their wives were honored at a Veterans' Day banquet.

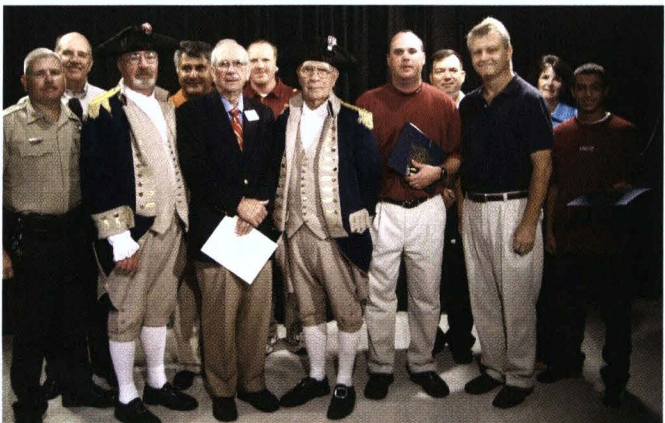


PIEDMONT CHAPTER

The Piedmont Chapter presented heroism medals and certificates to five people who performed life-saving procedures on a man who suffered cardiac arrest while jogging on the Lassiter High School track in Cobb County, Ga.

Coaches David Arvin, Jim Brown and Chip Lindsey administered CPR on the unconscious man, while Sheriff's Deputy Richard Edwards called emergency services. Student Zach Stein brought a portable defibrillator, which was used until the emergency medical technicians arrived, stabilized the man, and transported him to an area hospital.

President Bob Shaw, along with color guard Commander Paul Prescott and member Bob Sapp, presented the heroism medals, certificates and a proclamation. The chairman of the Cobb County School Board, the school district's superintendent and high school administrators attended. A special attendee was the man whose life was saved—known as "Mr. Nick"—who thanked the group now known as the "Lassiter's Heroes."



ILLINOIS SOCIETY

The Gen. George Rogers Clark Chapter regularly recognizes Eagle Scouts, but the October 2009 ceremony was unique. Receiving recognition certificates and medals were triplets Adam Edward Rose, Jacob William Rose and Timothy Garner Rose. The 18-year-olds are seniors at Highlands High School and members of Troop 43 and have earned a combined total of 180 merit badges.

KISHWAUKEE CHAPTER

Some former United States military officers who were eligible for promotion in rank failed to receive it because of a war's end and their release from active duty. One such case was that of Eugene Sisson of Rockton, Ill., who was a captain in World War II.



When James Wright, the current president of the Kishwaukee Chapter SAR and a retired U.S. Army officer, learned of fellow member Sisson's circum-

stances, he put the wheels in motion to try to effect Sisson's promotion. At the chapter's Sept. 19, 2009, meeting, held at Memorial Hall in Rockford, Sisson was promoted from captain to major by the U.S. Army. The ceremony was conducted by a detachment of personnel, headed by Lt. Col. Robert L. Cody II, commander of the U.S. Army Recruiting Battalion headquartered in Milwaukee, Wis., and Capt. Brock Zimmerman of the Recruiting Command stationed in Loves Park, Ill. Cody addressed the assemblage with the history of Sisson's military service and the honor of promoting such deserving veterans.

Zimmerman performed the promotion ceremony and fastened Sisson's new insignia of rank to his uniform. Sisson, now 91, then expressed his appreciation to the SAR chapter for its determination and effort in making the promotion happen and reviewed his last days of service during WWII and his anxiousness to get home to his wife and 15-month-old daughter, who had been born in his absence.

Sisson entered the U.S. Army at Camp Grant, Ill., on July 6, 1942. He was sent to Camp Swift, Texas, and to officer training at Fort Benning, Ga. A new division was being formed at Camp Adair, Ore., and he transferred there, joining the 274th Regiment. Sisson became a captain of "E" Company, 274th Regiment, 70th

Infantry Division and served throughout the Battle of the Bulge in France and Germany during the war. The 274th Regiment landed at Marseilles, France, Dec. 10, 1944, and in less than three weeks was hurled into the front lines along the Rhine River near Bischweiler as "Task Force Herrin," which helped to stem the German winter offensive at Wingen and Philippsbourg. On Feb. 17, 1945, the entire division jumped off and took Spicheron Heights (Hitler's Holy Ground), Forbach, Stiring-Wendel and Saarbrücken on March 20, 1945. The division was the first to put men across the Saar River, and from the time they first entered combat to V-E Day, they never took a backward step.

The 70th Infantry (Trailblazer) Division made an enviable record during WWII and ranks favorably with many famous fighting units produced during the war. When Sisson left for overseas, there were 198 men in his company. When he came home, he came alone.

—WESLEY M. HYLAND



INDIANA SOCIETY

Compatriots Jerry Sullivan, Ron Darrah and Earl Salisbury (above) prepared to hand out flags to 199 new citizens at a naturalization proceeding held at the Indiana Fairgrounds in Indianapolis. The ceremony took place during the International Festival.

Compatriots Stuart Hart and John Horton (also in uniform) stood aside for photographs of the new citizens, which helped keep the line moving. Hart gave one of eight welcoming speeches to the new citizens. These compatriots are members of the Clarence A. Cook Chapter, Indianapolis.

IOWA SOCIETY

The Iowa Society, led by project chairman and *The Iowa Patriot* editor Dr. Francis Keith, took part in a Wreaths Across America Ceremony at

Woodlands Cemetery in Des Moines, Iowa.

The IASSAR made it a true "Partnership in Patriotism" by being assisted in the project by members of the Civil Air Patrol Cadets, the DAR, the Iowa Rifles Civil War Color Guard Unit, the VFW, the Women's Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and others from throughout the community.



Retired Col. Francis Keith shared a message from Iowa Gov. Chet Culver, who had proclaimed Dec. 11, 2009, as Wreaths Across America Day in Iowa. The ceremony ended with the ringing of a reproduction Liberty Bell every three seconds for each of the 731 veterans from the War of 1812 to the Vietnam War who are buried in Woodland Cemetery.



KENTUCKY SOCIETY

Nearly 100 descendants and friends of the Lamb family gathered Oct. 10, 2009, at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Princeton, Ky., to honor Revolutionary War patriot Longshore Lamb (ca. 1748-ca. 1828) and his wife, Sarah (Lee) Lamb (ca. 1760-ca. 1844).

The events began at noon with a welcome speech by Matthew T. Patton of Phoenixville, Penn. Patton submitted a supplemental application for Longshore Lamb in 2008 to the SAR. His early research was aided by fellow Lamb descendant Janet Humphreys, the first to join the DAR under Longshore Lamb.

The program also consisted of a flag presentation, including 10 flags associated with the early Lamb family and a large flag flown over the U.S. Capitol on June 15, 2009. A certificate accompanying the flag states, "At the request of the Hon. Jim Gerlach, Member of Congress, this flag was flown for Caldwell County Settler and

Revolutionary War Patriot Longshore Lamb, who assisted in establishing American Independence.”

Following the pledge of allegiance to the flag, Tyler Clay Collins played “Taps.” Afterward, attendees joined to recite a tribute to Longshore and Sarah Lamb and to “all of the men and women who have served the United States with integrity and devotion.” After the Lamb memorial marker was unveiled, Patton and Linda Lamb Monticelli placed a red, white and blue wreath at the memorial site. Patton and Monticelli organized the day’s events, which also included a family reunion reception catered by Riverside Café of Dycusburg, Ky.

Caldwell County resident Richard P’Pool secured a government-issued marker from the Department of Veterans Affairs and placed the stone at the site. P’Pool, also a Lamb descendant, was honored in 2003 for his efforts to place markers for U.S. veterans. P’Pool has helped apply for and received more than 300 markers from the VA at his own expense. This process requires hours of tedious and detailed research because the documentation required, including the muster rolls and the extracts from state files or land warrants, is often not readily available. The marker reads, “Longshore Lamb, Pvt SC Militia, Revolutionary War, 1748-1828.”

Fourteen states were represented at the reunion. Sharon Lamb Davis traveled from Redmond, Wash., to the ceremony to honor her fourth-great-grandfather. “If he hadn’t joined so many others to fight for our future we would not be where we are today. And I am thankful that I live in this free country,” Davis said.

MAINE SOCIETY

National Trustee Ronald Newton presented a 50-year certificate (actually 52 years) to Compatriot George B. Barner of Kennebunk, Maine. Barner is 100 and still has a busy social schedule.

MARYLAND SOCIETY

The Sgt. Lawrence Everhart Chapter held a fall event at the Catoctin Iron Furnace in Frederick County. The original Catoctin furnace was built in 1776 by the Johnson brothers and was in continuous blast for more than 100 years. Thomas Johnson



National Trustee Ronald Newton, right, presents a 50-year certificate (actually 52 years) to Compatriot George B. Barner of Kennebunk, Maine. Barner is 100 and still has a busy social schedule. Also pictured is Barner’s youngest son, Christian, whose membership application has been forwarded to the National Society for approval.

later became the first governor of Maryland. This furnace made 10-inch bombshells for the Continental Army, many of which were used in the siege of Yorktown in 1781.

The chapter furnished and dedicated a bronze plaque mounted to a large native rock at the site of a restored stack. The ceremony was attended by the Maryland State Color Guard, the president of the MDSSAR, the president of the MDSCAR, the Maryland state park historian and regents of the local DAR chapters. Rangers graciously accepted the plaque for the Maryland State Forest and Park Service.

MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY

Members of the Robert Treat Paine Chapter of the Massachusetts Society of the Sons of the American Revolution rededicated the graves of four American Patriots of African heritage—Quamony Quash, Cato Howe, Prince Goodwin, and Plato Turner. The event was hosted by

Parting Ways. For more information, visit www.partingways.org

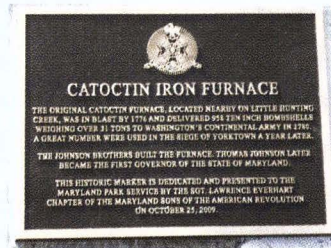


Compatriots Kenneth P. Doten, Steve Kellum, Wayne Musa Barboza, President of Parting Ways Edward Johnson and Robert Treat Paine Chapter President Kenneth J. Sutcliffe.



MISSOURI SOCIETY

From left, Compatriots George De Lapp, Robert Grover and Lawrence Loker attended the October meeting of the Harry S. Truman Chapter. They are the remaining charter members of the chapter, which was chartered in 1984 by the late President General Arthur M. King, KSSAR.



The combined SAR Color Guard assembles at the Old Shiloh Presbyterian Church cemetery for the Frederick Hambricht SAR grave marking ceremony in Grover, N.C., on Oct. 6, 2009.

NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

On Oct. 6, 2009, the Mecklenburg Chapter NCSSAR conducted a ceremony to honor Revolutionary War patriot Col. Frederick Hambricht and to mark his grave. Attending the ceremony were SAR representatives from eight states as well as representatives from the DAR, C.A.R., Order of Founders and Patriots, and Colonial Dames XVII Century. The ceremony opened with the combined color guard presenting the colors followed by the invocation by Chaplain General Rev. Dr. A. Clark Wiser. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Paul Callanan, president of the Mecklenburg Chapter NCSSAR, and then the SAR Pledge was led by VPG Sam Powell of the South Atlantic District. “The Star Spangled Banner” was sung by Sloane A. Wood.

Remarks were made by Historian General Lindsey Brock and Secretary General David Sympson. Past President General Larry D. McClanahan (2001-2002) gave a presentation on “Germanic Patriots During the American Revolution.” President General Edward F. Butler Sr. gave a presentation entitled “Col. Hambricht and the Battle of Kings Mountain.”

Butler, a descendant of Hambricht, and Eudora Anne Ratcliff unveiled the SAR grave marker, followed by Wood singing “God Bless America.”

Forty-five wreaths adorned Hambricht’s grave. The SAR recession-al was led by Lt. Col. Frank Horton, president NCSSAR, and the closing prayer was given by Chaplain General Wiser. The combined color guard retired the colors to conclude the ceremony.

Hambricht arrived in the Philadelphia on the ship *St. Andrew* on Oct. 27, 1738, when he was 11. The Hambrichts first settled in Lancaster County, Pa. Hambricht married Sarah Hardin of Virginia in the early 1750s. Hambricht, with Sarah’s brothers and others, traveled the wagon road to North Carolina and settled at a fort on the South Fork of the Catawba



Dr. Sam Powell, Lt. Col. Frank Horton, president NCSSAR, and Chaplain General Rev. Dr. A. Clark Wiser.

River in the area that is Tryon County, later moving to Long Creek, Lincoln County. Hambricht and his first wife parented six of their 12 children to maturity. An early advocate of American independence, he was a signer of the Tryon Resolves in 1775 and represented Tryon County at the Third Provincial Congress in Hillsborough, August 1775. He entered the Revolutionary War in 1777, serving in several campaigns as a militia officer. At 53, Hambricht was commander of the Lincoln County troops, the South Fork boys, at the Battle of Kings Mountain, Oct. 7, 1780. Three musket balls passed through the hat he wore in the battle and was shot in the thigh near the end of the battle. He remained on his horse and rallied his men. He recuperated from his wound but would thereafter have a halt in his walk. The following year he married Mary Dover, a young neighbor who cared for him after he was wounded. He was an elder in the Shiloh Presbyterian Church and a leader in the growth of the congregation. Hambricht died on March 9, 1817, at 90. Eight of the 10 children he fathered with Mary lived to adulthood.

— JAMES H. WOOD, MECKLENBURG CHAPTER NCSSAR

KINGS MOUNTAIN

In conjunction with the South Carolina Society and the National Park Service, members of the Marquis de Lafayette Chapter organized the 229th anniversary celebration of the Battle of Kings Mountain. President General Butler, Secretary General David Sympson, Chaplain General Clark Wiser, Historian General Lindsey Brock, Registrar General Steve Leishman and Dr. Sam Powell, VPG of the South Atlantic District, were among

the dignitaries in attendance. Butler awarded State President Frank Horton the National Meritorious Service Award for his efforts organizing the event. SAR members from eight states attended.

OLD NORTH STATE

On Sunday, Nov. 8, 2009, the Old North State Contingent of the NCSSAR Color Guard and members of the Halifax Resolves Chapter NCSSAR led the Veteran’s Day Parade in Roanoke Rapids, N.C. The group was led by NSSAR Chaplain Gen. Rev. A. Clark Wiser.

Halifax Resolves Chapter banner bearers were retired U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Ken Wilson, the chapter vice president, and Compatriot Dave Hoaglan.

Members of the Old North State and Halifax Resolves Color Guards participated in the Veteran’s Day Parade and Memorial Service in Roanoke Rapids, N.C., on Nov. 8, 2009. Joining their ranks were Chaplain General Clark Wiser and VPG Dr. Sam Powell. Compatriots Ken Wilson and David Hoaglan carried the banner of the Halifax Resolve Chapter.

In addition to parading the colors, they also participated in the memorial ceremony by reading aloud the names of American veterans past and present.



NEW JERSEY SOCIETY

Scott Ross, president of the Jockey Hollow Chapter, introduced Bill Chemerka, right, at the Sept. 24, 2009, meeting at The Old Mill Inn in Basking Ridge. Chemerka, who is an educator, lecturer, actor and writer, presented a first-person re-enactment on Daniel Morgan's Revolutionary War Rifle Company.

OHIO SOCIETY

Richard Q. Fowler, who re-enacted the character of Benjamin Franklin during many SAR events, died Nov. 24, 2009.

Fowler, 80, a resident of Ohio and Florida, had planned to become a plural member of the newly established Hocking Valley Chapter. Chapter President Keith Kaufman said of Fowler: "All the color guardsmen of our chapter enjoyed and appreciated Dick's presence at various events. He will be sadly missed."

Regarding his involvement with the SAR, Fowler once said, "I especially hope to capture children's attention and help build in them a desire to learn more about the heroes of the American Revolution." An SAR Colonial Color Guard was present during memorial services in Grove City.

CINCINNATI CHAPTER

Three presidents attended the chapter's board of management meeting in Cincinnati on Dec. 2, 2009; President General Edward F. Butler Sr., Cincinnati Chapter President James Schaffer and OHSSAR President William "Tony" Robinson.

During the meeting, Butler presented the Meritorious Service Award to Compatriot Paul Wilke.

James E. Butler was presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal by Chapter President James D. Schaffer at the Constitution Day Luncheon on Sept. 12, 2009.

Butler, the chief assistant prosecutor for Hamilton County since 1980, has

prosecuted numerous child abuse, sexual assault and homicide cases and was the representative prosecutor to the U.S. District Attorney's Office responsible for selected federal firearms and narcotic cases. A graduate of Xavier University and the University of Cincinnati Law School, he served in the U.S. Army from 1965-72, with two tours in Vietnam as commander of special forces, PSYOPS Co., receiving the bronze star with oak leaf cluster.

Also honored at the luncheon, which was held at the Commonwealth Hilton Hotel in Florence, Ky., were Col. Donald C. McGraw Jr. and John C. Kirts. McGraw was awarded the War Service Medal and Kirts received the Bronze Color Guard Medal.

During the chapter's Thanksgiving Day Program, held Nov. 14, 2009, at the Receptions Banquet Center in Erlanger, Ky., community awards were given to John Kenneth Wilson Jr. and Thomas E. Geimeier. Chapter President James D. Schaffer presented Wilson with the Flag Certificate, and Geimeier was awarded the Certificate of Appreciation.

GEORGE ROGERS CLARK CHAPTER

The chapter color guard joined Benjamin Franklin, portrayed by Christopher Lowell, during the opening celebration of the exhibit *Benjamin Franklin: In Search of a Better World*, at Urbana University on Aug. 28, 2009. The guard presented the colors and a musket escort of Franklin through time to the 21st century. The traveling exhibit for libraries was organized by the Benjamin Franklin Tercentary, to honor the 300th anniversary of Franklin's birth, and the American Public Libraries, with major funding by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

HOCKING VALLEY CHAPTER

Members of the OHSSAR participated in the 103rd annual Pumpkin Show Parade on Oct. 24, 2009. All the Festival Queens in Ohio are invited to the parade, which is deemed the largest in the Midwest.

It was the Hocking Valley Chapter's first year to participate in the parade, having become the newest SAR chapter in Ohio on May 2, 2009. Five charter members—President Keith Kaufman, Secretary-



DAR member Diane Smith received the Martha Washington Medal and Certificate from Jim Lochary at the Ewings chapter meeting, which was held at the Chester Court House in October 2009.

Treasurer-Registrar James Dunn, Jacob Reynolds, Paul Irwin and Carl Roshong—represented the chapter in the combined color guard of 10 guardsmen.

OKLAHOMA SOCIETY

The DAR and SAR jointly staffed one of 19 booths at Woodland Hills Mall, Tulsa, Okla., on Oct. 3, 2009, in partnership with 18 other organizations for the kickoff of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

DAR members Sarah Fry and Gloria Fortney created the bra "works of art" displayed at the booth. These two works of art, along with 23 others created by Green Country DAR members for the recent workshop entitled "It's a Girl Thing," were auctioned off on Oct. 25 at the 3rd Annual Gala and Live Auction to benefit Tulsa Project Woman. This program provides more than 3,000 mammograms each year for Oklahoma women who are not able to pay for them.

The compatriots distributed DAR, SAR and C.A.R. brochures to the public and answered questions about the lineage societies who promote America's heritage. They also responded to queries about our societies' interest in women's health and the story of the artistic bra creations.



Gov. Joseph Hiester Chapter members: (from left) Martin Peicker, Judge Scott Lash, Robert Hillegas, Bruce Reppert, Stefan Troutman, Genealogist Eric Troutman, Raymond Longacre, Nevin Miller, President Floyd Turner, NSSAR Librarian General Miles Dechant and Vice President William Wagner.

PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY

On Oct. 10, 2009, the Gov. Joseph Hiester Chapter, the Berks County Chapter, DAR, and Conrad Weiser Society, C.A.R., dedicated a monument honoring the Revolutionary War patriots from Berks County, Pa. The monument was erected in the Veterans Grove area of City Park in Reading, Pa. The project took more than two years to raise the funds and get permission from the city to erect the monument.

The ceremony was attended by NSSAR Librarian General Miles Dechant, PSSDAR State Regent Andrea Snedaker, PA C.A.R. Senior State President Cynthia Pritchard, local elected officials and about 100 citizens. The event was covered by the local television news and the *Reading Eagle* newspaper.

The 10-foot monument is a gray granite obelisk with the following inscription:

TO THE PATRIOTS OF BERKS COUNTY
WHO SERVED THE CAUSE OF LIBERTY
IN THE WAR FOR AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE
1775-1783
ERECTED IN THE 233RD YEAR OF AMERICAN
INDEPENDENCE
2009
BY THE
GOV JOSEPH HIESTER CHAPTER
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
CONRAD WEISER SOCIETY
CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
BERKS COUNTY CHAPTER
DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

TENNESSEE SOCIETY

On Aug. 22, 2009, the only patriot-identified grave site in Bradley County, Tenn., was dedicated in a ceremony that included local, state and national SAR representatives.

To reach the site, the color guard and speakers were transported hayride style. The ceremony, honoring Joseph Lusk, who was born in North Carolina and fought in the Battle of Kings Mountain, was the lead story in the Sunday issue of the *Cleveland Daily Banner*.

Among those attending were TNSSAR President Bill Eubank and past Vice President General Stan Evans, who served as master of ceremonies.

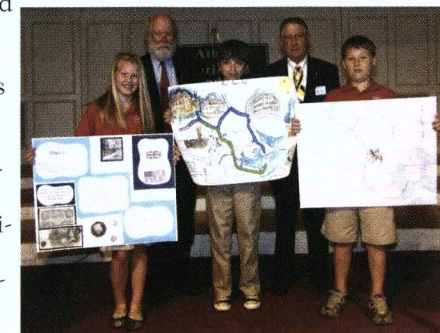
A special quilted cover adorned the tombstone of Joseph Lusk as the color guard approached through a grove of tulip poplars, Tennessee's state tree.

TEXAS SOCIETY

ATHENS CHAPTER

The chapter sponsored the fifth-grade poster contest for Christian Academy. Last year's theme was "Paul Revere's Ride." Students were encouraged to do research on the theme and draw posters based on what they learned. Posters were judged on artistic merit/creativity, originality/neatness and evidence of research.

Twenty-one students participated and received certificates. Three students received ribbons and cash prizes. The poster contest for Athens fifth-graders is sponsored by a grant through the Wal-Mart Foundation.



From left: Caitlin Millar, second place; Carter Gates, administrator; Justice Wood, first place/chapter winner; Sam Whitten, chapter secretary/treasurer; Landon Bynum, third place.

The chapter held its annual Constitution Week dinner meeting Sept. 17 at First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall. Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck, renowned genealogist and historian, presented a program on Henry Laurens, an American merchant and planter from South Carolina who became a political leader during the Revolutionary War.

Larry Hankins of the South Palestine Street ETMC Emergency Medical Service team was the recipient of the SAR Athens Chapter annual EMS award.

BRAZOS CHAPTER

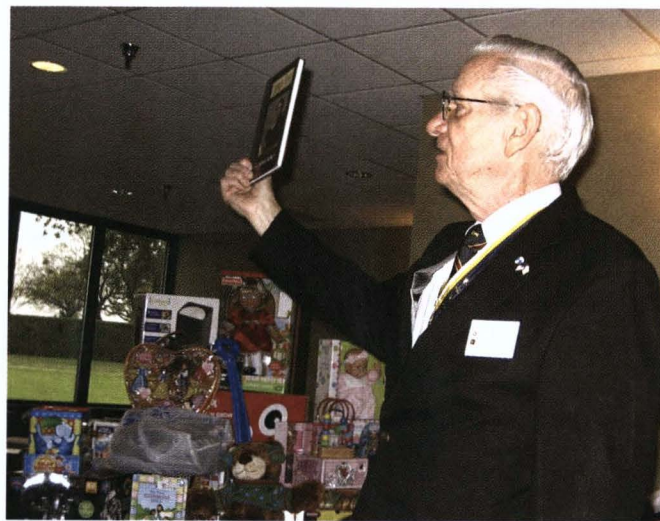
"Thomas Paine and the American Revolution" was the subject of Compatriot Vic Smith's presentation during a recent chapter meeting. Two of Paine's writings had a major impact on the Revolutionary War. They were *Common Sense* and *The American Crisis*.

When *Common Sense* was published on Jan. 10, 1776, the hot topic of the day was whether the United Colonies declare their independence from Great Britain. In the middle of this political climate *Common Sense* provided support to those who favored independence. Indeed, *Common Sense* was a clarion call for independence—not only a call for independence, but a challenge to the very right of King George III or any other king to rule.

The American Crisis was published in December 1776, during the darkest hour of the Revolution. This was at the time Gen. George Washington was escaping across the Delaware River with a 3,000-man remnant of his original 32,000-man army. The opening paragraph of *The American Crisis* has become historic: "THESE are the times that try men's souls."

So what does our country owe to Thomas Paine? What *Common Sense* provided to the independence movement was the moral and intellectual justification for independence, thus placing the independence movement on a higher plane. It also answered some of the practical questions about our ability to be independent. With *The American Crisis* Paine was instrumental in rallying the colonies to the cause during the darkest hour of the Revolution.

Surrounded by Toys for the Children of Fort Hood, Regent Kathy Hanlon of the Elizabeth Crockett Chapter, DAR, is accepting a donation from Treasurer Charles Ward. In addition to cash, the chapter also donated four large



Past Chapter President Victor A. Smith. The toys in the background are for the children of our soldiers stationed at Fort Hood.

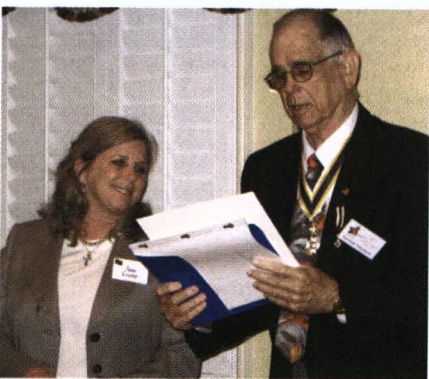
sacks of toys. The Brazos Valley Chapter was honored to be able to contribute to the Elizabeth Crockett Chapter's annual toy drive. Under the leadership of Regent Kathy Hanlon and Vice Regent Kay Lee, this drive was once again a huge success with a trailer being required to haul these gifts to Fort Hood.

Chapter President Jack Revill was the featured speaker during a recent meeting of the Elizabeth Crockett Chapter of the DAR. He spoke about his activities as a lieutenant in the Dallas Police Department on the day of the Kennedy assassination and the many days of investigations and hearings that followed. His squad was assigned to secure and search the School Book Depository Building, where Kennedy's assassin fired his shots.

The chapter was privileged to have Judge Ralph Walton of the 355th Texas District Court visit with during its fall meeting. He shared his thoughts and wisdom concerning the faith of our founding fathers. While there has been and remains a trend in the teaching of American history to paint our founding fathers as atheists or at least agnostics, nothing could be further from the truth. Judge Walton quoted from the writings of Thomas Jefferson, George Washington, Patrick Henry, Benjamin Franklin and others to demonstrate that God and/or divine providence were much a part of their basic beliefs.

HODGE CHAPTER

Jane Crump, principal of Sam Houston High School in Houston, has received an Outstanding Citizen Award from the Alexander Hodge Chapter of Sugarland. The award was presented at the Sept. 29 chapter meeting. It recognized the principal's success at turning a failed school on the verge of



being closed into a success in less than a year.

State accreditation agencies had rated the school, "the worst high school in Texas" and "a dropout factory." For the past six years, it had received "unacceptable" ratings. Under Crump's leadership, the school's ninth-graders are now rated as "acceptable," while older students have "recognized" ratings.

Add that the school won its first football game in six years. "They weren't succeeding at sports," said Crump, "because kids weren't doing what they needed to do in the classroom to stay eligible. The same few kids were playing both offense and defense."

As for the coming year, the principal said, "There's so much that the ratings don't show. Kids receiving dual credit went from seven to 149. They have doubled their college scholarships, and we raised attendance, which brings the school more money."

Marshall Whichard, president of the chapter, said, "We are proud of our record supporting police, firefighters and the EMS. This takes us in a new direction. We will keep our eyes open for more outstanding educators." He added, "Principal Jane got a standing ovation from our members. All the wives in attendance gave her hugs."

PLANO CHAPTER

Compatriots from the Plano, Texas, Chapter joined compatriots from the Captain William Barron Chapter of Tyler, the Red River Valley Chapter of Clarksville, and the Little River Chapter of the DAR from Idabel on Sept. 26, 2009, to dedicate a memorial marker for three Revolutionary War veterans buried in Red River County, Texas. The actual location of the graves has been lost due to the changing course of the Red River. The memorial marker is in the Clarksville Cemetery. Compatriots taking part were Robert Hall, Drake Peddie, David Gawedziski, Dale Selfridge, Mike Everheart, Bill Neisel and Dan Reed.

Neisel, chapter vice president of community affairs, arranged a presentation of the SAR Heroism Medal and Certificate to three staff members on Oct. 5, 2009, at the Plano Senior Center for their life-saving efforts to heart attack victims at the center. Compatriots Dan Reed, Bob Flagg and Howard Roach, assisted in honoring Heroines Sara Deats, Maria Ramirez and Pam Perry.



WARREN CHAPTER

In December 2009, the Ambassador Fletcher Warren Chapter again joined with area organizations to provide a smile and thank you to our veterans at the Bonham Nursing Facility. Chapter members gathered cookies, pens, peanut butter crackers, candy, notepads, etc., and at their Christmas party the members' wives made up more than 400 "goody" bags.

On Dec. 18 the Veteran Affairs Voluntary Services at the Bonham Hospital served a catered lunch to more than 100 volunteers, including area DAV, VFW, American Legion, Legion of Purple Heart, Paralyzed Veterans, DAR and SAR. Each organization set up a table with items that were placed in a tote bag provided by the VAVS.

Dr. Wendell Edwards, president of the Warren Chapter, dressed as Santa and Linda Edwards wore Mrs. Claus attire. John Greer and James Roddy assisted in filling the totes.

UTAH SOCIETY

Utah SAR expedites emergency request

On Oct. 7, 2009, Compatriot Eric Dan Richhart, Utah Society genealogist, received a phone call from David Barley, who had been referred to the Utah Society by NSSAR Headquarters. He explained to Richhart that he needed assistance in fulfilling the last wish of his father, who was dying from cancer. The father's wish was for him and his sons to become SAR members.

Working with Richhart, Barley sent the genealogical information on his father, Gilbert, and brothers Michael and Scott the next day. The plan was to fulfill the requirements by using the DAR application of Gilbert Barley's mother. There was no record copy of the mother's application, so DC Society Compatriot Paul Hayes immediately went to the DAR, obtained a record copy and transmitted the document electronically to the Utah Society. With this in hand, applications were prepared and signatures obtained electronically from two of the sons who lived out of state.

On Saturday, Oct. 10, Richhart met for a second time with David Barley and his mother, Anne Fike Barley. He then met David's father, Gilbert. "I was proud to represent the Utah Society and present the membership application for Gilbert's signature," Richhart stated. "It was a serene moment realizing what his circumstances were and watching him exert himself to sign his name."

The final step was to obtain signatures from the appropriate state officers and have the applications sent via next-day delivery to NSSAR Headquarters. Since Oct. 12 was Columbus Day, the documents did not arrive in Louisville, Ky., until Wednesday.

Executive Director Joe Harris was notified of Gilbert Barley's situation and requested that the NSSAR staff expedite processing of the applications. Staff Genealogist Susan Acree and Staff Registrar Aaron Adams completed the applications and sent the approved certificates of membership via next-day-delivery mail.

Even though everyone did everything possible, Gilbert Barley died before the certificate of membership could be presented. On Oct. 17, state society President Eric Richhart and his wife, Marilyn, were honored to visit with the Barley family. A small ceremony was held, and David and Michael Barley were presented their SAR

Certificates and rosettes. Mr. Barley's widow was presented with his SAR Certificate and a token from the Utah SAR.

Charles Frye, chapter president of the Redlands Chapter of the CASSAR, was contacted and will meet with Gilbert Barley's son, Scott, who could not attend the meeting in Utah, to swear him in as a new member and present him with his SAR Certificate and rosette.

On Aug. 28-29, Compatriots Willis Whittlesey, Jim Downing, Eric Richhart, David Horne and Doug McGregor manned a booth at the Salt Lake Genealogical Expo to help attendees learn more about the SAR. Ninety people signed the interest form and asked to be contacted concerning membership in either the SAR or DAR.

Richhart, Whittlesey, McGregor and Compatriot Bill Ward worked with state and local government officials to obtain Constitution Day proclamations for Utah, Salt Lake County, Weber County, Salt Lake City and Ogden City. Each government entity declared the week of Sept. 13-20 Constitution Week and issued a proclamation.

On Sept. 17, the society joined the Freedom Coalition, the Kiwanis Club, the VFW, and local and state government officials to provide a Constitution Day celebration at Weber High School in Pleasant View. The Freedom Coalition decorated the front of the school with 222 American flags—one for each year since the 1787 Constitution signing. The VFW provided a flag-raising ceremony with a three-gun salute and bugler; the school choir sang "The Star Spangled Banner"; and the keynote address was given by Utah Society SAR President Doug McGregor. In his address, McGregor told the students, "The torch of freedom is yours to bear. Your freedom and your posterity's freedom depend on your preserving and protecting the Constitution. The future of this nation is in your hands and whether or not the blessings of liberty are secured will depend upon you." One thousand pocket Constitutions donated by Smith and Edwards Inc. were given to the students.

On Sept. 19, the society held a Constitution Week banquet at Ogden's Union Station. Past President Benjamin Horne presented the society with an American flag donated by Compatriot Paul Child's son, 1st Sgt. David S. Child, that was flown over Salerno Hospital, Task Force Medical, at the Forward Operating Base in Salerno, Afghanistan. The society presented Silver Good Citizen Medals to Bert

Smith, the board of directors of the National Center for Constitutional Studies, and Dr. Scott Bradley, author and consultant. Also recognized with Bronze Good Citizen medals were Tom Leavitt, owner of Leavitt Mortuaries, and Reed Mackley, a dentist. Each of the recipients was invited to speak briefly and expressed love for country, reverence for the Constitution and appreciation to God and family. The keynote speaker was Bradley, author of the book *To Preserve the Nation* and an audio lecture series on the Constitution. In his remarks, Bradley reminded us of our sacred honor to protect and defend the Constitution, sharing the genius of the country's founders and the relevance of the Constitution today. All in attendance enjoyed a meal prepared by Majestic Grill as they were treated to Bradley's insights on the Constitution.

A highlight of the banquet was the new member installation ceremony. At this ceremony McGregor gave the oath of membership to his two sons, Amos William and Norman James. It was a proud moment for McGregor to welcome his sons into the society.

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Members of C.A.R., DAR and SAR gather behind Alena Green, a new and enthusiastic young citizen.

The Vermont Society had its annual Ethan Allen Veterans Day celebration Saturday, Nov. 7, 2009, in Burlington, Vt. The society placed a wreath and held a moving ceremony at Patriot Ethan Allen's grave. The weather was perfect and a great time was had by all.



SAR OUTREACH: HISTORIC CELEBRATIONS

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VIRGINIA SOCIETY

Past Virginia State Commander (1991-92) and National Vice Commander (1996-97) of The American Legion, and former Vice President General of the SAR's International District (2007-08) Capt. Robert L. "Bob" Bowen, USMC (ret.), was installed as the 90th President of the Virginia Society at the society's annual meeting in Richmond on Feb. 13 by President General Ed Butler of Texas.

FAIRFAX RESOLVES CHAPTER

In August, Compatriots Jack Sweeney and Dennis Hickey attended ceremonies to welcome the children of new United States citizens at the district office of the U.S. Citizens and Immigration Service in Fairfax, Va. The event was hosted by the Children of the American Revolution and supported by both the SAR and DAR.

WEST VIRGINIA SOCIETY

Compatriots representing 12 state societies gathered at the confluence of the Ohio and Kanawha Rivers in early October for the 2009 commemoration of the Battle of Point Pleasant. President General Ed Butler was the guest of honor and parade marshal.

A light drizzle put a damper on much of Friday's program, which was aimed at teaching Mason County's schoolchildren about the battle fought at what's now called Tu-Endie-Wei State Park. Despite the wet weather, more than 400 children attended.

Saturday's weather was picture perfect for the traditional parade. Butler and his wife, Robin, led the parade perched atop the back seat of a Mercedes convertible. A joint SAR color guard followed with representatives from seven state societies stepping proudly.

Those who attended the three-day program gathered at the local American Legion Post Saturday night for a dinner and reception followed by a Colonial Governor's Ball. Sunday's program included a Colonial Church Service, lunch at a local church, and the memorial service and wreath-laying program at the battle site. Forty-five wreaths were presented by members of the SAR, DAR, C.A.R. and town officials.

President General Ed Butler and his wife, Robin, followed by a joint SAR color guard, led the mile-long parade down Point Pleasant's Main Street.

A highlight of the Children's Education Day is a visit to Mad Annie, a legendary pioneer who walked the hills of West Virginia and is believed to be buried on the Point Pleasant Battlefield.

In recognition of his hard work organizing the annual Battle Days program, Butler presented VPG Jack Coles the SAR Meritorious Service Medal.



Alva Bryant Coker	174005	AL	Daniel Walter Carroll	141937	IN
Thomas D. Moore	99642	AL	Robert Lee Gillan	126140	IN
Thomas Freeland Odom	165293	AL	Jack Donald Perry	148989	IN
John Austin Pierce III	153934	AL	Larry Dwain Sipes	161364	IN
John Curtis Poe	149360	AL	William H. Avery	87182	KS
William Jack Smith	168534	AL	Charles Richard Hitt	119383	KS
Donovan Mershon Kramer	175129	AZ	Raymond Webster Peterman	121469	KS
Sterling Henry Anderson	119380	CA	William Estel Privett	151358	KS
Robert Judson Gorton USN (Ret.)	115620	CA	Joseph Rahe Russell	110766	KS
Burt Everett Jacobs	169492	CA	Bobby Lee Webster	144744	KS
James Vincent Marino D.D.S.	167735	CA	James Kenneth Bale	129761	KY
David Seth Parrett	151249	CA	John Francis Bennett	151976	KY
Nelson Coolidge Price Ed.D.	133561	CA	George Stephenson Dozier Jr.	135254	KY
Floyd James Shadwick	142305	CA	Fletcher L. Elmore Jr.	115940	KY
Dale Aldridge Turner	133066	CA	Alex P. Herrington	89771	KY
George W. Turner	90196	CA	Howard N. Crawford Jr.	107705	LA
Howard Blakemore McCarty	144276	CO	Jerry Howell Dove	139043	LA
Frederick K. Biebel	111675	CT	Ernest Perry Rowe Jr.	93150	LA
James Walter Lathrop	129988	CT	Harold Albert Boyer	116186	MA
Lavius Arad Robinson Jr.	142123	CT	Sterrett P. Beaven	95262	MD
Richard Theodore Wells	133069	CT	Robert Charles Mathes	162007	MD
J. Milnor Roberts AUS (Ret.)	94683	DC	Henry Bolton Peck	166909	MD
Leon William Adams	120534	DE	Charles Wilson Putman	156684	MD
Ralph M. Dewey	92568	DE	Harold Orland Griffith	124415	ME
Donald George Ewald Jr.	162788	DE	Geoffrey Wendell Lennan	154644	ME
Charles Elmer Garland	135592	DE	Victor Veazie	163981	ME
David George Menser	161142	DE	Hubert Orman Smith	170931	MI
Kenneth Silas Baker	171925	FL	Frank Totton Heffelfinger II	173398	MN
Thomas Evan Beauchamp	158378	FL	Joseph Morgan Daugherty	124455	MO
Thomas Yonge Bingham	57977	FL	Joseph Everett Brown	143745	MS
John Larcus Burns Jr.	146893	FL	John Oliver Caldwell Sr.	156201	MS
Abraham Rivel Davis	173671	FL	Robert Howell Cox Jr.	169157	MS
E.J. Devane	80743	FL	Donald E. Davis	99721	MS
Cloyd Leslie Elias	78427	FL	Willis Newbell Puckett II	134264	MS
Henry W. Fancher	104196	FL	Philip Howard Gray	122947	MT
Jacob George Gredicek	147675	FL	Cyrus C. Frazier Jr.	60944	NC
Richard R. Hogle	92702	FL	James Allen McCoy Ph.D.	141481	NE
William Morgan Knox	147612	FL	William Caleb Canup	72751	NM
Oscar Owen Malcolm	121995	FL	Steven Alan Barr Sr.	167061	NV
James E. Maurer	103465	FL	Henry Goebel Jr.	160893	NY
Francis Joseph McWilliams	150404	FL	Marvin Alden Humphrey	163992	NY
James Rodney Royce Pearson	146166	FL	Frederick William Morgan	152937	NY
John T. Quinn	171332	FL	William Henry Oler II	161721	NY
Walter Paul Rine	160407	FL	Burton Eugene Schoonover	175064	NY
James Pavey Stewart	160923	FL	Joseph Insull Whittlesey	161482	NY
Ashby G. Stiff Jr.	73105	FL	Robert Lee Bentz	155046	OH
Willard Lee Strong	174553	FL	Joseph L. Colburn Jr.	118201	OH
Donald Ryder Witter Jr.	148313	FL	William Gail Farber	173228	OH
Thomas Morton Fort Jr.	152104	GA	James Edwin Gribble	170963	OH
Vincent Malone Greene	147191	GA	Robert Roger Keen	140497	OH
Roy Eldon Gunnells USA (Ret.)	152617	GA	Wendell Harold Rickey	135355	OH
Charles E. Hall	111910	GA	David Allen Tritt	155773	OH
E. Ragan Pruitt Sr.	113147	GA	John Henry White	158355	OH
James Harvey Telford Jr.	134720	GA	Joe David Gimlin	154663	OK
Lee M. Burkey Sr.	68861	IL	Elmer Jay Howell	165104	OK
Gayle Eugene Lane	147040	IL	Paul David Shaffer	167450	OK
Edward Harold Paeltz	152569	IL	Forrest Clinton Blodgett	95071	OR
Donald Brouse Brattain	134495	IN	Rola Austin Cook	151889	OR
			Robert Earl Buck	137146	PA
			Douglas Ivey Hayhurst	145893	PA
			Robert Henry Hepler	140970	PA
			Gerald Everett Nysewander	153678	PA
			David Weber Powell Jr.	147391	PA
			C. Dexter Schierenbeck	104884	PA
			George Alton Wasson	144759	PA
			Carl Stetson King Jr.	163341	RI
			Maxwell Mays	92402	RI
			Paul Vaughn Braden	159939	SC

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Welcome New Members

**NSSAR membership November 1, 2009:
28,304. Numbers indicate total new members
since last issue. Patriot ancestor
is identified at the right.**

Alabama (22)

Jack Allen Bacskey, 175549, John Hardin Jr.
Arthur Joseph Graeme Biddle, 175801,
Abraham Kuykendall
Bruce Alden Buehler, 176016, Jacob Coffman
Austin Curtis Hopper, 175721, William Moreland
Stephen Sears Jackman, 176011, George Jackman
Charles Edward Laidlaw III, 176012, George Burt
Phillip Murray McDaniel, 176015, Henry Snelgrove
Daniel Russell Palmer Jr., 176017, Jacob Coffman
Justin Tyler Palmer, 176018, Jacob Coffman
Woody William Parramore, 176013, Edward Beason
James Robert Peck, 176020, Adam Peck
James David Peck, 176021, Adam Peck
Nathaniel Jeffrey Simon, 175554, Isaac Lucas
Benjamin Jeffrey Simon, 175552, Isaac Lucas
Patrick Donald Smith, 176014, Richard Sharp
Andrew Scott Templeton, 175553, Isaac Lucas
Matthew Crist Templeton, 175551, Isaac Lucas
David Edgar Templeton, 175550, Isaac Lucas
Stephen Anthony Tidwell Jr., 176019, Francis Boykin
William Erby Watkins, 175847, William Ligon
Jason Howard Williams, 175848, Nahum Fairbank

Seth William Wofford, 175918, Andrew Nelson

Arizona (2)

John Louis Krizek, 175919, Edward Mathews
John Davis Solomon, 175722, Isham Reavis

Arkansas (1)

Harold Nelson Harris, 175802, Silas Beckwith

California (36)

Zachary Justin Bay, 175804, David Bay
Jason Levi Bay, 175805, David Bay
Robert Boyd Block, 175724, Ebenezer Stephens
Ernest Benjamin Bray, 176028, Isaac Whiting
Bradley Steven Claxton, 175566, Benjamin Bradshaw
Richard Lee Dillman, 175567, Jonathan Benedict
Robert William Easton, 175556, John Goheen
Paul Rogers Gill, 175850, Frederick Garst/Gerst
John William Gordon, 175920, James Crawford
William Ashe Gordon, 175921, James Crawford
Bruce Michael Gray, 175851, Peter Green
Garrison Phillips Grover, 175557, John Henry Riedell
Jeremy Allen Herbert, 176026, Thomas Herbert

Nikolas Erik Herbert, 176027, Thomas Herbert
Jeffrey Allen Herbert, 176025, Thomas Herbert
James DeChant Long, 176024,
John Peter Dieffenbach
Michael Alan Ludwig, 175803, David Hand
Christopher Manton Nightingale, 176031,
Jeremiah Manton
Henry Porter Nightingale, 176033, Jeremiah Manton
Michael Evan Nightingale, 176030,
Jeremiah Manton
Keith Manton Nightingale, 176029,
Jeremiah Manton
Andrew Manton Nightingale, 176032,
Jeremiah Manton
Raymond Charles Raser, 175714, Simon Fobes
Douglas Arthur Robinson, 175555, Silas Robinson
Thomas Joseph Rosenberger, 175849, Howell Parker
Mark Adams Rowland, 175723, Elias Dayton
Charles Robert Stultz, 175558, Reuben Parsons
Carl Daniel Sword, 175559, Michael Swords
John Thomas Vawter Jr., 176023,
Edward Browning Sr.
John Thomas Vawter Sr., 176022,
Edward Browning Sr.
Jordan Westcott Winans, 175564, Matthias Winans
Frank Grant Winans Jr., 175561, Matthias Winans
Frank Edward Winans, 175562, Matthias Winans
Johnathan Michael Winans, 175563,
Matthias Winans
Jeremiah Joseph Winans, 175565, Matthias Winans
Joseph Michael Winslow, 175560, Reuben Colburn

Colorado (13)

Bruce Jarvis Buvinger, 176034, Leonard Buvinger
Charles Alan Buvinger, 175725, Leonard Buvinger
Beau Thomas Coleman, 175569, James Young
Richard Dean Hall, 175570, Richard Simms
Larry Dean Novak, 175922, James Mayfield
David Joseph Rodgers, 175726, Higgins Coppinger
Malcolm Alan Sizer, 175571, Lemeul Sizer
Justin Craig Spaulding, 176035, Nehemiah Getchell
Curtiss Michael Stearns, 175568, Aaron Stearns
Norman Charles Van Dorn, 175925, Peter Van Dorn
Peter Douglas Van Dorn, 175924, Peter Van Dorn

Perry Douglas Van Dorn, 175923, Peter Van Dorn
Douglas Aaron Van Dorn, 175926, Peter Van Dorn

Connecticut (2)

Joshua Thomas Lessard, 175806,
Heinrich "Henry" Greninger
Greg Edward Steele, 175852, William Steele

Delaware (1)

Michael Gerard Janes, 175572, William Janes

District of Columbia (7)

Christopher Lacey Biles, 176037, John Hough
James David Enlow, 176036, Samuel Higginbotham
Stephen Carl Speelman, 175573, Christian Herring
Hollis Loftin Strawbridge, 175577, Daniel Holladay
Ronald Howard Strawbridge Jr., 175575,
Daniel Holladay
Langston Howard Strawbridge, 175576,
Daniel Holladay
Ronald Howard Strawbridge Sr., 175574,
Daniel Holladay

Florida (46)

Christopher Alan Albright, 175811, John Hatley
Bruce Eugene Baxter, 175929, Aaron Baxter Sr.
William Theodore Bolton, 175928,
William Livingston
George Millard Brown Jr., 175615, Thomas Stephens
Edward Earl Bucken, 175927, Elisha Stevens
John Frances Busby, 175603, Ichabod Pinkham
Larry Jackson Calhoun, 176038, Henry Rhoads
Gerald Duane Cash, 175608, Bartlett Cash
Ronald Lee Coup, 175931, Christian Kaup
Jon Louis Courson III, 175810, Christopher Freeman
Colin Garrett Crapo, 175716, Francis Crapo
Graham James Coleman Douglas, 175717,
Joseph Douglass
Brian Joseph Farrington Jr., 175718, John Harris
Mark Alan Finley, 175614, Thomas Stephens
John Raymond Frey III, 175812, Edward Wade
Jesse Thomas Frey, 175814, Edward Wade
George Joiner Frey, 175813, Edward Wade
William Gregory Gentry, 175612, James Kitchens
Melvin Leon Harrod, 175602, Levi Harrod
Paul Melvin Harrod, 175601, Levi Harrod
Ronald Dean Harrod, 175600, Levi Harrod
Richard Michael Johanboeke, 176040,
William Hooper Reynolds
Michael Virgil Leidel, 176043, John Nichols
George David Leidel Jr., 176042, John Nichols
Rick DuWayne Look, 176039, James Shotwell
James Ira Curtis Murray, 175733, Rufus Clark
Steven Marion Norman, 176041, James Gee
William Eric Rawls, 175597, Benjamin Rawls
William Eric Rawls Jr., 175598, Benjamin Rawls
Dallas James Rinek, 175599, William Brittain
Mark Steven Sandberg, 175735, William Brittain
Thomas William Sandberg, 175737, William Brittain
Ryan Paul Sandberg, 175736, William Brittain
Randy Thomas Scott, 175734, John Kidd Jr.
James Ronald Smith II, 175915, Thomas Carlton
Kevin Elliot Soubly, 175815, Joseph Learned
Lynn Oliver Strobel Sr., 175604, James Kitchens
Stephen Lewis Strobel II, 175607, James Kitchens
Lynn Oliver Strobel Jr., 175605, James Kitchens
Stephen Lewis Strobel, 175606, James Kitchens
George Phillips Thomas, 175863, John Hall Jr.
Thomas John Thompson, 175610, James Wilsey
John Franklin Fox Thompson, 175611, James Wilsey
Thomas August Thonebe, 175609, John Arnold
William Fulton Vassar Jr., 175613,
Nathaniel Vassar/Vasser
Robert Merrifield White, 175930, James Dickson

Georgia (34)

Eric Christopher Arthurs, 175740, John Binkley
Ryan Helms Bassett, 175739, Richard William Bassett
Timothy Frank Bassett, 175738,
Richard William Bassett
James Lewis Brown, 175587, Johann Peter Hedrick
Wayne Lambert Brown, 175588, Abraham S. Lane
Earl LeVaughn Cagle Jr., 176049, Henry Cagle
Ronnie Franklin Cagle, 176048, Henry Cagle
Troy B. Fields, 175943, John Fields
Terry Allen Gibbs, 175942, Henry Wood Sr.
Ronnie Daniel Huff, 176044, James Barr
Christian F. S. D. Johnson, 175941, Daniel Wagnon
Forrest Clark Johnson IV, 175940, Daniel Wagnon
William King Manos, 175933, Moses Tyler
Brett Michael McLaughlin, 175596, Henry Furr
Robert Emmett McLaughlin Jr., 175593, Henry Furr
Robert Michael McLaughlin, 175594, Henry Furr
Robert Kyle McLaughlin, 175595, Henry Furr
Kleber Miller O'Neal Jr., 176045, John Miller
Michael Kleber O'Neal, 176046, John Miller
William Patrick O'Neal, 176047, John Miller
Thomas Keeley Owen, 175938, Stephen Richmond
Tynan Jaymes Owen, 175939, Stephen Richmond
Charles Keeley Owen Jr., 175937, Stephen Richmond
Christopher Richard Parker, 175719,
William Kendrick
Dennis J. Rehman, 175932, George G. Klock
Victor Louis Riccardi Jr., 175934, Giles Sage
Ned Leland Shuman Sr., 175592, Adam Brinson
Alfred Willett Studwell Jr., 175936,
Anthony Studwell
Alfred Willett Studwell, 175935, Anthony Studwell
Samson Charles West, 175864, Anthony Mandeville
Gary Lynn Wilson, 175741, Obadiah Moore
Thomas Henderson Wise, 175590, John Irwin
Roy Irwin Wise, 175591, John Irwin
Thomas Roy Wise, 175589, John Irwin

Illinois (14)

James Clifford Barton, 175617, Joseph Brigham
Harold Ray Damron Jr., 175865, Peter De Witt
Douglas Geoffrey Duggar, 176053, George Walker
Thomas Lee Edwards, 175866, Talmadge Edwards
Dale Brian Jones, 175946, Samuel Lamphar
John Franklin Melbourne, 176052,
Abraham/Abram Dunning
Ralph Christopher Melbourne, 176051,
Abraham/Abram Dunning
Ralph Patrick Melbourne, 176050,
Abraham/Abram Dunning
Charles Calvin Myers, 175618, Christian Lantz Sr.
Paul Richard Pearson Sr., 176054, Morgan Morgan
John William Rutledge, 175947, James Luther
Thomas James Say, 175616, Timothy Bosworth
James Wassel Tarasuik Jr., 175944, Joseph Flint
John Harvey Traub, 175945, Josiah Crane

Indiana (12)

Daniel Barry Arington, 175911, Peter Luna
Chester Barry Arington, 175910, Peter Luna
Matthew Michael Arington, 175912, Peter Luna
David Paul Barrett, 175621, Richard Breeden
Vincent Clark Buckman, 175620, Henry Helm Floyd
Robert Walsh Burkett, 175619, James Wilson
William Joseph Fife III, 175622, Henry Funk
Gerardo Raymond Kennett, 175742, Charles Bisbee
Barrett Walker Muir, 175623, John Fife Sr.
Dave D. Sabaini, 175948, Artemedores Ingersoll
Thomas Townley Tonge, 175744, Evits Townley
Gary Wayne Watson, 175743, Edward Davis

International (2)

Robert George Belander, 175746, John Michael Fry
Ralph Phillip Belander, 175745, John Michael Fry

Iowa (6)

Dan Allen Bovenmyer, 175916, Gabriel Bobbenmeier
Curtis Alan Lees, 175909, Henry Sanders
James King Shelmandine, 175949, James Dana
Brett Craig Stanley, 175867, Andrew Hampton
Caleb William Stanley, 175869, Andrew Hampton
Craig Willis Stanley, 175868, Andrew Hampton

Kansas (4)

Mark Daniel Mellott, 175950, John Mellott
Gary Loren Rylander, 175952, William Johnson
David Brian Hagenloh Seacat, 175913, Mark Renfro
Gregg Arnold Strohkorh, 175951, George Mason

Kentucky (19)

Roger Maurice Bain, 175817, John Woody
William Odell Bell Sr., 175720, William Warren
Victor Leonard Bitter Jr., 175748, James Burton
Everett Wayne Bussell, 175956, Matthew Bussell
William Hoke Camp, 175871, John Camp
Douglas Keith Collis, 175816, Nehemiah How
Billy Wade Cook Sr., 175818, John Hunt
David Henry Garr, 176058, Benjamin Garr
Robert Lewis Henderson, 175747, John Vivion
Noel Burks Maddox Jr., 176059, John Maddox
Oliver Beirne Miles III, 176057, Garrett Van Meter
Joe Horace Noffsinger BS, 175870, Henry Rhodes
Clark Moore Pollitt, 176056, Jacob Boone
Leland Allen Pollitt III, 176055, Jacob Boone
John Russell Test, 175953, George Test
Michael Edward Test, 175954, George Test
Jason Allen Test, 175955, George Test
Marshall David Wilkins, 175872, Thomas Wilkins
David Matthew Wilkins, 175873, Thomas Wilkins

Louisiana (14)

David Brian Domingue, 175819, Antonio Dominguez
Doyle Richard Grant, 176060, Michael Gaar
Paul Cade Hargis, 175820, Charles Dean
William Robert Lang Jr., 176061,
John Adam Lagrone
James Cullen McCrory Jr., 175629, Richard Witt
Keith August McCrory, 175630, Richard Witt
Lacy Alan McMurtry Jr., 175625, John McMurtry
Jay Bady Mitchell, 176062, Michael Gaar
David Joseph Normand, 175627, Pierre Trepagnier
Davis Keith Normand, 175628, Pierre Trepagnier
Charles Lionel Rand III, 176063, Thomas Semmes
Alan Tolman Rigler, 175631, George Rigler
Walter Mayo Rigler, 175632, George Rigler
Frank Ray Warren Jr., 175626, Jacob Sutton

Maine (6)

Christian Long Barner, 175957, Abraham Long
Kegan Alan Blood, 175960, Josiah Blood Sr.
Kenneth Warren Blood Jr., 175959, Josiah Blood Sr.
Kenneth Warren Blood Sr., 175958, Josiah Blood Sr.
Alex Kirk Doering, 175634,
Ithamar/Ithimar Hibbard
William Craig Doering, 175633,
Ithamar/Ithimar Hibbard

Maryland (11)

Thomas Courtney Bowman, 175878,
Alexander McAlister
James Carlton Cherry, 175964, Daniel Conger
Ryan Hardin Cherry, 176090, Daniel Conger
Timothy Michael Dykes, 175876,
Alexander McAlister
Jeremy Stephen Dykes, 175875, Alexander McAlister
Robert Glenn Dykes, 175874, Alexander McAlister
Warren Scott Dykes, 175877, Alexander McAlister
Reginald James Cooper Fugett, 175962,
Henry Bakeman
William Lyon Gray, 175963, James Potter

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Monroe Brown	143515	SC	John David Monroe	153921	TX
William James Clement	167342	SC	Joe Hunter Reynolds	150170	TX
Harlan Robert Edge	158319	SC	George Gerald Somers	158361	TX
Melvin Leaman Foshee	166268	SC	William Harrison Turley	160286	TX
Albert Clinton Gossett Jr.	161237	SC	Thomas Kenneth Wallis	149212	TX
George Kingman Hodgkiss Jr.	102577	SC	Gilbert Raymond Barley	175306	UT
Benjamin Max Paulling	152192	SC	Jack A. Olson	96315	UT
Edward Louis Warmoth	159938	SC	Robert Frisroe Banks (03/27/2007)	137565	VA
Elwood Lee Atkins	153328	TN	Wesley Earle Chesson Jr.	128624	VA
George Alexander Heard	123345	TN	Clark Stephen Gregory Jr.	151764	VA
Clyde Randolph Hicks	139722	TN	Charles Rufus Higginbotham Jr.	119868	VA
Homer Fred Holdredge Jr.	172629	TN	James Adams McCaig USN (Ret.)	145294	VA
Robert Melville Landon	171514	TN	Monteiro Harris Nelson	84208	VA
Harold Jackson McMurtry	158264	TN	William Levi Old Jr., M.D.	63698	VA
Samuel Stockley Moore	164615	TN	Kenneth Oliver Patten Sr.	141544	VA
Innes Armistead Nelson	126842	TN	Jordan Anthony Pugh IV	133110	VA
John Hugh Simmons	162118	TN	Charles Francis Rice	150649	VA
Ottis Tyrone Sirmans	174695	TN	Lon Stephen Shrader	163747	VA
Robert Stevens Tatum	170330	TN	William David Snoddy	173315	VA
Harlan Russell White	172853	TN	Ernest Ray Warner	131361	VA
Thomas William Willis	168011	TN	Alexander Duncan Read	126478	VT
Charles Fremont Catterlin	147703	TX	Robert M. Bridgforth Jr.	80196	WA
Francis Marion Crawford	118890	TX	Robert Allan Chambers	172942	WA
USAF (Ret.)			Daniel Devening Newton	129427	WA
Gerald R. McClanahan	110301	TX	Michael Marxen Brace	117655	WI
			Alfonso Darius Robertson	94235	WI
			William H. Upham	111048	WI

Christopher Henry Raborg, 175961,
Christopher Henry Raborg
Karl Leonard Sparre, 176064, Francis Cann

Massachusetts (4)

John Arthur Cunningham, 175637, Thomas Jones
Frederick George Romer, 175638, Joseph Rich
Ronald Brian Wheatley, 175635, Leonard Whitley
John Kent Wheatley, 175636, Leonard Whitley

Michigan (3)

Darren Edwin Garey, 175639, Timothy Howe Sr.
John Robert Matthews, 175879, Robert McDaniel
Ervin Henry August Stahl, 175749, William Wilson

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Ben Franklin's Bifocals

By T. REX LEGLER II, M.A., O.D., F.A.A.O.

As you read this article and if you are past your 40th birthday, like me, you are using some type of reading glasses or bifocals. A person over 40 begins experiencing aging sightedness (presbyopia) or loss of focusing ability. If the individual is nearsighted to begin with, the occupational effect of presbyopia has a later onset. If an individual is farsighted and literate, something must be done much sooner.

The ancient Chinese first used spectacle frames as a fashion accessory. Corrective lenses were added in 1000 A.D. and were found in Europe in 1200 A.D. These were all simple, spherical, ground lenses that corrected only farsightedness (hyperopia) or nearsightedness (myopia). Mechanically, biconvex or plus lenses were made first (the Ninevah lens dating to about 700 B.C. is in the British Museum), and these lenses were used first as burning lenses and later as magnifiers. Look at a droplet of water and notice it enlarges or magnifies what you see through it. In 1268 A.D. Roger Bacon published *Opus Majus*, the earliest known paper on reading lenses with drawings. Biconcave, or minus lenses, were discovered next as evidenced in the book *De Berillo* by Nicholas Causanus (1401-1464) but are mechanically more difficult to fabricate. It was not until 1800 that cylinder-surfaced lenses were developed to correct astigmatism.

Upon this scene came our well-known Founding Father, Benjamin Franklin. With his intellectual repertoire Franklin was, in my opinion, both an experimental and an observational scientist who took known solutions to problems and utilized them in innovative ways. For example, I theorize that he observed a working fireplace was good for warmth and cooking. He also observed that sitting around a campfire allowed more individuals to share the warmth. Finally, he observed that on a wooden sailing ship the hazards of an unconfined fire were controlled by an iron cauldron with sand insulation and—voilà—the shipboard galley was given a chimney, fully enclosed in cast iron, and later called the Franklin stove.

The second example is the one I want to focus on (pun intended) in this article. Theoretically, Franklin questioned why should a person carry two pairs of glasses, one for far and



one for near seeing, if they could be combined? Hence, the Franklin bifocal!

Although not the first scientist to study multi-focal lenses, Franklin is widely acknowledged as the first to employ them practically. If only Franklin were here today to see our current options ranging from his invention—the executive-style lens bifocal through the common d-shaped bifocals and trifocals to progressive power multi-focal spectacles, multi-focal rigid and soft contact lenses and focusable intraocular lens implants—he would likely be quite pleased at how his simple idea has grown.

An area that Franklin seems not to have explored but is a logical step from optical aids for the eye is the surgical correction of vision problems. In the Book of Ecclesiastes, Chapter 12, the biblical writer describes some of the changes that come with age, including tremors, loss of teeth and cataract formation. Some would categorize cataracts as both a vision and a medical problem because the crystalline lens of the eye loses its optical clarity and becomes an opaque occluder. Things get dim and colors lose their brilliance. Virtually everyone will develop cataracts if they live long

enough. Most individuals show signs of cataract formation by age 65 and have usually undergone cataract surgery by age 75. There are numerous things that can accelerate cataract formation requiring younger patients to undergo surgery. Some of these factors are genetic disorders, nutritional deficiencies, eye trauma, systemic illness such as diabetes mellitus, and long-term use of oral steroids.

Just 40 years ago when an eye-care practitioner told patients they had cataracts, life as they knew it

was over. There were major risks during surgery with blindness in both eyes a significant risk, a 10- to 14-day stay in the hospital confined to bed with the head immobilized, and then the post cataract (aphakic) spectacle lenses that were very thick, heavy, optically distorting and magnified images 20 percent or more than what the patient was used to seeing prior to surgery. Reading and depth perception were affected and personal appearance was markedly different because of the thick-lens spectacles. If only one eye required surgery, the image size difference following surgery frequently caused the patient to choose not to have the surgery until the other eye had lost useful vision, which might be years later. Often job loss resulted because of inability to cope with the changed visual parameters.

It is a rare thing today to see an individual wearing aphakic-spectacle lenses. Not only has cataract extraction surgery technique advanced remarkably in the past 40 years, the ophthalmic surgeon now has the option of inserting a variety of intraocular lens implants to not only restore vision but also to restore accommodation or focusing for near objects. Additionally,

the refractive surgeon has numerous options to restore vision in a healthy eye through laser corneal sculpting (LASIK and PRK), corneal incision surgery (RK), intracorneal lens implants, and posterior chamber lens implants. Ophthalmic care both medically and optically has moved into areas people living just 50 years ago would have thought of as science fiction and our colonial Revolutionary War ancestors might judge as being miraculous. Poor Richard could not have predicted this in his almanac.

If you have not looked into the amazing breadth and depth of Franklin's numerous contributions to everyday life then I most strongly encourage you to obtain one of his many biographies and get to know this remarkable Founding Father. If you are interested in some of the eye care options mentioned in the foregoing material, I strongly encourage you to discuss them with your eye care practitioner, whether optometrist or ophthalmologist, to see what is feasible, affordable and the best option for your individual needs.

The majority of historical references for this article was taken from a book titled *The Story of Optometry* by James R. Gregg, O.D., The Ronald Press Co., N.Y.

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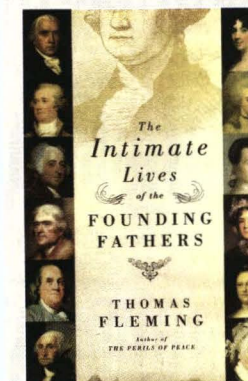
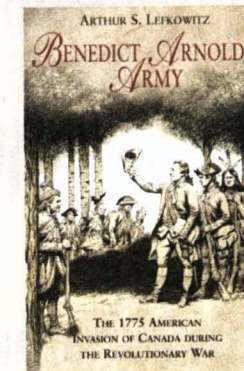
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☆ **Capt. John Collins Chapter**, Marietta, meets at 6:15 p.m. on the third Tuesday, Spaghetti Warehouse, 2475 Delk Rd. Call Bill Coffeen (770) 419-2549.
 ☆ **Cherokee Chapter**, Canton, meets the second Tuesday at the Rock Barn, 638

Marietta Hwy. Visit www.cherokeechapter.com.

☆ **Piedmont Chapter**, breakfast meeting on the third Saturday at 8 a.m. at the Holiday Inn Hotel, 909 Holcombe Bridge Road, Roswell. Call Bob Sapp (770) 971-0189 or visit www.piedmontsar.com.

ILLINOIS

☆ **Chicago Fort Dearborn Chapter**, luncheon meetings at noon, Union League Club, third Thursdays Jan., March, July, September and November. Call (847) 256-0233.

NEBRASKA

☆ **Omaha Chapter** meets the second Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Venice Inn, 6920 Pacific St. Guests and family members are welcome.

NEW MEXICO

☆ **Albuquerque Chapter**, meets at 11:30 a.m. on the fourth Saturday of each month at Le Peep, 2125 Louisiana NE. Call (505) 892-3076 or mebarger@cableone.net
 ☆ **Santa Fe Chapter** meets the second Wednesday for lunch, St. Francis Hotel. Call Jim Thornton (505) 995-9973 or jithornton12@comcast.com.

OHIO

☆ **Western Reserve Society**, noon luncheon, second Wednesday, Cleveland Skating Club, 2500 Kemper Road, Shaker Heights, March through May, September through December. Call Ted M. Minier (330) 655-5547.

PENNSYLVANIA

☆ **Erie Chapter**, noon luncheon meetings, third Saturday of Jan., March, May, July, Sept. and Nov.; Eagle Hotel Restaurant, Route 19, Waterford. Call Lance Barclay (814) 864-1755.

☆ **Gen. Arthur St. Clair Chapter**, Greensburg, noon luncheon program the third Saturday of each month; ladies are welcome. Contact SAReagle@aol.com or (412) 897-3405.

☆ **Philadelphia Continental Chapter**, meetings, luncheons, dinners and functions monthly except July and August. Gregory J. Shively, vice president, 1006 Chelsea Rd., Absecon, N.J.; (609) 569-1226.

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☆ **Kings Mountain Chapter**, dinner meeting, 6 p.m. third Thursday, except Jan., House of Ribs, 3100 Kingsport Hwy., Johnson City. SARs and guests welcome. Call Stan McKinstry (423) 282-0867.

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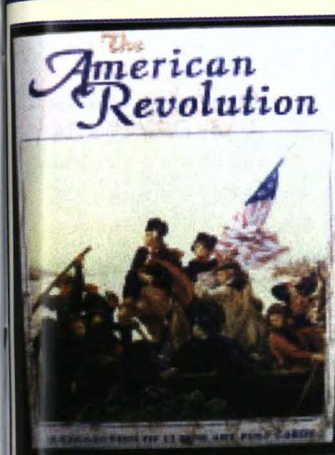
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