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Message

Distinguished Compatriots:

Compatriots from coast to coast are greeting the enhanced JROTC program with enthusiasm and support. Even our non-SAR friends are supportive of the idea of encouraging high school age students through our JROTC state and national competition. The JROTC Sub-Committee, guided by John R. Haughton TXSSAR, and assisted by Lee Swart, Chairman of the Americanism Committee, have developed the criteria for the competition which is being reviewed by senior staff of the services that have JROTC units. The 1998 JROTC winner will have his or her award presented by General Frederick J. Kroesen, USA Retired, former Commander, Central Army Group (NATO) at the June 1998 Orlando, Florida Congress.

We have received news from our Essay Contest Chairman, Col. Charles S. Wingate, that the interest in this competition is overwhelming! The committee has linked with "fast Web", a Chicago - based scholarship company, and is receiving over 200 (yes 200) e-mail inquiries a day about the Contest. Inquiries have been received from Japan, India, Phillipines, Dhaka, Brazil, Ukraine, Jordan, China, Singapore and Canada. Students are advised they can visit the SAR Web Page at "http://www.sar.org" and click on information contacts. This incredible response to just one of our youth contests shows the wisdom of SAR's accelerated movement into the Internet. The Information Technology Committee - under the leadership of Sam Boone - is getting SAR ready for the move into the year 2000.

Patricia and I attended two wonderful patriotic celebrations. The first commemorated the 223rd anniversary of the Battle of Pt. Pleasant, West Virginia between the Shawnee Indians led by Chief Cornstalk and a Virginia Militia force under Col. Andrew Lewis. The Master of Ceremonies, Vice-President General Raymond G. Musgrave, is a direct descendant of Col. Lewis. Twelve of our Societies were represented and layed wreaths at the Magazine. Two of the highlights of The Battle Days celebration were the colonial



tunes played by the Fife and Drum Corps of the "Presidents Own" ceremonial fife and drum corps and the bayonet and musket drills by the Commander in Chief's Life Guards from Ft. Myers, Virginia (See Winter 1993 issue SAR Magazine). Incidentally, the Captain in Charge said the manual of arms used is substantially based on Lt. Gen. Baron von Steuben's manual. The Life Guards joined by the SAR Historic Militia units fired an impressive salvo from 60 to 70 muskets over the Ohio River on the conclusion of the President General's

Twelve State Societies participated in the ceremonies at Kings Mountain. The principal address was given by Robert Stanton, Director of the National Park Service. During this colorful celebration in beautiful weather, I noticed that the JNROTC from York High School, was one of the units in the program, and used the opportunity to talk about our new JROTC competition, as one of our four youth programs. In turn I received a salute from the Cdr. in charge of the JNROTC Unit.

The Fall Trustees Meeting was held in the attractive Memorial Auditorium across from our Headquarters building in late September. We have received many positive comments on the atmosphere in the chambers which was charged with excitement. Our committees and their chairmen made great progress in accomplishing their goals. Those in attendance felt our Society is on the move thanks to our dedicated Compatriots, especially those who were unable to attend the meeting in Louisville.

God Bless America.

Fraternally,

On Sunday, October 6 President General Hoffmann (center) was proud to participate in Memorial Services honoring those Patriots who fought and died in the Battle of Point Pleasant that took place on October 17, 1774 in what is now West Virginia. Among the many SARs on hand for the commemoration were Raymond G. Musgrave, J.D. (left), Vice-President General for the Central District, and Lyle D. McCullough, President of the West Virginia Society. A complete report of this solemn event will be featured in the Winter 1998 Issue of our magazine.



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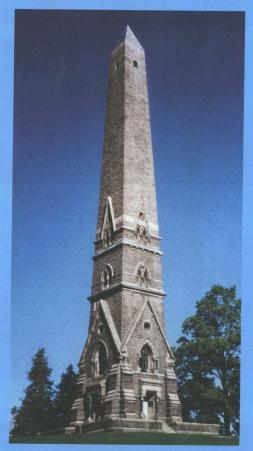
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The handsome Saratoga Monument commemorates Burgoyne's surrender to Gates on October 17, 1777. The 155-foot memorial was completed in 1883 and stands within what was Burgoyne's entrenched camp during the final days of the



Some of the SARs and DARs participating in the wreath laying ceremony within Saratoga National Historical Park included (from left): David Grosvenor, Rochester Chapter; Carol Lampe DAR Saratoga Chapter; Jonathan Goebel, Secretary, Empire State Society; Kenneth Andrews Menken, President, 1st New York Continental Chapter; Charles T. Galbraith, Founding Presiden 1st New York Continental Chapter; Harry Orcutt, Past Vice-President General, New England District; Paul M. Frantz, Chairman, NSSAR Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee; Gavin Galbraith, Compatriot Galbraith's son; unidentified militiaman; Edward Franklin Romig II, President, Roger Sherman Branch, CTSSAR; Richard W. Sage, Alternate Trustee, ESSSAR; Charles G. Carl, VPG, North Atlantic District; Dennis F. M. Marr, President, Saratoga Battle Chapter; and Mrs. Diane Galbraith, Regent, DAR New York City Chapter.

Paul M. Frantz, Chairman of the Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee, and over 35 Compatriots from seven State Societies conducted the first National Society Memorial Ceremony at the Saratoga National Historical Park in New York on September 20. The event commemorated the 220th anniversary of the Battles of Saratoga - the Turning Point of the Revolutionary War.

In 1777 the British army commanded by General John Burgoyne invaded the American colonies from Canada with orders to crush the rebellion and to restore order. The British marched south to a place called Bemis Heights. This was the site selected by the Polish military engineer, Colonel Thaddeus Kosciuszko, to fortify the American position against the invaders. On September 19, 1777, with a heroic effort from Colonel Daniel Morgan's corps of Virginia riflemen, the British invasion was halted in the Battle of Freeman's Farm. Burgoyne pulled back and waited for reinforcements from Sir Henry Clinton's force coming from the south. Help never came, and on October 9, Burgoyne again moved against the

place as the original Battle, the British and American re-enactors marched from their camps to stand against each other on the grounds of Freeman's Farm. About 200 spectators were present on a beautiful fall day. The Empire State Society held its State Meeting that weekend, so many Compatriots arrived early to attend the cer-



Edward F. Romig II, President of the Connecticut Society's Roger Sherman Branch, was proud to present a wreath at the DAR Monument; he is also Secretary of the 1st New York Continental Chapter. Empire State Society.

The Editor wishes to express special thanks to Empire State Society Compatriot Richard W. Sage for preparing the accompanying news story as based on his observations while participating in the Saratoga commemoration. A member of the 1st New York Continental Chapter, he serves as his Society's Alternate Trustee. Thanks also go to the following for furnishing a large volume of photos: Paul M. Frantz, Chairman of the Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee; Edward F. Romig II, President of the CTSSAR Roger Sherman Branch; Millard A. Fairley, Jr. National Trustee of the Empire State Society.

Saturday evening the American camp held a candle light tour with discussions of military strategy, lectures and demonstrations on colonial medicine and first aid for the wounded, and stories around a camp fire. Then on Sunday morning, outdoor church services were held in the camps.

Next Ceremony In Five Years

The Turning Point Committee does not want to make this anniversary of the Battles of Saratoga an annual event because of the immense amount of work involved and the probability that the local interest would undoubtedly wane in successive years. However, this year's event is viewed as a dress rehearsal to the 225th anniversary.

The SAR in New York State made some very good friends, especially with the Saratoga National Historical Park, The Turning Point 1777 Committee, and re-enactor groups. The Committee was impressed with the enthusiasm of the SAR in the Empire State, and already the SAR has been asked to participate in local events.

The keynote address was given by Dr. Ray Raymond from the British Consulate in New York. In his speech, Dr. Raymond

SARATOGA a commemoration



Paul M. Frantz (second from left), Chairman of the NSSAR Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee, posed with these prominent members of the Empire State Society who took active parts in the commemoration (from left): Richard W. Sage, author of the accompanying news story and an officer of the 1st New York Continental Chapter; Dennis F. M. Marr, President, Saratoga Battle Chapter; Stephen A. Arter, Society President; and Millard A. Fairley, Society Treasurer.



Duane Booth, Treasurer of the Empire State Society's Oriskany Battle Chapter, led the program to restore an SAR marker erected years ago to mark the 200th anniversary of the Battles of Saratoga. Originally sponsored by the Admiral George Browne Chapter, the marker had been heavily damaged by vandals in a vain attempt to steal it. His Chapter contributed to its restoration.

Americans. This time he was routed in the Battle of Bemis Heights, and in a few days the British surrendered. Military historians call the American victory one of the ten most decisive battles in history. It was the Turning Point of the American Revolution - because European powers joined the American cause to eventually defeat the British.

Commemoration Program Planned

Two years ago a group of local citizens formed The Turning Point 1777 Committee in order to commemorate the historic Battles at Saratoga. There had always been a late summer celebration of colonial heritage, but this year was special in that it was the 220th since the American victory. The objective of the Committee was to provide a living, education interpretation of the momentous events that occurred in the community. Through the efforts of Bert Armington, National Trustee of the Connecticut Society, the SAR was invited to participate.

The three-day ceremony began in the afternoon of Friday, September 19 on the original site of Freeman's Farm. At precisely the same time of day and the same

emonies. The Committee invited representatives from all nationalities that participated in the Battles.

Throughout the weekend visitors were encouraged to visit demonstrations of colonial life which included cooking over an open fire, wild herbs gathered locally for medicine and food seasoning, and crafts in wood, pottery, and metal. On



THE COVER FEATURES THESE ILLUS-TRATIONS: (1) Second Battle of Freeman's Farm, as depicted by this mid-19th century painting; (2) and (3) Re-enactors simulating the 1777 action at Saratoga; (4) Connecticut 6th Regiment Continental Line, with three prominent SARs in the foreground (from left) Albert A. Armington, Richard Swartwout and David Holloway; (5) Presentation of a wreath by Paul W. Frantz, Chairman of the Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee.

said that he appreciated the graciousness of the Committee to honor all the soldiers who fought and died at Saratoga. He said that the ideals of the American Revolution have become shared values that unite Britain and the United States. These ideals of democratic values, common law, respect for the rights of the individual, and our cherished commitment to individual freedom are embodied in the Magna Charta, the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights. These documents are the finest expressions of freedom anywhere, he declared.

At the conclusion of the ceremony the President of the Empire State Society, Stephen A. Arter, presented the National Society's Memorial Wreath after which bag pipers played "Amazing Grace," and the troops fired musket and cannon salutes. On Friday evening, the Committee held a reception at the Park's Visitors Center. In attendance were the dignitaries who attended the opening ceremonies, re-enactors and many from the SAR. A musical group called Rural Felicity played 18th century music with instruments from that period.

Wreath Ceremony - The Highlight

For the SAR the highlight of the weekend was the Memorial Wreath Laying Ceremony held at the DAR Monument on Saturday morning. The day was overcast with a threat of rain which created a gray backdrop that made the flags of the color guards and uniforms of the re-enactors even more colorful. The re-enactment groups that attended deserve special mention. They were the Third Battalion of Tryon County Militia commanded by James F. Morrison from the Stone Arabia Battle Chapter in New York; Connecticut



Empire State Society Compatriot Richard W. Sage (left) the author of this news story, was Master of Ceremonies for the wreath laying ceremony. Shown placing one was Charles G. Carl, Vice-President General for the North Atlantic District, as did many others

6th Regiment Continental Line commanded by Richard Swartwout from the Connecticut SAR; and on mounted horseback. Sheldon's Horse the Second Continental Light Dragoons commanded by Sal Tarantino. Seven states were represented and many SAR Chapters. Paul Frantz presented the National Society's wreath. The DAR was well represented by Carol Lampe from the Saratoga Chapter and Diane Galbraith from the New York Chapter; both presented wreaths. The Saratoga Battle Chapter and the 1st New York Continental Chapter accompanied by its color guard, also presented wreaths.

The number of re-enactors grew constantly as the weekend progressed, coming from many miles away. Thirty-eight groups were invited, and an estimated 800 troops arrived for the Battles. The re-enactments began at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday afternoon on land outside the park.

SARs Led In Saving Battlefield

After the Battles of Saratoga, Freeman's Farm was all but forgotten. The original owner, John Freeman, was a loyalist who joined the British invaders and never returned to his farm. A relative claimed the farm and settled there. For years afterward, the only reminder that a battle was fought there was when a farmer in the area occasionally plowed up the bones of a fallen

In the early 1900s patriotic groups and state governments were creating parks and monuments around Revolutionary War events. Saratoga was no exception. Beginning in 1911, one of the three founders of the DAR, Ellen Harding Walworth, lobbied the New York State legislature to pass legislation to buy land at Saratoga in order to preserve the site where one of the most famous governor never approved the legislation.

No Government Funds

Since the government would not make the necessary appropriation to acquire the land, patriotic Americans were urged to act to acquire the land and erect monuments to the memory of these events. A patriotic group set up the Saratoga Battlefield Association. Directors of the Association included two members of the Empire State Society of the SAR: Judge Harvey Foote Remington and its Chairman, Charles H. Ogden. The idea behind the Battlefield Association was that individuals would make small contributions, and eventually the Association would amass enough in donations to purchase the land and to make improvements sufficient to call the area a Battlefield Monument where the 150th anniversary of the Battle could be commemorated in 1927. The total amount of individual contributions never materialized, but Ogden and Remington went ahead and signed notes with a bank to finance purchase of the Freeman farm and the Sarle farm consisting of 260 acres. It was on these farms where the fortified American positions were located and where the most bitter fighting took place.

Fortunately, Assemblyman Burton Esmond from nearby Balston Spa was able to get legislation enacted that Governor Alfred E. Smith signed into law. The Act appropriated \$50,000 to acquire land and \$75,000 to improve and to rehabilitate sites of historic importance. The enactment of the legislation was successful because the Mayor of Mechanicville waged a public relations campaign in which every patriotic, fraternal, civic and historic association wrote letters urging the creation of the Battlefield Monument.

Compatriot Charles Ogden was not a wealthy man. However, in order to secure the land for the Battlefield Monument, he made a substantial financial commitment for a cause in which he believed deeply. After New York State bought the farm, he wrote to his friend, the mayor of Mechanicville, saying that he was very happy to be relieved of the financial obligation.

battles in history was fought. However, the

SAR HISTORIC CELEBRATIONS

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December 6 - Wilmington, DE: 7:00pm. US Constitution dinner. Sponsored by DESSAR.

December 7 - Annapolis, MD: Chapel, US Naval Academy, Crypt of John Paul Jones. Wreath laying Sponsored by MDSSAR.

December 19 - Valley Forge National Park, PA: 6:00pm. Annual "Walk In" commemorates Washington's Army entry to Valley Forge. SAR participants.

December 25 - Washington Crossing, PA and NJ: 12:00 noon. Annual commemoration of Washington's Army crossing the Delaware. SAR participants.

January 17 – Cowpens National Battlefield, SC: 2:00pm. 217th Anniversary Celebration. Wreath laying sponsored by Daniel Morgan Chapter, SCSSAR.

February 13 – Kettle Creek Battlefield Site (near Washington) GA: 1:00pm. Spec. events. Evening dinner. February 14 - 11:00am Wreath laying. Sponsored by GASSAR.

February 21 - Philadelphia, PA: 11:00am. Independence Hall. Celebration of Washington's Birthday. 11:30am. Washington Square, wreath laying sponsored by Philadelphia-Continental Chapter, PASSAR.

February 21 - Mt. Vernon, VA: 11:00am. Washington's Family Tomb. Wreath laying. Sponsored by SR. SAR participants

March 2 – Burlington, NC: 2:00pm. 216th Anniversary Battle of Clapp's Mill. Ceremony and wreath laying. Sponsored by Alamance Battle Chapter, NCSSAR.

March 15 – Guilford Courthouse National Battlefield (near Greensboro) NC: 11:00am. Annual Memorial service. Wreath Laying. Sponsored by Nathanael Greene Chapter, NCSSAR

March 16 - Montpelier, VA: 11:00am. National Commemorative Service of Madison's birthday. wreath laying. VASSAR participants.

April 13 - Jefferson Memorial, Washington, DC: 11:00am. National Commemorative Service of Jefferson's birthday, wreath laying. Sponsored by DCSSAR.

April 13 - Monticello, VA: 10:00am. Celebration of Jefferson's birthday, wreath laying. VASSAR participants

April 18 - Concord, MA: 8:00am. Wreath laying at Col. Buttrick's grave. 9:00am. Parade and Ceremonies at The Bridge. MASSAR Color Guard participants. April 18 - Dover, DE (Sheraton Inn): 9:00am. Commemoration of Battle of Lexington and Concord. Sponsored by DESSAR

April 28 – Richmond (Hollywood Cemetery) VA: 11:00am. National Commemorative Service of Monroe's birthday, wreath laying. VASSAR participants.

May 16 - Alamance, NC: 2:00pm. 226th Anniversary Battle of Alamance. Ceremony and wreath laying. Sponsored by Alamance Battleground Chapter, NCSSAR.

May 22-24 - New Haven CT: 6th Continental Line battle reenactments, encampment, etc. Sponsored by CTSSAR Color Guard.

May 23 - Vincennes, IN: 11:00am. Old French Cemetery, George Rogers Clark Memorial. SAR Marker dedication. Sponsored by these State Societies: IL, IN, MI, OH, WI.

May 25 - Philadelphia, PA: 4:00pm. Washington Square. Tomb of Unknown Soldier. Wreath laying. PASSAR participants

May 25 - Westwood, MA: 9:30am. Memorial Day parade and wreath laying. MASSAR Color Guard participants

June 28 - Charleston, SC: 3:00pm. Parade and ceremony commemorating Battle of Sullivan's Island (1st Battle of Charleston). Wreath laying. SCSSAR participants.

July 4 - Philadelphia, PA: 12:45pm. Independence Square band concert: ceremonies 1:30pm. "Let Freedom Ring" bell ringing at Liberty Bell Pavilion. Sponsored by SR; SAR participants.

July 4 - NATIONWIDE: 2:00pm EDST. "Let Freedom Ring" bell ringing: 13 tolls on all church bells. courthouses, city halls, carillons,

national monuments, university towers. July 4 - Litchfield, CT: 9:30am. East Cemetery. Wreath laying at Wolcott/Talmadge graves.

CTSSAR participants.

July 4 - Delaware Independence Day Celebrations: 10:00am. Dagsboro Episcopal Church 10:00am. Wilmington Old Swede's Church 12:00noon. Dover Christ Episcopal

July 4 - Boston, MA, Navy Yard: 9:00am. Ceremonies at USS Constitution. MASSAR Color Guard participants

Church. Sponsored by DESSAR

July 4 - Norwood, MA: 5:00pm. Independence Day Parade. MASSAR Color Guard participants

July 4 - Mt. Vernon, VA: 12:00 noon. Wreath laying at Washington's Tomb. SAR participants.

July 4 - Monticello, VA: 12:00noon. Jefferson's Tomb, wreath laying. Co-sponsored by Thomas Jefferson Chapter, VASSAR.

July 4 - Ashland-Highland, VA: 1:00pm. Wreath laying at Monroe Statue. Sponsored by Thomas Jefferson Chapter, VASSAR.

July 4 - Congressional Cemetery. Washington, DC: 10:30am. Wreath laying at tomb of Elbridge Gerry. Sponsored by DCSSAR.



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Our new Executive Director, Compatriot Arthur E. Chapman, has a noteworthy career record.

Chapman Named New Executive Director

Dr. Arthur E. Chapman, a Past President of the Florida Society, has been named Executive Director of the National Society, replacing Robert A. Lentz who resigned this position in July. His duties officially commenced after Labor Day following a selection process conducted by a special committee appointed by President General Carl K. Hoffmann. Final approval was given by the Executive Committee.

Prior to joining the Headquarters Staff in Louisville, Compatriot Chapman was Chairman of the NSSAR Task Force to Preserve United States History (this assignment has been assumed by Texas Society Compatriot B. Rice Aston, who had been a member of the group). In addition to a wide range of SAR activities, he is a member of such other hereditary societies as Sons of the Revolution, Mayflower Descendants, Founders and Patriots, and Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge. His background also encompasses affiliation with Masonic organizations.

Some time back he was appointed Editor of *Volume III - History of the Sons of the American Revolution*, which is scheduled to be published in the year 2000. It will cover the period beginning with 1983. He will continue in this important position.

Compatriot Chapman holds a variety of academic degrees and was awarded his doctorate at the University of Miami – Coral Gables, Florida. Over the past several years he has been a Lecturer in History and Business Administration at the institution. His most recent employment has also included the post of Communications Supervisor for the Information Technology Department of Metropolitan Dade County. Among other aspects, this entailed responsibility for implementing a new 800-MHz police and fire radio system and a new 911 emergency call system.

He and his wife, Antonietta, have been married for 30 years. They have a son in college.

Disney World Area In Florida To Be Locale For 108th Congress

The Hilton at Walt Disney Village — located **inside** the Walt Disney World Resort in Buena Vista, Florida — will be the unique setting for the 108th Annual Congress scheduled for next June 6 through 10. The location is within footsteps of Downtown Disney featuring Disney Village Marketplace, Pleasure Island and Disney's West Side.

Featuring over 800 guest rooms and suites, the facility has seven restaurants and lounges, a variety of shops including golf, two outdoor heated swimming pools, health club and a tropical outdoor spa. Guests enjoy the convenience of complimentary continuous transportation to the MAGIC KINGDOM® Park, Epcot®, Disney MGM Studios, Blizzard Beach, Typhoon Lagoon, River Country and all five PGA Championship Disney Golf Courses. And best of all - the Congress room rate will be an unprecedented \$99 single or double, plus a current tax of 11%. Alcove suites will be available at \$139, while the Tower Concierge level is \$149. A hotel reservation form will appear in the Winter 1998 Issue of The SAR Magazine.

Florida Compatriots Making Plans

Working closely together to provide a successful business/pleasure event are Barrett L. McKown, Chairman of the NSSAR Congress Planning Committee, and Edward S. Hoyt, Chairman of the Host Society Congress Planning Committee. Compatriot Hoyt possesses a broad range of experience at all levels of the SAR, including being Chairman of the NSSAR Budget Committee for many years. Supporting him in planning Congress details are these SARs: R.L. (Bud) Bauchspies, Jr., Entertainment; Richard A. Connell, Pre/Post Congress Tours; D. Robert Copeland, Hotel Liaison, and Ron Hamilton, Assistant Hotel Liaison, Security, Medical; Stanley A. Evans, Jr., Budget; Richard E. Friberg, Host Reception; Oscar Kraechenbuehl, Raffle; Thomas H. McElroy, Publicity; Robert H. Moody, Breakfasts; Gerald J. Morgan,

Credentials; and John Cahoon, Jr., Assistant Credentials, Thomas C. Steidley, Jr., Registration; William H. Towery, Memorial Service. Heading up all of the Ladies Activities, including the Hospitality Room, will be Mrs. Louise Friberg.

Compatriot Hoyt has revealed that optional tour programs have also been arranged; a reservation form will be in the Winter 1998 Issue. On Saturday the 6th, a bus will wisk SARs and guests to the quaint "Little Europe" shopping district in historic Winter Park. The tour will include a scenic boat ride through the beautiful lakes and canals, a visit to exclusive boutiques and a view of the famous exhibits at the Charles Hosmer Morse Museum of American Arts – noted for its largest collection of Louis B. Tiffany glass in the world.



The Hilton at Walt Disney World Village is located in Buena Vista at 1751 Hotel Plaza Boulevard. It is about a 30-minute ride from Orlando International Airport.

On that same Saturday, as well as the Thursday following the Congress, an 8-hour tour to the Kennedy Space Center will be offered. Here a wide range of sights will be seen, including a breathtaking film shown on the five-story IMAX screen.

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Compatriot Russell D. Page and his wife, June, are regular attendees at a variety of SAR functions, including National Trustees Meetings In Louisville (as shown here).

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SAR Contests Draw Thousands Of Youths

Every year thousands of young men and women compete in various programs sponsored by the National Society: Knight Essay Contest, Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest and the Eagle Scout Scholarship Competition. The winners of each were recognized at the 107th Annual Congress in Baltimore this past July.

The Summer Issue of our magazine reported on the Essay Contest, including reproduction of the manuscript that captured first place.

Youths who had been sponsored by 17 State Societies gathered in Baltimore for the Oration run-off. Joshua M. Koenig of Florida was declared the top winner and was awarded \$2,000; his oration is offered below. Coming in second was Marylander David T. Roscoe, who was presented \$1,000. Third-place winner was Joshua B. Trent of Tennessee; he received \$500. All other participants were also given monetary awards. Oration subjects ranged from the United States Constitution to Patrick Henry and the Battle of Trenton.

Recognized as the top winner of the Eagle Scout program was David B. Turlington, a resident of North Carolina. At the Monday luncheon, he was presented a check for \$5,000 and a Life Membership in the National Eagle Scout Association (his essay is reproduced below).



During the Monday luncheon, Eagle Scout David B. Turlington was presented a Life Membership in the National Eagle Scout Association. Doing the honors was Dr. Henry N. McCarl, a member of the NSSAR Eagle Scout Committee. The Chairman of the Committee, Tennessee Compatriot Jackson L. Grady (seated), was Master of Ceremonies for the program.

Another highlight of the luncheon was the awarding of a special framed certificate to Former President General Arthur M. King, who was instrumental in launching the scholarship project in the early 1980s. Making the presentation was General Larry D. Welch, Air Force Chief of Staff, Retired, representing the Boy Scouts of America. Becoming an Eagle Scout many decades ago, Compatriot King was saluted for his continuing devotion to the scouting movement.

Eagle Scout Justin L. Lamb, Missouri, was declared the runner-up winner. He was awarded \$2,000 during the Annual Meeting of the Missouri Society.



The 17 young men and women participating in the Orations Contest run-off during the 107th Annual Congress posed with Contest Chairman Jack Horner (standing, center). *FRONT* (from left): Curtis M. Gregory (KY), Lauren A. Craft (AL), Anya E. Harsley (IN), Tara R. Ambrose (VA), Nova D. Taylor (KS), Anna R. Smith (AR), Parin A. Parikh (TX). *REAR* (from left): Jeffery C. Wuenschel, Jr., (OH), Jacob B. Towery (CA), Steven R. Landry (LA), Joshua M. Koenig (FL), Thomas K. Wiesner II (MI), Joshua B. Trent (TN), Matthew B. Platt (DE), David T. Roscoe (MD), Delonte J. Gholston (DC), Hans J. Petersen (MO).

The Winning Eagle Scout Program Essay CAUSES OF THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

the people.

By David B. Turlington, North Carolina

like things are out of our control. But what we

must remember is that things are always in

our control. For there are far more ordinary

citizens like you and me than there are

Washington "game players." Without the sup-

port of us, they are nothing. We control what

goes on in our country. We control who is in

office. We control what their agenda is. The

Constitution reads "We the people of the

United States" - not "We the Government,"

not "We the Republicans," or "We the

Democrats." "We the people" is what was

written by our forefathers, and "We the peo-

not belong to big names. It does not belong to

the skilled generals or powerful politicians. It

belongs to we, the people. And it is up to us

to continue to join together, as we have

always done, to exercise and to protect our

rights as citizens of this great country. We, a

joined people. We, the proud Americans. We,

As we can see, the United States does

ple" is what is still in practice now.

The political, economic, and social roots to the American Revolution were planted almost from the very start of British colonization. Some of the major causes of the American Revolution were: (1) an inconsistent and ineffective British bureaucracy that ruled indirectly; (2) the economic hardships of mercantilism that benefitted England at the expense of the American colonies; and (3) a growing egalitarian society in which the people were more independent minded.

unfamiliar places. I saw young men and

women change the paths of their lives and

enlist in the Armed Forces. But what I saw that

was most meaningful to me was the support of

the rest of the country that stayed at home in

the United States. Never before had I seen so

many marches and demonstrations of support.

Never before had I seen so many T-shirts with

the common theme of "Support Our Troops"

and "Freedom isn't free." We were told that

patriot missiles won the war. But the patriots

that won the war weren't missiles...they were

a united people - a people made of generals,

soldiers, families, friends and fellow brothers

and sisters who share a mother country they

are all proud of, the United States. This united

people acts as a modern day definition of the

we see the power of the citizens of the

United States. We witness it everyday - in

schools for example. Children are the future

of this great and wonderful country. And

schools take on the responsibility of shaping

and forming their incredible minds. Their task

is to prepare the young people to run the

world as soon as their parents step aside.

Since our country is built not only for today,

but also for tomorrow, we see that the coun-

try is lost without the guidance of educators.

"We the people" is exhibited in our schools as

teachers and administrators unite to bring

But wars are not the only times in which

term "We the people."

In royal colonies, the appointed royal governors had little power because of major historical events — including the English Civil War, Cromwellian rule, and the Glorious Revolution — that distracted the British who concentrated on domestic problems. Thus, throughout the colonial period, the British government had little continuing bureaucratic or absolute rule and the king played a nominal role. The governance inconsistencies eventually led to colonial demands for separation from England.

Many of the economic causes of the War for Independence evolved from the British policy of mercantilism designed to benefit England at the expense of the American colonists. The British passed many laws designed to limit trade and to make Americans economically dependent upon the British. The colonists wanted favorable economic and political treatment, especially after years of being on the short end of mercantilistic policies that viewed the colonies only as a source of raw materials and a ready market for British finished goods. The Americans resented the British

who kept money and manufacturing in England. The American colonists wanted more economic opportunity, fewer British taxes and representation in Parliament.

Socially, the English colonies thought of themselves as thirteen separate colonies rather than as part of the English empire. Each colony had separate ways of dealing with religious, economic, and political issues because the people settling the colonies were from different social classes and had immigrated to the English colonies for many different reasons. In contrast to England where only the rich owned large tracks of land, anyone could get large tracks of land in America and no one was given titles of nobility. This made the American colonials egalitarian and independent minded, especially on the frontier. The colonists identified less as being British and more as being American.

The expensive French and Indian War was a catalyst for the growth toward independence. The English were determined that the American colonists should finance the war because the colonies benefited from British protection, particularly on the frontier. British taxation policies, such as the Sugar Act, the Currency Act, the Stamp Act, and the Townshend Acts infuriated the Americans who claimed "no taxation without representation". The Boston Massacre and the Boston Tea Party fed right into that discontent. Many American colonists wanted to separate from England. The time was ripe for the Declaration of Independence and for Lexington and Concord.

students the gift of knowledge.

We also see the importance of citizens in politics. I know that sometimes it seems like Washington is completely separated from the rest of the country or world for that matter. Politicians seem to be constantly engaged in what might be called "the game."

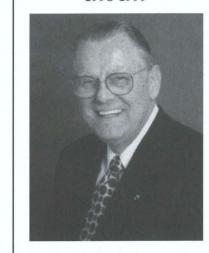
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The Winning Oration At Annual Congress

THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION

By Joshua M. Koenig, Florida

George Washington...Paul Revere... Thomas Jefferson. These are names that immediately pop into our heads when we think of the Revolutionary War. But while these names are bright in our history, there is a document that outshines them all: The Constitution of the United States — and more specifically, the Preamble to that Constitution.

The part that makes this preamble most meaningful is the first group of words written by the Continental Congress that sound so familiar to us: "We the people of the United States." "We the people" obviously signifies that more than one person wrote the Constitution. This we already know from reading our history books. But if we look deeper into the term, we see not only the members of the First Continental Congress but also the population of the United States

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as a whole. In other words, the Constitution was not written for just a few people, but rather all of the citizens of the United States. Therefore, we can assume that since our country was built on the Constitution, at the same time, it was built on the people.

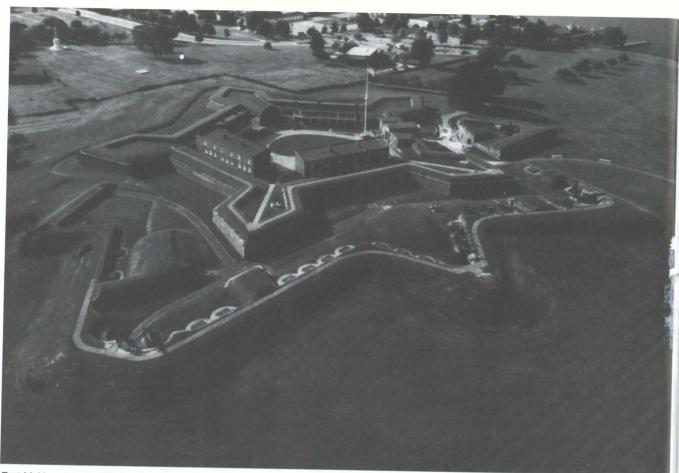
The Revolutionary War was a war made up of several battles. And when we think of these battles we tend to remember names of important generals, such as George Washington. But we must also remember the soldiers who fought behind him. George Washington was a great leader. But even the greatest leaders cannot be successful without the support of great followers. So, as we can tell by our victory over the British, the United States was full of great followers. There were followers like the minutemen, who were

trained to be ready for battle within a very short time. We don't know every minuteman by name, but we do know that without them, the United States would not have stood a chance against the powerful British army. The minutemen are a perfect example of what was meant by "We the people." Generals and politicians don't win wars; we the people do.

we the people do.

As we shift our focus now from Revolutionary times to modern times, we can also recognize the importance of "We the People." If we look back a few years, we will see a very recent war, this being the Gulf War. The Gulf War was very significant to me as a young person, not only because I saw history take place, but also because I had a chance to see the people of our country unite in a way like no other. I saw soldiers leave their families to go to new and

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Fort McHenry, now a National Monument, served as an active military post from the time of the War of 1812 through World War II. Today it has been restored to its pre-Civil War appearance. Operated by the National Park Service, the facility is open to the public - as detailed elsewhere in the accompanying article. (Courtesy Baltimore Area Convention and Visitors Association. Photo by Roger Miller.)

The Star Fort at Whetstone Point

What became Fort McHenry, where Francis Scott Key penned his famous poem in 1814, was the location of defenses for Baltimore against the British during the Revolutionary War.

By Compatriot Douglas L. McWilliams

TO ARMS! On March 5, 1776, a British squadron was sighted in the Chesapeake Bay, at the mouth of the Patapsco River. This was the first time that British warships had ascended so far up the Bay. The sixteengun HM sloop-of-war Otter, the swivel-equipped tender Samuel, and the six-gun schooner tender Edward were under orders to disrupt rebel shipping and to destroy any vessels which could be converted into Continental or private warships. The Alarm quickly reached Baltimore Town. Under the direction of the Maryland Council of Safety and the Baltimore Committee of Observation, militia units were formed and defensive

positions were constructed, including an earthen star fort at Whetstone Point - on the site where Fort McHenry would be located and achieve renown during the subsequent conflict with Britain.

Whetstone Point is located on the tip of a peninsula at the confluence of the North West and the Ferry Branches of the Patapsco River, 14 miles upriver from the Chesapeake Bay and 170 miles inland from the Atlantic Ocean. On February 24, 1661, Charles Gorsuch, a member of the Society of Friends, patented 50 acres on the peninsula. Following abandonment of the land by Gorsuch, a patent was granted on June 2, 1702 to James

Carroll, who was credited for naming the peninsula "Whetstone Point". In 1725, the Principo Company, an English firm, acquired the land at Whetstone Point. Ore mined at Whetstone Point was sent to the company's furnace at nearby Perryville and was smelted into high quality pig-iron and bar-iron for export to England. During the Revolutionary War, the furnace made cannon balls which were sent to the fortifications at Whetstone Point.

FORTIFICATIONS PLANNED IN 1776

Only two miles from the growing town of Baltimore, Whetstone Point had strategic importance. Since all of the town's port facilities were on the North West Branch of the Patapsco, defensive works on Whetstone Point could easily guard the water approaches to the town and harbor. On January 20, 1776, the delegates to the Maryland Convention resolved that the town should be fortified. By February 3rd, a proposal for land fortifica-



Produced in 1781 by Louis-Alexandre Berthier, this is the earliest known military map of Whetstone Point in Baltimore's Harbor. (Courtesy Library of Congress and Park Service Ranger Scott S.

tions and channel obstructions was approved by the Maryland Council of Safety. A gun battery was built at Fells Point and a wooden boom was stretched across the North West Branch of the Patapsco River from Gorsuch's Point (later known as Lazaretto Point) to Whetstone Point, with a narrow opening to permit vessels to enter the harbor under the guns of the shoreline battery on Whetstone Point. The channel was further obstructed by 22 sunken schooners. In addition to the militia, regulars from Maryland units of the Continental Army under Major Mordecai Gist arrived in Baltimore to take positions at the works on Whetstone Point.

Eager to confront the Otter and the two tenders, the Maryland Navy's newly converted twenty-gun man-ofwar Defence (on its own shake-down cruise), supported by three local schooners, sailed down the Patapsco on March 9, 1776. Meanwhile, the Otter's pilot was from Virginia and was unfamiliar with the waters of the

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

A former Assistant Treasurer of the Maryland Society and Past President of the John Eager Howard Chapter, Compatriot McWilliams is an attorney in Baltimore. He is descended from British colonists who lived in Plymouth, Massachusetts Bay, and New York and from Huguenots who settled in New Paltz, New York in 1677. At least 14 of his ancestors served in militia units during the Revolutionary War.

Fort McHenry Open To Public Throughout The Entire Year

Today's Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine is operated by the National Park Service and is located three miles east of Baltimore via East Fort Avenue. Strategically situated at the entrance to the city's Inner Harbor, this historic site is open daily 8-8, early June-Labor Day; 8-5 rest of year; closed January 1 and December 25. Shuttle boat service from Baltimore departs from Light Street in the Inner Harbor on a convenient schedule during certain days.



This huge American Flag (circa 1814) flies within the fort's interior. Visitors may tour a variety of buildings that portray what military life was like when the facility was active.

Park orientation and a 15-minute movie on the fort's history and the writing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" are offered in the visitor center. Guided activities, weekend performances by the Fort McHenry Guard and special programs are given in the summer.

Park rangers will provide special programs for groups that make arrangements at least three weeks in advance. Arrangements are made on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information call 301/962-4299 or write the Superintendent, Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine, Baltimore, MD 21230.

Patapsco, causing the Otter to run aground twice. In addition, the crew of the Otter was shorthanded and many were sick. After considering his options, Captain Matthew Squire on board the Otter decided to abort his mission rather than risk a determined engagement with the approaching rebel vessels.

FORT SAW VARIETY OF PURPOSES

British warships sailed up the Bay in August 1777, but did not stay in the area very long. Soon after, the Maryland Gazette reported that a furnace was erected at Whetstone Point for the purpose of heating cannon balls before they were fired at enemy ships, hoping to cause more damage to the targets. In the Fall of 1778, wounded soldiers were housed in a barracks-hospital on the lower slope of Whetstone Point. During the Winter of 1778, the fortifications at Whetstone Point were reported to have an armament of 38 cannon. However, in the absence of a British attack and due to its extensive deterioration, the boom across the North West Branch of the Patapsco was dismantled; the sunken schooners in the channel had



In May of 1995 the Maryland Society Color Guard and Musket Squad participated in a ceremony that saw the planting of a Northern Red Oak at Fort McHenry designated the "1776 SAR Tree" (from left): Edwin H. Dotter, Jr., Thomas A. Bessent, James A. McCafferty, Robert E. Lyons, Herbert L. Baer, Sr. (fife) and Randall D. Grimsley (drum).

been raised and removed in early July 1776. An Alarm was sent out when another British squadron appeared in the Chesapeake Bay in the Spring of 1779, but the anticipated attack did not materialize. Fort Whetstone was gradually abandoned until early April 1781, when militia again responded to news that British warships were sailing up the Bay. By the end of the month, the British returned down the Bay and the militia was dismissed.

ROCHAMBEAU'S FORCES MOVE INTO AREA

During the Summer of 1781, British forces in the southern theatre of the war were consolidated at the lower end of the Chesapeake Bay, at the seaport of Yorktown, Virginia. Marching overland from Newport, Rhode Island to Yorktown, the 4,000-man French army of Lieutenant General Jean-Baptiste Donatien de Vimeur, Comte de Rochambeau, along with 2,000 American troops, arrived in Baltimore. From September 12 to 15, 1781, the army camped in a farmstead area adjacent to the town - in the vicinity of what is now Oriole Park at Camden Yards, the home stadium of the Baltimore Orioles baseball franchise.

Captain Louis-Alexandre Berthier, a cartogragher and a member of Rochambeau's staff, kept journals and made a number of maps during the march from Rhode Island, including the earliest known military map of Whetstone Point and Baltimore's harbor area. (**Refer to photocopy/print of the 1781 map**) Berthier's map indicates a five-pointed star fortification on the lower tip of Whetstone Point surrounded by a ditch, a short distance northwest of and on higher ground than two parallel shoreline gun batteries with 27 embrasures, a flagstaff, and four buildings outside the star fort. It is believed that the star fort and the shoreline gun batteries were made of simple earthworks with timber reinforce-

The siege of Yorktown by the American and French forces eliminated the possibility of a British attack on Baltimore. In accordance with an act passed by the Maryland Assembly authorizing seizure of all British property in the state, 400 acres of the Principo Company's land on Whetstone Point were sold at public auction in September 1781, but the 26 acres of land occupied by the star fort and the shoreline gun batteries was not sold until July 30, 1782.

NEW DEFENSES BUILT ATOP ORIGINAL

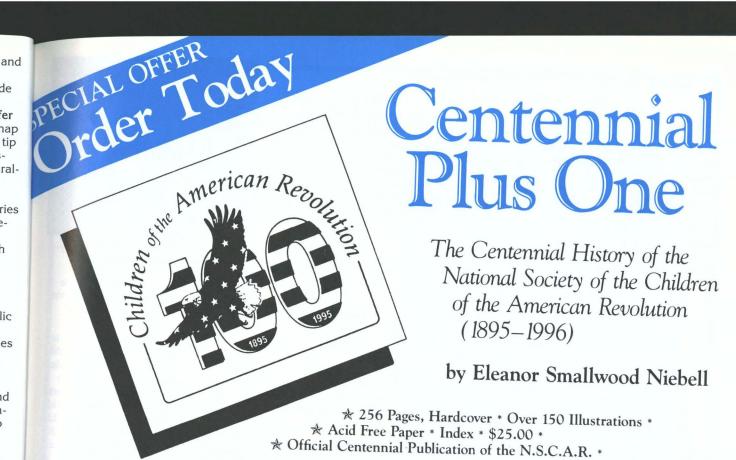
When war once again broke out between France and Britain in the Spring of 1794, Congress authorized construction of a series of coastal forts. Major John Jacob Ulrich Rivardi, one of several French engineers and artillery officers who emigrated to America after the French Revolution, was appointed to develop plans for fortifications in Baltimore. Following his inspection of the 1776 works at Whetstone Point, Rivardi observed that the star fort was never entirely finished, the ditch was filled up from the dirt of the breastworks, the lower gun battery was in bad repair, and the upper gun battery was of poor design. Based upon this assessment, Rivardi supervised the rebuilding of the shoreline gun batteries. In 1799, Jean Foncin, another French engineer assigned to improve Baltimore's fortifications, decided to build a masonry-faced pentagonal fort on top of the remains of the old star fort. The new fort was completed by 1805 and was named after James McHenry - the Irish-born Baltimore resident who was a surgeon in the Continental Army, was secretary to General George Washington and to General Marquis de Lafayette, and was the Secretary of War from 1796 to 1800.

In grade school, most Americans learn about Fort McHenry's stalwart defense against the British bombardment of September 13 and 14, 1814 and that Francis Scott Key, a native of Maryland and a Georgetown lawyer, was inspired to write a poem which later would become the lyrics of the National Anthem. However, it is not common knowledge that Fort McHenry was built on top of a star-shaped fort which protected Baltimore and its harbor from British attack during the Revolutionary War.

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One of the best patrons of the Atlanta Historical Society Library/Archives has been the Sons of the American Revolution. The partnership between the two groups began in 1991 as the brain-child of SAR member, Ross Arnold, who had the vision to see an SAR Library at the Atlanta History Center.

The library/archives committee, then under the leadership of Tom Watson Brown, voted to accept the generous proposal of the SAR to start a library at the

This article was prepared by Anne Salter, who serves as Librarian at the Atlanta History Center, in cooperation with Compatriot Ross Arnold, a prominent member of the local SAR Atlanta Chapter of the Georgia Society. Located within the Center, the SAR Library described here is a unique facility made possible by generous donations from SARs and the Patterson-Barclay Memorial Foundation. At the National Society level, Compatriot Arnold serves as Chairman of the SAR Patriotic and Educational Foundation, which has been established to further a wide range of NSSAR programs.

AHC that would focus on the following: the American Revolution in Georgia; County History and Family History; genealogy. As a result, in six short years and thanks to the \$10,000 per year generosity of the Patterson-Barclay Memorial Foundation, of which Compatriot Arnold is a Trustee - more than 4,000 titles have been placed in the special room housing the SAR Library.

SAR Offers Donations

Genealogists especially enjoy the comfortable and attractive room made

possible by the SARs annual donations which allowed for shelves, chairs, and tables. The Atlanta History Center's collection of porcelain Revolutionary War figures decorate the tops of the shelves as well as a collection of early American Glass reproductions depicting scenes from the Colonial Period. We also have a document with an original signature of George Walton, one of Georgia's three signers of the Declaration of Independence.

The book collection includes not only local and Georgia history, but also houses a wealth of information on genealogy and family history relating to the Southeastern U.S. and New England. Thanks to the SAR and the dedication of Former President General of the NSSAR, Robert B. Vance, and Mr. Arnold in finding the "best" books possible, duplicates from the Filson Club and the NSSAR Library in Louisville, Kentucky were purchased and added to the collection; many of these books are now out of print and not widely available.

Numerous County Histories

Especially interesting in the collection are the county histories of various states including Georgia, North and South Carolina, and Tennessee. The collection is growing in the areas of Virginia and the New England states. Also available are periodicals relating to genealogy and genealogical research.

The library, one of just a few SAR libraries in the United States, is open to the public at no charge. Patrons must register and show a current picture ID qualifying them for a library use card good for six months. The facility is used by over 5,000 patrons yearly, with an average daily attendance of 15. For a research library, the daily attendance is quite high. Saturdays are especially busy, with an average attendance of 24. Plans include adding more volumes and additional shelves each year as the collection continues to grow.



This view of the library shows a portion of the collections. SAR contributions permitted purchase of shelves, tables and chairs.



Compatriot Ross Arnold is shown displaying one of the valuable holdings in the library - a two-volume set by Hank Burnham pertaining to the 3,421 Patriots buried in Georgia. Posing with him is Anne Salter, Librarian.

The SAR and the Patterson-Barclay Memorial Foundation have made possible one of the most active and well-rounded genealogy libraries in Atlanta. Even a genealogy club has been formed and meets there! The Atlanta History Center considers itself to be extremely fortunate in this cooperative undertaking. While the Foundation funds the library on an annual basis, and the History Center operates it and pays all overhead, including salaries and utilities, the arrangement is simple and one that other SARs across the country might well emulate with their own city's history center or library.

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IN OUR MEMORY

Wilson King Barnes, Senior, 90, 75th President General, 1977-1978, entered into life eternal on August 19, 1997. He was a distinguished Jurist who made countless contributions to the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

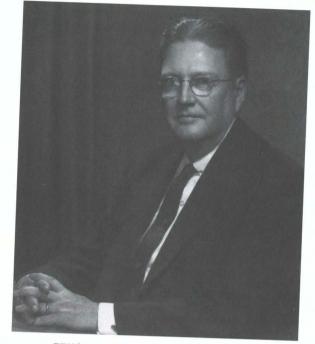
Wilson Barnes was a native of Pocomoke City on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. He was a graduate of Western Maryland College and the University of Maryland Law School. He was noted for his keen knowledge of the law and for his in-depth judicial decisions.

Compatriot Barnes served for ten years as Associate Judge of the Court of Appeals, Maryland's highest Court. His research revealed that colonial judges wore red robes in the courts. As a result the Maryland Court of Appeals changed their garb to red robes. Today, it is the only court in the United States where judges wear

Compatriot Barnes, National #87492, enrolled in the Maryland Society in April 1962. As President of the Maryland Society he organized eight new local chapters. He attended twenty-four Annual Congresses.

President General Barnes began his term without a National Headquarters and an Executive Secretary. He appointed Compatriot Lt. Gen. Herman Nickerson as Acting Secretary and leased temporary headquarters in the Huntington Building in Alexandria, Virginia. He worked closely with the Special Real Estate Committee seeking a permanent headquarters.

Judge Barnes was active in other patriotic societies. He served as President of the Society of the War of 1812 in the State of Maryland, and was a member of the Society of Colonial Wars in Maryland.



Wilson King Barnes, Sr. President General 1977-1978

Compatriot Barnes was a long time communicant of Saint Davis's Episcopal Church, Roland Park, Baltimore, serving as Lay Reader, delegate to the Diocese of Maryland annual conventions, and delegate to the General Conventions.

Wilson Barnes's deceased wife, Elizabeth Chestnut Barnes, served as Organizing Secretary of the NSDAR. He is survived by two sons, William Calvin Chestnut Barnes and Wilson King Barnes, Junior, both members of the Maryland Society, SAR. Both daughters-in-law are members of the Maryland Society, DAR. There are five grandchildren.

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(This tribute to President General Barnes was prepared by FPG Carl F. Bessent, a longtime and close friend)

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Originally proposed by President General Carl K. Hoffmann during the 107th Annual Congress in Baltimore this past July, the program calls for broadened recognition of outstanding cadets – or their equivalent, depending upon the particular branch of the military. Under the direction of the Americanism Committee chaired by Alabama Society Compatriot Lee Swart, the new approach has been approved by the Executive Committee and the Medals and Awards Committee. Jack Haughton of the Texas Society heads an Americanism subcommittee responsible for the JROTC project.

In essence, the program calls for selecting a top JROTC cadet in a similar manner as are the top winners for other NSSAR youth competitions (Rumbaugh Oration, Knight Essay and Eagle Scout Scholarship). That is, recognizing someone at the Chapter level, then at the State Society level and finally, at the National Society level.

Chapter Winner To Write Essay

Compatriot Haughton emphasizes that as in the past the outstanding cadets will be selected by their Senior Instructors (SI) – and they will still receive the standard JROTC Bronze Medal. If the sponsoring Chapter and the SI want to participate further, an application form is completed and an essay is written by the cadet about the values he/she has derived from JROTC training and education.

If a Chapter sponsors more than one JROTC Unit and wishes to participate, the cadet from each is chosen to compete with the others – but only one may advance to the State Society level. A single entry selected by the Society is then forwarded to the Americanism subcommittee for consideration for the top award of \$1,000, which will be presented for the first time at the 108th Annual Congress in Florida next June. The winner's expenses for attending will be covered.

Various Recognition Awards

The subcommittee has provided for a variety of medals, medallions and neck ribbons for offering to cadets all along the selection process. Their objective is to make the cadet at each competition level identifiable at a glance.

A brochure has been prepared that details all aspects of this exciting program. Additionally, it has been added to the National Society's Web Site:



At the September meeting of the National Trustees, a variety of awards for presentation to cadets was displayed by Americanism Committee Chairman Lee Swart (left) and Subcommittee Chairman Jack Haughton. They range from the standard Bronze JROTC Medal and a new Ribbon Bar with Frame to a Presentation Medallion on neck ribbon.

<a href="http://www.sar.org. Compatriot Jack Haughton will be pleased to offer any information desired to help you get going. Write to him at 1900 Preston Road, #267-240, Plano, TX 76093; his phone number is 972/867-8517; e-mail may be sent to jchmgh@msn.com>.

Membership Kit Being Prepared

According to an announcement by Chairman Larry D. McClanahan, the goals of the Membership Committee for the coming year will include development of a membership training kit for use by the Society's Districts, State Societies and Chapters. The kit will feature the Membership Recruitment and Retention Handbook previously prepared by the Committee; a packet containing application forms and booklets originally developed by Illinois Compatriot Charles W. Schweizer and others; a model officers handbook based on those of the Kansas and Missouri Societies; and a training video which will be adapted from the Texas Society forum initiated by Jack Haughton.

"We envision an annual training session at Headquarters or the Congress where the Vice-Presidents General will receive the kits," Chairman McClanahan states. "They will utilize the kits to assist in training State Society officers, who would then train Chapter officers. This program will be in agreement with recommendations from the Long Range Planning Committee."

Memorial Arch At Valley Forge Restored By Pennsylvania Masons

The National Memorial Arch at Valley Forge – erected by an Act of Congress in 1910 to honor the Patriots who fell during the Revolutionary War – has been restored, thanks to a gift of \$1.5 million from the Freemasons of Pennsylvania. Dedication ceremonies were held on August 24th.

A clone of the Arch of Titus in Rome, the structure stands at the entrance to Valley Forge National Historical Park. It is a tribute to General George Washington (a Mason) and his army that endured the brutal winter encampment of 1777-78. Built of granite, it measures 49 by 18 feet and projects 60 feet high. On the interior of the walls are bronze plaques with the names of the general officers who served at Valley Forge.



In June Philadelphia-Continental Chapter President F. Russell Greenspan (left) presented the Gold Good Citizenship Medal to Edward O. Weisser, the Right Worshipful Grand Master of the Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania. The event took place during a ceremony at the new Shriners Hospital for Children in Philadelphia. The award recognized the Masonic order for their generous gift that made possible the restoration of the Memorial Arch.



Here is how the Memorial Arch appears today following the extensive restoration program. At the base of the flag pole is the new monument honoring Masonic Patriots at Valley Forge.

The Arch stood for more than eight decades until it fell into disrepair and was cordoned off, closed to the public for safety reasons. The Masons of Pennsylvania determined to preserve the Arch in the grandeur it deserves. In March, 1996 the Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania, signed an agreement with the National Park Service at Valley Forge for the restoration project.

Thousands of people attended the dedication, which was conducted by Grand Lodge officers. Another highlight was the unveiling of a Memorial Plaza honoring Masons who served in the Continental Army at Valley Forge.

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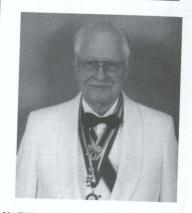
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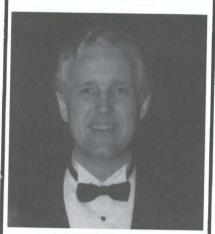
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Committee Focus On Needs Of Compatriots Ages 18-50

By Charles T. Galbraith, Chairman Young Members Committee

The NSSAR's Young Members Committee was established in 1995 to focus on the needs and hopes of Compatriots ages 18-50.

A Young Members Committee Questionnaire will be sent to all Trustees. With this tool, each State Society can review its membership rolls to not only identify the median age of its young members, but determine the positions of responsibility they hold. When the completed forms are returned to the Committee, the National Society will for the first time gain a clear picture of where individual State Societies stand in terms of their 50and-under membership.

One of the SAR's main concerns as a whole is our decreasing membership due to the deaths and retirement of many of our senior compatriots. With this data, each State President can then concretely communicate to his Chapters the essential need for recruiting younger

In practical application, this awareness can have a profound impact on the growth of individual chapters and by extension the growth and strength of State Societies. The 1st New York Continental Chapter (NYC). of the Empire State Society, chartered in 1995, made recruitment of younger members a cornerstone of its development strategy. The result was an astounding 99 members in the first two years, 60% of whom were first-time members by application. with an overall average age of 48 years. The 1st New York has now become one of the largest and most successful Chapters in the Empire State Society.

When young members are groomed to serve in positions of local. State and National leadership based not on "seniority", but on their enthusiasm, talent and appropriateness for the office, the results are dramatic. For example, ESS SAR Secretary Jonathan Goebel is only 30. President Kendall Peterson of the New Jersey Society is an under-40 member who has clearly demonstrated the talent, polish, maturity and vision to lead that state into the next century.

There are many more young standouts in other States.

We offer the following suggestions: 1. Each Chapter can appoint a Young Members Committee Chair. He should hold a seat on the Board, and his mission

would be to develop and implement the types of recruitment and activities which would appeal to younger members and applicants.

2. Many young members are computer literate. Through their talents, Chapter and State Society newsletters are now proliferating, and recruitment is taking place via Chapter and Society Internet websites.

3. The DAR is one of our greatest natural resources to rebuilding membership. Mutual respect and support between SAR and DAR Chapters can form the foundation for worthwhile intramural activities; the appeal to younger members of both groups is obvious.

4. Many applicants list children on their applications. Some Chapters recruit sons through the father, who is often happy to pay their initial fees and first-year dues. Once the father's papers are approved, the sons' papers are automatic, assuming long-



In addition to serving as Chairman of the Young Members Committee, Compatriot Galbraith holds that same title for the important Lineage Research Workshop Committee (his report on this group's activities will be offered in a future issue of our magazine). He was Founding President of the 1st New York Continental Chapter referred to in the accompanying article.

form birth certificates are attached. An additional selling point is that many sons may be under age 25, and therefore would only pay about half the regular fee.

5. Board meetings and events should be held when younger members can participate. This situation can be addressed by scheduling meetings on the weekends or in the early evening for those who work during the day.

To counteract and ultimately reverse SAR's trend toward declining and "greying" membership, such efforts, pursued now, will go a long way to rebuilding and restoring our ranks and vitality. The Young Members Committee welcomes your support and suggestions.

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This year for the traditional Fourth of July festivities, the Library contacted the Sons of Liberty Chapter to provide speakers from its Revolutionary War Speakers Bureau. Compatriot Jim Aguirre, a George Washington look-alike, and Past President Donald N. Moran, who portrays Major Caleb Gibbs of George Washington's Life Guards, volunteered to participate. For six hours they visited with many guests, posed for photos and performed their historical dramatizations. They also recruited for the SAR - and were invited back for Constitution Day.

Some 5,000 citizens attended the daylong event, which included music presented by the 50-piece United States Marine Corps Band and a country band and singers. They also took part in the National Bell Ringing ceremony that involved the Children of the American Revolution and



Portraying George Washington at the Reagan Library was Jim Aguirre (left), while Donald N. Moran took the part of Major Caleb Gibbs.

the Sons of the Revolution. (the SR Pennsylvania Society has sponsored this program for several years).



WEAPONS IN COURT: A First? - At the end of June the Indiana Society's Clarence Cook Chapter Color Guard wore their uniforms - along with hats and traditional swords while participating in a naturalization ceremony conducted in the United States Court House in Indianapolis! It took some doing, but the judge finally gave permission for the group to make such an extraordinary appearance. According to Guard member Lowell E. Nichols, Sr., (center), new citizens were presented U.S. Flags and holders. The judge allowed him to lead recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and offer pertinent remarks about the SAR and its programs. Also shown here are (from left): Wilber Graves, Claude Buss, Calvin Ammerman and Scott Hosier.

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"SAR Patriot Index" CD To Feature A Broad Variety of Information

By W. Douglas Little, Chairman Patriot Index Committee

In September the Executive Committee approved Progeny Software of Nova Scotia to produce the new SAR Patriot Index CD. Shortly after that the firm announced a special "Early Bird" sale primarily to Compatriots and friends - of the CD to run until December 31, 1997.

The unit is priced at \$29.95 plus \$5 S&H. Orders may be placed by calling 1-800-565-0018, with delivery in June, 1998. The normal pre-publication sale will be some time after the first of the year at \$39.95 plus S&H. Starting in June the regular price will be \$49.95 plus S&H.

Ancestral Cards Now Keyed

In reporting to the National Trustees at their September meeting, the Patriot Index Committee noted that all keying of



W. Douglas Little, Chairman of the Patriot Index Committee, demonstrated an early version of the new CD via this computer in the Headquarters Library during the Fall Trustees meeting.

Ancestral Cards, representing the primary source of information for this edition of the CD, has been completed and final merging and clean up should be well in hand for the December cutoff needed to meet the June 1998 publication date.

In addition to this final clean up, work is progressing on quality control. This last has proven to be a much more complex task than first expected. Original plans called for the use of a "progressive proof" concept based on the assumption that member application quality improved over the years. Under this concept, if there was a difference between two applications, it was

to be assumed that the one approved at a later date would have had a more rigorous scrutiny and therefore be more accurate.

While the quality of current applications is somewhat better, the Committee has found that using the "progressive proof" concept has not been as easy as expected. When the data from applications are keyed into the genealogy data base, it is automatically scanned for possible errors such as dying at an advanced age (how about 146 years), a marriage date before a birth date, etc. When such possible errors are found, the original application has to be pulled and an attempt made to clarify the data. In all too many cases the "possible error" noted by the genealogy program is in the application itself and, in many cases, has been "handed down" from previous SAR or DAR applications. Applications being currently approved seem to have as many "possible errors" as earlier ones, but then they also have more generations and thus more chances for such errors. These "possible errors" have been brought to the attention of the Genealogist General. The Committee will provide the Genealogist General with proof necessary to correct these errors.

CD Will Have Varied Features

Even now, the Patriot Index CD is turning out to be a great source of information about Patriot Ancestors and their lineages. Even at this early stage it is proving its worth in providing information for new applicants and many Compatriots are finding extensions to their extended families.

An extensive "Information File" is being included on the Patriot Index CD covering a number of subjects. Some of these are: (a) How to become a member of the SAR (this includes an application worksheet, instructions, requirements, etc. that may be of interest to current members); (b) Forms to order copies of SAR applications, submit corrections (see above), etc.; (c) Information on SAR Youth Participation Contests (Rumbaugh Orations, Knight Essay and Eagle Scout)there is still time for other committees to request a "page" on the CD; (d) Articles on the American Revolution from The SAR Magazine; (e) Information on SAR Headquarters and the Library (one of our best kept secrets).

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as Candidate for the Office of

Genealogist General 1998-'99

PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS:

Full-time Professional Genealogist, Author & Lecturer Fellow, American College of Genealogists Member, Association of Professional Genealogists Specialist, Lineage Society Research and Documentation, New York City Research & Irish Research Former Staff Member, New York Genealogical & Biographical Society

WORK CITED IN:

Media Appearances: Cable News Network (CNN), WABC-TV News (NYC), Lifetime Cable TV Books: Ethnicity and Family Therapy (textbook for family therapists), Now You Know (autobiography of Kitty Dukakis) Newspapers: Sunday Times of London, Boston Globe, Village Voice (NYC) numerous newspapers in Ireland, author of articles for Irish Echo (NYC)

NATIONAL SOCIETY:

SAR Ambassador to France, 1997 Vice President General, North Atlantic District, 1994-'96 Chairman, Lineage Research Workshops Committee Chairman, Younger Members Committee Genealogical Committee, Membership Committee Long Range Planning Committee, Resolutions Committee Delegate to three National Congresses, 12 National Trustee Meetings

EMPIRE STATE SOCIETY (NEW YORK):

National Trustee, ESS-SAR, 1993-'94

Founding President, 1st New York Continental Chapter (NYC), 1995-'97

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SOCIETY AWARDS & HONORS:

Patriot Medal

DAR National Golden Key Award (first male ever awarded)

Meritorious Service Medal

Florence Kendall Award for Most Members

Liberty Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Certificates of Appreciation

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS:

Sons of Confederate Veterans, Sons of Union Veterans, National Order of Blue & Grey, Saint Andrews Society in the State of New York, Saint George's Society in the State of New York, Kane Lodge #454, F&AM, Independent Royal Arch Lodge #2, F&AM, New England Historical & Genealogical Society

Married to former Diane Ingrid Peck, Regent, New York City Chapter, NSDAR, son Gavin Peck Galbraith, Fraunces Tavern Society,

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This advertisement was sponsored by the members of the 1st New York Continental Chapter, SAR (NYC) in support of our founder and first President.

B. RICE ASTON

Candidate for **Chancellor General** 1998-1999



Personal: Married Ursula Goedecke, 1963. Children: Sonya, Rick and Alan. Member St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Houston, TX. Rice University and University of Texas Law School.

Professional: Admitted to practice by the Texas Supreme Court, the United States Supreme Court, and the United States Fifth and Eleventh Circuit Courts of Appeal. Member of Texas Bar Assn., Houston Bar Assn., College of State Bar of Texas, and Fellow of Houston Bar Assn. Actively engaged in practice of law since 1959.

NSSAR: Chairman of Legal Advisory Committee and Chairman of Task Force to Preserve American History. Award: First Stewart Boone McCarty Award for Preserving American History. Member of Task Force on Retention and Reinstatement, History and Information and Technology Committees.

TXSSAR: President of the Texas Society. FP Paul Carrington Chapter. Awards: Patriot's Medal.

Patriotic: Chancellor, Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Texas. Member of Executive Committee Sons of the Republic of Texas, and recipient of three awards from The Daughters of the Republic of Texas.

Civic: Director of Rice University Historical Society and editor of its periodical, The Cornerstone, and member of Roundtable of the James A. Baker, III Institute for Public Policy, Houston Philosophical Society, Harris County Historical Society, and New England Historical and Genealogical Society. Founder of Annual Award to Outstanding Enlisted Man Abroad The USS San Jacinto

Author Our Flag is Burning. The New Barbarians and Their Cultural War Against the United States, Tokyo Rose & Axis Sally, The Rice Institute- How It Came To Be, The Papers of Frederick Allyn Rice, and The War Crimes Trial of General Yamashita.

Vision Of America As "One People" Now Under Siege From Many Sources By B. Rice Aston, Chairman Task Force to Preserve U.S. History

E pluribus unum, "one out of many". This is the great motto of our country, it has been a part of the Great Seal of the United States since 1782 and part of our national coinage since 1795. The motto is an expression of one of the vital forces of our country. It is another term for assimilation, "the melting pot", the process which distinguishes America from all other countries, and the reason for our success. The citizens of other countries are bound together by a common ethnicity and culture, but Americans have no common ethnicity, we come from all over the globe.

Early colonists came from England, Scotland, Ireland, and most of the countries of the European continent. In the 19th century immigrants came from eastern as well as western countries - each seeking a better life than the one left behind. Such a mixture of cultures, races, and religions within the boundaries of any one country would have been a prescription for national disaster. America early on developed a unique solution to the inherent fragility of a multicultural country: "e pluribus unum."

One Immigrants View

American's unique unifying force, was recognized as early as the 1700s. Hector St. John de Crevecoeur immigrated to America from France and settled on a farm in Orange County, New York. He marveled at how such diverse people had coalesced into one people. In his Letters From an American Farmer he wrote:

"A 'strange mixture of blood' that you could find in no other country. From this promiscuous breed that race now called Americans have arisen. He is an American. who leaving behind him all his ancient prejudices and manners, receives new ones from the new mode of life he has embraced, the new government he obeys, and the new rank he holds. The American is a new man, who acts upon new principles...Here individuals of all nations are melted into a new race of men.'

The great American writer Herman Melville wrote in 1849 of the unique power of the melting pot:

"America: settled by people of all nations, all nations may claim her for their own. You cannot spill a drop of American blood without spilling the blood of the whole world. We are not a narrow tribe of men...No: our blood is as the flood of the Amazon, made up of a thousand noble currents all pouring into one."

The American Experiment

The colonists who crossed the Atlantic and settled on the American seaboard, or in her wilderness, and those who later

crossed the Pacific, came seeking a new life, to be freed from servility to a hereditary monarch, opportunity not available in the feudal order of the Old Worlds, and land they could never own because they were not born to it. They willingly left behind their old ways and took up new ones, and became a new man - an American. The power of this unifying force has enabled our multicultural society to grow and prosper, and our solution is truly called "the American experiment".

A multicultural country lacking a sense of one nation and one people is reminiscent of ancient Babel and all its associated miseries. Our daily newspapers regularly recount the horror of racial and religious conflict rendering apart one nation after another in Africa, Asia, and Eastern Europe, often spurred on by age old hostilities dating back hundreds of years; countries which failed because they found no substitute for "e pluribus unum". We have to look no further than our northern border to find a multicultural society under severe distress and on the verge of dissolution, because it lacks a common history and never developed a sense of one nation and one people. Canada, with all its many advantages, was never able to create "one out of many.'

One People Vision Under Siege

This vision of America as one people has survived for more than two centuries. Yet today this vision is under siege from many sources, not least of all our own government. One source is the National Standards for United States History, for the standards tell us we are no longer the American people; we have become the American peoples, a mosaic of separate ethnic groups each celebrating and preserving its own ethnic identity. Another attack on our national unity is made by those who call themselves "multiculturalists", but who are not; they preach that each ethnic group has a duty to celebrate and preserve its own identity and they encourage others of their own ethnic group to immigrate to America to assist in the

This does not even qualify as an ersatz multiculturalism, for multiculturalism in its classical sense is not about tribalism or racial apartheid; it is a catalyst, not a deterrent to assimilation. It requires first studying the best thinkers, writers, and artists of one's own society, and then the best thinkers, writers, and artists of other societies, and the search for those values which are common to all societies. The result is not a deepening of the divisions among the races, but a deeper appreciation and understanding of one's own culture and that of different cultures.



The Task Force to Preserve United States History meets regularly during Trustees Meetings to facilitate programs aimed at preventing the revision of our nation's rich heritage. It is chaired by B. Rice Aston (at far end of table wearing his badge of office as President of the Texas Society).

Citizenship Tests Weakened

Our own government shares complicity in devaluing the currency of citizenship and in weakening the bonds of national unity. To become an American citizen, an imigrant previously was required to pass rigorous history and language tests, to have resided in the U.S. for five years, be of good moral character, have an attachment to the Constitution, provide witnesses of good moral character, and upon the appointed day participate in a rite of passage, making a profound psychological and moral commitment to their new country, standing before a U.S. District Judge, swearing fealty to their new country and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States.

Now the tests have been so dumbed down that hardly any study is required; testing in many instances has been taken away from the INS and given to special interest groups who fail no one. A new citizen is not now required to live in America, and we are fortunate if a new citizen is aware of the Constitution much less "have an attachment for it." The impressive ceremony before a United States District Judge has been optional since 1990. An immigration attorney commented about the naturalization process to syndicated columnist Georgie Anne Geyer in these words:

"You might as well be at the Department of Motor Vehicles."

Over 300 languages are spoken in the United States, and though English is the lingua franca of the Western world and much of the Eastern, we have been unable to agree to adopt it as our official language, and a key ingredient to assimilation is lost to us. We have forgotten how proud the Romans were to say, as did the Apostle Paul, "I am a Roman citizen", and we have forgotten how Roman society failed because, among other things, the demands upon assimilation became too heavy, it received too little support, and it ceased to function.

Historian Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., in his essay, The Disuniting of America, WW

Norton & Company, New York, 1992

"The historic idea of a unifying American identity is now in peril in many areas - in our politics, our voluntary organizations, our churches, our language...

"Watching ethnic conflict tear one nation after another apart, one cannot look with complacency at the proposals to divide the United States into distinct and immutable ethnic racial communities, each taught to cherish its own apartness from the rest. One wonders: Will the center hold or will the melting pot give way to the Tower of Babel?

"I remain optimistic. My impression is that the historic forces driving toward 'one people' have not lost their power. For many Americans this is still what the republic is all about".

That is the sixty-four dollar question.

Will the center hold? Schlesinger is not so sure, and the outcome will drastically affect generations to come. If the center does not hold, our national unity, our heritage, and our Society will become a mere curious footnote in a page of history.

SAR Must Remain Strong

The Revolutionary War had gone badly by the fall of 1777. Discouraged soldiers departed the army, and the fate of our country hung in the balance. Thomas Paine described the times in his essay, The Crisis; his words uplifted the army, and they have meaning for us today:

"These are the times that try men's souls. The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of his country; but he that stands now, deserves the love and thanks of man and woman."

America, as never before, needs a strong and vital Sons of the American Revolution engaged in this struggle. We dare not leave this to others or to a more convenient time - for "If not us, then who? And if not now, then when?" Our Congressional Charter tells us those things we are to accomplish, and among them we are "to perpetuate the memory of the men who achieved the independence of the America" and "to foster and true patriotism". Each of the matters spelled out in our Charter, if properly done, foster live of country, preserves our heritage, and our national unity. God has blessed our country; to live in America is still the great hope of the world's peoples. We must and shall preserve our heritage and our national unity, and I am confident that with God's help we shall.

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National Trustees Meet In Louisville

The September 27, 1997 Meeting of the National Trustees was held at the Memorial Auditorium, across from National Headquarters in Louisville, Kentucky. The Minutes presented here are edited and condensed, with those marked (*) reported elsewhere in this issue of the magazine. Full Minutes are available from Dr. Arthur E. Chapman, Executive Director.

The meeting was called to order by President General Carl K. Hoffmann at 9:36 am. The Invocation, given by Chaplain General Rev. Henry Tuttle, was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Secretary General Russell D. Page.

The Minutes of the previous Trustees Meetings held during the 107th Annual Congress were approved as distributed.

PG Hoffmann acknowledged gifts to the National Society. These ranged from a painting and other artifacts for the Museum to cash contributions to various Special Funds (*).

Greetings were received from Former Presidents General present. Pertinent remarks follow

FPG Carl F. Bessent, Chairman of the Magazine Advisory Committee, reported that he is working on a major article about Compatriots who have attained the age of 100 and asked State Societies to please submit names of those who qualify. This will help ensure that none is inadvertently ommitted.

FPG Charles F. Printz, Chairman of the Minuteman Committee, emphasized that the deadline for submitting nominees to the Executive Director is December 31, 1997 for consideration. Special forms available from National Headquarters must be used, and only service to the National Society is to be included.

SG Page reported on a variety of actions that the Executive Committee had taken following the 107th Annual Congress in Baltimore, involving actual meetings as well as telephone conference calls: (1) Steps taken to select a new Executive Director following the resignation of Robert A. Lentz. The PG appointed a Search Committee to seek a replacement. When the search was completed, Dr. Arthur E. Chapman of the Florida Society was named the new Executive Director; (2) Proposed that the Memorial Auditorium be utilized for meetings of the Trustees, since space at National



For the first time the National Trustees met in Memorial Auditorium, which is across Kentucky Avenue from Headquarters. It has been concluded that future gatherings will also be held here because of the availability of much more space. During the past few years, a rapidly increasing number of Compatriots are on hand.

Headquarters has become confining; (3) Requested Chancellor General Duane T. Sargisson to investigate potential problems with a new organization calling itself "The Second American Revolution" which is identifying its members as "SARs"; (4) Designated King Carlos of Spain as a Primary Member of the Louisiana Society and dual membership in the Empire State, Florida and Texas Societies and such others that so choose to designate him; (5) Voted that Veterans Day be established as the 12th holiday for employees at Headquarters and that the past practice of closing Headquarters between Christmas and New Years be discontinued effective January 1, 1998; (6) Proposed a late registration fee of \$15 on those National Trustees who fail to register by Friday of the week preceding their meeting in Louisville; (7) Voted to sell ROTC and JROTC medals at cost; (8) Voted to pay for the annual cost of maintaining the Society's presence on the Internet; (9) Approved a new Color Guard medal; (10) Approved a contract negotiated with Progeny to produce the Patriot Index CD-ROM developed by a committee headed by Compatriot Douglas Little (*). (10) Accepted the resignation of Kathy Lentz effective August



The Executive Committee held traditional meetings at the time the Trustees were in Louisville (from left): Bert E. Sells, OHSSAR; Former President General Reon G. Hillegass, VASSAR; Rev. Henry Tuttle, ALSSAR (guest); William N. Floyd, Jr., M.D., TXSSAR: President General Carl K. Hoffmann, FLSSAR; Secretary General Russell D. Page, ILSSAR; Robert F. Jackson, CASSAR; Jack K. Carmichael, INSSAR; Treasurer General Howard F. Horne, Jr., Ph.D., DESSAR; and FPG Arthur M. King, MOSSAR (guest). Chancellor General Duane T. Sargisson was not present when this photo was taken.



Secretary General Russell D. Page offered a report on actions of the Executive Committee since the 107th Annual Congress was held in Baltimore last July.

The reports of virtually all General Officers and Committee Chairmen were submitted prior to the meeting and distributed to attendees. Pertinent remarks follow:

Registrar General Bruce B. Butler reported that the Society's membership as of September 1 stood at 26,262. He pointed out that each year we lose about 2,000 members, thus emphasizing the need to continue a strong new member program.

Historian General Larry D. McClanahan reported that Bruce B. Butler, who preceded him in this post, has turned over to the Society in excess of 2,100 records of Compatriots who served in the military (*). Compatriots are asked to submit such records if they have not already done so; a special NSSAR form should be used.



President General Carl K. Hoffmann posed with his wife, Pat, when she presented to the Museum a replica of the Declaration of Independence framed with illustrations of Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin. She also gave a replica of *The Star-Spangled Banner* as composed by Francis Scott Key.

Chancellor General Duane T. Sargisson reported on actions being taken relative to the organization identifying itself as "Second American Revolution."

Librarian General Lawrence L. Loker, after making his report, asked Library Committee Chairman D. Gene Patterson to offer remarks. Compatriot Patterson submitted a written report to attendees that summarized how State Societies stand in the contribution of microfilm reels of United States Census Records. He then urged the Societies to at least complete the collection in the Library to encompass the 1860 Census.

Ross Arnold, Chairman of the SAR Patriotic and Educational Foundation, reported that President General Hoffmann had appointed a new Projects Committee to develop projects for which the Foundation can raise funds; members are Former Presidents General William C. Gist, Charles Printz and Reon G. Hillegass, as well as



Over the past two years while Historian General, Bruce B. Butler (right) accumulated over 2,000 records of military service as submitted by Compatriots across the nation. At the time of the Trustees Meeting he turned them over to the current Historian General, Larry D. McClanahan (center), and Librarian General Lawrence L. Loker. These records, as well as any gained in the future, will be filed permanently in the Library and made available for references.

Museum Chairman William H. Roddis (right) and President General Carl K. Hoffmann acknowledged several valuable artifacts that had been contributed by James A. Williams, who served as Museum Chairman for many years: (1) Letter signed by Bushrod Washington; (2) Bill submitted to Patrick Henry dated March 29, 1771; (3) Letter signed by Henry Dearborn, Thomas Jefferson's Secretary of War; (4) Proceedings from the Second Session of the General Assembly of the Governor and Company of the State of Rhode Island, 1777; (5) An Act for forming and regulating the Militia within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. 1781: (6) Mourning badges worn at the funeral of Andrew Jackson, 1845; (7) Revolutionary War Pensioner Certificates and payments to soldiers, 1790; (8) Abstract from the Resolves containing encouragement offered by the Continental Congress and Commonwealth of Massachusetts to such as shall "inlist in the Continental Army", dated January 20, 1777.





This valuable and rare oil painting of George Washington was given to the Museum by the estate of George S. Knight, a member of the Virginia Society who had been active at all levels of our Society for many years – including service on the Museum Board. It was accepted by Museum Chairman William H. Roddis (right) and Fletcher L. Elmore, a long time member of the Board. While an employee of the State Department, Compatriot Knight acquired the painting in Spain; at one time it was on display at the United States Embassy in that nation.

Building Growth Committee Chairman Larry D. McClanahan.

Lee Swart, Chairman of the Americanism Committee, and Jack Haughton, Chairman of the JROTC Subcommittee, reported on the newly launched program to recognize outstanding cadets enrolled in the JROTC Units across the country (*).

The meeting recessed at 12:00 Noon and reconvened at 1:15 pm.

Bert E. Sells, Chairman of the Fund Raising Committee of the George Washington Endowment Funds Board, reported that since the 107th Annual Congress, some 30 Compatriots have contributed at least \$1,000 to the Funds, thus making them George Washington Fellows.

Charles T. Galbraith, Chairman of the Lineage Research Workshops Committee, stated that the Committee is developing a workshops manual for use by State Societies. When completed, it will be distributed to the Societies.

Garrett F. Jackson, Chairman of the Newsletters and Periodicals Committee, report-





LEFT: Treasurer General Howard F. Horne reported that the National Society is in a sound financial position. **RIGHT:** During the concluding banquet on Saturday night, Lawrence L. Loker (left) was presented the Distinguished Service Award by President General Carl K. Hoffmann. He was recognized for serving as the Acting Executive Director following the resignation of Robert A. Lentz and until the employment of Dr. Arthur E. Chapman to that post.

ed a change in the rules for selecting the best Chapter newsletters in that to be eligible for an award, the newsletter must be nominated by the

State Society.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.



Former President General William C. Gist (under painting in dark suit) is Chairman of the George Washington Endowment Funds Board, which is responsible for raising funds to help support activities of the Society's Committees.



The Public Relations Committee, under the chairmanship of John Grout (second from left) discussed development of a variety of communications programs for implementing by State Societies and Chapters.



Delaware Compatriot Ralph D. Nelson, Jr. is serving as Webmaster of the National Society's Web Site. He explained functions of this communications tool.

Headquarters Staff Requests Patience!

Your staff at Headquarters in Louisville is doing its best to keep up with merchandise orders and supplemental applications from Compatriots. Unfortunately, because of the high volume of interest in both areas, processing of each has fallen way behind. The staff employee responsible for supplementals works only two days a week! Efforts are being made to "catch up", but patience is requested!

We have a very small, costconscious organization which is doing its best. Please allow at least 8 to 12 weeks for a merchandising order to be filled — and at least 12 weeks for approval of a supplemental. Before inquiring about the status of any application, it is suggested that you ask your State Society when it was sent to Louisville.

Connecticut Governor, Other Rowlands Join SAR

September 10 was an historic day in the life of the Connecticut Society's Roger Sherman Branch when the Governor, John Grosvenor Rowland, and four other members of the Rowland family were inducted into the SAR.

The ceremony, held in the Governor's office at Hartford, climaxed 101 years of Rowlands being affiliated with the SAR – five generations in all! The chain began back in 1896 when Henry Lincoln Rowland was admitted, followed in 1928 by Sherwood Lampson Rowland. This must be some sort of a record!

It is interesting to note that Governor Rowland becomes the 11th Governor of Connecticut to be a member of our Society. The first was Hobart B. Bigelow, who joined in 1889.



These Rowlands represented the third, fourth and fifth generations of the family who are now SARs, with five of them being presented their Membership Certificates during the September induction ceremony (from Left): Edward Jackson, Henry Lincoln III, Henry Lincoln II: Edward Jackson, Sherwood Lampson, Jr., Sherwood Lampson III and the Governor.

FPG Gardiner Honored By His Peers

James B. Gardiner, who served as President General 1969-70 and is currently an actuary with the New York State Insurance Department at the age of 90, was presented the coveted Robert J. Myers Public Service Award during the Annual Washington Luncheon of the American Academy of Actuaries. He was honored for his work to restore sound actuarial principles to New York's public pension plans.

Beginning his actuarial career in 1929 at Metropolitan Life, he attained Fellowship status in the Society of Actuaries as a life actuary in 1935 and became a Fellow of the Casualty Actuarial Society in 1948. During his 43-year career at MetLife, Compatriot Gardiner attained the rank of vice president in charge of the company's group pension area.



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Compatriot James B. Gardiner, served as President General during 1969-70.

In 1972 he began a second career as a regulatory actuary with the New York State Insurance Department. When New York City faced bankruptcy in the mid-1970s, he was recruited to serve on the blue-ribbon task force that worked to make the city's pension plans solvent. He currently supervises the actuarial review of the eight pension systems that are regulated by the Insurance Department.

The American Academy of Actuaries is a national, nonpartisan public policy organization representing actuaries in all practice areas.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Trustees Meeting
Louisville, KY, March 6-7,
1998 – National Headquarters

108th Annual Congress Orlando, FL, June 6-10, 1998 Hilton-Disney World Hotel

Trustees Meeting
Louisville, KY, Sept. 25-26,
1998 – National Headquarters

109th Annual Congress San Diego, CA, July 3-7, 1999 Hyatt Regency Hotel

110th Annual Congress
Boston, MA, June 24-28, 2000
Westin Copley Place Hotel

111th Annual Congress Louisville, KY, June 30-July 4, 2001 Hyatt Regency Hotel

112th Annual Congress Nashville, TN, June 29-July 3, 2002 Stouffer Renaissance Hotel

> 113th Annual Congress Charleston, SC, 2003

114th Annual Congress Rochester, NY, July 3-7 Hyatt Regency Hotel

Every Compatriot Is Welcome At March 6-7, 1998 Trustees Meeting

All Compatriots and their ladies are invited to attend the National Society Trustees Meetings held in the Spring and Fall of each year at National Headquarters, Louisville – as well as the SAR Annual Congresses.

Information about registration for a Congress is always published in the Winter and Spring Issues of *The SAR Magazine*.

The agenda for each meeting in Louisville consists of National Committee meetings on Friday, an informal dinner that evening, the Trustees Meeting on Saturday with luncheon, a separate luncheon and entertainment for the ladies on Saturday and a formal black tie banquet in the evening.

If you desire to attend the March 6-7, 1998 Trustees Meeting – and are not a General Officer, National Committee Chairman, State Society Trustee or President – just complete and return this form to receive registration and hotel reservation information.

National Society, SAR 1000 South Fourth Street Louisville, Kentucky 40203

I plan to attend the Trustees Meeting in Louisville on March 6-7, 1998. Please send registration and hotel reservation forms.

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State Society and Chapter **EVENTS**

DEADLINES FOR FUTURE ISSUES: Winter (February) - December 15; Spring (May) - March 15; Summer (August) – June 15; Fall (November) – September 15

All 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 page 3). Please note the deadlines at the left.

Black-and-white, glossy photographs are preferred. However, color photos are acceptable if they are of good quality, especially in contrast. They will be returned upon request if accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Individual Compatriots are encouraged to submit ideas for historical feature articles they would like to write. Each will be given careful consideration.



These three members of the General Israel Putnam Branch traveled to Concord, Massachusetts to participate in the gala Patriot's Day Parade always held on April 19th: President Lee Gerlander (center) and his sons, Todd (left) and Randal. Other highlights of the trip were lunch at the historic Colonial Inn and a visit to Minuteman National Historical Park.

In August members of the General Israel Putnam Branch and the General David Humphreys Branch participated in the

Battle of Groton Heights Commemoration

Park in Groton. This annual event is co-

sponsored by the Second CT. Regiment

consists of a battle re-enactment and a

and the Fort Griswold Park Foundation. It

wreath laying ceremony in remembrance

of the Patriots who perished there. These

Compatriots were on hand for the occasion

(from left): Lt. Todd Gerlander of Putnam's

CT. Regiment 1775; Capt. Richard Swartwout, Sixth CT. Regiment/CTSSAR

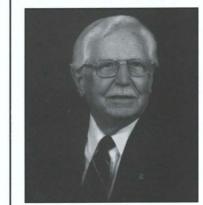
Gerlander, also of Putnam's Regiment.

The flag is that of John Trumbull's 13

Color Guard; and Ensign Randal

Stars and Stripes.

Weekend at Fort Griswold Battlefield State



THE GEORGIA SOCIETY

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SAR Activities Middle Georgia Chapter GASSAR President - 2 years Georgia State President - 1 year National Society Trustee - 2 years National Society Alternate Trustee - 3 years

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Ladies Committee Genealogy Committee Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee Color Guard Committee

SAR Awards

Patriot Medal 2 Meritorious Service Medals

3 Certificates of Appreciation 2 Supplemental Ancestors Certificates Centennial Medal with 2 Palm Leaves

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Other Awards

Certificate of Distinction for 50 years in the Practice of Medicine, Med. Assoc of GA. Service Award for 30 years with Veterans Admin.

Other Organizations Membership

Huguenot Society of South Carolina Sons of Confederate Veterans and Military Order of the Stars & Bars U.S. Army Medical Corps, World War II American Medical Association through Medical Association of Georgia American Academy of Ophthalmology Georgia Society of Ophthalmology

Georgia Society of Otolanryngology Life time Member of 50 year Club of American Medicine Presently Secretary of the Laurens County

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Orange County Chapter Past President

Shadwick proudly presented the Colors

during the Memorial Day Service at Santa

Ana Cemetery. They were among a num-

ber of participants in the traditional event.

Compatriots, resulted in a list of 80

Jim Blauer (left) and Compatriot Jim

Recently Coachella Valley Chapter President Gale Thomas Cornwell (right) met with 24th District Congressman Sonny Bono to thank him for support of HR-1483 "Clear and Unmistakable Error" legislation that at the time was under consideration in the Senate as S-464. The proposed law would require the Veterans Administration to correct mistakes made during their handling of veterans service - connected disability claims.



The Coachella Valley Chapter honored several local JROTC cadets this year. One was Chris Bois from Cathedral City High School, shown being given his SAR medal by Vice President Doyle C. Kitchell.





was the site for the Ninth Annual Awards Night which saw presentation of the JROTC Medal to Cadet Daniel Westerman by Compatriot Robert Bussman. The youth is a member of the Air Force Unit there.

Connecticut Society



Among those participating in the Fourth of July ceremony at the grave site of Col. Benjamin Tallmade in Litchfield's East Cemetery were Compatriot Theodore S. Oliver Wolcott, Sr. Branch. Patriot Tallmade was instrumental in exposing

Abeling (in hunting shirt and tricorn) and lan C. Buckbee, a C.A.R. shown placing a new Flag. Abeling is a member of the Governor Benedict Arnold's treason in 1780. (Photo courtesy Sonja Blass, Register Citizen Staff Photographer.)

Summerville Union High School in Tuolumne

prospective members! Each was subse-The guest speaker for the June meeting quently contacted and given worksheets, as of the Sons of Liberty Chapter in well as being invited to Chapter meetings. Glendale was the Hon. Alexander R. Early, Of special interest are two men who a retired Superior Court Judge who served descend from early California soldiers who as a naval officer during World War II. were in service when Spain was our Employing a large number of photographs, nation's ally at war with England from July he detailed the military career of Captain 1779 until the Treaty of Paris was signed in Alexander R. Early II, USN, who served in 1783. One descends from Sgt. Jose Antonio the Pacific and commanded the USS Yorba, the other from Lt. Juan Pablo Canberra, a heavy cruiser that participated Grijalva. Other ancestors include such familiar names as Samuel Adams, Patrick in several major engagements. The South Coast Chapter reports that Henry, Andrew Jackson, John Hart, John recent recruiting efforts, including a booth Jay and James Otis. at the Orange County Fair manned by 22

Dakota Society



When the Society met at Pierre, South Dakota in late April, they were honored to have as their guest speaker Vice-President General Warren W. Nixon (center). Among those in attendance for the event were (from left): Secretary/Treasurer Dr. Keith Johnson, Guy Sawin, National Trustee Arthur Davis and 2nd VP Leslie Schuchardt.

Delaware Society

Over 100 Compatriots and guests were on hand for the Society's Annual Meeting, which was staged at the Dover Sheraton. A key feature was presentation of the Gold Good Citizenship Medal to United States Senator William Roth, who spoke on the importance of building a spirit of patriotic enthusiasm in the nation. He noted that citizens cannot be grateful for liberties won through the blood and sacrifice of America's patriots down through the centuries unless they come to share in and identify with that cause. Installed as President was William B. Neal, succeeding Roland Downing.

District of Columbia Society

On the Fourth of July the Society sponsored the traditional annual ceremony honoring Elbridge Gerry at Congressional Cemetery. He is the only Signer of the Declaration of Independence buried in the District. Invited to share participation in the event were 20 other hereditary and patriotic organizations. Each presented a rose at the grave site when called by MG J. Milner Roberts, AUS (Ret). The day's program concluded with a luncheon at a local restaurant.



The guest speaker for the Society luncheon on July 4th was Wayne F. Smith, President of the Black Patriots Foundation, shown being welcomed by President James D. O'Brien. Mr. Smith reminded attendees that "Crispus Attucks, a black man, was indeed the first man killed during the Boston Massacre and that at the same engagement four white men were also killed. We have had common purpose from the beginning, as we do today. Let us go forward together in love of country."

Florida Society

Orlando was the mid-May locale for the Society's 101st Annual Meeting, with President Rollin L. Bauchspies presiding. National Society officers present included Secretary General Carl K. Hoffmann, Librarian General Lawrence L. Loker and South Central District Vice-President General Stanley A. Evans. Receiving the prestigious Patriot Medal were Col. Lani Wingate, W. Earl Marlin, Edward S. Casey and James Blackburn. The Daughters of Liberty Medal was presented to the Society's First Lady, Mrs. Peggy Bauchspies. Top winners of the Rumbaugh Oration Contest and Knight Essay Contest were offered awards of \$1,000 each, with the second and third runners-up being given \$500 and \$300, respectively (all prizes were Savings Bonds).



In May DeLand Chapter Compatriots Joe Guthrie (left) and Heath Wilbanks (right) were pleased to offer special awards to students attending DeLand High School: Charles Cusack (next to Guthrie), the Good Citizenship Certificate; and Scott Gafford, the Eden C. Booth Scholarship Award.

Highlighting the June meeting of the Fort Lauderdale Chapter was presentation of the Heroism Medal to Detective James O'Hara and Officer Joseph Alu of the Plantation Police Department. They were attempting to rescue two girls being held hostage by a man, who, when he was rushed, caused a powerful gasoline explosion. The girls and man were killed, while the officers were burned severely and endured extensive therapy and rehabilitation.



In July **Pensacola Chapter** Compatriots Thomas S. McCaskey (left) and James Ed Lake (center) presented the SAR Flag Certificate to Elks Lodge #2256 for continuous display of the American Flag. Accepting was Richard W. Zelius, Past District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler.

Georgia Society

Compatriots attending the May meeting of the Colonel William Few Chapter were treated to a talk by Dr. David Crass of the South Carolina Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, University of North Carolina. He chose as his topic excavation of present day Beech Island.

Memorial day ceremonies at the National Cemetery in Marietta were a colorful and inspiring event, due to a large extent to the participation of SARs. Past Society President Fisher Craft, now President of the National Memorial Day Association, hosted the program, while Former President General James R. Westlake served as the principal speaker. Compatriot Westlake chronicled the ten major wars of the United States and casualties incurred from the American Revolution to Desert Storm. Among over 40 groups presenting wreaths was the Piedmont Chapter, with Carl Tanner doing the honors.



The 47th Annual Old Soldier's Day Parade at Alpharetta in early August drew strong participation from members of the **Piedmont Chapter** and the Society Color Guard. Here Chapter President Roger Lamb and VP Larry Guzy rode along in a handsome convertible, one of two the Chapter fielded.



The Annual Awards Banquet staged at Dobbins Air Force Base was the setting for presentation of the JROTC Medal to Cadet Ryann Sprinkle, a student at Sequoyah High School, Canton. Doing the awarding was **Etowah Valley Chapter** Compatriot Robert Campbell.

Hawaii Society

In mid-February the 43rd annual joint luncheon held by the Society and the DAR Aloha Chapter was staged at the Hale Koa Hotel in Honolulu, with the DAR serving as host this time. Honored guests attending the colorful event included DAR President General Doria Kemper and her SAR husband, Charles; Western District Vice-President General Ronald Risley and his wife, Rosemarie (they came from California); and Past DAR Vice-President General Margaret Garvin. Among the 90 attendees, over 20 were SARs. The guest speaker was Mrs. Kemper, whose remarks centered on the education goals of both societies.

Idaho Society



A highlight of the George Washington's Birthday Banquet staged by the **Old Fort Boise Chapter** at Boise was awarding of the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Homer S. Deal, Sr. (right) in recognition of his over 50 years of service to the SAR (including being Vice-President General for the Intermountain District), the Treasure Valley and state of Idaho. Doing the honors was President J. Irvin Hart, while Compatriot Deal's son, William, observed. William is an Idaho Representative.

Illinois Society

The historic Old State Capitol Building in Springfield was the unique setting for the Society's 107th Annual Conference in early May. Also included was a gala banquet on Friday evening and a Saturday luncheon. The guest of honor was Secretary General Carl K. Hoffmann, who was the principal banquet speaker and installed the newly elected officers. The 1997 Man of the Year Award was presented to Compatriot William H. Diller, while these SARs were given the Patriot Medal: R. Garey Hodge and Duane Neet. The new President is Joe Hill.

Addressing the July meeting of the Fort Dearborn-Chicago Chapter was The Hon. Michael Hodge MBE, HM Consul General in Chicago. He explored the close present day links between the United Kingdom and the United States. He also described the historical forces influencing Britains role in the European Union and his nation's continuing contribution to the Commonwealth.



For more than 25 years Compatriot Ralph Long (second from right) has been a collector of flags. In May he donated all 63 banners to the **General George Rogers Clark Chapter** shown here represented by other Chapter members (from left): Society President M. Joe Hill, President Harry Windland and Past Society President Charles Schweizer. Featured are 13 historic American flags and those of all 50 states. Forty-six of those from states were obtained from governors or other elected officials, with the first one from Alabama Governor George Wallace. When the Chapter sponsored a dramatic Flag Day ceremony in June on the lawn of the Collinsville Memorial Public Library, each of the flags was attended by a Boy or Girl Scout holding a sign identifying the flag.

Indiana Society



On Flag Day a ceremony in front of the Bedford Court House included awarding of the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Compatriot John A. Williams (center), who serves as the city's Mayor and Secretary of the Daniel Guthrie Chapter. Making the presentation was President Edward Hitchcock (left), while Treasurer Rex Legler observed. In the background were members of the Clarence A. Cook Chapter Color Guard, which offered the principal program for this annual Flag Day event.



The Color Guard of the Clarence A. Cook Chapter serving the Indianapolis area, shown here participating in a Flag Day program this year, captured the Chapter Color Guard Award at the 107th Annual Congress in Baltimore this past July. During 1996 the unit participated in 68 different programs, ranging from marching in parades to attending grave dedications. They were often the highlight of programs staged on such occasions as St. Patrick's Day, Memorial Day and the Fourth of July.

Kentucky Society



Charles R. Arterburn, a member of the Louisville-Thruston Chapter, recently saw that an SAR marker was placed at the grave site of his Patriot ancestor, Philip Shive, in the old Phaniel Lutheran Church Cemetery near Rockwell, North Carolina. The memorial was installed by Rev. Michael Taylor, Pastor of the church.

Maryland Society

When members and guests of the General William Smallwood Chapter gathered in Chevy Chase during March, they were offered an enlightening address about MIA's from World War II and Korea by LTC Wisda, a representative of the Defense Department. He emphasized that as far as the Korean War is concerned, it is difficult to cooperate with the Chinese who are reticent to acknowledge their role in the conflict. North Korean archive mateial is needed to ascertain where burials may have been made.

Massachusetts Society

Eagle Scout Paul Peterson was awarded the Bronze Eagle Trophy at the Society's

Patriot's Day festivities on April 19th in Concord. Doing the honors were President Crawford Lincoln (left) and David J. Gray,

Eagle Scout Chairman.

New Hampshire Society



Harry C. Orcutt (center), Vice-President General for the New England District, was awarded the Patriot Medal at the Society's tation were President Richard Wright (left) and Registrar-Genealogist Louis R. Huggins. All are members of the Society's Color Guard.





The Society held its summer outing at the Charleston Navy Yard in Massachusetts, home of the USS Constitution, in May. Harry C. Orcutt (center, in uniform), Vice-President General for the New England District, presented a photo depicting Marine Detachment Captain William N. Moss while in command of his unit at Fort Independence during a Massachusetts Council of Minutemen and Militia event. At

New Mexico Society

Empire State Society (NY)



Aboard a full scale reproduction of the

Flag Certificate this past summer to the

mony was his son, Rus Dutcher III. The

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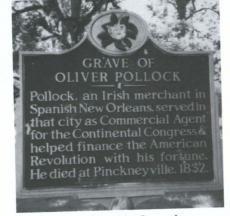
skipper (left). Also participating in the cere-

Russell K. Dutcher, Jr. (center) presented a

The Society's Annual Memorial Day Dinner drew these dignitaries (from left): President R. Dale Gafford; Col. James R. Calhoun, Past Society President and Former President General; Brig. Gen. Robert I. McCann, guest speaker; George Sells, Past Vice-President General for the Rocky Mountain District; and National Trustee Capt. Walter Baker.

Louisiana Society





On Memorial Day Robert B. Craig (left) and Leroy E. Willie, members of the General Philemon Thomas Chapter which serves Baton Rouge, placed flowers and flags at the grave site of Oliver Pollock. The Patriot is interred near Pickneyville, Mississippi in the remote southwest corner of Louisiana; the roadside sign identifies its location. Pollock's financial aid to General Bernardo Galvez was crucial to the success of the West Florida campaign during the Revolutionary War. He also marched with Galvez to capture the British fort at Baton Rouge in 1779. George Rogers Clark claimed that without the financial assistance of Pollock, his conquest of the Northwest Territory could not have been possible for the United States.

Mississippi Society



The Annual Convention of the Society featured awarding of the Gold Good Citizenship Medal to Lt. Gen. Bryan M. Shotts (left) by President Douglas A. Harper. The event took place in March at Jackson. Upon retirement in 1978, the officer was Commanding General of the 15th Air Force, Strategic Air Command, at March Air Force Base in

Maine Society



Compatriot Hank Kinsley (left) was pleased recently to award the Fire Safety Commendation Medal to Compatriot Harold M. Sanborn, an officer with the Cape Elizabeth Fire Department and son of the late Compatriot Oliver Sanborn. The father had been a long time Chief of the Portland Fire Department.



Recently receiving the Martha Washington Medal from Society Vice President Dr. Robert J. Martin was Rebecca Burnham of Wilton. As State DAR Chairman of Genealogical Records, she edited 10 volumes of records complete with an every name index. She has also been active in locating, documenting and marking Patriot grave sites.

Harry G. Orcutt, a member of the Society serving as Vice-President General for the New England District, was proud to be Grand Marshall of the Arlington (Menotomy) parade is one of three held in the state to celebrate the Battle of Lexington and Concord and retreat of the British.

Patriot's Day Parade on April 21. He was accompanied by his wife, Susan. The

One of the highlights of the Society's 107th Annual Meeting, held in April at the Beeches Center and Paul Revere Lodge at Rome, was honoring the state winner of the Knight Essay Contest, Nicole Hinman; she was presented a \$200 savings bond. Participating in the ceremony were (from left): President Stephen A. Arter; Dr. George A. Lombart, Society Contest Chairman; and Doug Singleton, President of the Oriskany Battle Chapter, her

original sponsor.



Annual Meeting in April. Making the presen-



the far right was President Richard Wright.



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North Carolina Society



The Alamance Battleground Chapter and the DAR Battle of Alamance Chapter staged a joint program in mid-May to mark the 226th anniversary of the Battle of Alamance. The Chapter's Color Guard presented the Colors, while noted SARs and DARs conducted a wreath laying ceremony.

Ohio Society

Now in its 11th year, the George Rogers Clark Chapter's program of recognizing eighth grade students saw 21 youngsters in Springfield and surrounding school districts receive the SAR Outstanding Citizenship Award this past year. Principals and staff members select the student who demonstrates good citizenship. Winners are given an embossed, framed certificate and a lapel pin bearing the image of a Minuteman.



Maj. Terry A. Whetsone, USAF (Ret), a member of the George Rogers Clark Chapter, was on hand for the Annual Awards Banquet held for the Air Force JROTC Corps at Tecumseh High School at New Carlisle. He was pleased to present the JROTC Medal to Cadet Karen M. Gabriele.

"The U.S. Constitution: A Great Oak from a Little Acorn" was the title of an address delivered before the early September meeting of the Western Reserve Society by Past President Oliver C. Schroeder. He is a retired Navy Captain, has been Mayor of the City of Cleveland Heights and was Associate Dean of Case Western Reserve School of Law and Medicine.

Oklahoma Society



During Memorial Day ceremonies in Tulsa's Memorial Park Cemetery, Tulsa Chapter Color Guard members placed an SAR wreath at the symbolic tomb of the unknown soldier (from left): Fred Fulkerson, Ron Frame and Cliff Michaels.

Oregon Society

Deputy Sheriff Rick Gordon, a member of the Washington County Sheriff's Department, was awarded the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal at the June meeting of the Lewis & Clark Chapter in Portland. He was especially recognized for being instrumental in the capture of a bank robber while off duty.



At the May meeting of the Lewis & Clark Chapter in Portland, Compatriot Jeff Barker (left) presented the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Mark Little (third from left), the founder of Hyalite, Inc., a non-profit corporation whose mission is to show kids that they have a rich and honorable heritage to live up to rather than succumb to the temptations of everyday life. Mr. Little's Buffalo Soldier re-enactment group (shown here in uniform), along with his expertise in the field of African-American History and their contribution to the growth and formation of our country, gives him the tools to help youngsters understand pride they should have in their heritage. Compatriot Barker serves as Chapter Vice President and Chairman of the Law Enforcement Committee.

Pennsylvania Society

Earlier this year Pittsburgh Chapter President George Biles had the privilege of presenting the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal to the Outstanding Boy and Outstanding Girl enrolled in the Sarah Heinz House program in Pittsburgh. The event, a dinner, was attended by about 300 youths, parents, the institution's Board of Directors, members of the Alumni Association, and most of the past Bronze

Medal recipients. Since this was the 45th annual recognition affair, there were numerous SAR medals being proudly worn by adults. The House has over 650 youths from ages 9 to 18 taking rigorous programs to develop social skills, learn unable to attend the ceremony due to positive behavorial interactions, gain good health problems. The service was conductstudy habits, learn about the American ed by Commander Lawrence House of the Revolution, and develop into good citi- local American Legion Post in Keene; Post zens. The dinner honored 50 students. The members fired a volley and played Taps.

top two were recognized by the Chapter; each presented their winning essay about the Revolution - one in the form of an oration without notes!



The Old Eagle School Cemetery in Stafford was the site for a recent ceremony that saw the dedication of several flag holders at Patriot graves. Among those participating were these members of the Philadelphia-Continental Chapter: Rev. Jim Murrey (foreground), a Past President now serving as Chaplain, and Carl McLean playing Taps. Pennsylvania law requires county governments to provide such holders for the graves of all veterans from the Revolutionary War on. Five have been placed at this cemetery by the Chapter, while eight have been dedicated at two other burial grounds.



These three descendants of Patriot William Edmunds were on hand when a Veterans Administration marker was dedicated in June at his gravesite in the Hurley Cemetery at Keene, New York. (From left): Jerry Smith, Nona LeClair and Adrian Edmonds (today's spelling). The marker had been obtained through the initiative of George Rowe, a descendant now residing in East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania; he was



In June the Law Enforcement Commendation medal was awarded by the Christopher Gist Chapter to Col. David P. Lewis of the Cranberry Township, Butler County Police Department, while his wife observed. Doing the honors was President Charles F. Wert. The program took place at a meeting of the Township Supervisors.

Texas Society



The Patrick Henry Chapter Color Guard participated with an estimated 2,000 children and adults in the Fourth of July Parade through the streets of Austin (from left): John Knox, Pat Luckett, Joe Bond, Don Morgan and James Allen.



When the Dallas Chapter kicked off a fund raising campaign to establish their new Minuteman Fund, one of the first to make a generous contribution was Former President General Clovis H. Brakebill (right). Accepting his check was President Richard Jones. The goal is to obtain \$25,000, the earnings from which will be used for patriotic programs.



Robert Gladfelter (right), a member of the Dayton Volunteer Fire Department, was recently awarded the Heroism medal by the Pineywoods Chapter. He was honored for saving the life of an accident victim through CPR. Making the presentation was President Dan Lemon.

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In early September Society members and various ladies of the DAR Utah Society gathered in the office of Governor Michael O. Leavitt to witness his signing of a Proclamation declaring September 13 through 20 as Constitution Week. Among the Compatriots on hand were William Ward (rear, third from left), Past President; Bernard L. Allen (behind the Governor), President; and Eric D. Richhart (right), Secretary/Treasurer. The other gentlemen shown are on the staffs of Utah Congressmen.

Vermont Society

National Trustee John P. Henry (center), who has served the SAR for many years at all levels, was awarded the Patriot medal during the Society's Annual Meeting held in April at Rutland. Making the presentation were President Stewart W. Read and Harry G. Orcutt, Vice-President General for the New England District.

Virginia Society



John K. Cabannis (right), a Past President of the Thomas Nelson Jr. Chapter, who has served for many years as the Society's Veterans Committee Chairman, recently presented a personal donation to benefit the Carillon Tower and Bell Project at the Hampton VA Medical Center. Accepting the gift was William G. Wright, Executive Vice President of the Center.

Wisconsin Society

The Second Annual Eve of the Fourth of July Meeting of the Eleazor Slauson Chapter held in Madison on July 3rd featured an address by University of Wisconsin Professor of History John Kaminski. His subject was "The Long Term Influence of George Washington on the United States Government." He founded and continues to direct The Center for the Study of the American Constitution at the University. Also attending were members of the Nathaniel Ames Chapter and the DAR John Bell and Nelson Dewey Chapters.

The Hon. Roland B. Day, retired Chief Justice of the Wisconsin Supreme Court, was featured speaker at the May meeting of the Nathaniel Ames Chapter at Evansville. He provided an interesting insight on our nation's form of constitutional government and the contributions made by the Founding Fathers.

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ANOTHER YOUTH MEMBER - The Coweta Falls Chapter, which serves the Columbus area, recently signed up another Youth Member: Merrick C. Tovey, who is shown being held by his proud grandfather, Compatriot Herman Tovey. Presenting the four month old boy with his official certificate was President James Holman, while Mrs. Tovey observed. The Chapter has been actively promoting the Youth Membership program.

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New Members

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William Franklin Biemler, 148741



SECOND 4-STAR GENERAL IN SCSSAR - General Jacob E. Smart, USAF (Ret), shown seated under the tree, was presented his Membership Rosette in early July. The occasion was the 11th Annual Pilgrimage to the tomb of Thomas Heyward, Jr. held at "Old House" and sponsored by the Dr. George Mosse and Gov. Paul Hamilton Chapters and the DAR Thomas Heyward, Jr. and Capt. William Hilton Chapters. Doing the honors was Keels Smith, Immediate Past President of the Hamilton Chapter, Compatriot Smart joins Gen. William C. Westmoreland as the second member of the South Carolina Society with the retired rank of 4-star general

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REVOLUTIONARY WAR PLAY - Pennsylvania Society Compatriot Rennick Steele (right) and his father, John, were all smiles after viewing "Spirit of the Revolution", a play Rennick had written and directed for presentation at the Freeport Theatre Festival over three week-ends this past summer. Requiring 60 actors and actresses portraying characters ranging from farmers to British and Patriot officers (including Generals Washington, Wayne and Lafayette), the production's acts take place in England and various areas in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The plot is based on the experiences of Pennsylvania farmer James Steele. Portrayed are these famed battles: Long Island, Trenton, Princeton, Monmouth, and Hannastown. The successful event was made possible by a generous grant from the Rockwell

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Compatriot Marks His 99th Birthday

We are pleased to salute Compatriot Horace Kent Thompson for attaining the young age of 99 this past June! The summary of his life presented here was prepared by Charles N. Davies, Past President of the North Carolina Society's Lower Cape Fear Chapter, Wilmington.



Compatriot Horace Kent Thompson served in the United States Army for nearly two years during World War I.

Compatriot Horace Kent Thompson, NSSAR #099922, a member of the Lower Cape Fear Chapter, celebrated his 99th birthday on June 30, 1997; so now he is living in his 100th year.

His Patriot ancestor was Benjamin Brown of Hertford County, North Carolina who served as a Corporal for three years in the North Carolina Militia during the Revolutionary War. Dr. Thompson has been an SAR since December, 1970. He is a retired Doctor of Dental Surgery.

Compatriot Thompson and his older brother, Franklin, enlisted in the United States Army on July 27, 1917 in Wilmington, North Carolina. He was assigned to the 117th Engineer Training Company and was sent in 1917 to Camp Pendleton, Long Island, New York for further training.

Subsequently, Horace Thompson and the unit in which he served were sent overseas to France where they were assigned to the 42nd (Rainbow) Division which was commanded for a time during World War I by Brigadier General Douglas MacArthur of World War II fame.

Horace was discharged from the Army on May 12, 1919, serving nearly two years in the service. He married Hortense Hopkins in 1929 and they had two children; and now, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Dr. Thompson is still very active and attends local SAR meetings.



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Green Valley Chapter luncheon meeting noon first Wednesday except July, Aug, Sept. Phone Sec. William Wells (602) 648-2022.

Palo Verde Chapter meets in Mesa for breakfast at 8:30 a.m. 2nd Sat. monthly except Jun-Aug. Phone Jerry J. Minnis (602) 831-1083.

Phoenix Chapter meets every Tuesday at Noon. For information call Robert G. Cable: 973-9273.

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Tucson Chapter. Luncheon meeting at noon 3rd Saturday monthly except July & August. Phone Kenneth G. Hales (602) 888-9199.

CALIFORNIA

Coachella Valley Chapter. Meets 2nd Sat October thru May. When visiting Palm Springs area join us for lunch in the Dinah Shore Room at Mission Hills Country Club in Rancho Mirage. For info phone (760)342-3151.

Redlands Chapter. Meets 3rd Sat. each month, 8:30 a.m. at the University of Redlands, Hunseker Center, in the Irvine Commons, Room A&B. Address is 1259 E. Colton Ave., Redlands, CA

Riverside Chapter meets monthly, 2nd Tues., 12 noon. Call (909) 783-0762 for info.

Sacramento Chapter meets 3rd Friday at 6:30 p.m. Dinner at Palomino Room, 3405 El Camino Ave. Visiting SARs welcome. Pres: Delwin Hanson (916) 688-1122.

San Diego Chapter. Meet 3rd Sat., monthly, noon luncheon, Admiral Kidd club, Harbor Dr. Ph. Sec. 296-3595. (No meeting June, July & Dec.)

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Thomas Jefferson Chapter. Lunch on 4th Sat. (except Jun.-Aug., Dec.). Call 510/654-3363.

CONNECTICUT

General David Humphreys Branch #1, New Haven, CT meets 6:00 p.m. second Monday monthly September through May at The Original New England Food & Beverage Restaurant, Beach Street, West Haven, CT off I-95. Call Secretary Lance Swarthout (203) 248-9767.

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Daytona-Ormond Chapter, Luncheon meetings 3rd Thurs. Phone Jack Jewkes (904) 672-0480. Visiting SARs and Ladies most welcome.

Flagler Chapter. Luncheon meetings 11 a.m. 3rd Tues. monthly. Call 904-445-2048 for location.

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Jacksonville Chapter meets 3rd Thurs., except June, July & Aug., San Jose Country Club. Info. John Ware, 4812 Palmer Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32210. Tel (904) 387-5759.

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Miami Chapter. Luncheon meetings at noon 4th Friday monthly, except Jul. and Feb., at the Holiday Inn, 2051 Lejeune Road, Coral Gables. Special observances Washington's Birthday, 4th of Beasley's third grade class sat quietly July, Constitution Week and Veterans Day. Visiting SARs and Ladies welcome. For reservations call Richard E. Friberg (305) 271-9336.

Naples Chapter meets at 11:30 a.m., the 1s Thursday of each month, except June, July airport). Phone Sec. W. Earl Marlin 775-7801.

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Atlanta Chapter meets noon, 2nd Thursday each month, 57th Fighter Group, 3829 Clairmont Rd. For info: J.W. Newton (404) 457-4260.

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LOUISIANA

Galvez Chapter. Luncheon at noon, 4th Tuesday monthly at the University Club, 401 Market St., Shreveport.

MISSOURI

M. Graham Clark Chapter, Columbia, MO. Breakfast at 8 am, second Saturday monthly except Jun, Jul, Aug & Dec at the Lenoir Community Center, 1 Hourigan Drive. Phone 573/443-1392 for information

Harry S Truman Chapter, Independence, meets 9 a.m. 2nd Sat each mo. Call Pres. Geoffrey Decker at (816) 229-4402 or (816) 843-5639. Wives and friends welcome!

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NEBRASKA

Nebraska Society Annual Meeting February. Lincoln and Omaha Chapters meet 1st Wed., monthly. Tel: Lincoln (402) 483-2059; Omaha (402) 493-2132.

NEVADA

Southern Nevada Chapter, Las Vegas, is holding a Breakfast Meeting at 9 a.m. every 2nd Sat. monthly at Denny's Rest., Rancho Rd. & Sahara Ave.

OHIO

George Rogers Clark Chapter, Springfield, OH, meets 3rd Wed. eve: Feb, Apr, June, Sept, Nov; and July picnic. Springfield Inn, 6:30 pm. Call Terry Whetstone (937) 324-5841 for info.

Western Reserve Society, noon luncheon, 2nd Wed., Cleveland Playhouse Club, 8501 Carnegie Ave., Sept through June, except Oct. evening. For info call Burton Printz, (216) 932-2819

PENNSYLVANIA

Philadelphia-Continental Chapter. Meetings, luncheons, dinners, and functions monthly except July and August. Tel: SAR Hdgrs. (610) 688-3886, George Mohr, Secretary, 217 Gulph Creek Rd., Radnor, PA 19087.

TEXAS

Dallas Chapter, meets 8:00 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month at Wyatt's Cafeteria, 3630 Forest Lane, Dallas.

Houston's Paul Carrington Chapter. Meets frequently. Visitors are welcome. For info call Joe R. Davidson 713/623-6323

VIRGINIA

Fairfax Resolves Chapter, McLean, meets at 7:30 p.m. on 2nd Thursday, Sept.-Apr. at McLean Governmental Center, 1437 Balls Hill Road. Call Capt. Dennis J. Hickey IV, Pres. (703) 451-3072 or Richard E. Spurr, Sec./Treas. (703) 751-2829.

George Washington Chapter, Alexandria, 11 a.m. Luncheon usually 2nd Saturday Sep-May at the Belle Haven Country Club. (703) 960-6468.

Flag Presentation At Local School Draws Unexpected Student Reaction By Bill Hurst, Secretary Plano Chapter, Texas Society

On March 26, John Greer, Don Rector, and Bill Hurst, members of the Plano Chapter, TXSSAR, presented an American Flag to Principal Joy Cathey for the students of Valley Creek Elementary in McKinney. The ceremony was nice and Compatriot Rector was a big hit in his colonial uniform. The students from Mrs. while many pictures were taken and were very interested in how the flag got to the top of the flagpole.

After the ceremony, the principal went back to her office, but the children wanted August & September at the Elks Lodge, Airport to watch Don and me raise the flag. They Pulling Road and Westview Drive (opposite the followed us to the flag pole and watched patiently as more pictures were taken and as we connected the flag to the rope. I started to raise the flag and suddenly, with Lake Way, Palm Beach, FL, at noon. For info cal no prompting from anyone, the third graders began to sing the "Star Spangled Banner." I slowed to allow the flag to reach the top as they finished and then began to tie it off to the pole. One of the children St. Lucie River Chapter. Luncheon mtgs. nool simply said, "Mr. Hurst," and when I 2nd Sat. monthly, except Jun., Jul., Aug. Call (56) turned, they were waiting to say the "Pledge of Allegiance." I stopped and watched twenty-two faces look upward at St. Petersburg Chapter. Luncheon meetings the flag, and with hands over hearts, they

It was a proud day for the Plano Chapter. We had not only given the school a flag, but we had also seen the pride the students had for it. But the one thing that I will never forget was the look of my

9-year-old, adopted Korean daughter, Emmalee, as she looked at the flag and repeated the Pledge of Allegiance. Never have I been so proud.



Participating in the flag presentation program were (from left): Compatriots John Greer and Don Rector, Principal Joe Cathey, Emmalee Hurst and Compatriot Bill Hurst. The students were from Mrs. Beasley's third grade class.

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NEW Colors available Second Edition of the NSSAR Christmas Orname the SAR Jackets

The colors available for the Style Jacket have expanded too No. Item to all be listed here. Some cold Dark Green, Navy, Royal, M.90 ** Member Badge Kelly Green, Red, and Brown 191 name a few. Please call for avail 92 ** Combination Set of your favorite color.

The colors available for the Ba Office Held Style Jacket are Navy, Maroon, 194 Brown, Kelly Green, Black and 195

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