

THE BATTLE OF COOCH'S BRIDGE

The **President General's**

Message

Dear Compatriots:

Compatriots all, bids will soon be published for the construction of our new ADVANCING AMERICA'S HER-ITAGE HEADQUARTERS.

The upcoming holiday season offers new opportunities as we become closer to realizing our goal for breaking ground and erecting the bricks and mortar for the new days dawning of the NSSAR.

A cornerstone ceremony should occur in the Spring of 2004. We thank all Compatriots who have given of their time, energy and money to guarantee this edifice which will house the Center, the nucleus to support the teaching of freedom and liberty, as were our forefathers in their cry for liberty during the Revolutionary War. We must never drop the torch nor extinguish the flame of freedom, but it is our obligation to brighten the many blessings by the clear message of why we exist.

What beautiful travels Twila and I have had. The New England District Meeting in Massachusetts was an absolute kaleidoscope of beautiful fall foliage which added to the warm hospitality and companionship we received from our Yankee Compatriots and their ladies. It appeared that the beauty of the West Virginia forested hills transposed themselves northward.

Meetings have been held with our Executive Director and his counterparts in the American Legion at Indianapolis, Indiana and will continue in November, forging what we hope will be a joint committee of NSSAR/American Legion. Both organizations are similar in many respects and we feel that we bring just as much to the table for their benefit as they do for us, thus welding a beneficial bond.

We are looking forward to our upcoming visits in the various districts and emphasize to all that we are a Society of many Chapters. Remember, there would be no National Organization, Officers, Executive Committee, etc. unless we are supported by the very basis which holds our Society upright, our local Chapter.

We need, therefore, to promote new Chapter membership and retain existing Compatriots. A new exciting experience is being swept forth on the waves of patriotic service. Enhancement of the flow is mandated. The window of opportunity to raise our image and explain our purpose is not only at hand but is capsizing any obstacles that would try to inhibit its progressive flow. Now is the time to energize this momentum with your donations to the Building Fund of Advancing America's Heritage. Tax wise this may be an asset opportunity for you to employ in your personal financial planning which will strengthen and raise the bar for the NSSAR.

The NSSAR requires a more modern expansive facility in keeping abreast of the ever-changing technology and it will permit better communication. Our willingness to set the standard and engage in a more 21st Century operation will in return accelerate membership and thereby encourage financial grants, endowments and gifts to keep on guaranteeing freedom of humankind.

God Bless You and God Bless America

Raymond G. Musgrave President General NSSAR



During the Fall National Trustees Meeting at the end of September, President General Raymond G. Musgrave was pleased to accept a check for \$4,000 from the National Ladies Auxiliary offered by Linda Moran, President. See pointed out that this is the first donation from the group for purchasing chairs for the Library facility that will be a part of the new Center for Advancing America's Heritage. Chairs are priced at \$500. Paid for by an individual, each will feature a bronze dedication plaque





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The 225th anniversary of the September 3, 1777 Battle of Cooch's Bridge was marked last year by a dramatic re-enactment on the site.

The Battle of Cooch's Bridge

In 1777 the only Revolutionary War battle fought in Delaware saw the Patriot forces under George Washington pitted against the British army commanded by General Cornwallis, as described by Compatriot Ralph Nelson, DESSAR.

At a public ceremony on April 11, 2003, Edward W. (Ned) Cooch, Jr., and his family were commended by Delaware Governor Ruth Ann Minner for arranging to preserve Delaware's only Revolutionary War battlefield, located on nearly 200 acres of land that have been in the Cooch family for over 250 years.



Nine generations of the Cooch family have enjoyed the ancestral home, which has been modified several times since 1760. The Delaware Societies of the SAR and DAR led the effort to erect this monument at Cooch's Bridge. Dedicated in 1901, it is surrounded by four cannons from the War of 1812, on loan to the SAR Delaware Society from the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

This site has special historic significance because it covers much of the land on which the Battle of Cooch's Bridge was fought. This "sharp skirmish", in which elements of the Continental Army and the Delaware militia harassed a British column, is the only land battle that was ever fought in the State of Delaware. There were no battles here in colonial days, nor during the War of 1812, nor during the Civil War. This was the first battle of the campaign to capture our first capital city. This was the first battle fought by a truly national unit – Maxwell's Light Infantry Corps, made up of men drawn from nine state brigades – and about forty of those men died during the battle. And it was here that our first national flag – the Stars and Stripes authorized by Congress only eleven weeks previously – was likely first flown in battle.

BATTLE FOUGHT ON COOCH PROPERTY

Since colonial times this Cooch property has been farmland – both the house and the land are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. However, most of the land is zoned for commercial and industrial use. It is located at the intersection of Interstate 95 and Delaware 896; several housing developments are nearby, and a

THE COVER ILLUSTRATION, titled "Maxwell's Light Infantry Corps Defends Cooch's Bridge", was rendered by the late E. Paul Catts for the cover of the Bicentennial Edition (1977-78) of **The Delaware Conservationist**. It is reproduced here courtesy of his son, Wade Catts.

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rail spur runs through the property. Ned Cooch, a member of the Delaware Society SAR for over fifty years, was concerned that the pressures of urbanization would overwhelm the area. After discussing many alternatives with the state and with his family, he developed a comprehensive preservation plan.

The State of Delaware used funds from its Open Space Program and the Federal Transportation Enhancement Fund to purchase the development rights to 190 acres of the Cooch property at a bargain-sale price, and the property was placed under a conservation easement in perpetuity. The state also obtained right of first refusal in any proposed sale of either the 190 acres or the Cooch home and several adjacent residences.

Ned's children, Richard Rodney Cooch and Anne Cooch Doran, and their spouses made a bargain sale to the state of an adjacent 20-acre plot. Ned and his family also donated \$1.5 million to the Delaware Community Fund for the restoration and maintenance of the nearby state-owned Cooch-Dayett Mills. In 1977 the Cooch family had made a bargain sale to New Castle County of 300 acres on nearby Iron Hill, with the restriction that it could be used only for passive purposes – no development. All 500 acres will now be a conservation and historic heritage area and will remain woodlands and fields forever. (See Map A.)

BATTLE LAUNCHED PHILADELPHIA CAMPAIGN IN 1777

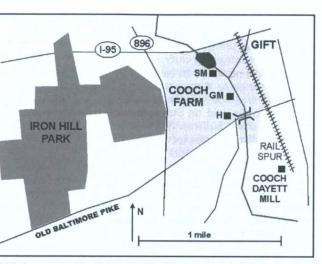
The Battle of Cooch's Bridge was the first battle in the Philadelphia campaign. On July 23, 1777, British Gen. Howe left New York City with an armada of 265 ships carrying 18,000 troops. From the shore Continental Army scouts followed the progress of the British fleet, and Commander-in-Chief George Washington led most of the Continental Army south from New York to oppose the British wherever they might land. Because the Americans had strong defensive positions on the Delaware River, Howe decided to sail around the Demarva Peninsula and land at the top of the Chesapeake Bay.

On August 25 Howe's troops began disembarking at Turkey Point and other locations southeast of Head of Elk (now Elk Landing), Maryland. They were exhausted after a month in very cramped quarters on hot summer waters. They had run short of rations and had killed most of their horses. They needed some time to recover and to secure new horses for the upcoming battles to capture Philadelphia. On that same day most of the Continental Army – some 11,000 Continentals under General George Washington – marched into Delaware.



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MAP A, prepared by Compatriot Ralph Nelson, depicts the large parcels of land that are now preserved in perpetuity. His accompanying article details how this came about through efforts on behalf of the Cooch Family and the State of Delaware.

They dug entrenchments along the top of the steep northern bank of Red Clay Creek, blocking the most direct route from Elk Landing to Philadelphia. Continental cannon stood nearly wheel-to-wheel from Stanton – where the flank was protected by extensive marshland – to Greenbank Mill on Newport Gap Pike. Three days later Generals Washington, Greene and Lafayette rode with a strong troop of horse to the top of Iron Hill and then to Gray's Hill (See Map B) to observe the British beachhead around Head of Elk, several miles away. On their way back a violent storm blew in and forced them to spend the night in a local farmhouse before reaching the safety of American lines.

WASHINGTON FORMS LIGHT INFANTRY UNIT

The British army had developed a new tactic – forming temporary light infantry units that could move quickly and operate independently to clear the way so that the main army could move without distraction. Washington formed a similar unit in Delaware to impede the enemy's progress. On August 28 he ordered each of the nine infantry brigades now in Delaware to detach one hundred of their most reliable infantrymen and seventeen officers to form a light infantry corps. On August 30 he appointed Brigadier General William Maxwell as commander of that corps. The permanent brigades were supplied by individual states with troops and officers almost exclusively from that state. Since Maxwell's corps had officers and men from many states, this was our first truly national unit.

For this emergency duty, several Delaware militia battalions were assigned to (and paid by) the Continental Army, Strange as it may seem, the Delaware Continental Regiment was not in Delaware at this time. It was involved in the raid on Staten Island on Aug. 22, led by Maj. Gen. John Sullivan (NJ).

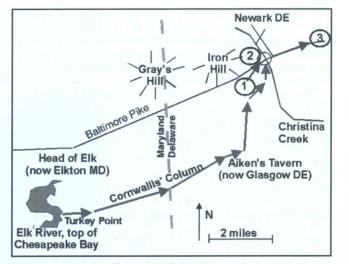
Cooch's Bridge was located in the midst of swampy terrain at a three-way fork in the road from Wilmington to Elkton. Washington anticipated that the British would move toward the bridge around the south side of Iron Hill. He instructed Gen. Maxwell to deploy his Light Infantry Corps and the First Battalion of Delaware militia near Cooch's Bridge and to use them to harass and delay any British advance.

On the morning of September 3, 1777, a British column of nine thousand men under General Cornwallis advanced up the road from Aiken's Tavern (present-day Glasgow). They followed what is now Route 896 onto Old Cooch's Bridge Road. In the lead were Hessian and Ansbach jägers. The word jäger means hunter, and these troops were excellent marksmen, familiar with fighting in the woods.

About a half-mile south of Cooch's Bridge (#1 on Map B), the Hessians were fired upon by elements of Maxwell's corps waiting in ambush. After a sharp exchange of gunfire the Americans fell back to a first defensive position, then to a second, and finally to the house, mill, and riverbanks near Cooch's Bridge (#2 on map), where they made a determined stand. They may have marked the safe rallying point by flying the Stars and Stripes. British attempts to outflank the Americans were frustrated by swamps and streams on both sides of the road, swollen with water from the storms of the previous two days. Eventually the British brought up several light cannon and drove the out-numbered and outgunned Americans down the road to Christiana (#3 on the Map). Several cannonballs have been found on the Cooch property.

CORNWALLIS USES COOCH HOME AS HQ

The British continued two miles further north to take



MAP B, rendered by Compatriot Ralph Nelson, depicts how the Battle of Cooch's Bridge developed. His accompanying article details what occurred at Sites 1, 2 and 3.

over the town of Newark, blocking a possible American attack on their base at Head of Elk via the Elkton road. Cornwallis used the Cooch home as his headquarters for the next five days. Two days after the battle his aide, Major John Andre, drew a map showing British units posted around the Cooch house. The officers drank all of Cooch's liquor, and the troops burned Cooch's grist mill when they left.

Maxwell's Corps and the Delaware militia returned to the main Continental lines at Stanton. This area (north of Christiana) was sufficiently secure for the Americans that on September 6 Washington held a staff meeting in the Hale-Byrnes House in Stanton with Generals Greene, Lafayette, Maxwell, Sullivan and Wayne.

The harassing action let the British forces know that the invasion would meet stiff resistance. The dead were buried on the field, and Maxwell's unit was disbanded within a month, so there is no known casualty report for this unit. Historians have reviewed reports from various sources and estimate that 25 to 40 died on the U.S. side and perhaps half that many on the British side (many were Hessians from the lead units). Several times this number were wounded. The Americans carried their

Compatriot Ned Cooch Active In Preservation Projects

Edward (Ned) Webb Cooch, Jr., is the great (4)-grandson of Thomas Cooch, Sr. After serving in the U.S. Army (rising to the rank of major in the Coast Artillery Corps), Ned earned a law degree at the University of Virginia. Ned co-founded the law firm of Cooch and Taylor in 1960. He served as President for six years and as a Director for thirty-nine years of Delaware Wild Lands, which has preserved 40,000 acres of open land since its formation in 1961. For eleven years he was a member of the Delaware Open Space Council, advising the state on important land purchases. In 1995 he served as Co-Chair of the Public Archive Enhancement Fund Committee, which raised \$1.7 million to upgrade plans for the new Delaware Public Archives building. This supports genealogical and historical research for the estimated twenty million Americans who have a Delaware ancestor.

Ned joined the Delaware Society SAR in 1946 at age 26 and has the lowest national number (65,513) of any active member in Delaware. His son, Judge Richard Rodney Cooch, joined in 1974 at age 26, continuing the family tradition of joining SAR as a young man and remaining active for life. In recognition of his many contributions to historic preservation that benefit the whole nation, the National Society has authorized a Gold Good Citizenship Medal for Ned Cooch. It will be presented to him at the Delaware Society's Ratification Day Dinner in December 2003.



As is reported in the accompanying feature article, Compatriot Edward M. (Ned) Cooch was commended in April by Delaware Governor Ruth Ann Minner for his efforts in preserving the state's only Revolutionary War battlefield. (Photo courtesy of James T. O'Brien, DelDOT staffer.)

Composition Of The Opposing Forces At Cooch's Bridge

CONTINENTAL UNITS

The nine brigades that sent detachments to Maxwell's Corps are enumerated below:

Stirling's Division under Maj. Gen. William Alexander

(NJ), also know as Lord Stirling; #1 Detachment led by Brig. Gen. William Maxwell (NJ) came from the New Jersey Brigade under Brig. Gen.

William Maxwell (NJ) #2 Detachment led by unknown (NJ) came from Conway's

Brigade under Brig. Gen. Thomas Conway (France)

Greene's Infantry Division under Maj. Gen. Nathanael Greene (RI): eight VA regiments and one PA regiment #3 Detachment led by Col. Josiah Parker (VA) came from the First Virginia Brigade under Brig. Gen. Peter Muhlenberg (VA)

#4 Detachment led by Lt. Col. Richard Parker (VA) came from the Second Virginia Brigade under Brig. Gen. George Weedon (VA)

Stephen's Infantry Division under Maj. Gen. Adam Stephen (VA): seven VA regiments and two "additional" regiments:

#5 Detachment led by Lt. Col. William Heth (VA) came from the Third Virginia Brigade under Brig. Gen. William Woodford (VA)

#6 Detachment led by Maj. Charles Simms (VA) came from the Fourth Virginia Brigade under Brig. Gen. Charles Scott (VA)

#7 Detachment led by Col. Alexander Martin (NC) came from the North Carolina Brigade under Brig. Gen. Francis Nash (NC)

Pennsylvania Division under Brig. Gen. Anthony Wayne (PA):

#8 Detachment led by Lt. Col. Francis Gurney (PA) came from the First Pennsylvania Brigade under Col. Thomas Hartley (PA)

#9 Detachment led by unknown (PA) came from the Second Pennsylvania Brigade under Co. Richard Humpton (PA) Continental Artillery under Brig. Gen. Henry Knox did

wounded away; the British set up a field hospital in the Presbyterian Church at Aiken's Tavern.

The town of Christiana was a river port that played a major role in shipping goods north and south without putting out to sea, where the British navy ruled the seas. However, at this time it was located between the two armies. Capt. William Dansey wrote to his mother that on September 5 he led the British 33rd Infantry in a raid on the town, where they "captured the horse, arms, colours and drums belonging to a rebel colonel of the Delaware militia" - probably Delaware militia Col. Samuel Patterson, who had a home and mill in Christiana. Nearly 150 years later Capt. Dansey's descendants sold the Delaware militia flag to the Delaware Historical Society, where it may be seen today.

Deciding that a frontal attack on Washington's wellprepared positions in Delaware was not wise, Howe marched his army to Kennett Square, Pennsylvania, about fifteen miles to the north. Washington made a similar move north and fortified the high ground along the Brandywine River at Chadds Ford. The stage was now set for the Battle of the Brandywine, only two miles from the Delaware border.

THOMAS COOCH. SR. ARRIVES FROM ENGLAND IN 1746 Thomas Cooch, Sr., was born in England and emigrat-

not contribute men to the light infantry corps

THE DELAWARE MILITIA

The Continental Congress asked Delaware to assign 1,000 militia to service under Washington's orders. The three militia battalions from New Castle County reported for duty with the Continentals.

First (northern) Battalion under Col. Thomas Duff about 320 men in seven companies - was assigned to fight alongside Maxwell's Light Infantry Corps.

Second (central) Battalion under Col. Samuel Patterson - about 415 men in eight companies - remained with the main Continental army.

Third (southern) Battalion supplied two companies to the main army; the others went to Middletown and served under state militia Gen. Caesar Rodney to minimize British raids on farms in that area.

The Kent County Battalions joined Gen. Caesar Rodney in Middleton

The Sussex County Battalions remained in their towns for internal defense

BRITISH MILITARY UNITS

Advancing toward Cooch's Bridge under Maj. Gen. Cornwallis:

Lead Elements: Ansbach Jägers, two British Light Infantry Battalions, British Grenadiers, Hessian Grenadiers (about 2,000 total)

Main Body: 1st Battalion Guards, 1st and 2nd Brigades of Artillery, the 4th, 27th, 40th, and 49th Regiments, and three troops of the 16th Dragoons. (about 7,000 total)

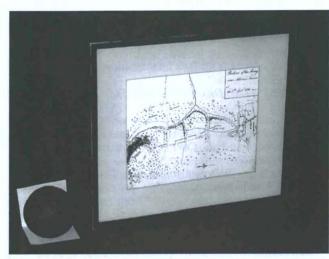
Remaining at Head of Elk under Maj. Gen. Grant: 2nd Battalion Guards, 5th, 10th, 23rd, 28th, and 55th Regiments, with two battalions of the 71st Regiment posted on Grey's Hill and a third posted on the Head of Elk-to-Aikens road. (about 9,000 total)

ed to Delaware in 1746. He purchased hundreds of acres of land around Iron Hill and in 1760 built a home next to the bridge that carries Old Baltimore Pike over the Christiana Creek. In 1777 a dam on this creek provided water to power a sawmill, a foundry, and a grist mill a hundred yards upstream from the house.

Although he was nearly eighty years old at the start of the Revolution, Thomas Cooch had been named Colonel and Commander of the 2nd Militia Battalion, Lower Division, in the New Castle Delaware militia. By the time of the British invasion in 1777 Col. Samuel Patterson had become commander of this battalion. The Cooch family had withdrawn to Pennsylvania during the British invasion, so they were not present during the battle. Thomas Cooch died in 1788 and is buried with several later generations of Coochs at the Welsh Tract Baptist Church on Iron Hill.

Thomas' grandson William Cooch decided not to rebuild the burned mill in its original location. In 1792 he built a larger dam and turned what had been swampland into a mill pond. New mill-races were built to conduct the water nearly a mile to supply a new mill, located several hundred yards southeast of Cooch's Bridge. In 1822 that was replaced by the Cooch-Dayett Mill, which was rebuilt in 1917 and again in 1932. The Cooch foundry continued in operation until about 1892.

Nine generations of the Cooch family have enjoyed the



Shown here is a four-pound cannonball found on the Cooch property. At the right is the map made by Major John Andre as discussed in Compatriot Nelson's article. A British officer, he was a Captain and aide-de-camp to Mai. Gen. Charles Grey during the Battle of Cooch's Bridge. Later he was promoted to Major and became coordinator of British intelligence operations in the New York area and negotiated with Benedict Arnold to betrav the defenses of West Point. On September 22, 1780 Andre was caught carrying the plans for the West Point defenses back to Gen. Clinton. Because he had worn an American uniform as a disguise, he was hanged as a spy rather than being shot as a soldier.

ancestral home, which has been modified several times since 1760. A porch was added on the east (creek) side and a portico was added over the entry on the south. The Delaware Societies of the SAR and DAR led the effort to erect a monument at Cooch's Bridge. Dedicated



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in 1901, it is surrounded by four cannon from the War of 1812, on loan to the Delaware Society SAR from the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

Several generations of the Cooch family have written and spoken about local history, hosted re-enactments of the battle, and helped to preserve the Delaware's historic treasures. This latest and largest gift from the Cooch family will help future generations experience the battlefield in nearly its original condition and understand the struggle for liberty on the very ground where patriots from many states fought and died.

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Did Maxwell Use The Stars And Stripes?

There are no known contemporary reports that state that Maxwell's Corps did or did not have a flag. Tradition and circumstantial evidence gathered by historians in later years supports a conclusion that the Stars and Stripes Flag was first flown in battle here:

- On June 14, 1777, Congress in Philadelphia approved the Stars and Stripes design.
- · Claims that the Stars and Stripes Flag was first used during battles before September 3, have been disproved.
- · The Continental Army paraded through Philadelphia on August 24, so the army probably acquired several of the new Stars and Stripes Flags.
- Maxwell's Light Infantry Corps was formed on August 28 and the Battle of Cooch's Bridge was only five days later. There was little time to design and make a flag with a new design, so they would use a flag that was readily available and different from the other brigades.
- · Since Maxwell's Corps was made up of troops from many states, it would make sense to use the United States' new flag to identify itself.
- · Maxwell's Corps was the only Continental unit involved in the Battle of Cooch's Bridge on September 3, so no other regiment's flag would be used.
- · While it would not be prudent to fly a flag from concealed positions, they would want a flag (1) to lead the unit as it marched off to its forward position; (2) to identify the rally-

ing point to gather dispersed units for the final stand along the river at Cooch's Bridge; and (3) to lead the unit back to the main lines after the battle

Other circumstantial evidence supports the opposite conclusion:

- The Light Infantry Corps (whether British or U.S.) were gathered for temporary service and fought as dispersed groups taking advantage of cover (not calling attention to their position), so they did not carry any colors into battle.
- · Maxwell's Corps was intended to be a temporary unit, so why would it go to the trouble of obtaining a flag? It was in existence less than a month and was disbanded after the Battle of Brandywine.
- National colors were used primarily on naval vessels to identify their nationality and to distinguish them from pirates. The proposal to define the Stars and Stripes as our national flag came from the Continental Congress' Marine Committee.
- · Military flags were used to distinguish the units from one another, not to indicate a common origin. Even the Commander-in-Chief, George Washington, flew only a flag with a 3-2-3-2-3 array of stars in a blue field (the canton design of the national flag) to designate his headquarters.

Local tradition firmly favors the first conclusion, and for over a century the Cooch family has proudly flown the Betsy Ross flag at Cooch's Bridge.

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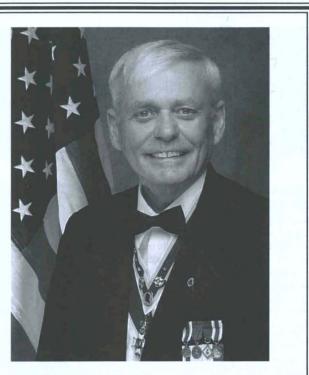
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ALABAMA SOCIETY - Tennessee Valley Chapter Compatriot Bill Pittman was part of a group that met recently at Redstone Arsenal to mark the 50th anniversary of the first flight of the Redstone missile on August 20, 1953. He was instrumental in developing the weapon along with Werner Von Braun and his team of German scientists. He was hired into the Army in July, 1951 and retired in May, 1999. During his career, Compatriot Pittmann held positions as an electronic engineer, supervisory electrical engineer and supervisory aeronautical engineer. The Redstone, a medium range missile, represented the first step in the development of larger ballistic missiles that eventually led to putting men on the moon in 1969.



While at Redstone Arsenal earlier this year, Compatriot Bill Pittman (center) stood behind the Redstone Missile National Historical Marker. In the background was a Redstone missile mounted on a test stand.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SOCI-ETY - Earlier this year Paul D. Snodgrass, Editor of the newsletter he prepares for the Snodgrass Clan Society, was notified by the National Genealogical Society that his efforts had won first place in the category of Family Associations. His semi-annual newsletter is in addition to an annual Family Name Registry, which provides information about current members who are researching early Snodgrasses and their descendants.

GEORGIA SOCIETY - Todd B. Frary was elected Deputy Treasurer General of The Order of the Founders and Patriots of America at their 106th Meeting of the General Court. He also serves as Governor and Registrar of the Order's Georgia Society and was recently elected Treasurer of the Presidential Families of America.

KENTUCKY SOCIETY – The Corbin Times-Tribune in late June carried a front page news story titled "Earlys preserve links to the past." Accompanied by a large, fullcolor photo of members of the Early family, including Past Chaplain General Jack J. Early and his wife of Louisville, the article described how they would be spending a weekend near July Fourth to hold a reunion and visit surrounding cemeteries where veterans of the family are interred. Compatriot Jack's ancestor. James, served in the Revolutionary War, while James' son saw service in the War of 1812. In addition, a few members fought in the Persian Gulf War and Operation Enduring Freedom. Reunions are held every other year.

NEW JERSEY SOCIETY – South Jersey Chapter Past President Jack Gebhart, was the subject of a major news story in a late June edition of the Burlington County Times. It reported how he has become an expert on flags of the United States as well as those of the states themselves. Featured was a large photo showing him holding a Betsy Ross Flag.

PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY -

Douglas E. Obbereit, President of the Washington Crossing Chapter, has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the Friends of Washington Crossing Historic Park. The Board's purpose is to develop and maintain a superior historic site support group dedicated to the park's mission.

SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY -Chaplain General H. Leroy Stewart was profiled in a news piece that appeared in a recent edition of The Greenville News. A reporter traced how he served in the Navy in his youth, his subsequent attendance at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, and services for several decades as a pastor. The story also brought out that he and his wife live next to and operate a replica of an 1825 water-powered grist mill that ground corn and wheat in Easley for 110 years. The mill is open to the public and frequently hosts school and tour groups.



Here's the grist mill replica that Compatriot H. Leroy Stewart operates.

VIRGINIA SOCIETY - In July Peter E. Broadbent assumed the posts of Chairman of the Library Board of Virginia and as President of the Virginia Genealogical Society. With a Richmond law firm, he has been active in a number of genealogical and historical groups. The Library of Virginia, a State agency, preserves Virginia's records and promotes education in history.



Valley Forge Society of the Descendants

Descendants of a soldier who served in the Continental Army under the command of General George Washington at Valley Forge during the Winter encampment period of December 19, 1777 - June 19, 1778, may be eligible for membership in the Society with proven documentation.

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President General Addresses American Legion Convention SAR Takes Steps to Develop Closer Ties With Patriotic and Heritage Organizations

By Compatriot Robert L. "Bob" Bowen Past National Vice Commander - The American Legion

When President General B. Rice Aston established the Patriotic and Heritage Society Liaison Committee last year, the charge to Chairman Les Foster was short and to the point: "Encourage heritage and patriotic organizations to attend the SAR's Annual Congress and arrange for the President General or General SAR officers to attend the Annual Congress, or its equivalent, of other heritage and patriotic organizations."

The committee met for the first time during the Fall Trustees Meeting last year. When it met a second time at the Spring Trustees Meeting this year, it had already begun working to establish a data base of email and website addresses for heritage and patriotic organizations. And, it had planted a seed with The American Legion in hopes of arranging an exchange visit of national officers to each other's national congress and national convention.

That seed grew and President General Raymond G. Musgrave was invited to attend the American Legion's 85th National Convention in St. Louis, MO., as a Distinguished Guest. The National Commander of The American Legion, John Brieden, has been invited to attend the SAR's 114th National Congress next year in Pittsburgh.

It was "icing on the cake" when the PG was asked to address the more than 15,000 Legionnaires, members of The American Legion Auxiliary and guests assembled in St. Louis on August 26. President George W. Bush spoke to the delegates in the afternoon. President General Musgrave spoke that morning.

Most of you know that Compatriot Musgrave hails from the small former riverboat town of Point Pleasant, West Virginia - population: 4,637. Miles Epling also lives in Point Pleasant. Epling, a former Marine who lost both legs in Vietnam,

is a past National Commander of The American Legion. Now serving as West Virginia State Adjutant of The American Legion, Epling was instrumental in Ray's receiving an invitation to attend the Legion's 85th National Convention.

President General Musgrave's message to the Legionnaires:

Greetings from the descendants of America's First Legion to those Legionnaires herein assembled and those who compose the world's greatest armada the men and women of the United States of America's Armed Forces.

Our organizations have a common purpose to preserve freedom and liberty for all people in this nation and throughout the globe. The American dream is to be free of tyranny and suppression in any form. We exist during our term of life as responsible human beings so that our prodigy may survive to insure the futures progress to unfold.

Such a worthy endeavor requires commitment, costs and tribute, i.e.:

1. Self sacrifice;

- 2. Intense labor;
- 3. The highest developmental technology and human intellect;
- 4. National monetary resources; and 5. An undeniable faith in our Creator.

Many of our critics label us a relics of a past age who promote aggression, national building and colonization. Tell this to the families of those whose loved ones' remains lie under the crust of mother earth, or to those who have no limbs with which to move their remaining body parts. The Compatriots from 1776 through 2003 have proved to those who criticize that are being blinded by misunderstanding and burdened by half-truths, from those who oppose the truths of American's Creation of a free form of Government.



President General Raymond G. Musgrave was honored this past August to address attendees at the National Convention of The American Legion in St. Louis. (Photo courtesy American Legion Staff Photographer James V. Carroll.)

We are a collection of human beings whose dedication is to preserve our many species of humanity. We love peace, freedom and liberty and are willing to share it with all who will pay the price in preserving it. Don't misjudge our dedication and intent: we must retain and enhance our strength to keep ever vigilant in our duty to suppress at a minutes notice any threat to our national freedom.

THERE MUST NEVER OCCUR IN THIS NATION ANOTHER 9-11-01 EVENT.

Let us combine our respective organizational efforts in the future. Let us establish respective committees which will interact one unto the other for our common goals and purposes. Let's work jointly to assure the ever existence of freedom and liberty. We must dedicate ourselves to promoting the public teaching of our National Heritage by truth and not by revisionary methods which would strip and forever bury the heroic sacrifices of our forefathers who willingly gave their very ALL so that we may on this present date celebrate humanity's highest achievement of government for and by the people.

Thank you for this great honor and opportunity of addressing this the 85th National Convention of The American Legion

GOD BLESS YOU ALL AND GOD BLESS AMERICA!

The SAR's Patriotic and Heritage Society Liaison Committee pledges to continue to work to establish a closer working relationship with other like-minded patriotic and heritage societies.

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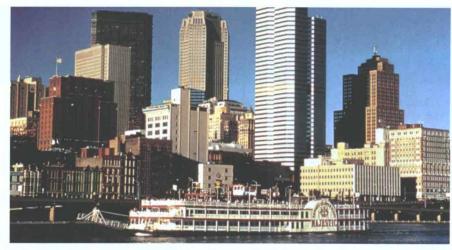
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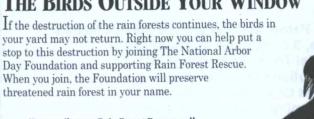
The 114th Congress, which is scheduled for Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania next year from July 3rd through the 7th, was last staged in that city in 1959. Over the decades since then the "Smoky City" of yore has shaken its old stigma and come into its own thanks to strict smoke-control laws. This thirteenth largest city in the nation today boasts of having gone through a "Renaissance" period, with the result that the hodge-podge of run-down factories has given way to one of the world's most spectacular urban landscapes. And the process is ongoing.

The elegant Hilton Hotel on the Point has been selected as headquarters for the Congress. It is situated across the street from Point State Park, the site of Fort Pitt which houses an interesting museum of early Pittsburgh history. This is where the Allegheny and Monongahela Rivers merge to form the mighty Ohio - and where the city puts on its spectacular fireworks display on the Fourth of July (Sunday next year). The room rate will be \$108 single, \$120 double and \$144 in the Towers or Concierge level. Each is subject to a 14% tax. The Winter 2004 Issue of the magazine will contain a hotel reservation form.

Responsible for local planning for the event is Pittsburgh Compatriot Henry P. Hoffstot, who is serving as the Host Society Congress Planning Chairman. For some time his committee has been hard at work on a myriad of details. They are backed by Maryland Society Compatriot Barrett L. McKown, who for several years has been Chairman of the National Society Congress Planning Committee. As will be described in detail in the

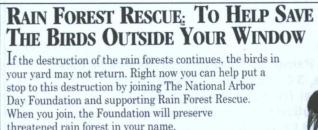
Winter 2004 Issue, a number of special tours and events will be available. These will include a Dinner River Cruise on Friday evening July 2nd; a bus tour and lunch on Saturday to Fallingwater and Kentuck Knob, two homes designed by the noted architect Frank Lloyd Wright; and a Pittsburgh tour on Wednesday.

Also featured in the Winter Issue will be a form for making early registrations for the Congress and reservations for the tours.



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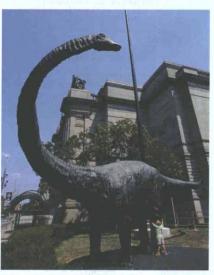
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Pittsburgh To Host Annual Congress

In the meantime, ring the Congress dates on your calendars and plan to attend what is always a stimulating mixture of business sessions and social activities!

Interesting History Facts

Pittsburgh was an offspring of the French and Indian War. Around 1750, the Marquis Duquesne, Governor of French Canada, began aggressively to pursue the idea of an all-water route south to New Orleans, which was also French. Meanwhile, Britishers in Pennsylvania and Virginia were moving westward to trap, trade and settle. The pioneers of the two empires clashed at the head of the Ohio River, the Pittsburgh Point. There the French built Fort Duquesne in 1754, held it for four years, then lost it to the British in 1758. That year a settlement called Pittsburgh came into being, and shortly thereafter the large and elaborate Fort Pitt arose to hold the Point. Of Fort Pitt, only one complete structure remains - Bouquet's Redoubt or the Blockhouse, built too late to see action in either the war itself or Pontiac's Rebellion in 1763.

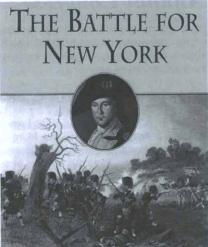


A "must" site to visit is the Carnegie Museum of Natural History.

BOOKS OF INTEREST TO COMPATRIOTS

The magazine editor receives a variety of book reviews from time to time. Here are some that are of special interest.

The Battle for New York: The City at the Heart of the American Revolution, by Barnet Schecter, focuses New York's important and strategic role in the American Revolution. Historian Schecter describes New York's crucial place in the war and tells a story of sacrifice and redemption that speaks directly to our times. On September 15, 1776 New York City was the heart





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of an armed struggle. In a military campaign that lasted for months, today's five boroughs were bombarded by British warships, invaded by thousands of ground troops, and occupied for the next seven years - during which martial law deprived New Yorkers of their civil rights. The extraordinary campaign in the fall of 1776, which forms the dramatic heart of Schecter's chronicle, has been overshadowed by more famous engagements at Bunker Hill, Saratoga, Yorktown and the Winter at Valley Forge. Yet, the contest for New York was by far the largest military venture of the War, involving almost every significant participant on both sides. Schecter skillfully weaves into his narrative the memorable and passionate voices of those who were there, from American private Joseph Martin, to British second-in-command Henry Clinton, to Nathan Hale, Benedict Arnold and others, thereby tracing the impact and meaning of the revolution in personal terms and giving the story a powerful human dimension. This memorable 464-page saga was published by Walker & Company, 435 Hudson Street, New York, NY 10014, ISBN 0-8027-1374-2. Their website is www.walkerbooks.com

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Compassionate Revolutionaries: The Moravian Ancestors of George W. Bush, by Ohio Compatriot Fred J. Milligan, is a fascinating story of the Moravian missionaries who came to America in the 1730s and 40s to bring Christianity to the Indians. Members of an ancient Protestant church which predated Martin Luther, they suffered centuries of persecution in



their homeland of Bohemia and Moravia, now the Czech republic and Slovakia. Teachers of love and compassion, they abhorred war. Yet their missionary efforts took place on the violent frontier during the French and Indian War. Pontiac's War, the Revolutionary War, the Indian Wars in Ohio, and the War of 1812. The story is made more interesting by the fact that among the Moravian missionaries were ancestors of George W. Bush; he is descended from Christoph Demuth, a private in the third company, 2nd battalion of the Pennsylvania Militia, a fourth great grandfather of Barbara Bush. This enlightening book was published by Heritage Books, Inc. website www.heritagebooks.com.

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The First Virginia Regiment of Foot: 1775-1783, by Compatriot M. Lee Minnis of the Florida Society's Jacksonville Chapter, offers a refreshing perspective of the role of just one regiment and its men. Minnis has extensively searched federal and state archives, private collections, and local histories to gather information about the regiment as a whole and the individuals who participated as officers and soldiers.

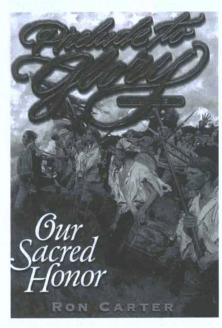
THE FIRST VIRGINIA

REGIMENT OF FOOT 1775-1783

M. Lee Minnis

These Virginians served from New York to Augusta, Georgia, in a saga that began at Williamsburg in 1775 and ended at Winchester in 1783. Minnis records the regiment's battlefield experiences from public records and individual depositions made by men as they sought pensions and bounty land in later years. He admirably blends his findings into a sequential view of each episode in the history of the regiment and the troops involved. A good portion of the book lists names of officers and men who made up the components of the regiment, with a brief description of the activities of the various companies, and personal accounts of as many First Virginia patriots as he could locate in his research. Those with ancestors who served in the First Virginia Regiment of Foot, as well as Virginia historians, will find this book fascinating. It is published by Willow Bend Books, 65 East Main Street, Westminster, MD 21156. 467pp. ISBN 1-888265-29-9.

The Prelude to Glory Series, by Dr. Ron Carter, is a historical fiction series that chronicles the miraculous events that gave birth to a new nation. The first volume, pictured here, is Our Sacred Honor; it introduces us to the Dunsons, a fictional colonial family living in Boston. We see what it was like to live in everyday colonial America, to be one of the minutemen, to sail the seas at wartime, and to experience love and heartaches as America's destiny unfolds. The underlying spiritual nature of that destiny is powerfully woven into the fabric of the story. Though we certainly get to meet the likes



of Paul Revere, Samuel Adams, John Hancock, and Benedict Arnold, the author focuses on "ordinary" people - soldiers, sailors, men and women, who came out of the shops, fields and forests, to pay the price of freedom. Volumes two through seven are also available, with the eighth and final volume scheduled for release in summer 2004. Author Ron Carter is a popular public speaker, and this award-winning series has been approved by the Department of Education for California for use in teaching period history. School districts throughout Utah and Idaho also use them regularly. Published by Deseret Book Company, P.O. Box 30178, Salt Lake City, UT 84130. ISBN 1-57008-431-9.

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William Washington: Cavalryman of the Revolution, by Stephen E. Haller and reviewed by South Carolina Compatriot Julina L. Mims, PhD. William Washington distinguished himself as an infantry officer at Trenton, New Jersey (1776), then transferred to the Continental Light Dragoons and served in the Middle States (1777-79). Yet he is best remembered as a cavalry commander in the South (1780-81), where he fought in all the major battles of General Nathanael Greene's campaign to drive the British from the Carolinas. The author illuminates the strategy, the struggle and the rivalry of the war in the Carolinas, as Washington battles Cornwallis and Lord Rawdon, and especially the gifted but arrogant British cavalry officer Banastre Tarelton. Washington saw plenty of action at Cowpens, Hobkirk's Hill and Eutaw Springs. This 237-page volume was published by Heritage Books.

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Royal Families: Americans of Royal and Noble Ancestry, Volume 1 - Governor Thomas Dudley and Descendants Through Five Generations, by California Compatriot Martson Watson. Thousands of Americans are direct descendants of immigrant Thomas Dudley, who was Governor or Assistant Governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony from 1630 to 1653. They have lineal connections to his royal and noble ancestry through his mother and likely his father, and through his second wife Katherine Deighton as well. They are direct descendants of King John of England, William the Conqueror, and Charlemagne, to name a few. And they are connected to six of the twenty-five barons who witnessed King John's signature on the Magna Charta. Included is an every-name index of several thousand entries and a comprehensive bibliography. Published by Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 31202. 327 pp. ISBN 0-8063-1700.

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In the Footsteps of George Washington, by North Carolina Compatriot William G. Clotworthy, identifies, describes, and provides access information about the more than 300 publicly accessible sites that commemorate the life and the legacy of the first President of the United States. The author of several other books, Clotworthy focuses his most recent book on providing modern travelers with a roadmap to retrace many of the events and experience many of the places that made up the life of this notable man. These sites span his entire life; they range geographically from New Hampshire to West Virginia to Georgia - and Barbados - and thematically from his birthplace, childhood home, and beloved estate Mount Vernon through the homes of friends and relatives to sites associated with his business, military, and political endeavors. Historian and Washington scholar Jack D. Warren, Jr., has written "...historic travelers and armchair tourists could not find a better guidebook or a friendlier, more enthusiastic guide." It may be ordered through McDonald & Woodward Publishing Company, 431-B East College Street, Granville, OH 53023, 1-800-233-8787.

Journey into the Land of Trials, by Manley F. Cobia Jr., is the story of Davy Crockett's expedition to the Alamo. It is written to appeal to students of history as well as the casual reader. By the time he set out for Texas, Davy Crockett was already a national celebrity. The United States Congressman encouraged his reputation as a wild man for political purposes, but by 1834 he had written an autobiography to counteract some of the more unpleasant popular notions of his personality. In his book, Cobia offers a portrait of the authentic Davy Crockett, with a detailed account of Crockett's trip from Tennessee that ultimately led to his death at the Alamo. The book reveals how modern historians along with images in the popular media have revised the historical record on this important individual. This is an enlightening glimpse into the man who continues to inspire patriotic myths even today, and the ever-changing lens through which we understand our past. It was published by Hillsboro Press, Franklin, Tennessee, 1-800-321-5692. ISBN 1-57736-268-3.



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Madison's "Montpelier" In Virginia Site Of Wreath Laying By SARs

By Virginia Compatriot Robert L. "Bob" Bowen

Some 100 Compatriots, ladies of the DAR, members of the C.A.R., spouses and significant others converged on Montpelier in Orange, Virginia, on Constitution Day, September 17, 2003, to mark the grave of President James Madison. It was the first time the SAR had recognized the Revolutionary War patriotic service of Madison, a man often referred to as the Father of the United States Constitution and the principle supporter of the Bill of Rights.

The program was the brainchild of Virginia's Culpeper Minute Men Chapter President and VASSAR Third Vice President Jim Bayne and quickly spread throughout VASSAR and to the National Society. Treasurer General Roland G. Downing of the Delaware Society represented the National organization and delivered the memorial address. Other national officers in attendance were Registrar General Charles F. Bragg of Indiana, Librarian General Richard Austin and Mid-Atlantic District Vice-President General Andy Johnson. NSSAR Executive Director James N. Randall also attended.

Madison was Chairman of his local Committee of Safety, a delegate to the

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Virginia Constitutional Convention in 1776, and a member of the Virginia House of Delegates. It was through his insistence that the Constitutional Convention was held and through his urging that the Bill of Rights was added one year after the Constitution was ratified.

James Madison was a small, frail man, often sick, who lacked the strength to face up to the rigors of life in the military. His contributions to the pursuit of freedom were verbal and the product of his pen. You might call it Madison's version of the "pen



Virginia Society President James Robert Justice in his remarks stated that "We are on the brink of losing, not only our history, but our heritage as well."



Serving as Moderator for the program at Montpelier was James Bayne, 3rd Vice President of the Virginia Society. He also serves as President of the Culpeper Minute Men Chapter.

being mightier than the sword".

Madison was the fourth President of the United States, serving from 1809 to 1817. Of his presidency, John Adams said "Notwithstanding a thousand faults and blunders, James Madison's administration has acquired more glory and established more union than all of his three predecessors, Washington, Adams and Jefferson, put together." Two weeks before his death, Madison was asked if there was some definitive direction he could leave for the American people two weeks before his death. He replied "preservation of the Union at all cost."



Placing wreaths on behalf of the National Society were these dignitaries (from left): Executive Director James N. Randall, Vice-President General Andy Johnson, Treasurer General Roland G. Downing, Registrar General Charles F. Bragg and Librarian General **Richard Austin**

Virginia Society President James Robert Justice spoke of our government's beginning and of it being under constant attack today. "The American Revolution was probably one of the most politically incorrect things anyone could have conceived of at that time," Justice said. And today, Justice said, "virtually every institution established by our Revolutionary War ancestors is under attack. We are on the brink of losing, not only our history, but our heritage as well." And, Justice said the best way to reverse that trend is by honoring the giants of the Revolution like James



Robert L. "Bob" Bowen, President of the Virginia Society's Col. Fielding Lewis Chapter, placed a memorial wreath. He was escorted by members of the United States Marine Corps (he served in the Corps in his earlier years).

Madison, and all of those who fought in one way or another to give us this wonderful nation.

Prior to the SAR program honoring Madison, the Montpelier Foundation held its traditional Constitution Day Program highlighted by a patriotic concert by the United States Marine Corps Band from the Marine Corps Base at Quantico; an appearance by James Madison first person interpreter Don Hall; a Marine Corps reenlistment ceremony; ceremonial signings of the Constitution; colonial games for children; and tours of the house and grounds at Montpelier.



Madison's palatial home, Montpelier, is located south of Culpeper, near Orange, Virginia. The drawing room was something of a portrait gallery, with a half dozen paintings by Gilbert Stuart and busts of people Madison admired.

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This listing is compiled for every issue of the magazine by John H. Sauer, a member of the West Virginia Society. It is continually updated, largely through information submitted by State Societies and Chapters. Please send such data to him at 2110 Mason Blvd., Point Pleasant, WV 25550 or directly by e-mail to SweetSauer@Charter.net. The deadline for the Winter 2004 Issue, which will be published in February, is December 15.

December 11 - Gunston Hall (near Alexandria, VA):

12:00noon. Wreath laying commemorating George Mason's birthday. Sponsored by George Mason Chapter. VASSAR. December 14 - Great Cane Break Battlefield (near Simpsonville, SC): Celebration sponsored by SCSSAR

and DAR **December 19 - Valley Forge National** Park, PA:

6:00pm. Annual "Walk In" commemorates Washington's Army entry into Valley Forge, SAR participants.

December 25 - Washington Crossing, State Parks, PA/NJ: 11:00am. Commemoration and re-enactment of Washington's Army crossing the Delaware. Sponsored by Washington Crossing Foundation. SAR participants.

YEAR 2004

January 17 - Cowpens National **Battlefield**, SC:

11:00am. Morgan Statue, Spartanburg. Wreath laying sponsored by NPS. 2:00pm - Anniversary Celebration. Wreath laying sponsored by the Daniel Morgan Chapter SCSSAR

February 14 - Washington, Georgia : Anniversary Battle of Kettle Creek. 10:00am - 2:00pm. Historic home tour. film, battle field tour and wreath laying. Sponsored by Samuel Elbert Chapter and GASSAR

February 21 - Philadelphia, PA: Celebration of Washington's Birthday. Wreath laying sponsored by the Philadelphia-Continental Chapter, PASSAR.

11:00am. Independence Hall and Washington Square. February 22 - Burbank, CA (Forest Lawn

- Memorial Park, Hollywood Hills): Celebration of Washington's Birthday Wreath laying; musket firing; 50+ Color Guards. Sponsored by Sons of Liberty Chapter. CASSAR.
- February 22 Mt. Vernon, VA: Celebration of Washington's Birthday. 11:00am. Wreath laying at Washington Family Tomb; Sponsored by SR; SAR participants.
- February 28-29 Moore's Creek Bridge Battle, NC (near Currie): 10:00am: Anniversary Celebration. Sponsored by NPS, SAR, DAR, SR participants
- February 29 Burlington, NC: Battle of Clapp's Mill, Pyle's Massacre and Battle of Lindlev's Mill Commemoration at 2:00 pm. Alamance Battleground. Sponsored by Alamance Battleground Chapter, NCSSAR.

March 13 - Montpelier, VA: Madison's Birthday Celebration

SAR HISTORIC CELEBRATIONS

11:00am, National Commemorative Service, VASSAR participants.

March 13 - Guilford Courthouse National Battlefield (near Greensboro, NC): 11:00am. Annual Memorial service. Wreath laying. Sponsored by Nathanael Greene Chapter, NCSSAR.

April 11 - Monticello, VA (near **Charlottesville):** Jefferson's Birthday Celebration.

10:00am. Wreath laying: VASSAR participants.

April 12 - Halifax Day:

Halifax, NC celebration of "Halifax Resolves", first colony to recommend independence from England. SAR grave marking and wreath laying 2:00 pm sponsored by Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, NCSSAR.

April 13 - Jefferson Memorial, Washington, DC:

11:00am. National Commemorative Service; Wreath laying. Sponsored by DCSSAR

April 19 - Concord, MA:

Battle of Concord; MASSAR. 8:00am. Wreath laying at Col. Buttrick's grave. 9:00am. Parade and Ceremonies at The Bridge, MASSAR Color Guard participates. 12:00 Noon. Reception, luncheon at Colonial Inn. MASSAR participants.

April 26 - Musgrove State Park,

Clinton, SC: Commemoration and

wreath laving for the fallen Patriots at the Battle of Musgrove Mill. Sponsored by Daniel Morgan Chapter, SCSSAR, and Henry Laurens Chapter SCSDAR

April 28 - Richmond (Hollywood

Cemetery) VA: Monroe's Birthday. 11-00am National Commemorative Service, Wreath laying, VASSAR participants.

May 16 - Alamance Battleground State Park, NC (near Burlington, NC): 6:00pm. Anniversary Battle of Alamance. Wreath laving. Sponsored by

Alamance Battleground Chapter, NCSSAR May 26 - Allentown, PA:

10:30am. Annual Lehigh County Declaration of Independence Celebration, Zion Reformed United Church of Christ. Sponsored by Valley Forge Chapter, PASSAR

May 26 - Philadelphia, PA: 4:00pm. Washington Square. Tomb of the Unknown Soldier of the American Revolution. Memorial Day Commemorative Service. Sponsored by DAR. SAR Participants

- May 31 Austin, TX: Memorial Day Service 10:00am. State Cemetery. Sponsored by Patrick Henry Chapter, TXSSAR.
- May 31 Westwood, MA: Memorial Day 9:30am. Parade and wreath laving MASSAR Color Guard participates

June 5-6 - Ramsour's Mill

(near Lincolnton), NC: Wreath laying sponsored by Catawba Valley Chapter, NCSSAR at 2:00 pm. Color guard participation.

June 13 (Sunday) - Baltimore, MD: 9:00am, Old St. Paul's Cemetery, Commemorative service for Declaration Signer and Rev. War veterans. Color Guard, musket firing, wreath laying, Sponsored by MDSSAR.

June 17 - Charlestown, MA: Bunker Hill Day. Anniversary Battle of Bunker Hill The New England Contingent participates

First Place Winners Of National Society Contests For Youths Given Recognition At Annual Congress

For the fifth consecutive year, top winners of the National Society's four traditional contests for young men and women were honored at an Annual Congress - in this instance the very successful one held during early July in Chicago. And for the first time, the winner of the new Americanism Poster Contest was recognized.

The occasion was the traditional festive luncheon staged on Monday which was spotlighted by presentation of monetary awards to those who captured first place in these four competitions that have been popular all across the nation for many years: Rumbaugh Historical Oration, Knight Essay, Eagle Scout Scholarship and JROTC Outstanding Cadet. In addition, the Children of the American Revolution were saluted, as they have been for the past three years, by offering financial assistance to the National President for his/her particular project for the year.

An important requirement for all of the contests, except Poster, is the preparation of an essay on specific areas of interest; those submitted by the winners are reproduced in this special report. Compatriots are encouraged to make copies of them available to this year's potential participants as a guide to the high standards they must meet!

Here are the top contest prizes that were awarded at the Congress (also reported are those given to the runners-up at other SAR gatherings). It should be emphasized that many Chapters and State Societies also offer awards.

Rumbaugh Historical Oration: \$4,000, First and Second Runners-up: \$3,000 and \$2,000 respectively. They and all other participants in the Chicago competition received their awards while there - with the finalists from Fourth Runner-up on being given checks for several hundred dollars, depending upon where they finished.

Knight Essay: \$7,500. First and Second Runners-up: \$2,500 and \$1,000, respectively.

Eagle Scout Scholarship: \$8,000. First and Second Place Runners-up: \$4,000 and \$2,000, respectively.

JROTC Outstanding Cadet: \$1,000. Americanism Poster: \$300 savings bond. First and Second Runners-up: \$200



On behalf of the National Society of the Children of the American Revolution, National President Melissa Leigh Olde graciously accepted a check for \$500 to be used to fund her project during her term of office.

and \$100 savings bonds, respectively. All prizes were awarded later at the State Society level.

Compatriots and students interested in these programs will find complete descriptive information and rules on the National Society Web Site: http://www.sar.org.

The Winning Knight Contest Essay CONSTITUTION WRITTEN TO SECURE BLESSINGS OF LIBERTY

In the early morning hours of September 22, 1776, a young American captain was marched out of his confinement at British headquarters in New York City to an apple tree in Rutger's orchard. The year before, this young soldier had been a schoolmaster in New London, Connecticut; but with the call to arms following the British attacks in Massachusetts, he left the schoolroom and volunteered his services to the Connecticut militia. On this September day he was being hanged as a spy by the British army. As the noose was placed over his head, he was offered a chance to make a final statement. The young captain - Nathan Hale - took a deep breath and said to the assembled crowd, "I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country." Nathan Hale died that day to win freedom for his fellow Americans; he died to secure the blessings of liberty.

Following their victory over Great Britain in the Revolutionary War, the new American states were joined together in a "firm league of friendship" under the Articles of Confederation. What little unity was seen during the war, however, soon dissipated as the individual states pursued their own self interests. They quarreled over boundaries, western lands, tariffs, paper money, and trade restrictions. The country's territorial integrity was threatened by the encroachment of foreign nations. The Confederation Government, however, was unable to control the situation - it had no money; it had no power; and it had no real influence over the states or foreign nations. Something had to be done! So in 1786 - only five years after the final victory at Yorktown - a call went out to the states to send delegates to a convention at Philadelphia "for the...purpose of revising the Articles of Confederation."

The fifty-five delegates who met in

Philadelphia in May, 1787, were mostly lawyers, merchants, and planters - men skilled in government, but not career politicians. "They were essentially hard-headed men of affairs. Almost all of them were wealthy or well-to-do." George Washington was there - so was Alexander Hamilton, James Madison, Roger Sherman, and the elder statesman Benjamin Franklin. No less an authority than Thomas Jefferson - then serving as Ambassador to France - said the list of delegates read like "an assembly of demi-gods."

The delegates quickly agreed that a revision of the Articles of Confederation was not sufficient to address the critical problems facing the young country; a mere revision of the Articles could not secure the blessings of liberty. What was needed was a bold new government - a government with adequate power to insure a stable currency, protection of creditors and maritime trade, and enforcement of treaties.

The delegates labored for four long months through the grueling summer of 1787. Finally, on September 17, they unveiled their new creation a constitutional republic - to an anxious country. The scope and majesty of the new government were embraced in the eloquent preamble where it was announced that one of the most basic obligations of the new government would be to secure the blessings of liberty for its citizens. The Constitution took effect when it was ratified by the ninth state - New Hampshire - in June, 1788.

Much has been written about the magnificence of the Constitution. Some have described it as "the miracle of Philadelphia." That is hardly an exaggeration as the Constitution is a superb blend of limited government, separations of powers, and a complex system of checks and balances. It was a comprehensive charter of government designed to enable the United States to



By Melissa McLane

Walking off with the first place prize in the Knight Essay Contest was Melissa McLane. Sponsored by the Georgia Society, she entered Arkansas State University this fall - having maintained a 4.0 average in high school.

become "a prosperous, orderly nation in which no man need fear the arbitrary hand of a capricious government." It was truly designed to secure the blessings of liberty.

As good as it was, however, the Constitution was not perfect. In fact, it was often "described as a bundle of compromises, and so it was' There was the "Great Compromise" between the large states and the small; the "Three-fifths Compromise" on the issue of slavery; a compromise on tariffs; and a compromise on the method of electing the President. Any of those issues could have wrecked the Convention; but the delegates were determined to create a more effective government for the young country, and in the end

they made the compromises that were necessary to do that. Those compromises were necessary to secure the blessings of liberty.

In several of the state ratification conventions it was pointed out that the citizens of the new republic needed specific guarantees of individual rights - more specific provisions to secure the blessing of liberty. So when the first Congress of the new government assembled in New York City in March, 1789, one of the first items of business was consideration of more than 200 amendments that had been proposed during the ratification process. Under the leadership of James Madison, the proposals were soon pared down to twelve and submitted to the states for ratification. Ten of the amendments were approved and became the part of the Constitution that is known today as the Bill of Rights. The rights guaranteed in the Bill of Rights are

without doubt the most important safeguards ever written for the protection of personal liberties. It is there we find the guarantees of free speech, press, and religion; the right of due process; and freedom from double jeopardy, to name but a few. By and large, those freedoms are taken for granted by the average American today, but it is no exaggeration to say that the Bill of Rights is "one of the noblest and most massive achievements of the American democracy." Those amendments were necessary to secure the blessings of liberty.

It is said that at the close of the Constitutional Convention, Benjamin Franklin was asked by a young lady as he left the Pennsylvania State

The Winning Eagle Scout Essay THE HESSIANS AND THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

When most people think of the American Revolution, they think of Great Britain versus America. In fact, much more of the world was involved with our Independence. France and Spain aided us, but the Germans sold their services to help Great Britain. These Germans were known as the Hessians. Approximately twenty thousand Germans fought on American soil in a span of seven years. Twenty-nine thousand were brought to America, and twelve thousand never returned to their homes.

The Hessian soldiers came from the German province of Hesse-Cassel. Because the the German princes were selling their services, recruiting officers were needed to round up soldiers to sell to Great Britain. These recruiting officers rounded up, "spendthrifts, loose livers, drunkards, arguers, restless people, political activists, as long as they were no more than sixty and of fair health and stature." Forcible recruiting was forbidden in Germany, but most interpreted it to only apply to natives. Foreigners were fair game.

Johann Gottfried Seume was one such victim of the foreign recruiting system. Seume was a theological student at Leipzig. He had thoughts of religious doubts, which he knew to be offensive to his family and friends. So he set out on foot to Paris and passed through the Landgrave of Cassel. There, he was approached by a recruiting officer, and after many protestations was put under arrest and sent to Ziegenhayn. His academic matriculation papers were torn up which left him with no remaining form of identification. He

stayed in Ziegenhayn while others like him

The men to whom he made his acquaintances were good, bad, and everything in between. His comrades were a runaway son from the Muses of Jenna, a bankrupt tradesman from Vienna, a fringe maker from Hancer, a discharged secretary of the post-office from Gotha, a monk from Warzburg, an upper steward from Meihungen, a Prussian sergeant of Hessians, and a Hessian major from the fortress.

Before shipping off to the Americas, Seume was offered command of conspirators, but declined the dangerous offer. The mutineers were to rise at night, surprise the guard and take their weapons, spike the cannon, lock the officers in their quarters, and escape into the night. The plot was betrayed by an insider and the ringleaders

The Winning Rumbaugh Oration Contest Essay ALEXANDER HAMILTON - THE SELF MADE MAN

Courage, liberty and freedom are principles upon which our Nation was founded. Through triumph and turmoil our Nation has been able to remain strong under these principles. And no one Founding Father better exemplifies these characteristics than Alexander Hamilton. Now many of us may be vaguely familiar with Hamilton and know him only as Thomas Jefferson's counterpart. However, there is much more than this to Alexander Hamilton. Yes, Hamilton was a New Yorker, and yes, Hamilton was a great Federalist. Yet these descriptions still do not encompass the essence and the experiences that fueled this man. Alexander Hamilton's life is one of great servitude: servitude to his beliefs, to his principles, but most importantly, to his nation.

Hamilton was raised on the island of St. Croix. Hamilton was one of two children. Alexander's father left his mother, leaving her to tend for

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Alexander and his brother alone. Hamilton's parents had never married. At the age of eleven, Hamilton took a job as a clerk at a trading post working under a man named Nicholas Cruger. Cruger believed so much in Hamilton that later, he, and other gentlemen funded Hamilton's journey to New York and his education there.

Though many of us may not have known that Hamilton was originally born outside of America, it is this part of his life which led to his development as a great American figure. Since he was not born in America, Hamilton did not develop a sense of brotherhood with members of a state or region, Hamilton possessed a greater sense of allegiance: an allegiance to all of his fellow Americans. This sense of American unity possessed by Hamilton is similar to what we experience today. For instance, September 11th, we all came together in support of the families of the

House, "What kind of government have you given us, Dr. Franklin, a republic or a monarchy?" Franklin - near the end of his long career of service to the country - replied, "A republic, Madam, if you can keep its.'

The republic has been kept - for over twohundred years. Americans can continue to keep it, continue to secure the blessings of liberty, by fulfilling their obligations as citizens. That is done by obeying the law, respecting the right of other people to hold contrary opinions, staying informed on issues which confront the country, and casting informed votes in every election. If those things are done faithfully and routinely, Americans will keep the dream of the founding fathers alive and continue to secure the blessings of liberty for future generations.

By Aaron M. Botts



Aaron M. Botts captured first prize in the Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest. A native of New Mexico, he is attending Colorado State University majoring in Music Education. His background encompasses participation in a broad array of activities in scouting, school and his community.

were arrested, Seume among them. He was soon released for too many were implicated in the mutiny. Two men were sent to the gallows while the others were forced to run the gauntlet. Eventually the two men sent to the gallows were brought back and forced to run the gauntlet 37 times. After enough men were collected, they were sent to Great Britain to be inspected by Colonel Faucitt. Some men were pronounced excellent while others were sent back for they were old men or young boys.

The Hessians were basically German mercenaries hired by Great Britain. After the war many started their lives over by remaining in the Americas. But twelve thousand Hessians lost their lives fighting for the British.

By Blake Sercye

victims and in support of one another. This same unity is once again present in our nation's war with Iraq. Whether we are for or against the operation to liberate Iraq, our men and women overseas know that back home, there are two hundred and thirty million people, united as one, behind them every step of the way, whether they be for or against the actions of our government. Before the cliché even came about, Alexander Hamilton knew that United, We Stand, divided we fall.

Yet Alexander Hamilton was not about clichés and only representing our country in words. Hamilton was a member of the New York Artillery company during the War for Independence. Hamilton had an outstanding military record. In fact, Hamilton began to work side by side with George Washington through the Revolutionary War. From this, Hamilton was able to gain much information about American posi-

tioning as well as that of the enemy. One day Hamilton was alerted to an inevitable attack by Hessian soldiers, mercenaries of the British army, and so Hamilton, early in the day, rushed the Hessian army alone. Many people speak of things such as freedom, liberty and democracy, however only a select few are willing to defend these principles. Alexander Hamilton was one of these noble people.

Yet Alexander Hamilton's greatest testament of his loyalty to our nation is evident in his role in the election of 1800. In this election, Thomas Jefferson, Hamilton's archrival and an anti-federalist, edged out Aaron Burr, a member of Hamilton's party. Thomas Jefferson officially won the election, yet Aaron Burr continually attempted to gain the office of President. Hamilton, aware of Burr's elitist nature and power hungry mindset, supported Jefferson, the milder, more intelligent man, for President. Aaron Burr was so outraged that, he called Hamilton a traitor to all Federalists and Burr demanded that Hamilton write him a formal apology for his criticisms. However, Hamilton did not oblige. This outraged Burr and he challenged Hamilton to a duel. The terms, pistols at ten paces. Eventually, the two squared off. They slowly walked ten paces, turned, and then a shot was fired. One shot was fired, Hamilton was dead. Many historians believe Hamilton had not fired a single shot. And if he did fire, he fired into the air. Hamilton had



no intention of killing Burr. After this duel, Burr went into exile and became a fugitive from the law for the rest of his life. This event could quite possibly be the greatest irony in American history. Alexander Hamilton, the Federalist, was murdered, while supporting Thomas Jefferson, the anti-Federalist. Though a sense of academic respect existed between the two men, they were always at separate ends of the political spectrum. And even though Hamilton knew that he could never become President, since he was born outside of our country, he took an active role in our Nation's politics and development. By putting aside his personal pride and partisanship, Hamilton fought to defend what he believed was

The top winner of the Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest was Blake Sercye, a student at Chicago's Fenwick High School. He competed against 15 other young men and women during a run-off at the Annual Congress.

necessary for the success of our Nation. Hamilton had the courage to cross party lines and in doing so, he sacrificed his own life for our country.

Alexander Hamilton's sense of sacrifice, and loyalty is something that all of us Americans should attempt to recreate today. Though often forgotten, Alexander Hamilton was a true American and a lasting model that we have followed in the past and will continue to follow in the future. Alexander Hamilton: a New Yorker, a Federalist, a nobleman - these are all accurate assessments. Yet as Hamilton himself would tell you, he was first and foremost an American.

The Winning JROTC Program Essay HOW HAS THE JROTC PREPARED ME TO BE A BETTER CITIZEN By Patrick Fourroux

Duty, Honor, Country. Before entering the JROTC program at Belaire High School, I did not realize the true significance of these values on the American way of life. However, based on a friend's recommendation, I read The Long Gray Line by Rick Atkinson. This novel portrays three classmates' journey through the United States Military Academy, Vietnam and the struggle endured upon their return to the United States. Furthermore, the novel highlights important generals and noted speeches. As I read the acceptance speech by General Douglas MacArthur for the Thayer Award in 1962, I became overwhelmed with emotion upon reading the following excerpt, "Duty, Honor, Country - those three hallowed words reverently dictate what you want to be, what you can be, what you will be. they are your rallying point to build courage when courage seems to fail, to regain faith when there seems to be little cause for faith, to create hope when hope becomes forlorn." Consequently, I enrolled in the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps program at Belaire High School and vowed to adopt the American values of "Duty, Honor and Country." From that moment on, these fundamental values became a guide by which I would live my life.

"Duty is the sense of obligation which motivates one to do, to the best of his ability, what is expected of him in any assigned position or situation." (1) As a beginning JROTC cadet, I quickly advanced to a leadership position, Squad Leader. After my freshman year, I advanced through various leadership positions; namely, JROTC Drill Team, Color Guard, Delta Company Commander, Color Guard Assistant Commander, Drill Team Assistant Commander, Bravo Company Commander and Color Guard Commander. Through these positions, I realized the importance of my leadership abilities to my fellow cadets. My cadets depended on my guidance, drill instruction and time management skills. I realized that these invaluable skills could also be utilized in other areas of my school and community. As a freshman, I was elected to the

positions of Freshman Class Treasurer and Student Government Representative

The value of "Duty" learned through JROTC was instrumental in my success as a leader of the freshman class Another organization in which I became involved was the Cultural Heritage Panel, an organization where small groups of people go out into the community to fight against racism, bigotry and other forms of prejudice. As I became aware of the array of various cultures present in my school, community, nation and world, I felt the sense of obligation as a JROTC officer to interact with these cultures through volunteer activities. Through the local volunteer program, Volunteens, I have been able to participate in various projects such as the following: visiting the elderly in nursing homes, distributing food to those in need and spending time with disabled children. Inasmuch as my volunteer work may have been an extension of my duty as a JROTC officer, my duty was surpassed by the self-satisfaction I felt through my volunteer experiences. To continue my growth as an American citizen with responsibility to mankind, I decided to be a participant in the program, Cross-Cultural Solutions, a global volunteer program. Originally, during the summer of 2003, I planned to be a volunteer in Xi'an, China as a teacher of conversational English to children and young adults. Unfortunately, my plans were altered due to the SARS epidemic in China. The organization felt that conditions in China were not safe at the time of my project and my trip was canceled.

One purpose of a member of the armed forces is to provide the nation with leaders of character who possess the knowledge of what is right and the moral courage to act on that knowledge. (2) Honor has been an important value in my high school years, and it has guided me both academically and socially. Currently, I maintain the highest GPA and number one ranking in my class. Furthermore, through my actions and character, I have gained respect of my fellow classmates. Even though I attend a school where my race is considered a minority, I have been able to over-



Chosen as the Outstanding JROTC Cadet was Patrick Fourroux of Belaire High School in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, He was sponsored by the General Philemon Thomas Chapter.

come adversity by being elected Sophomore Class Vice-President and Junior Class President. Both of these accomplishments have been achieved with honor and integrity. As a JROTC officer, not only do I maintain my honor, but I also practice and promote tolerance as a part of the Belaire High School community.

The final value as stated by General MacArthur was "Country." A cadet has the duty to defend the rights of its free citizens to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, and is bound to this service by oath. (3) Even though I am not of age to join the armed forces, I feel a deep responsibility to protect the rights of all individuals of the United States and those abroad. I respect freedom and understand that freedom has a price; a price that I will be honored to pay one day. As a JROTC officer, I have been taught the values of "Duty, Honor and Country" through instruction and personal readings. These values have provided the moral foundation for my growth as an individual and as an American citizen.

National Trustees Approve Budgets

By Treasurer General Roland G. Downing

The final revision of the 2003 budget and the 2004 budget forecast for the General Operating Fund were approved by the Trustees at the Fall Trustees Meeting. See the accompanying chart that also shows the 2002 actual numbers for comparison. The Operating Fund balance was \$462,715.96 on August 31, 2003. As shown in the chart, this value is expected to decrease to \$215,426 by the start of the 2004 fiscal year. For an organization such as ours, higher beginning Operating Fund balances are necessary. Tight control of expenses and increased dues/fees in 2004 are projected to increase the 2005 beginning balance.

The Permanent Fund and the Special Operating Funds are pooled for investment purposes. A sub-accounting system keeps track of each fund's share and allocates earnings accordingly. The current investment portfolio comprises high-quality corporate bonds, government bonds, treasury notes/bills and money market funds. The bonds are structured in a ladder of short duration. It's a 100% fixed income portfolio that has been and is faithfully producing a steady income for reinvestment, for operations and for the various Special

Operating Funds - such as the George Washington Endowment Fund. These investments were transferred in August as directed by the 113th Congress to BB&T Bank as a temporary repository until a new investment advisor was selected. They have now been transferred to the Fifth Third Bank, the new investment advisor.

Fund values as of August 31, 2003 were: Permanent Fund \$2,151,943.36; SPOFs \$1,946,889.47; and Library Building Fund \$873,460.77. The investments have now been divided into two parts. The larger part, consisting of the Permanent Fund, the Building Fund and all the SPOFs except the George Washington Endowment Fund, are now managed by the SAR Foundation. The remaining GWEF is managed by NSSAR as before and consists of a

portion of the aforementioned fixed income portfolio. Fifth Third Bank Investment Advisors will advise both the Foundation and the NSSAR under separate investment policy agreements.

Of special note is the fact that the Building Fund is and always has been invested in completely secure shortterm Treasury notes and bills and money market funds.

STATEMENT OF NSSAR GENERAL OPERATING FUND

	Actual	Final Rev	Forecas
Year	2002	2003	2004
Beginning Operating Fund Balance	307,699	257,926	215,42
REVENUE			
Membership Dues-Regular	517,475	631,000	640,00
Reinstatements	24,948	32,200	32,00
Admission Fees-Regular	76,082	71,000	132,00
Admission Fees-Youth	1,030	940	3,50
Interest Income-Bank	7,043	7,500	7,50
Investment Income-Perm Fund	63,415	59,144	60,00
Supplemental Fees	19,060	19,200	36,00
Merchandise Profit-Net	38,679	38,200	35,00
Other Income	43,533	20,000	18,00
TOTAL REVENUES	791,265	879,184	964,00
EXPENSE			
Payroll & Costs	345,043	357,700	378,00
General Office Expenses	52,673	53,800	53,80
Computer Expenses	13,380	17,400	23,40
Hq. Bldg-Oper & Maint	47,959	50,000	55,00
Insurance	12,513	14,500	15,50
Auditing and Professional Fees	18,318	16,484	21,00
NSSAR Awards	4,583	5,500	4,60
P.G.'s Expenses	22,702	25,000	25,00
Library Operations-Net	86,922	79,000	84,00
Magazine Operations	185,777	192,000	198,00
HQ Dispatch Newsletter	15,765	15,000	15,00
Museum Operations	2,047	4,300	4,30
Congress-Trustees Meetings	-5,120	20,000	
Other Expenses	3,127	11,000	15,00
TOTAL EXPENSES	805,689	861,684	892,60
OTHER CASH TRANSFERS			
Transfers to PP&E	33,300	60,000	40,00
Other Interfund Transfers	2,049	0	
Total Transfers	35,349	60,000	40,00
TOTAL EXPENSE PLUS TRANSFERS	841,038	921,684	932,60
GAIN OR LOSS	-49,773	-42,500	31,40
Ending Operating Fund Balance	257,926	215,426	246,82

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The Swiss/ By T. Fisher Craft, PhD Georgia Society

Switzerland is a small country high in Europe's Alps. It covers an area about the size of Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island, having 15,944 square miles, 3,400 of which are inland water. But it has only about as many people as live in Massachusetts alone. There is no single Swiss language. The Swiss in different parts of the country speak German, French, Italian and Romansh, a form of Latin.

Switzerland is a Federal Republic, the capital being Bern. It is divided into 22 cantons, or states. The National Government of the country is called the Swiss Confederation. It is much like that of the United States. The cantons, like the American states, have given some of their powers to the Federal Government, and have kept others. The two houses of Parliament make Switzerland's laws. They meet together as the Federal Assembly to elect a Federal Council. This council acts as a cabinet to head the administrative departments of the Government. Each year the Federal Assembly elects one member of the council as its president. He is considered President of Switzerland, but his office gives him little more power than the other members of the cabinet have.

The people who live in Switzerland are united by a strong love of liberty. Swiss mountaineers, shepherds, and farmers are hardy, independent, and resourceful. Swiss merchants and craftsmen have become world famous for their industry and skill.

It is one of the oldest republics in the world. The Swiss have made democracy work in local government for seven hundred years. They have defended their liberty against many ambitious rulers of other countries. It has been an independent country for most of the last three hundred years. This small nation has stood as an

island of peace for more than a hundred years amid the wars its neighbors have fought. It has been a place of refuge and safety for persons who have been driven from other countries by wars and revolutions.

Caesar Invaded The Area

Centuries ago Julius Caesar led Roman armies into what is now Switzerland in 50 B.C. and conquered



An array of different nationalities fought at the crucial Battle of Kings Mountain in South Carolina on October 7 of 1780. It is known that Jacob Rumph, of Swiss origins and a Captain at the time, was a major participant. (Illustration painted by F.C. Yohn; National Park Service photo.)

the early Swiss, who were called Helvetians. The area remained a Roman province until warlike Germanic tribes poured into Europe from the East in the A.D. 400 and 500. The territory became part of the Holy Roman Empire in the 800, but was not a united country for many hundreds of years. It was merely a number of separate towns and villages.

In the 1100 and early 1200, the Hapsburg family became rulers of much of the territory of Switzerland. The free men of Schwyz and Uri feared the growth of the Hapsburgs. They sided with the Holy Roman Emperor, Frederick II, in a conflict with the Pope and the Hapsburgs for which Frederick gave them special position in the Holy Roman Empire directly under him. When Rudolph I of Hapsburg became Emperor in 1273, he tried unsuccessfully to force them back into their old positions. After the death of Rudolph, men from Schwyz and Uri signed a defensive alliance. They swore that they were free men and would never be ruled by the Hapsburgs. Switzerland took its name from the canton of Schwyz.

Many stories have grown up around the heroes of Switzerland. Probably the most famous Legend is that of William Tell, who shot an apple from his son's head at the command of a cruel Austrian official. This story is the basis for Friedrich Schiller's famous drama, William Tell, which Gioacchino Rossini made into an opera.

Like other nations, Switzerland was torn by reliaious auarrels during the Protestant Reformation in the 1500. Huldreich Zwingli, one of the three great leaders of the early Protestant movement, was born in Switzerland. Another, John Calvin, lived for many years in Geneva. Many people in Switzerland accepted the new Protestant religions, while many others remained Roman Catholic. A constitution adopted in 1848 guaranteed religious freedom to all.

In the 17th and 18th centuries Swiss mercenaries were much in demand by neighboring countries, and even today every man in Switzerland is trained in the national militia. He can be called for military service between the ages of 20 and 60. The citizen army is welltrained, but it is too small to make Switzerland a military power. The

mountains of Switzerland form natural defenses which would make an invasion of the country by land difficult. The natural barriers have been improved by defense works which guard tunnels, mountain passes and river vallevs.

Founding Of New Bern

Probably the best known city of definite Swiss heritage in the United States is New Bern, North Carolina, named after the capital of Switzerland. The town was officially founded by Swiss Baron Christoph DeGraffenried in 1710. The lords proprietors of Carolina had agreed to sell ten thousand acres to Swiss settlers for L10 (ten pounds) per thousand acres with a twelve year option for additional land. DeGraffenreid bought five thousand acres, and by 1 Jan. 1710 he and his associates held 17,500 acres upon which New Bern was founded. The settlers included a few Huguenots from Manakin Town, Virginia, but were predominately newly arrived Swiss and German immigrants. Just like any Swiss city, New Bern is distinguished by its red brick clock tower above City Hall. The town emblem, as in old Bern, is a black bear, and the symbol appears frequently throughout the city.

From the early days, inhabitants of Switzerland were among those seeking a better life in the New World. Owing little if any, allegiance to England, they were strong in the search for freedom that brought on the American Revolution. However, they are less readily identifiable than the members of many other nationalities as their names do not provide a distinction from the languages of bordering countries. Those near the French border had names that sound French, and those from the area close to Germany had names that we today would assume to be German. Having no direct access to the ocean, Swiss citizens sailed from the ports of other





The Rumph home was a prominent one in the Orangeburgh area. Young Jacob Rumph commanded a militia company during the Revolutionary War as a Captain, later becoming a General and participating in the War of 1812.

countries, many through Rotterdam. Extant ship's passenger lists sometime note the nationality of an individual, but not often enough. But even without the utmost accuracy that genealogists seek, there is plentiful documentation of group arrivals in South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Pennsylvania, and elsewhere. A recent book (1990) describes the arrival of Swiss and German immigrants who sailed from Rotterdam in the early 1700 and moved into eastern Pennsylvania, including Chester, Lancaster, Montgomery and Bucks Counties. They later pushed north to the Blue Mountains, and in later years on beyond. Interesting bits of information gleaned from original records noted such items as "Bernhard, son of John Jacob Oswald served in Capt. Jacob Ladricks company as a private 1781-84" and "Leonard Houck served the Rev. War." The Oswald Brunner family came from the Canton of Zurich, and John, David, David, Jr., Michael, Abraham and Jacob Brunner

Admitted to the SAR in 1991, Compatriot T. Fisher Craft has been National Trustee of the Georgia and Switzerland Societies and Vice-President General for the Southern District. During the 113th Annual Congress, which was held in Chicago this past July, he was awarded the prestigious Minuteman Medal. He has served on a variety of National Society Committees, a number of them as Chairman. He holds AB and MA Degrees from Emery University and both MS and PhD Degrees from Georgia Tech. His professional career ranged from teaching chemistry at Mercer to nuclear engineering research. He has authored over 50 published scientific papers and reports primarily concerning basic research leading to the safe disposal of radioactive waste. (He is shown here in the National Society Library at Headquarters at the time of the Fall 2003 Trustees Meeting.)

were members of various Montgomery and Northhampton County companies with the earliest enlistment date of 9 August 1776. It was also recorded that George Bechtel was the first of six Swiss brothers who arrived in 1720-1743. Many other German-sounding Swiss names are identified.

Huguenots Leave Europe

Swiss were among the primarily French Huguenots who fled persecution in France beginning in 1685 when Louis XIV repealed the Edict of Nantes in an act called The Revocation. Some went to South Africa and Holland, and about 40,000 escaped to Germany and England. In 1700, Dr. Daniel Coxe, a court physician in England. promoted a project that dispatched five shiploads of Huguenots to Virginia where they established a settlement at Manakintowne, on the James river, upstream from Jamestown on the ten thousand acres granted to them by William III, King of England. Dr. Coxe

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was responsible for the preservation of many church and colony records, including such items as the wills of Jacob Florenoy, born 5 January 1663 in Geneva and my own ancestor Peter Dutoit, born in Moudon, Switzerland. Dutoit's grandson, Benjamin Goss, fought in the French and Indian War and lived in Buckingham County, Virginia during the Revolution. Other than signing a petition of protest, his activities during the war are unknown, as the records of the period were burned.

Early Swiss immigrants to South Carolina formed communities in Orangeburgh, Saxa Gotha (later Lexington County), and in Charleston. A list prepared about 1695 contains the names of French and Swiss protestants desiring naturalization who settled in Charleston, in the Santee and at the Orange Quarter in Carolina. Of the 154 names on the list, 24 are identified as Swiss. A major influx of Swiss-German immigrants began in the 18th century. Prior to 1735, John Peter Purry, a Swiss gentleman, had been trying to establish Swiss colonies in South Carolina. Following limited success at Purrysville on the Savannah River, he published a very effective pamphlet extolling the great virtues of South Carolina. He ultimately attracted three shiploads of immigrants with the first arrival in Charles Town 13 July 1735 and others following in 1736 and 1737. They traveled up the Edisto river to the new colony of Orangeburgh, named in honor of the Prince of Orange, son-in-law of King George II of England.

Immigration into South Carolina from the Switzerland-Germany area continued, with group arrivals as late as 1769. Some moved northward from Orangeburgh and founded another settlement in Saxa Gotha Township, which today is Lexington County. The South Carolina "Journals of Council" provide vivid descriptions of the events of the day. Among them is a recitation of the trials and tribulations of a 1754 shipload of immigrants including my ancestor Johannes Kleckly and his three sons, Johannes Jr., Gottlieb and Ludwig who came from the village of Thienen, Switzerland located about ten miles from the German border. Johannes is listed in the roster of the Cherokee War Company of Captain Lewis Golson, 1759-1760, and Johannes, Jr. fought in the Revolution and has been recognized by the NSSAR as one of my patriot ancestors.

Jacob Rumph Headed Militia

Prominent in the Orangeburgh area was Jacob Rumph, whose son Jacob Rumph was Captain of a militia com-

pany which had a "bull pen" for prisoners and a favorite tree where many Tories were hanged. On one occasion, Rumph was returning from Charleston with two of his wagons when he was accosted by three Tories who were scouts for a nearby larger Tory unit. Finding him well armed with sword and pistol, they departed to get help. Realizing his desperate peril, Rumph tied his horse to a tree near a large pond, removed most of his clothes, and waded around the pond. The Tory unit arrived found the horse and clothes, but were not delayed long in their pursuit of him. But the Tories did not catch him, as he had set through the pine woods at a "rapid rate" for his home some sixteen miles away. Rumph's Troop operated as a semiindependent unit during the latter stages of The Revolution, members often returning to their homes, but congregating immediately as the need arose. On one occasion some women who had been on a trading mission to Charleston reported to Rumph that they had been set upon by a band of marauders who robbed them of their purchases. Quickly gathering some of his partisans, Rumph went in pursuit of them and captured the whole party of them. He took them to his bull pen, and the robbed women having identified them, he proceeded to hang them from the big oak. One was spared, as the women protested that he tried to stop the others from stealing. Captain Rumph continued to serve in the military of South Carolina, and participated in the War of 1812 as a general.

The Dantzler And Felder Families

Georgia Compatriot Julian Dantzler Kelly, Jr. has gathered very detailed information about the Swiss Dantzler and Felder families of Switzerland, from whom he is descended. Henry Felder was a young child when he arrived in South Carolina in 1735, but later became Captain of a Company of Militia of Orangeburgh which "whipped a body of Tories at Holman's Bridge" in the district. Family tradition says that his seven sons all served in his company. Near the close of the Revolution, his house was surrounded by a band of Tories. Although he fought quite effectively as his wife and servants loaded his guns, reportedly killing about 20 of the attackers, he himself was ultimately killed in the fray.

Conrad Denzler (numerous spellings), wife Anna Wetzstein and five children arrived in Savannah, Georgia in 1737. He died in 1741, but two of his sons, Philip and Michael, were recorded as patriots during the American Revolution. Hans Ulrich Denzler, brother of Conrad, arrived

with his family, including six sons, in the Orangeburgh area in 1750. He fought in the French and Indian War and during the American Revolution along with sons John Henry, Henry and Jacob. Other family members supported the Revolution with provisions for American troops as documented in South Carolina records.

Prior to 1920 Albert Bernhardt Faust, a dedicated genealogist and historian, made an exhaustive search of the Swiss archives. In the State Archive of Zurich he found a remarkably valuable consolidated list of some 2,000 emigrants from the Canton of Zurich in the period 1734-44. His findings in the State Archives of Bern and Basel were less spectacular, but he located detailed information on more than 200 families who left Bern in 1706-1795 and Basel 1734-1794. Destinations were not given but many of the surnames on these lists also appear on the NSSAR list of patriot ancestors.

In the culture of today, the word Swiss seems to be associated mainly with banks, watches, chocolate and cheese, but its significance is actually much more profound as the Swiss heritage has formed an integral thread in the fabric of America. During the tumultuous times that brought forth the marvelous freedoms we enjoy today, the Swiss, along with those of all other origins probably did not regard themselves as heroes. They were ordinary people who did extraordinary things, and departing left behind footprints on the sands of time.

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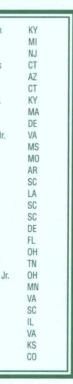
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Still Time For Year-End Giff To Help Build New Center!



Theme: Advancing America's Heritage

Point Pleasant and many other battles from Maine to South Carolina were pivotal events in the victorious battle for Independence for the United States of America.

Once again, America is threatened by an equally dangerous enemy, complacency and political correctness. The authenticity of our historical past is in danger of being lost. The knowledge of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and other American Founding Fathers must be preserved.

The proposed Center for Advancing America's Heritage will do just that - and will serve United States citizens from coast to coast. Your understanding of this fact will have a positive impact on this program.

It is now our turn to preserve for posterity the history of the Revolutionary War and the Patriots who risked everything they possessed for our liberty. We can make it happen by providing everyone with dynamic programs that tell the remarkable story of the sacrificial achievements of our Forefathers.

The Center's educational activities are actually already underway. For example, over 4,000 CDs titled "America's Heritage, An Adventure in Liberty" - a history lesson plan for elementary, middle and high school teachers and students - have been distributed to schools nationwide, with added CDs being sent out everyday from National Headquarters in Louisville. Other ambitious plans

Valley Forge, Concord, Cowpens, are in work to spread the word about our country's historical achievements and genealogical records.

You - Compatriots of the SAR - are key fighters in preserving the events of our American Heritage. History will record the success or failure of our efforts. Your support is needed now!

Phase One of the campaign to raise funds for construction of the Center was directed largely to foundations and the Society's leadership - and done so quite successfully. The time has arrived for every Compatriot to become involved in the project.

Final plans and specifications will be let for bid in the near future. With your help now, construction could be soon underway. Then you will be proud to declare: "I was part of this worthy effort to further the Center for Advancing America's Heritage!"

The National Society needs your financial contributions and pledges. We can reach our goal if every Compatriot, offers a modest contribution of \$100 by the end of 2003!

Achieving the above objective will put us over the top of our \$3-million plateau and well onto the \$6-million goal needed to fund and operate Phase One of the Center.

To date, 379 members and only a few Societies and Chapters have made contributions. The rest of us need to contribute during 2003 to take advantage of the current tax year deduction. Just drop your check into the accompanying envelope indicating your name. Chapter and Society and mail quickly.

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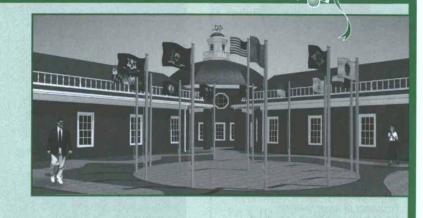
Last Spring, the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution established the SAR Foundation, Inc. to assist in shielding the National Society from possible frivolous lawsuits and to serve as a fund raising arm of the National Society. As of the Fall National Trustees Meeting, the National Society's Permanent Fund, Special Purpose Operating Funds and funds currently in hand to build the Center for Advancing America's Heritage have been moved from the National Society to the SAR Foundation for investment, safekeeping and disbursement for NSSAR projects and works.

The SAR Foundation has entered into a contract with the Fifth Third Bank to have it act as the Foundation's investment advisor. As of this writing in late October, these funds were in the process of being transferred to this bank's investment group for investment on behalf of the SAR Foundation. The Foundation Board of Directors has named Treasurer General Roland G. Downing, Floyd Jernigan (a Foundation Board member), Charles W. Grissett (Chairman of the NSSAR Finance Committee) and James N. Randall (NSSAR Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer) as a committee to work with the Fifth Third Bank during the transition to a fully invested portfolio in accordance with the Foundation Board's wishes.

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Compatriot Presented Gold Medal For Efforts In Freeing Hostages

The Constitution Week Dinner staged by the Louisiana Society's General Philemon Thomas Chapter in early October was especially memorable for Bishop Robert C. Witcher, Chapter President – for it was then that he was presented the prestigious Gold Good Citizenship Medal. The event, held at the Baton Rouge Country Club, recognized his wide range of remarkable services to the Episcopal Church and to the American people, as detailed in this special report.

Among the dignitaries on hand were former President General B. Rice Aston; Louisiana Society President Bill Wallis; Society Past Presidents George K. Reech and Robert S. Dolese; Past Chapter President Edward Overton Cailleteau; DAR State Librarian Mrs. Richard B. Nevils; C.A.R. Louisiana Society President Stephen A. Merritt; and Baton Rouge Mayor Bobby G. Simpson.



Among his many accomplishments, Gold Good Citizenship Medal on husband

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Rouge, Louisiana. Compatriot Witcher was cited for his tireless efforts in seeking the release of Terry Waite, advisor to the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the American hostages held in Iran during the early 1980s. At the time he was serving as Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Long Island and as President of Episcopal Services, a group of five hospitals - one of which was St. John's near JFK Airport. He secured permission from the State Department for the Iranians who had suffered at the hands of Iraq, such as from poison gas, to be admitted to the United States and treated at St. John's.

Robert at the Chapter meeting in Baton

When Terry Waite was sent to obtain release of the hostages, the terrorists made him a hostage and placed him in solitary confinement for four years. For a period of five years Bishop Witcher tirelessly traveled Europe and the Middle East to work with a variety of agencies to seek release of the captured men. Success finally came in November of 1991. During this period, from 1988-1990, he also served as Bishop of the United States Armed Forces.

Presenting the Gold Medal to Compatriot Witcher was former PG Aston, who was given the keys to the City of Baton Rouge by Mayor Simpson. The Mayor also offered to Compatriot Witcher a Proclamation designating October 3, 2003 as Bishop Robert C. Witcher Day.



Participating in the medal presentation program were (from left): Louisiana Society Past President George K. Reech, Bishop Robert C. Witcher and former President General B. Rice Aston.

National Society Color Guard Members Perform At DAR Continental Congress

No sooner had the National Society Color Guard completed their duties at the 113th Annual Congress in Chicago on the evening of July 9th, than five members packed up and left for Washington, DC - to participate in the Continental Congress staged by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Specifically, the Color Guardsmen presented the Colors to open National Defense Night on Friday the 11th. This is the traditional occasion where the Armed Services are honored and awards are given to a select few former military individuals for their outstanding service to our nation. The program was held in the cavernous NSDAR Constitution Hall.

The Guard entered the Hall to patriotic music provided by the United States Air Force Ceremonial Band. The American Flag was carried by Cdr. Charles R. (Chuck) Lampman, USN (Ret) of the California Society, while the DAR Banner was carried by Lester A. Foster, Jr., a member of the Maryland Society. They were accompanied by LTC Robert Ebert, USA (Ret), CASSAR: Col. Andrew M. Johnson, AUS (Ret), VAS-SAR; and Lawrence E. McKinley, VAS-SAR. As they proceeded down the center aisle and onto the platform, they were followed by Pages, all dressed in white, bearing State and International Flags. Concluding the procession was DAR President General



Representatives of the National Society Color Guard performed with their usual precision while marching into Constitution Hall to participate in a Daughters of the American Revolution program on July 11th in Washington DC.

Linda Tinker Watkins. The Guard and Pages retired after the Colors were posted.

PG Watkins then thanked the Guardsmen and announced their names along with the State Societies they represented.

Bob Hope, Meet Bob Bowen!

The recent death of Bob Hope at age 100 sent Robert L. Bowen, President of the Virginia Society's Col. Fielding Lewis



Robert L. Bowen, now an active Virginia Society Compatriot, was might nervous interviewing Bob Hope when the famous entertainer visited Okinawa. Compatriot Bowen was on duty as a Marine at the time.

FALL 2003

That was the year when Hope was presented the Congressional Gold Medal in recognition of his many years of entertaining the troops, just three months before embarking on yet another such tour overseas. This time he was destined to visit Japan, Korea, Taiwan, The Philippines, Guam and Okinawa. Accompanying him were Lana Turner, Janis Paige, Anita Bryant, Miss USA Amedee Chabote, Jerry Colona, Peter Leeds and Les Brown and his Band of Renown.

When Hope's Military Airlift Command cargo plane landed, among those on hand to greet the entertainer was none other than young Bob Bowen. He reports that his knees were knocking when he began the interview, but Hope quickly took charge and made the experience one Bob will never forget! Note the accompanying photo.

Compatriot Bowen is also serving as Chairman of the newly created 225th Anniversary of the Revolutionary War Committee. A special report on this group appeared on page 7 of the Summer 2003 Issue of our magazine.

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National Trustees Hold Traditional Fall Meeting

Over September 26-27 nearly 160 Compatriots came to Louisville, Kentucky to attend an array of activities ranging from meetings of National Committees to the traditional Fall gathering of the National Trustees. Also among those on hand were General Officers, former Presidents General and Chairmen and members of scores of Committees. To handle such a diverse group, facilities were utilized at Headquarters, the Memorial Auditorium across the street, the Brown Hotel and a renovated house - now named the Patriot House - that came along with property acquired as part of the large parcel upon which the Center for Advancing America's Heritage will be built (until recently called the new SAR Library).

This news story summarizes highlights of the Trustees Meeting, while some of the accompanying photos depict such other programs as Committee meetings.

General Officers Report

The first report to be delivered was that of President General Raymond G. Musgrave, who presided over all of the proceedings. He emphasized his attendance at the 58th Annual Conference of The American Legion held in St. Louis during late August. As a "Distinguished Guest" he had the distinct honor of addressing the large gathering on the same date and just hours apart from the talk given by Compatriot President George W. Bush. His remarks are reproduced elsewhere in this issue of the magazine.

Next came the report of Secretary General Henry N. McCarl, who recapped the following motions approved by the Executive Committee on September 25, 2003:

• Disciplinary action requested by the California Society was referred to the



Presiding over the Meeting of the National Trustees was President General Raymond G. Musgrave. His report detailed his attendance at an August conference of The American Legion.

Ethics Committee for hearing and recommendation to the Executive Committee. (The Ethics Committee recommended to the Executive Committee that the action be dismissed without prejudice to its refiling.)

· Revised 2003 and proposed 2004 operating budgets for the NSSAR submitted by the Budget Committee are recommended to the Trustees for their approval.

• That November 1, 2003, be set as a proposed target date for sending out bids to build the Center for Advancing America's Heritage.

• That the assignment of an outside auditor be put up for bids every 3 years effective immediately.

· James Randall, Executive Director of the NSSAR, is hereby appointed to the newly created position of Chief Operating

Officer of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

· James Randall, Executive Director of the NSSAR, is hereby appointed to the newly created position of Chief Operating Officer of the SAR Foundation.

· That contracts between NSSAR and SAR Foundation and Fifth Third Bank Investment Advisors be approved and accepted, subject to the addition of the words "gross negligence or willful misconduct" in paragraph 7 hereto. This wording further defines conditions of liability of Fifth Third Bank Investment Advisors.

• The Silver Good Citizenship Medal be awarded to PG William Gist and J. David Sympson for outstanding service on the NSSAR Museum Board.

• That a miniature version of the Florence Kendall Medal be approved and that NSSAR HQ fund procurement costs of this new medal.



At the opening of the Trustees Meeting Chaplain General H. Leroy Stewart offered the Invocation.

Registrar General Charles F. Bragg stated that National Society membership stood at 26,575 as of September 1, 2003. New members this year total 1,284, supplementals total 468 and reinstatements total 1,268. He also reported that the SAR Census of Qualified Prospects (COP) report form has been modified and will soon be included in each new member packet. He thanked the following for their work on this project: James N. Randall, Executive Director, as well as John Williams and Ralph Nelson, both of whom have been deeply involved in the Census.

Librarian General Richard S. Austin reported that the Census Microfilm Collection was complete through 1910 except for Illinois. Arkansas, California and West Virginia have joined with Alabama, Dakota, Delaware, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania and Virginia in completing their 1930 census microfilm. Many other State Societies have



The Executive Committee met the day before the other Committees did. Major actions are reported in the accompanying news story. From left: Charles R. Lampman, Walter F. Baker, former President General B. Rice Aston, Treasurer General Henry N. McCarl, President General Raymond G. Musgrave, Chancellor General Nathan E. White, Treasurer General Roland G. Downing, Robert W. Proctor and J. Phillip London.





Secretary General Henry N. McCarl recapped important actions taken by the Executive Committee. He also presided over a meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee which he serves as Chairman.

made partial donations of their 1930 census microfilm. He pointed out that donations of genealogical material are always welcome. Among the recent donations are six rolls of microfilm, from Delaware Compatriot Ralph Nelson, representing the enlistment records of the 5,000 soldiers who came to the United States under the command of French General Rochambeau. He also reported that the SAR has entered into an inter-library loan agreement with the Louisville Free Library whereby their users may visit the SAR Library without having to pay the \$5 registration fee.

Selected Committee Reports

Larry R. Perkins, Chairman of the Knight Essay Contest, stated that the prize awards have been changed effective with the current contest year to: First Place, \$3,000; Second Place, \$2,000; and Third Place, \$1,000. This move was needed in view of reduced funding.

Andrew M. Johnson, Chairman of the Fire, Law Enforcement and Heroism Committee, stated that the Committee dis-

tributed its annual summary pamphlet which contains the names of each Chapter and the awards they have made for fire, law enforcement and heroism. He urged Chapters and State Societies to use the reporting form on the National Society web site to ensure that their efforts are recognized in the pamphlet.

Dr. Ralph D. Nelson, Jr., Chairman of the International Development Council, made a multi-faceted report:

• The France Society continues to play a leading role in developing a schedule and commemorations for the 225th anniversary of the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route. This



Registrar General Charles F. Bragg reported that as of the time of the Trustees Meeting, some 161,000 membership numbers had been issued since our Society was formed in 1889

should attract new members both in Europe and the U.S. That Society has also been given the lead role for reactivating the Switzerland Society and for recruiting members to initiate formation of a Spanish Society. The 2003 Handbook has lifted the restriction that non-U.S. ancestors must have served in North America, so descendants of all who served in the French and



One of the National Committees that has a large number of participants, Membership, is shown meeting at the time of the Trustees



Treasurer General Roland G. Downing offered an insight as to the status of funds being raised for the proposed Center for Advancing America's Heritage.



Former President General B. Rice Aston reported that over 4,000 CDs titled "America's Heritage: An Adventure in Liberty" have been distributed by Compatriots to elementary, middle and high school teachers across the country. An inventory of them is maintained at National Headquarters and are sent out free of charge on request. Content of the CD encompasses both teaching and testing materials.



Meeting. Chairman Larry T. Guzy (right) conducted discussions on a variety of appropriate topics.





Georgia Society Compatriot George T. Thurmond (left) chairs the important Newsletters and Periodicals Committee, shown meeting at

the right. A top priority is judging State Society and Chapter newsletters that are entered in a variety of categories.

Spanish army and navy in 1778-1783 anywhere in the world are now eligible to join the SAR. This will considerably expand the number of prospects in Europe and other nations where those French and Spanish descendants later settled - such as the U.S., Mexico, the Caribbean Islands and South America. The patriot bases for Germany and Ireland have also been expanded, since many people in exile from Ireland and from the German-speaking regions affiliated with France were part of the French Army in 1778-1783.

• The United Kingdom Society membership has been stable this year. Richard Owens, President of the Switzerland Society for many years, has relocated to London and was elected President of the UK Society at its last annual meeting.

• As of the end of August, we were working on leads and prospects in Argentina, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Switzerland, Hong Kong, Spain and Thailand. If you know a member or



Former President General Larry D. McClanahan brought attendees up to date on progress being made to construct the proposed Center for Advancing America's Heritage. He employed full-color architect's renderings for his presentation. He has been active in the development of this important project since its inception.

prospect outside the U.S., encourage him to become a member. The NSSAR web site has contact information and descriptions for the SAR Societies outside the U.S.

Bruce A. Wilcox, Chairman of the Special Purposes Committee, reiterated that the objective of this committee is to promote the collection of military service records from SAR members who have served and to see that the records are properly stored at National Headquarters. The collection now totals over 3,400 in number. They are available to genealogical

researchers who visit the Library only after the Compatriot has passed away. Compatriot veterans are encouraged to send at least the information requested on a special form and a copy of their DD214. They are also requested to send memoirs of military service in any format desired.

Floyd L. Jernigan, Chairman of the Budget Committee, presented the revised 2003 and proposed 2004 operating budgets. Following discussion, they were approved and are reported in a special news story elsewhere in this issue of the magazine.

War Commemorations Are Ahead!

The newly created 225th Anniversary of the Revolutionary War Committee held its inaugural meeting during the Fall Trustees Meeting.

According to a report submitted to the magazine by Chairman Robert L. "Bob" Bowen, the Committee will be encouraging State Societies and Chapters to organize programs to mark the various 225th anniversaries of battles, activities and events between now and September 3, 2008 - the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Paris. The SAR Magazine and Headquarters Dispatch will announce the upcoming significant dates and report on what programs were conducted.

In 2004 the following are among those to be commemorated:

· George Rogers Clark captures Vicennes on the Wabash (February 2, 1779).

· Local Patriots defeat Tories at Kettle Creek, Georgia (February 14, 1779).

· General Anthony Wayne captures Stony Point, New York (July 15-16, 1779).

· The Battle of Newtown, Chemung Valley, New York (August 27-29, 1779).

· John Paul Jones and the Bonhomme Richard capture the British man-of-War Serapis off the English Coast (September 23, 1779).

· Americans survive the coldest winter of the war at Jockey Hollow near Morristown, New Jersey (Winter of 1779-80).

Compatriot Bowen suggests that "you grab your history books and develop programs to commemorate events in addition to these." He emphasizes the importance of making your program a public event. Then make sure that a story with photos is submitted to the magazine.



Robert L. "Bob" Bowen chaired a meeting of the 225th Anniversary Committee.



WHAT A GRAND WEDDING! - Cdr. Charles R. (Chuck) Lampman, a member of the California Society now serving as Vice-President General for the Western District, and Anne Donahue were married in August aboard the Spirit of Dana Point, an accurate replica of a large schooner as it appeared first during our country's Colonial Days. They are shown here marching under the traditional arch of swords presented by an Honor Guard made up of California Compatriots. The majority of the participants were in period dress, with Anne's gown patterned after that which Martha (Dandridge Custis) Washington wore at her wedding to George. She holds the office of State Recording Secretary for the DAR California Society. Performing the ceremony was Bishop Louis Carlson, SAR State Chaplain,



CAN YOUR CHAPTER TOP THIS? - When the California Society's Orange County Chapter met in May, members celebrated the milestone of having issued the 5,000th Eagle Scout Recognition Certificate! Their participation in the NSSAR Eagle Scout program began back in 1989; this fact translates into awarding an average of 360 per year. LEFT: Receiving the 5,000th Certificate from President Rex Shannon was Eagle Scout Jason Michael Lidman. RIGHT: Special guest speakers were Kent Gibbs (center), CEO of the Orange County BSA, and Alison Woods, who represented the Defense of Freedom Foundation, which works with the Boy Scouts in teaching them about the sea and the War of 1812. President Shannon gave each a copy of "The Spirit of Seventy-Six," an anthology of eyewitness accounts of events in the Revolutionary War. Serving as Eagle Scout Chairman is James F. Blauer, who launched the recognition program while Chapter President. He is proud of the fact he attained the rank of Eagle in 1966.



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Personal

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STATE SOCIETY & CHAPTER EVENTS

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 on page 3). Please note the

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.

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

ALABAMA SOCIETY



Day Proclamation in early June as members of the City Commission observe. Alford assisted in presenting National Society Flag Certificates to three Enterprise residents recognized by the Wiregrass Chapter.

Home in Huntsville recently had a surprise

about the life of a Revolutionary War sol-

dressed in period uniforms. Talking to near-

ing facts as the development of uniforms,

ried in his haversack and firing a Brown-

hardships of the colonial soldier, items car-

visit by Tennessee Valley Chapter

dier), Jim Maples and Jim Alexander



In mid-June Wiregrass Chapter President Bruce Taylor presented Charles Block of Enterprise with a Flag Certificate from the National Society, in recognition of his patriotic and proper display of the U.S. flag at his home



Society President Dr. Charles Aurand was proud to present the JROTC Medal to AFJROTC Cadet Lt. Col. Andrew Schaffer, a student at Highland High School in Gilbert. In national competition, the young lad was awarded third place for the JROTC Legion of Honor for 2003; the National Board stated that this was the largest group ever judged. His ambition is to attend the U.S. Naval Academy.

ARKANSAS SOCIETY

April 19th was proclaimed "The Spirit of America Day" by the Mayor of Chandler, kicking off a grand celebration by the Palo Verde Chapter. Festivities included the Chapter Color Guard and costumed DAR members, patriotic music, flag displays and fire and police vehicles on display at a local park. During an evening buffet dinner, the Spirit of America Committee presented San Marcos Elementary School teacher James Munoz the outstanding Chandler Teacher of the Year Award. He was given a brass statue of a Minuteman with musket and plow, and a certificate from the Mayor. Dinner and dancing capped off the special day. Veterans at the Floyd "Tutt" Fann Veterans

ARIZONA SOCIETY

The Barry M. Goldwater Chapter held a dinner commemorating the Battle of Compatriots Hoyt Smith (shown here telling Saratoga in late September, which paid tribute to Arizona recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor. The event featured guest of honor Major Frederick ly 50 men, the group detailed such interest-Ferguson, Deputy Director of Arizona's Department of Veterans Services, who spoke on the essential services provided by the organization.



Let freedom ring! Members of the Bayou Bartholomew Chapter recently joined with DAR members to commemorate the nation's independence. Chapter member Lynn Gaines, Jr. (back row, left) and Bill Doak (back row, right) along with DAR Pine Bluff Chapter Regent Kar Lynn Payton Roberts (front row, left) and Pine Bluff Chapter member Louise Nix Doak (front row, right) were in attendance as well as Sanford Payton from the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Nashville (back row, center).

CALIFORNIA SOCIETY

The Handlery Hotel in San Diego was the elegant site of the Society Annual Meeting held in late spring and attended by over 100 members and visitors, including President General B. Rice Aston, Registrar General Roland G. Downing and Historian General Bruce A. Wilcox. The Aston's visited local landmarks as guests of Past President Travis Spears and his wife, including a visit to the General Patton Museum and the World War II Air Museum in Palm Springs.

President General Aston and his wife were also guests of Vice-President General and Society Secretary Clarence J.B.E. Lucas, Society President Garrett Jackson, National Trustee Charles R. Lampman and Society Historian Robert Ebert at the famed Hotel Del Coronado in San Diego. President Jackson, who is a suburb chef, prepared a gourmet dinner at the Coronado Beach Resort Condominiums.

At the Saturday evening banquet, Mimi



Compatriot Jim Blauer proudly led the Orange County Chapter entry in the 99th Annual Huntington Beach July 4th Parade. He was followed by a 1966 Dodge Dart driven by Dave Manning and carrying Auxiliary member Karen Carlson. They were followed by a 1931 truck carrying Compatriot Lou Carlson.

in Louisville.

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CONNECTICUT SOCIETY



In June members of the General Israel Putnam Branch and the New Hampshire Society - as part of the New England Contingent SAR - made the annual pilgrimage to Charlestown, Massachusetts. There they participated on the 17th in the commemoration of the Battle of Bunker Hill. Wreaths were placed at the USA. Connecticut, New Hampshire and Massachusetts Gates.



The Captain Matthew Mead Branch joined with the C.A.R. Greenwich Society for a Flag Day ceremony that included placing flags on Patriot grave sites in the area. From back left, clockwise are: Compatriot John Berger, Past Branch President Dwight Coffin, Meridith Berger; Christian Berger, the C.A.R. American Heritage Chairman for the event; and Hannah Balikci.

Bess musket.

Lazanno, President of the Society of Hispanic and Ancestral Research, presented a portrait of a Spanish Soldier who served under General Bernardo Galvez. The portrait, valued at \$17,000, was painted by New Mexico resident C.J. Wells, and is being donated to the National Society's Museum

President General Aston swore in 2003-2004 Officers, with the Rev. Dr. Stanley W. DeLong becoming President. PG Aston was presented a plaque naming him "Patriot of the Year" by the Society Color Guard, inscribed with the words "For his exceptional leadership, statesmanship and diplomacy during an international event," referring to the Alliance Day celebration in Paris, France, Another banquet highlight was the speech given by the PG, which underscored the need for our new Center for Advancing America's Heritage to be located

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VIRGINIA SOCIETY SERVICE

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MILITARY SERVICE Retired Regular U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel, Vietnam Veteran

PROFESSIONAL & PERSONAL Wife: Rhea Cochran, corporate librarian and DAR member Daughter: Patricia Retired U.S. Dept. of Labor manager Senior Warden (twice) Episcopal Church Graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University



A tradition now enjoying its 52nd year continued on July 4, when The General David Humphreys Branch honored Declaration of Independence Signer Roger Sherman and General David Humphreys with a celebration that included wreath-laying ceremonies, speeches, period fife and drum music, and the Second Company of the Governor's Foot Guard in red uniforms. The event, which took place in Grove Street Cemetery in New Haven, also featured Boy Scouts carrying the flags of the States. Pictured is Past Society and Past Branch President Marshall Robinson delivering an address at the grave of Roger Sherman.

shown in the accompanying photo, entertainment was provided by children enrolled in the Patriots American Heritage Program.



Over a dozen children enrolled in the Patriots American Heritage Program, sponsored by the Christian Fellowship Church Schools of Waukegan, Illinois, provided entertainment for the May program at the DC Scottish Rite Center. Included was a recitation of the 56 Signers of the Declaration of Independence. Shown at the lectern were Society President Gareth Bond (left) and Compatriot Greg Bozarth, who leads the group.

The Society held its annual ceremony honoring Thomas Jefferson at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial located at the Tidal Basin in Washington. The April event featured guest speaker Thomas B. Worsley, whose lecture on "Thomas Jefferson Revisited" was enjoyed by Society members and representatives from other patriotic organizations. Worsley is on the Board of Northern Virginia Association for History and holds three degrees from the University of Virginia. He held a fellowship from the Brookings Institute and has served the Federal Government in both a military and civilian capacity for 34 years.

The Society's Annual July 4th celebration honored Patriot Elbridge Gerry and was held at his grave site in Congressional Cemetery. Gerry was a signer of the Declaration of Independence as well as the Articles of Confederation, and was Vice President of the United States. The National Sojourners Color Guard of Alexandria, Virginia participated. The program speaker was Compatriot Larry Lisle of the Virginia Society, who discussed Joseph Brandt, a Mohawk leader in the Revolutionary War.

DELAWARE SOCIETY



In April when John C. Lewis of Dover (third from right) was installed as Society President, several family members - all Compatriots - were on hand to join in the celebration (from left): Robert G., son; J. Edwin, also a son; John R. Boyle, grandson and Life Member; Dr. Fred T., brother; and Arthur S., also a brother and President of the Caesar Rodney Chapter. Not pictured are his wife, Nancy, Regent of the DAR Col. Haslet Chapter in Dover; and Kathryn L. Boyle, daughter and DAR Vice Regent of a Chapter near Baltimore.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SOCIETY

In May, Society Compatriots joined with members of the DC Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for a festive program at the Scottish Rite Center. The event, titled "Voices of Freedom Youth Tableau", featured piano selections by Carlton E. Blake, 32°, a welcoming speech by President Gareth Bond and presentations by first place winners of these popular SAR youth competitions: Eagle Scout Scholarship, Knight Essay and Rumbaugh Historical Oration. As

FLORIDA SOCIETY



In late April the Governor's Mansion was the setting for a special reception staged for members of the Board of the State Republican Party. These three Compatriots were in attendance (from left); Charlie Crist. Attorney General; Hal Miller, State Committeeman for the Republican Party of Sarasota County; and Governor Jeb Bush.

Marine JROTC Cadet David Youch, a student at Clearwater High School, was presented with three separate cash awards for his superior achievements during the May meeting of the Clearwater Chapter: \$100 from the Chapter, \$1,000 from the Florida Society; and \$200 from the Ladies Auxiliary. Also attending the Awards Luncheon were his mother and Col. Davis, USMC (Ret), JROTC instructor at the school. Another highlight of the affair was recognition of Jon Berg, who had been selected by the Chapter for their Eagle Scout Award; he was presented a check for \$500 as second place winner of the Florida Society's contest. The Ladies Auxiliary awarded him \$100.



Gainesville Chapter Compatriot William E. Page IV and his children, dressed in colonial garb purchased during a trip to Williamsburg, Virginia, were present for July 4th festivities held in Micanopy (just south of Gainesville). Included in their activities was ringing a bell at the Episcopal Church at 2pm - while at the same time a distant Page cousin rang the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia. The youngsters, William E. Page V and Carter Elizabeth Page, are members of the C.A.R. Gainesville Society.

When the Sarasota and Manatee Counties' Korean War Commemoration Committee sponsored a program highlighting the 50th Anniversary of the Korean War, the Nathanael Greene Camp #8 Color Guard participated in the Massing of the

Colors. The early May event, hosted by the Disabled American Veterans Post #97, featured a keynote address given by Eugene Chin Yu. He gave an impassioned speech recounting the sacrifices American soldiers made on behalf of South Korea, in the name of democracy, human rights and freedom. Born in Korea just after the war, Mr. Yu expressed gratitude to the many soldiers who fought with such bravery because their government called them to fight against communism. Following his speech he presented Freedom Medallions to all Korean War Veterans present and accounted for.

GEORGIA SOCIETY



Recently, several members of the Georgia Society Color Guard traveled over 600 miles round trip to participate in the Brunswick, Georgia opening of the "Grand Experiment -George Washington and the American Republic" exhibit. The exhibit consists of 14'x8' panels of the Early Life, Revolution, Constitution, Presidency and Farewell of George Washington. Organized by the Huntington Library and based on a major exhibition of original documents in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of Washington's death, the display is in its third year of touring throughout the United States. The Marshes of Glynn Chapter turned out in fine fashion for the program, and were among six Chapters who responded to the opportunity to participate in the grand opening. Photo (left to right): Compatriots Jim Kammer, Richard Ramsaur, Brent Taylor, David Stone, George Thurmond, Ed Ginn, Bob Bauchspies, Jack Ferguson, David Dukes, Sr., David Dukes, Jr., Glynn Acree, Bob Sunderland and Bill Ramsaur

The Society held two training sessions in August designed for Chapter officers, registrars and committee chairmen that were attended by over 90 Compatriots. The major portion of the half-day programs was spent on SAR programming and administration such as use of the source book, classroom presentations, the membership application process, the Americanism program, essay contests, publicity, medals and awards,



bylaws, and ROTC and Veterans activities. A presentation by Meredith Baker, President of the Georgia Society C.A.R., was a highlight of the program. She talked about the important relationship between the C.A.R. and the SAR, and presented Kettle Creek pins to several compatriots present for their support of the C.A.R. project to construct bleachers at the site of the Battle of

Kettle Creek.

Guyton McCall, 2nd Vice President of the Atlanta Chapter, presented a Certificate of Commendation to Ms. Brenda Taylor of the Arlington Chapel of H.M. Patterson & Sons, Funeral Directors in Atlanta, for the Chapel's proper display of the flag and accompanying patriotic plaque at the pole's base. Also pictured is Compatriot Revis Butler, commander of the Color Guard, and Jim Panter, Chapter President.

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With the Marquis de Lafayette Chapter still in its first year, members decided to enter a float in the Peachtree 4th of July parade! Compatriot Jim Robinson constructed temporary handrails and flag mounts onto a trailer and nine Revolutionary War flags were flown over the float. Members of the Chapter and their families accompanied the float in period costumes. Left to right were: Compatriot Brett Osborn, President Douglas Stansberry, Compatriot Joe Hixon, Carole Stansberry, Cilla Tomme, Emily Hixon, Sergeant at Arms Randall Fleming, Drew Kearns, Linda Robinson, Kyndal Kearns, Editor Jim Robinson, Compatriot Ernie Kearns, Secretary Mike Tomme, and Compatriot Lewie Dunn.



The Piedmont Chapter enjoyed participating in several Memorial Day weekend activities as part of "Roswell Remembers", held by the town. The Chapter Color Guard presented the colors at the opening activities and members manned a display booth that featured 12 flags along with SAR literature. Compatriot George Thurmond, dressed in a Revolutionary Officer's uniform, and

Despite heavy rain, members of the Marquis de Lafayette Chapter welcomed over 70 guests earlier this year to mark the grave of Revolutionary War soldier, James Waldrop, at a small family cemetery in Fayette County. Several descendants of Private Waldrop attended from out of state. The GASSAR Color Guard posted the Colors, and 17 wreaths were placed on the grave site. The guest speaker was Society President Brigadier General John Gillette. Pictured are Chapter members, President Gillette and the Color Guard.

Compatriot Skip Gray and his wife provided American Flags, piggy banks and coloring books and crayons on behalf of The Integrity Bank, for eager youngsters. The Chapter was successful in collecting names of prospective members as well as talking with school and scouting representatives about speaking engagements and activities.



General George Rogers Clark Chapter Compatriots Charles Schweizer (left) and Harry Windland (right) presented a Bronze ROTC Award to Cadet 2nd Lt. Amanda Fletcher of Alton High School. They also presented a Silver Award to Army ROTC Cadet James Mason at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

KANSAS SOCIETY

Each year Delaware Crossing Chapter Compatriots don uniforms and trek to the Dwight D. Eisenhower Hospital at Leavenworth to present a wide array of gifts to veterans, ranging from candy and shaving cream to such items as razors and socks. Two of those on hand on Veteran's Day this year were John Chatlain (left) and Roger F. James. It is interesting to note that both served together during World War II with the 48th Tank Battalion, Company "C", 14th Armored Division, European Theater.

ILLINOIS SOCIETY



In late April, the Springfield Chapter presented outstanding Citizenship Awards to 21 high school students from Menard and Sangamon Counties during a luncheon. Nearly 100 Compatriots, students, parents, grandparents and DAR guests were in attendance. Among those Compatriots on hand for the event were (from left): Karl Reed, Kent Kirkham, Ed Decker, keynote speaker Professor H. Twyman Jones, Harold Wright, Wm. Hughes Diller, R. Gary Hodge, Richard Modenhauer, Tim Krell and Dave Preston.



MARYLAND SOCIETY



Four Patriots buried at Old St. Paul's Cemetery were remembered in mid-June when the Col. John Eager Howard Chapter held its Annual Cemetery Memorial Service. There were 11 members of the Society Color Guard in attendance, along with members of the DAR, C.A.R., and President General Dan Brooke of the Society of the War of 1812. Back row, left to right: Compatriot Bob Lyons, Vice-President General Jim McCafferty, and Compatriots Chris Blackman, Ed Dotter, David Hoover, William Smithson, Randall Grimsley and Bob Avres. Front row, from left: Compatriot Ray Jackson, Society President Jim Dearworth, Compatriot Christos Christou, Jr. (kneeling), and Compatriot Hall Worthington.

MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY

Against a brisk late spring wind, the Society Color Guard provided the ceremonial guard for presentation by the Massachusetts Society of a War of 1812 Flag replica to the Scituate Lighthouse. The ceremony commemorated a notable example of the bravery of the common citizenry in defending the nation. History notes that while the lighthouse keeper was absent, his family saw the approach of a British scouting party. They responded by setting up a show of noisy activity from within, by shouting, clanging pots and pans, singing and playing the fife - leading the British to the assumption that substantial American force was concealed within! The British retreated to their vessel and were seen no more. This is the only recorded incident of attempted land invasion of Massachusetts during the War of 1812.



mony at Scituate Lighthouse were (from left): Compatriots Geoffrey Colby; Michael Bowie; John Manning, Society Vice President of the Massachusetts Society, War of 1812; William Whidden; and Paul Walker, former President General.

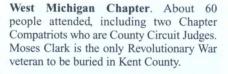
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Ann Arbor was the site of the Society's Annual Meeting with President Richard Steele presiding. David Dean, Vice-President General for the Great Lakes District, came from Wisconsin to attend. During the meeting Michigan State Police Troopers David Rivard and Timothy Horan, and Lansing Policeman Mark McAller were presented with the Medal of Heroism by Compatriot Earl W.K. James for the capture of an armed felon in a Lansing area holdup in April of 2001. The President's gavel was passed on to E. Lou Hoos of the West Michigan Chapter.

Compatriots and guests of the Detroit Metro Chapter met at the Somerset Inn in Troy for the Chapter's Annual Meeting in early April. Highlighting the event was a program given by Dr. Weldon Petz on the life of President Abraham Lincoln. He showed a "living mask" of the face of Lincoln made a month before his death, bronze castings of his hands and a carving of his face made from a peach pit by a Civil War prisoner at Andersonville.

In late May, a formal rededication of the Moses Clark Memorial at Brooklawn Cemetery in Walker was held by the



NEVADA SOCIETY



Celebrating the birth of the Declaration of Independence on the 4th of July, Compatriot Recker held a birthday cake in honor of the birth of freedom! Southern Nevada Chapter Compatriots stood outside their meeting hall for the trooping of the Colors.



How big was it? The flag was so big that Southern Nevada Chapter President Ed St. John looked dwarfed in comparison, as he displayed the flag that the Chapter carried in a parade earlier this year.



Continuing a long tradition of recognizing the ROTC activities in Nevada, the Northern Chapter awarded the Silver ROTC Medal to Cadet Charles Goldner at the University of Nevada, Reno. Making the presentation was Past Vice-President General, Western District, J B Coats. The Chapter also recently awarded a total of 12 Bronze JROTC awards to area high school students.

NEW HAMPSHIRE SOCIETY

Members of the Society along with the John Stark Society, C.A.R., took part in the Bunker Hill Day ceremonies at the Bunker Hill Monument in mid-June. The ceremony marked the 228th Anniversary of the first major battle of the American Revolution. Members of the New England contingent placed wreaths at the U.S., Connecticut, New Hampshire and Massachusetts Gates, and fired a three volley musket salute in tribute to the heroes of Bunker Hill. Alexander Preece, President of the John Stark Society, C.A.R., placed a wreath at the New Hampshire Gate to honor the memory of the New Hampshire troops that bravely fought on June 17, 1775.

NEW JERSEY SOCIETY



The South Jersey Chapter enjoyed a little "seventh inning stretch" of their own during a recent Chapter meeting, when they were treated to a lecture by a nationally known collector of baseball memorabilia, Gar Miller. He is pictured here holding a framed collectible featuring photos and signatures of the great Chicago Cubs double-play combination "Tinker to Evers to Chance." Miller is acclaimed in the 28th edition of Ripley's Believe It or Not - he has more than three million cards and 2.000 autographs! He also wrote the first "How to Collect" book for baseball hobbyists in 1973.

"Good Citizenship, Past, Present, and Future," was the program theme at the recent Annual Dinner Meeting of the West Fields Chapter. New Jersey Senator Thomas H. Kean, Jr., addressed the Chapter, speaking on several legislative agenda issues, including the importance of education for good citizenship in the public schools. Following his address he was awarded the Chapter's Bronze Good Citizenship Medal in recognition of his public service. Senator Kean is preparing his application for membership in the Society, thereby extending a distinguished family line of public servants starting from two Delegates to the First Continental Congress, John Kean as well as William Livingston, who later became the first Governor of New Jersey.



Richard A. Scudder, a 40-year member of the SAR affiliated with the South Jersey Chapter, was presented the coveted Patriot Medal at the Society's Spring Meeting in recognition of his exemplary service to both his Chapter and the Society. One of his most noted accomplishments was research performed in 1994-95 to document Spain's vital role in the Revolutionary War, in turn qualifying that nation's King Juan Carlos for membership in the SAR. This mission was accomplished soon after that. Also at the top of the list was his initiation of the Delaware Valley Patriot's Picnic (NJ, PA and DE) in 1993 which he continued to host through 1996. More than 50 patriotic and lineage societies were represented at each outing, with several hundred people in attendance.

EMPIRE STATE SOCIETY (NY)

Concluding an active year with a June luncheon, the Binghamton Chapter enjoyed stepping into the past when Alice Ruby, Curator of the Chenango Schoolhouse Museum and Town of Chenango Historian, and Bradford Burgher of Binghamton, offered a lively look at Revolutionary War times. Ms. Ruby, attired in a dress that would have been worn by a woman of ordinary

means, described typical daily activities of the time. Mr. Burgher wore a blue and red uniform of the 1st New York Regiment and played his regimental field drum, a tall, loud instrument. He explained that the drum had to be loud as it was used to communicate between units; he beat out various commands on his drum.

NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY



Compatriots of the Marquis de LaFayette Chapter participated in a Halifax Day celebration held each April to commemorate the signing of the Halifax Resolves, the first effort in the 13 colonies urging independence from Great Britain. Highlighting the event was a grave marking ceremony for Colonel Joseph Montfort in recognition of his contributions to the Revolutionary cause. The beautiful spring day was a fitting backdrop for the arrival of the 6th North Carolina Regiment, a Revolutionary War re-enactThe Lower Cape Fear Chapter has been a long time supporter of The Moore's Creek National Battleground Association, and now two of the Chapter's members, who serve on the Association board, have been elected officers. Compatriot Art Gowan, (left) now serves as Vice-President, and Richard Eisenman (right), is the President. The Association is the oldest continually operating support group to a National Park Service site. Each year the Chapter participates in the Annual Celebration of the Battle of Moore's Creek

ment group. Wearing uniforms and led by fife and drum players, they formed an Honor Guard around Montfort's grave. Compatriot Joe Harris welcomed guests and provided a moving recitation of a poem he penned entitled "A Toast to the American Flag." Compatriot Grady Hall II of the Halifax Resolves Chapter read a Proclamation by Governor Mike Easley naming April 12, 2003 Sons of the American Revolution Day in the state, and many representatives from Chapters around the state laid wreaths

OHIO SOCIETY



Each year the Society participates in a ceremony that marks the place that Fort Laurens played in the Revolutionary War. This year it was staged in mid-July, with the honored guest and speaker being Secretary General Henry N. McCarl. He discussed the vital importance of funding restoration of what was the only fort in Ohio during the Revolution. Built in late November of 1778 on the banks of the Tuscarawas River near what is now Bolivar, the fort was named in honor of Henry Laurens, President of the Continental Congress. It remained an active American military post from that time until August of 1779. It was attacked numerous times by the Indians, Loyalists, and British soldiers. Behind Compatriot McCarl was the Tomb of the Unknown Patriot shown surrounded by uniformed Compatriots.





In early August an impressive ceremony was held in Cincinnati to honor veterans for individual acts of gallantry and to pay tribute to Purple Heart recipients. LEFT: Playing an active part in the program was the Cincinnati Chapter's Nolan Carson Memorial Color Guard, shown here in a parade at the opening of Purple Heart Day. RIGHT: Chapter Compatriot Harry Sjolin (left) was presented a framed copy of the recently issued Purple Heart Stamp for his Chapter. To his left were veterans who previously received the Purple Heart. The event was sponsored by the Military Order of the Purple Heart.



A ceremony and reception were held in mid-July to honor Mariah Storts Allen, who had the distinction of being Ohio's last DAR "Real Daughter" of an American Revolutionary War soldier. An Ohio Bicentennial Historical Marker was placed near an old log cabin located near the front of the covered bridge entrance to the Perry County Fairgrounds in new Lexington, on the opening day of the Perry County Fair. About 150 people attended to honor the daughter of John Jacob Storts, who at age 13 volunteered to fight in the Revolutionary War. From left were: Terry Whetstone, Past Society President and currently National Trustee: Paul Schenck, President of the George Rogers Clark Chapter; Paul Wilke, 1st Vice President of the Cincinnati Chapter; John Franklin Jr., President of the Western Reserve Society; Larry Perkins, Society President; Robert Farling, Past Society President; Tony Robinson, President of the Arthur St. Clair Chapter; and Keith Kaufman, President of the Rufus Putnam Chapter. Behind Compatriot Kaufman are members of Battery A, First Ohio Regiment, "Statehouse Battery".

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PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY

Close to 100 Compatriots and guests, representing 15 State Societies, gathered in Harrisburg in late July for the Annual Middle-States Conference. Among those present were representatives from the Middle-Atlantic, North Atlantic and New England Districts. Programs focused on the proposed Center for Advancing America's Heritage; the NSSAR Library; the Washington-Rochambeau Trail; ROTC/



A guide at the Pennsylvania State Capitol Building commented to the SAR contingent on the statuary, paintings, and architecture during a tour of that magnificent building following Saturday's business and training sessions. Conferees toured much of the city in buses with historical information presented along the way.

JROTC Medals, Rumbaugh Orations Contest; Knight Essay Contest; Eagle Scout program; and the 225th Anniversary of the Revolutionary War Committee's goals and immediate legislative effort. Instructors included NSSAR Executive Director Jim Randall, Registrar General Charles F. Bragg, and Historian General Bruce A. Wilcox. Mid-Atlantic District VPG Andy Johnson and North Atlantic District VPG Jonathan Goebel headed the program, while PSSAR Compatriot Darryl Jeffries was the conference facilitator.



The Philadelphia-Continental Chapter Color Guard enters the Atwater Kent Courtyard at the American Flag House and Betsy Ross Memorial during the Philadelphia Flag Day Association's annual celebration of Flag Day. Compatriot Atwater Kent was President of the Chapter in 1937 when the Betsy Ross House was moved to its present location.



Secretary of Homeland Security Tom Ridge was the featured speaker when the Philadelphia-Continental Chapter sponsored a naturalization ceremony at Philadelphia Community College for 1,000 new citizens in early July. The Color Guard presented the Colors, and the Chapter gave 13-star Betsy Ross flags and copies of the Constitution and Declaration of Independence to each new citizen. Shown here is the Secretary flanked by the Color Guard.



The George Washington Chapter recently conducted a grave dedication ceremony at the Old West Alexander Presbyterian Church Burying Grounds. The Chapter paid tribute to Revolutionary War soldier Angus McCoy, who served as a Private in Captain Andrew Swearingen's Company Third Battalion under the command of Colonel David Williamson. Patriot McCoy participated in the ill-fated Sandusky Expedition in 1782, led by Colonel William Crawford. Shown here is the Chapter Color Guard that took part in the opening parade. Members manned an SAR information table throughout the day.

The Philadelphia-Continental Chapter participated in the 50th Anniversary of the dedication of the Bell Tower of the Washington Memorial Chapel at Valley Forge in mid-April, along with The DAR and the Washington Memorial Chapel. The Bell Tower, which houses one of the largest and finest carillons in the world, was built with funds provided by DAR members from every state. It rises to 112 feet and overlooks the vast acres where General Washington's army spent the long winter of 1777-78. The carillon is a musical instrument consisting of

at least 23 tuned cast-bronze bells played from a keyboard. The Valley Forge Carillon has 58 bells weighing 26 tons; the largest bell weighs four tons and the smallest just 13 1/2 pounds.



Compatriot R. Lee Aston of Georgia stands beside a new monument listing all 12 of the Revolutionary War veterans who are buried in the Old Feightner Cemetery near South Greensburg. He and his family provided new markers for the graves of two of those veterans, his ancestors Conrad Boyer and John Adam Hartzell. The May 30 ceremony featured the General Arthur St. Clair Chapter Color Guard and included a dedication ceremony by Chapter Compatriot Richard Asmun and Dr. Aston. The keynote speaker was Society President Rev. Harry E. Killen. Other descendants of the Patriots were also in attendance

SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

The SCSSAR Scholarship was awarded to Union High School senior Emily Elizabeth Scales of Jonesville during the Awards Day ceremony at her school. The \$750 scholarship is awarded to the student who best demonstrates those characteristics that reflect the principles and beliefs of the SAR, including high academic achievement, out-



From left at the Awards Day program were: Society President Jim Cook; Scholarship winner Emily Scales; Emily's mother Susan; and Warren Little, Emily's grandfather.

standing character, good citizenship and both school and non-school related extracurricular activities. According to Colonel Matthew Singleton Chapter President Muriel Hanna, Chairman of the Society's Scholarship Committee, there were several outstanding applicants this year. Applicants must either be members of the SAR, eligible for membership, directly related to an SAR, or an SAR youth member or member of the C.A.R. Emily is the granddaughter of Compatriot Warren Little of the Daniel Morgan Chapter, where she was also honored at a Chapter meeting.

TENNESSEE SOCIETY



Major General Fred Womack addressed the crowd when the Stephen Holston Chapter conducted its annual July 4th celebration at the historic James White Fort in Knoxville. Commemorating the 227th signing of the Declaration of Independence, Society President Paul Jorden and Chapter President Leonard Hill led the celebration. Members of the DAR and C.A.R. also participated in the program, which featured a roll call of the signers, patriotic anthems and the Volunteer State Honor Guard.

TEXAS SOCIETY



The Athens Chapter recently met to discuss the 2003-2004 goals of the Society, and to present the Fire Safety Commendation Award to Chief Ricky Myrick of the Mabank Fire Department Pictured from left: Turner Coats, President; Jim Robertson, Chancellor and Immediate Past Society President: and Society President Dick Robinett.



The McKinney Chapter recently presented Collin County Sheriff Terry G. Box (right) with the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal. Sheriff Box has been active in the Collin County law enforcement for many years and has been Sheriff since 1986. Making the presentation is Society Chancellor General and Chapter member Nathan White Jr

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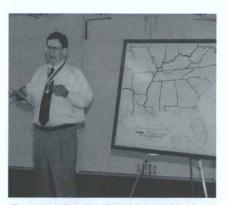
Over 300 community members turned out to learn how to research their family tree when the Alexander Hodge Chapter hosted a free Genealogy Fair in mid-April. Over 40 genealogical and historical organizations representing various periods in American History were in attendance, with many members of these organizations clothed in period attire. Four local genealogy speakers discussed research topics that helped both the beginner and the advanced genealogist.



Former President General B. Rice Aston (right) and Dallas Chapter Secretary Tom Whitelock, inspected his Chapter's new hand painted and sewn replica of the "Bedford Flag", which was on display at the recent Society meeting of the Board of Managers. The original Bedford flag is considered to be the oldest of the Revolutionary Flags, having been used during the battle at Concord on the North Bridge skirmish that turned back the British



At the Paul Carrington Chapter's Annual Armed Forces Day Breakfast in mid-May, eleven of the Chapter's Past Presidents were in attendance. Included in the group was former President General George H. Brandau as well as President General B. Rice Aston. All Past Presidents of the Chapter serve as active members of the Chapter's Board of Director's.



"Southern Migration Routes" was the program title for an interesting lecture given by Athens resident, Compatriot Arthur H. Hall (pictured) at a recent Athens Chapter meeting. His presentation showed rivers and migration trails, and illustrated how those who initially were settled in the 13 colonies by the 1700s, eventually made their way down the eastern seaboard to the southeastern states and across, arriving in Texas in the early 1800s. Compatriot Hall is a founding member and Past President of the Chapter.

VERMONT SOCIETY



Compatriot Robert Chadwick is shown at the new granite grave stone marker of Revolutionary War Patriot Captain John Stark, at the South Hero Cemetery. The engraved stone was obtained through application to the Office of Memorial Programs, Department of Veterans Affairs in Washington, D.C. It was erected in June by James Senesac, Sally Senesac and grandson Joseph St. Lawrence of Senesac Memorial in Isle LaMotte. Research and funds for the project were provided by Compatriot Chadwick.

VIRGINIA SOCIETY

The George Washington Chapter conducted a grave marking ceremony at St. Mary's Cemetery in Alexandria for Patriot Pvt. Hurdle, which was attended by Compatriots, a representative from the Alexandria Historical Society and other

patriotic organizations. Compatriot Bob Coontz presented the SAR wreath at the mid-September event. Following the ceremony, the Chapter held its monthly luncheon meeting at the Belle Haven Country Club. The featured speaker was Dan McGuire, Past Chapter President, who presented a vivid description of the military operations, both land and sea, leading to the defeat of General Cornwallis.



George Washington Chapter President Richard Kusserow placed a wreath at the tomb of General George Washington, with the assistance of Rear Admiral Nancy E. Brown, Vice Director J6, Joint Chiefs of Staff. This was the Chapter's 40th Annual Independence Day wreath-laying at Washington's tomb at Mount Vernon. Admiral Brown participated as a representative of the Department of Defense "Operation Tribute to Freedom," which the DOD launched to give Americans an opportunity on the 4th of July 2003 to welcome home our service men and women from tours in Irag and Afghanistan. The Fifes and Drums of Prince William III and the First Virginia Regiment of the Continental Line joined with the Chapter for this special event. Following the ceremony, members and guests enjoyed a patriotic musical program presented by the National Concert Band of America on the Bowling Green at the back door of the mansion.



The Richard Henry Lee Chapter enjoyed a program by Park Ranger Andrew Packett of the George Washington Birthplace National Monument during a mid-June meeting. He is the recipient of the Northeast Region Freeman Tilden Award, the highest honor bestowed by the National Park Service for interpretation and education. He spoke on the character development of George Washington. From left: James Talbot, Chapter 2nd Vice President; Ranger Packett; and Charles Farley, Chapter 1st Vice President

WASHINGTON SOCIETY

When the Alexander Hamilton Chapter gathered for its May meeting, Compatriot Glenn Oliver shared a riveting tale of survival during his 1, 270 days as a Japanese POW during WWII. Compatriot Oliver was with a tank battalion stationed in the Philippines when Japan invaded those islands. He survived the Bataan Death March, and then was a slave laborer assigned to build bridges. He also served on a burial detail and then spent 21 months working on Nichols Airfield. From there he was packed into the prison ship Arisan Maru with close to 1,900 other POW's to be sent to

Japan, but enroute, on October 24, 1944, the ship was torpedoed and sunk by a U.S. submarine. Only eight POW's survived the sinking, Compatriot Oliver among the fortunate few. He spent four days in the ocean clinging to wreckage when a Japanese destroyer fished the survivors out of the water and took them to Formosa, and he eventually ended up in Osaka, Japan, where he survived the firebombing of that city. After the Japanese surrender he was taken to Yokohama for repatriation, then to Manilla, and finally to San Francisco.

WEST VIRGINIA SOCIETY



General Adam Stephens Chapter President Charles F. Printz (left), presented Martinsburg Chief Leon Catrow of the Shepherdstown Volunteer Fire Department with the Fire Safety Commendation Medal, at a recent Chapter meeting.



NSSAR AWARD PRESENTED AT ACADEMY - In late May during an Awards Ceremony at the United States Air Force Academy, Cadet First Class Heidi M. McKinley was awarded the National Society's Foreign Area Studies Award. Making the presentation was Col. Joseph L. Thomas, USAF (Ret), President of the Colorado Society. A few days later she received a Bachelor of Science Degree and a commission as an Air Force Second Lieutenant during the institution's 43rd graduation program. This particular award was endowed several years ago by Compatriot and Mrs. C.E. Thorp. He is a Past President of the Wisconsin Society and a Past Vice-President General for the Great Lakes District.

SAR MAGAZINE

THE RELIGIOUS FAITH OF OUR FOUNDING FATHERS

A Series By Jack J. Early, Ed.D., D.D., Past Chaplain General

John Witherspoon, patriot and clergyman, was born February 5, 1772 in Gifford, Scotland and was the son of Reverend James Witherspoon and Anne Walker. His descent can be traced directly to John Knox, the church reformer, and Robert II, King of Scotland. The Witherspoon family coat of arms displays a hand holding aloft the laurel crown typifying victory and the motto "Deo Juvante," which signifies "God assisting."

In early childhood, he demonstrated an inclination for intensive reading and study. His experiences provided him the opportunity to enter the University of Edinburgh at the age of fourteen. He was graduated in 1742 with the degree of Doctor Laws and in 1745, on the completion of his theological course, he was ordained to the Presbyterian ministry.

Witherspoon served as pastor to a congregation in Beth, followed by service with a church in Paisley. He and several spectators were taken prisoners at the Battle of Falkirk on February 17, 1746 by rebel forces and confined to the Keep of Castle Downe.

After serving for eleven years at the parish of Paisley, he declined calls to Rotterdam, Dundee, Dublin and the first invitation to become President of the College of New Jersey, later named Princeton University. He ranked among the top leaders of the evangelical wing of the Church of Scotland. As a result of his leadership, he was elected Moderator of the Synods of Glasgow and Ayr in 1758.

In 1764 Witherspoon published in London, England "Essays on Important Subjects," in three volumes, including his well known "Treatise on Regeneration." It was through this source that information of his intellectual contributions to religious thought had found its way to the College of New Jersey.

Two leaders of the colonists, the Honorable Richard Stockton and Dr. Benjamin Rush, were deputized to visit Dr. Witherspoon and his family in Scotland and make representations concerning the "wants" of his fellow-countrymen to assume his educational role at the College of New Jersey. He and his family

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sailed from London in May of 1768 and arrived in Philadelphia in August where they were warmly received. On August 17, 1768, he was formally installed as the sixth President of Princeton College.

He personally filled the Chair of Dogmatic Theology in Princeton College and delivered discourses on Rhetoric, Mental and Moral Philosophy, and he taught Hebrew and French. Witherspoon was a delegate to the Continental Congress and won fame as the spiritual inspiration for the signing of the Declaration of Independence because of his notable speech on July 4, 1776 in which he stated:

"There is a tide in the affairs of men a niche of time we now perceive before us. To hesitate is to consent to slavery. That noble instrument on your table, which insures immortality to its authors, should be subscribed this very morning by every pen in this House. For my part, of property I have some, of reputation more. That reputation is staked upon the issue of this contest, that property pledged, and although these gray hairs must soon descend into the sepulchre, I had infinitely rather they should descend thither by the hands of the public executioner than desert at this crisis the sacred cause of my country."

During the Revolutionary War, Witherspoon was George Washington's constant and devoted friend in Congress, went frequently as a Commissioner of Congress to confer with him, spent much time at Valley Forge in striving to relieve the suffering of the army. On one occassion in a debate about the Declaration of Independence, a member of Congress declared that the people were not ripe for such a document. Dr. Witherspoon observed, "In my judgement, sir, we are not only ripe, but rotting." When a section of the Continental Army mutinied and drove Congress from a Philadelphia, Witherspoon invited the members to resume their sessions in Nassau Hall on the Princeton College campus. Nassau Hall was seized by the British in

1776 and was retaken by the

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Past Chaplain General Jack J. Early

Americans in 1777 at the Battle of Princeton. In 1785 the Continental Congress adjourned to honor Dr. Witherspoon by attending the commencement exercises in a body, including George Washington.

Stirring tales are related of the patriotic spirit generated in his pupils by John Witherspoon. One of his pupils was Thomas Melville, a graduate of the Class of 1769, who is credited with having been the leader of the Boston Tea Party. Most prominent of all those under his counsel was President James Madison, called the chief architect and "Father of the Constitution." One historian observed, "It was from John Witherspoon that Madison imbibed the lesson of freedom in matters of conscience."

After the Revolutionary War, Dr. Witherspoon devoted his energies in trying to recover for Princeton College the disastrous effects it had upon it. For the last four years of his life, his bodily infirmities had increased, including the loss of his sight. He endured his suffering becoming the character of a Christian minister when called to exemplify the gospel he had preached to others. He was released from his labors and sufferings in this life on November 14. 1794.

For us as members of the Sons of the American Revolution, we can see the impact of a teacher on his students and the need to reinforce our efforts in supporting the traditional teaching of American history in our schools.

Established Rules Guide Protocol At SAR Functions

By Former President General Russell D. Page, Chairman Of The Protocol Committee

Observance of established rules of Protocol will increase the prestige of SAR functions. The basic principles of Protocol are to: (1) Observe the rules of ranking of office; (2) Practice courtesy; and (3) Use good judgment.

President General: The President General is the ranking officer of the National Society and should be regarded as the honor guest at all SAR functions. The State Society President is the highest-ranking officer in his State Society and should be accorded such recognition. In his State he outranks a Vice-President General. The Chapter President is the ranking officer in his Chapter.

President General Title: All former Presidents General retain their title for life. and will be addressed as President General. They should identify their years of office when writing or signing. It is proper when writing about them to identify them as (for example) former President General Jones (1994-95) using small "f" with former.

Sequence of Seniority: The sequence of seniority is National Society, State Society and Chapter.

Ranking of State and Chapter Officers: The ranking of State and Chapter officers is the responsibility of the State and Chapter.

Ranking at SAR Functions: When National Society officers and State Presidents and/or officers of other organizations are present at SAR functions, the office held and the organizational date of the respective society may determine their ranking. The following may be used as a guide of precedence for a possible State Society function: State Society President, President General, Governor of State, or his Representative, United States Senator, United States Congressman, Mayor of City, former Presidents General, National SAR Officers in order of seniority, visiting State Society Presidents, active Host State Society Officers, Former National Society Officers, National Presidents of other organizations, State Presidents of other societies.

Seating at National Society Functions: The President General, as presiding officer, occupies the place at the center. The order of precedence is as follows: The place on the right of the President General is the next highest seat. The place on the left is the next highest seat, and on down the line alternating right to left.

Seating at State Society Functions: The State Society President, as presiding officer, occupies the center place. The highest, ranking officer present is on the right. The next officer is on the left, following the precedence. At luncheons and banquets, the number of people attending should determine the size of the head table in a reasonable ratio to the assemblage. If ladies are included at the head table, the ladies and gentlemen should be alternated in seating. If possible a lady should not be seated in the last chair at either end of the table. A reserved front table can serve for a minister, musician, and lower ranking officer.

Greetings and Recognition: The highest-ranking guest should be introduced for any greeting, with others greeted in order of precedence. It is wise to limit the number of greetings. It is unfair to the speaker and to the audience to have lengthy/many greetings. In most cases a quick recognition will suffice. When introducing the head table, or other special reserved tables, announcement should be made to withhold applause until all are introduced.

Requests For Visits By The President General

Traditionally, the President General travels throughout the nation, visiting Districts, State Societies and Chapters. Since invitations to the President General are numerous, they should be tendered well in advance of the date and should include alternate dates, if possible.

1. Visit Requests: Requests should be made as soon as possible after his election. His schedule is normally set by September.

2. Invitation Letter: A letter of invitation should be sent to the President General, or his official coordinator, if one has been appointed, with a copy to the Executive Director.

3. Coordinating the Visit: The President General should attempt to visit each of the Districts of the National Society during his term of office. Vice-Presidents General of contiguous Districts should confer and coordinate their invitations to the President General to allow the best coverage and minimize travel.

4. Arrangements: The President General and his wife, if she accompanies him, are always guests of the inviting State Society or Chapter, which will arrange for hotel and other accommodations which should be the expense of the host organization. Meals are also the responsibility of the host.

5. Appointment of Aide/Host: The President of the State Society or Chapter inviting the President General for a visit should appoint an aide/host to meet the President General on his arrival. The aide/host should assist him during his visit.

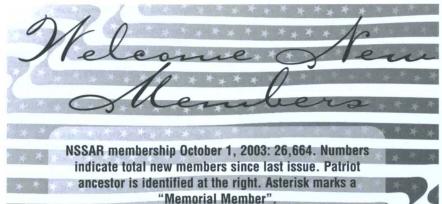
6. Notification: The President General should be informed in writing of the arrangements made for him. Such notification should be explicit in regard to the expected participation by the President General in the program and if he is to speak, how long, and other relevant details. Normally, the President General is the guest of honor and will be the principal speaker at the function. The type and purpose of the function is the responsibility of the Host State Society or Chapter. At a dinner meeting with black tie for the officers and head table guests, formal dress may be optional for other members and guests, enhancing the dignity and importance of the occasion.

7. Receiving Line: In a receiving line, the presiding officer and his wife should be at the head of the line with the President General, and wife, next to him, so that he may introduce the guests to the President General. The remainder of the receiving line should be in the order of precedence given above.

8. Respecting the Office: The President General and his wife are to be escorted to the head table last, with everyone standing in respect to the office. The presiding officer stands in his position, then sits, and nods for everyone to be seated. The presiding officer should be brief in introducing or thanking other guests or participants, in the program, when the President General is present. Remember that the President General is the ranking guest and should not be slighted in any way.

9. PG and Former PG Badge of Office: The President General, during his term of office, and while acting in that capacity on official and ceremonial occasions, shall wear the distinctive badge of his office. It is suspended from a neck ribbon. In formal dress he shall wear a sash of the Society colors, three and one-half inches in width, extending from the right shoulder to the left hip. The former Presidents General, in formal dress, may wear a sash of the Society colors three and one-half inches wide, extending from the right shoulder to the left hip.

10. Officer Badge of Office: The Secretary General, Treasurer General, Chancellor General, Genealogist General, Registrar General, Historian General, Librarian General, Surgeon General, Chaplain General, and active and Former Vice-Presidents General, in formal dress, may wear a sash of the Society colors two and one-half inches wide, extending from the right shoulder to the left hip.



Alabama (30)

Jacob LeRoy Bateman, III, 160831; James Oates Adam Jeffery Berry, 160543; John Humphries John Wiley Boone, Jr., 161004; Thomas Morris Donald Odell Cleveland, 160910; John Cleveland Willie Edward Cleveland, 160909; John Cleveland Glenn David Cook, 160799; John Cook Keith Jerome Dahlke, 160540; Hezekiah Posey Harold Douglas Griffin, 160833; William Hughes Thomas Joseph Hagan, III, 160545; Flayl Nichols Luther Garland Horton, Jr., 160907; John Horton Ronald Edwin Jackson, 160917; Jesse Lane Ralph Darryal Jackson, 160918; Jesse Lane Robert Clarence Johnston, Jr., 160541: William Cornelius, Sr Kenneth Dale Kugler, 160544; Jeremiah H. Compton James Philip Lowery, 160793; Anthony Crumbley James Howard Lucas, Jr., 160542; Nathan Reed John Hurston Luiz, 160795; Anthony Crumbley Paul Martin Luiz, 160794; Anthony Crumbley Jimmy Leon Martin, 160916; David Lindsey Hubert Theron Montgomery, Jr., 160834; Thomas Rutherford Lorne Wayne Nunnally, 160796: Moses Nunnally Robert Eugene Owens, Jr., 160908; Nathan Byars Lee Allen Patrick, 160832: Thomas Entrekin Timothy Alan Payne, II, 160737; John Barnwell Victor Phillips Poole, Jr., 160801: David Campbell David Michael Seales, 160738; David Lindsay Shawn Patrick Sweeney, 160800; Thomas Bullard James Andrew Tatum, 160919; Nicholas Dorsev Ralph Middleton Thomas, Sr., 160797: Holland Middleton Frank Cocke Turner, Jr., 160798: Jonas Johnston

Alaska (2)

Allen Eugene Smith, 160975; James Speed Shane Allen Smith, 160976; James Speed

Arizona (8)

William Byron Darden, II, 160739; Stephen Darden Mark Lewellyn Lindsey, 160849; Josiah Hinckley Robert George Moore, 160611; Buckner Harris Richard Lewis Terrell, 160547; Richmond Terrell Edward Leonard Westfall, 160663; Chesley Barnes Jeffry Ralph Westfall, II, 160662; Chesley Barnes Roy George Wheeler, 160613; Timothy Teall Stephen Francis Wheeler, 160612; Timothy Teall

Arkansas (2)

Lawrence Herman Averill, Jr., 160546; William S. Terhune William Dan Walker, 160740; Morgan Cryer Sr.

California (60)

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James Eugene Bare, 160804; John Rhone, Sr. George Alfred Baxter, 160618; Daniel Robertson Edward Bever, 160751: Francis Peake Jeffrey John Bock, 160683: Samuel Phillips Terry Lee Briggs, 160850; Moses Collins Ronald Stephen Brown, 160669; James Anderson Kevin Lee Brown, 160614; Josiah Smith Craig Alan Cartwright, 160977; Levi Miller Matthew James Corvella, 160678; Garland Cosby James Olen Creech, III, 160616; Abraham Shepherd Lane Robert Coston Dodson, 160835; George E. Dodson Eric Scott Dodson, 160836: George E. Dodson Lawrence Frederick Eades, III, 160837; William Blassingame George Stout Ferree, 160743; Jacob Ferree Patrick Joseph Ferree, 160746; Jacob Ferree

Charles Shannon Holmes, 160769: Daniel Strattor Howard Porter Holmes, 160749: Daniel Stratton Philip Robert Holmes, 160750: Daniel Stratton John MacLain Hunt, Jr., 160668: John Stephen Garl Gordon David Jackson, 160803: Solomon Jackson Michael Christopher Keavs, 160676: Archibald Kasson Danny Lynn Keyser, 160920; William Keyser Richard Throckmorton Knock, 160875: George Smith Spencer Ridgway Knock, 160876; George Smith Prescott Richard Knock, 160885; George Smith Robert Finnell Lockbaum, 160802; Benjamin Quinn Merle McHaley Martin, 160684; Peter Martin Leroy Frank Martinez, 160748; Juan Antonio Benavides Martin Eugene Mattern, 160664: Aaron Wood James Edward Richard Mattern, 160665; Aaron Wood Bradley Charles McGrew, 160753; Robert Mathews Bruce Kenneth McGrew, 160752; Robert Mathews David Alan McQueen, 160679; Peter Northen Mark Stephen Miller, 160672; Richard Hooper Todd David Mitchell, 160621; James Markham Timothy Douglas Mitchell, 160620; James Markham David Carleton Morse, 160667: Jonathan Peterson Ralph Milford Richmond Nelson, 160754; Abraham Hankins John Kevin Philips, 160747: David Philips Delmar Wayne Rasmussen, Jr., 160978; Oliver Cone Michael Robert Rogers, 160675; Jacob Jansen Van Meter, Sr. John Preston Sharp, 160805; Aaron Ward Marvin McPherson Shaw, 160619: Michael Yohe

Kerry Grimes, 160666; John Hulce

Peter Reading Hefler, 160680; John Arndt

Daniel James Henry, 160681: Levi Harrell





John Brantley Ferree, 160745; Jacob Ferree Steven Daniel Ferree, 160744; Jacob Ferree David Frederic Ferree, Jr., 160742; Jacob Ferree David Frederic Ferree, Sr., 160741; Jacob Ferree Patrick William Fletcher, 160677; Ebenezer Fletcher David Dale Goodson, 160671; Andrew Spear, Sr.

James Eugene Halbert, 160615; James Adams Alden Wiliam Frank Hardy, Jr., 160670; John Franklin

Richard Melton Shelby, 160674; William Candler James Alan Shepherd, 160617: Francis Browning Charles Andrew Smart, III, 160682: Timothy Tuttle Paul Mark Smith, 160944: Joseph Watt Daniel Clay Smith, 160874; John Hodge John Dahl Sybalsky, 160851; Thomas Wason/Wasson George Kirker Wyman, 160673; Mary Clark

Colorado (9)

David Brian Karr, 160854; David Snowden Edmund Powell Karr, III, 160853; David Snowden Edmund Powell Karr, Jr., 160852; David Snowden James Robert Miles, 160921; John Douthit, Sr. Chad Rvan Miles, 160922: John Douthit, Sr. Ralph Wilson Newton, 160838; Philip Houk William Warren Pearce, 160755; Isham Meador Taylor Evans Solymosy-Poole, 160756; Abijah Pool Gabriel Pattilo Wilson, 160911; Augustine Pattillo

Connecticut (8)

Roger Lee Abare, 160757; Joshua Hunt Robert Dwight Bair, 160548; Jacob Schimpf Robert Ernest Balch, 160550; Benjamin Grant James Lee Fleishell, 160878; Jacob Shank Joshua Lee Lahaie, 160758; Joshua Hunt Robert Woodrow Libby, 160979; Samuel Libby Travis Ffredryc Sirrine, 160877: Thomas Grosvenor Hebert Whitney Spiller, 160549; Samuel Spiller

Dakota (1)

Kyle David Santos, 160551; Hosea Sturtevant

Delaware (9)

Olin Sudler Allen, III, 160624: Bartholomew Adams Brian Carl Fink, 160622: Mathias Slavmaker Michael Gerald Fink, 160623: Mathias Slavmaker William Henry McCauley, 160879: Louder Louther Hearne *William Charles Neal, 160552; Bartholomew Adams Kevin Charles Rolph, 160685: Thomas Webster *Watson Van Sciver, 160626: Abraham Van Sciver, Jr. Carl David Walbeck, 160880; Joseph Benjamin Elton Winfrey White, 160625; Antoine Verdel

Florida (30)

Alvin Finnie Bellamy, 160981; Richard Bellamy Frederick Newell Boswell, 160983; Matthew Rushing Mason Lee Solow Buchanan, 160961; John Irvine Norman Francis Burke, 160964; Asher Bennett Benny Joel Davis, 160958: Harbert Tucker James Allen Davis, III, 160881; John McNitt Alexander Daniel Edward Dragonetti, 160631; Joseph Barney Theodore Matthew Duay, III, 160557; Grover L'Hommedieu Lee Everett Elder, 160973; John Elder David Andrew Herring, 160630; Robert Correy Joseph Marchand Herring, II, 160629; Robert Correy Robert Burdett Histed, 160555; Edward Histed Jimmie Ray Holder, 160759; John Buzan James Parks Honeywell, 160628; Rice Honeywell Walter Curtis Jants, 160963; Charles Allen, Sr. Robert Clyde Johnson, Jr., 160962; William Johnson Scott Greggory King, 160556; Samuel King Olin Clifton Lancaster, Jr., 160959; Nathaniel Lancaster Robert Leslie Martz, 160960; Henry Hurst

At the tender age of 102, Robert C. Dodson (center) was presented his Membership Certificate in August at his Santa Cruz home by members of the California Society's Kern Chapter. The Chapter also named him an Honorary Color Guardsman! Shown with him at the ceremony were (from left): Robert Ebert, who is serving as CASSAR Vice President-North; Trenton Spears, Secretary; Don Buck, President; and Jim Claxdon.

David Knickerbocker McCotter, 160965; James McCotter Kevin Howard McVicker, 160627; Joseph Phillips Donald Richard Middleton, 160980; Michael Whatley, Sr. Alan Dewey Murray, Jr., 160558; Levi Dewey John Beveridge Parkerson, 160982; Edward Tuck Donald Wesley Pelton, Jr., 160553; Joseph Pelton Paul Robert Schaffer, 160554; Nehemiah Spalding James Daniel Schwartz, 161005; Andrew Geist Randy Lee Stebbins, 160956; James Stebbins Scott Arthur Stebbins, 160957; James Stebbins James Pavey Stewart, 160923; John Sloan

France (1)

Philippe Choppin Haudry de Janvry, 160806; Andre Pierre Haudry de Janvry

Georgia (35)

Robert Brooks Bibb, Jr., 160760; Pleasant Terrell James Brown Cooper, IV, 160915; Joshua Hartt Tony Neal Dickerson, 160985; Joseph Deadwyler Christopher David Edmunds, 160632; James Edmunds Reuben Douglas Edmunds, 160633; James Edmunds Michael Eugene Edmunds, 160634; James Edmunds Harold Douglas Ford, 160687; Peter Hutcheson Wilbert Herman Gieseler, 160841; Frederick Dague Robert Thomason Gilchrist, 160912; John Duffey Lawrence Joseph Gothard, 160882; Stephen Darden



Douglas H. Stansberry, President of the Georgia Society's Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, recently presented a Membership Certificate to Caleb Huiet, the son and grandson, respectively, of Compatriots Ben Huiet III and Ben Huiet, Jr. Caleb is serving in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Enterprise and was home on leave at the time.

Lawrence James Gothard, 160883; Stephen Darden Archibald Little Griffin, 160560; Zacharia Harmon Michael Louis Herrig, 160698: Jacob Fortneux James Buchanan Kennedy, IV, 160686: Seth Kennedy Roger Frederick Kromann, 160843; Frederick Dague Michael John Kromann, 160844; Frederick Dague David Paul Kromann, 160842; Frederick Dague James Fredrick McEntire, Jr., 160984; Thomas Hemphill Daniel Leland Mixon, 160839; Micah Mixon Michael William O'Neill, 160559; William Walker Matthew David Palm, 160695; Gideon Ramsdell Jeffery Alan Palm, II, 160694; Gideon Ramsdell Lawrence Perry, 160913; Sherwood Holcombe Randal Paul Redner, 160691; Gideon Ramsdell Ronald Willard Redner, 160688; Gideon Ramsdell Robert William Redner, 160689; Gideon Ramsdell Richard Lee Redner, 160690; Gideon Ramsdell Todd Robert Redner, 160692; Gideon Ramsdell Troy Richard Redner, 160693; Gideon Ramsdell David Clayton Seckinger, 160884; Stephen Darden Jack Stringer Simpson, 160914; Beal Baker Ralph Blalock Taylor, 161006; Jesse Neville David Oakley Thompson, 160840; John McMullan Jack Alva Warren, Jr., 160697; Joshua Hammond Jack Alva Warren, Sr., 160696: Joshua Hammond

Illinois (26)

Thomas Dale Ashby, 160635; John Maddox Donald Francis Blessman, 160937; Philip Servis Henry Joseph Boss, 160561; Benjamin Boss, Jr. Michael Charles Buckman, 160637; Samuel Chewning Edward Wells Curtis, 160699; Leonard Henley Jay Keith Duley, 160855; Caleb Baldwin

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Indiana (6)

Dylan James Blackmer, 160889; John Turney Steven Allan Johnson, 160858; John Pound Jeffery Howard Jones, 160986; Archibald Johnson Roger Alan Rensberger, 160891; Aaron Webster, Sr. Henry Cecil Smith, 160890; James Standridge Scott Francis Wellman, 160892; Rudolph Wellman

James Scott Sykora, 160845; Joel Scott

Iowa (2)

Mark Earl Davis, 160701; Thomas Nicholas Davis Eric Austin Ries, 160702; Amos Cole

Kansas (5

Christopher Findlay Bayne, 160610; Henry Bayne Bruce Eugene Chittenden, 160763; Nathaniel Chittenden IV Brian Scott Hobbs, 160566; William Montgomery Randy Lane Lawson, 160764; Peter Mauzy James Lee Maier, 160703; Jacob Hagey

Kentucky (7)

Lee Garnett Crawford, 160705; Thomas Garnett Robert Sterling Crawford, 160706; Thomas Garnett Grafton Sharpe Harper, 160570; Nathan Harper Spencer Earl Harper, III, 160569; Nathan Harper Spencer Earl Harper, Jr., 160568: Nathan Harper Andrew Frederick Sevbert, 160704; Henry Sevbert Harlan Preston Winterberger, 160567; William Putnam

Louisiana (10)

Edmund McIlhenny Perry Burke, 161008; James Havnes James Laurence Cole, 161011; Benjamin Barton Dean Anderson Cole, 161010; Benjamin Barton Charles Thomas Downs, 160766; Edward Beeson James Talbot Downs, 160765; Edward Beeson Florent Hardy, Jr., 160707; Pierre Broussard Patrick Edward Loughlin, 160571; Adam Zerfass Patrick Edward Loughlin, Jr., 160572; Adam Zerfass Adrian Glenn Moore, 161009; Lewis Moore Frank Ray Warren, 161007; Jacob Sutton

Maryland (7)

Guy Edward Almony, Jr., 160713; David Wiley Hugh Edward Carew, Jr., 160638; Jacob Farr Anthony Raymond Coyan, 160712; Edward Coyan Thomas John Crane, 160711; Johannes March Steven Thomas Crane, 160709; Johannes March Patrick James Crane, 160710; Johannes March Walter Severn Jones, 160708; Elias Ritter

Michigan (3)

Jay Sconset Badloff, 160575: Lemuel Wood Beau Ulichen Radloff, 160574; Lemuel Wood Gerald Stewart Radloff, 160573; Lemuel Wood

Minnesota (6)

Jacob Kelly Beckel, 160579; Robert Irwin Mark Dean La Grange, IV, 160966; Isaac de La Grange Donald Eugene Manion, 160807; John Thwing Rehn Douglas Smith, 160578; Strangeman Hutchins Paul Stanley Wallace, 160576; John Wallace Paul Eugene Wallace, II, 160577; John Wallace

Mississippi (4)

Mark Edward Hines, 160810; John Wheat Brandon Michael Hines, 160811; John Wheat Larry Wilson Smith, 160808; John Wheat Richard LaVaughn Wheat, 160809; John Wheat Missouri (9) Murray Eugene Bussard, 160967; Michael Culler

Branden Bo George, 160812; John Kerr, Jr.

Gary Wayne Hood, 160767; Philemon Saunders Dorsey Eugene Levell, 160581; James Leavell Jeffrey Kevin Mickelberry, 160925; William Hurt Anton Jorgen Petersen, 160768; Michael Finfrock David Ray Propst, 160580; Martin Shobe James Mark Snedegar, 160924; Moses Fleshman Joy Eugene Whitener, 161027; Henry Whitener

Nebraska (1)

Nicholas John Mizaur, 160582; William Mitchell

Nevada (2) Shawn Patrick Faryna, 160814; Moses Hays

Henry Stanley Faryna, Jr., 160813; Moses Hays

New Hampshire (4)

Philip Maker Goodnow, 160771; Daniel Goodenow, Jr. Evan Tyler York, 161014; Jonathan Spalding Travis Christopher York, 161012: Jonathan Spalding Kyle Jonathan York, 161013; Jonathan Spalding

New Jersey (7) Eric Paul Bergh, 160715; John Haring Timothy David Bowers, 160926; Peter Robinson Shane Gregory Owens, 160774; John Owens, Sr. Edward Douglas Pierce, 160714; William Haymond Matthew Charles Stroever, 160583: William Upton Frederick Warren Thul, III, 160773; Jacob Ten Eyck, II Fredrick Warren Thul, Jr., 160772; Jacob Ten Evck, II

New Mexico (1)

Gilbert Goss Sawtelle, II, 160775; Francis Triplett

Empire State (NY) (29)

Matthew Hamilton Baxter, 161030; Cornelius Ludlow Robert Banning Baxter, 161029; Cornelius Ludlow Geoffrey Holden Bliss, 160721; Jonathan Bliss Sr. Garrett Rutherford Chaffin-Quiray, 160821; Charles Carter Patrick Blanchard Crawford, 160722; Ezekiel Knowlton Charles Benton Dygert, 160987; Peter H. Dygert Clinton Edward Dygert, 160988; Peter H. Dygert Henry Goebel, Jr., 160893; David Stow Matthew Arnold Lanckton, 160820; John Lanckton Arnold Herbert Lanckton, 160817; John Lanckton Clinton Robert Lanckton, 160819; John Lanckton Michael Francis Lanckton, 160818; John Lanckton Samuel Benjamin Lawson, 160989; Samuel Pettingell Robert Paul McCarty, 160584; Philip McCarty Robert Lee Morrill, 160846; Jacob Snell Robert Story Munson, 160991; Peter Munson Otway O'Meara Pardee, 160815; Stephen Pardee Richard Anthony Schiro, 160723; Miguel Janis Christopher Glenn Senior, 160816; Ichabod Thomas Stephen Michael Sheldon, 160969; William Rockefeller Terry Lynn Sheldon, 160968; William Rockefeller Donald Carl Webb, 160990; Benjamin Webb Mark Flack Wells, 161028: Abraham Wells Daniel Patrick Wilson, 160716: Charles Burnhan Joseph William Wilson, 160717: Charles Burnham Todd Nathaniel Wilson, 160720: Charles Burnham Robert David Wilson, II. 160718: Charles Burnham Robert David Wilson, III, 160719: Charles Burnham David Arthur Young, 161031; Daniel Bingham

North Carolina (26)

Lewis Shore Brumfield, 160724; Frederick Shore Conwill Randolph Casey, 160942; John Dowling George Warlick Clark, 161015; John Hovle Adam Lewis Coleman, 160641: Peter Pfaff William Grahl Davidson, 160860; Frederick Davidson David Michael Edwards, 160727; James Ross Newton Bramblett Griffin, 160822; Benjamin Davis Cleveland Melvin Hawkins, 160777; George Green Theodore Jack Humphrey, II, 160639; William Humphrey William Brian Mabe, 160725; Benjamin Bell John Richard Manners, 160640; John Schenck Sebastian Montagne, 160859; William Griffis, Sr. Dan Austin Nelson, 160993; John Nelson Joseph Austin Nelson, 160992; John Nelson Benjamin Daniel Nelson, 160994; John Nelson David Seth Nelson, 160995; John Nelson Matthew David Nelson, 160996; John Nelson Thomas Arnold Pugh, Jr., 160970; Thomas Pugh, Jr. Eric Timothy Reese, 160927; Hugh Kirkpatrick Jeffrey David Sauer, 160998; John Nelson Joseph Ronald Sauer, 160997; John Nelson Tony Thamer Stroupe, 160585; Jacob Stroupe William Alvin Tilghman Jr., 160726; Philip Miller Charles Thomas Williamson, 160776; William Milliken Jeffrey Lee Woodruff, 160778; William Wilkins Frank Lee Woodruff, IV, 160779; William Wilkins

Ohio (14)

Charles Allen Berry, 160783; Joseph Pendleton Kevin James Curtis, 160823; Azur Curtis(s) Robert Eugene Driscoll, 160780; William Morris, Sr. Robert Patrick Driscoll, 160782: William Morris, Sr. Stephen Eric Driscoll, 160781; William Morris, Sr. William Evan Huber, 160895; Silas Allen Brian Howard Johnson, 160642: Samuel March, Sr. Joseph Robert Morrison, 160896; Edward Morrison Paul Lester Richardson, 161018; Mordecai Amos George Sherman Smith, 161017; David Chamberlain Nathaniel George Smith, 160894: Levi Harrod Robert William Spahn, 161016; Josiah Finney Andrew William Staats, 160644: Joseph Staats William Louis Staats, 160643; Joseph Staats

Oklahoma (1)

Robert Clarke Baird, 160728; John Demarest

Oregon (4)

Richard Homer Knapp, 160945; Jacob Lash Rory Charles O'Connor, 161019; Benjamin Greer Jack William Parker, 160586; Preserved Leonard Randy Keith Witten, 160784; James Witten

Pennsylvania (20)

Michael David Cox, 160786; Amos Munroe Gary Herman Cronrath, 161020; Samuel Carpenter James Scott Curry, 161033; Nun England Matthew Blair Curry, 161034; Nun England Robert Bruce Doan, 160587; Stephen Olney Donald Fisher, Jr., 160646; Michael Sypher Lester Clay Hess, Jr., 161021; Jacob Sturm Duane Kenn Heverly, 160897; Benjamin McCarty Jeffrey Burnon Hile, 161035; John Conrad Rice Robert Lee Hile, 161036; John Conrad Rice Douglas Andrew Hufford, 160731; Laban Landon James Robert Hufford, Jr., 160730; Laban Landon James Robert Hufford, Sr., 160729; Laban Landon Douglas John Kepple, 160647; William Campbell Anthony Allen Seybold, 160649; Daniel Will Raymond Walter Sielski, 160645; Michael Nipher James Edward Tarrach, 160785; Bodo Otto, Sr. Jeffrey Bryan Widdup, 160732: Thomas Slater William Franklin Williams, 161032: Peter Sutton Kevin Alan Witmer, 160648; Samuel Miles

Rhode Island (2)

Richard Vaughan Clarke, 160971, Thomas Polk Benjamin James Pennington, 160861, John Bloodworth

South Carolina (6)

Frank William Branson, III, 161022; George Peake Allen Parrott Jeter, 160650; James Jeter Charles Smith Porter, 161023; Phillip Porter John Smythe Rich, Jr., 160588; William Richardson John Thomas Smith, 160946; Zopher Smith Douglas Winslow Williams, 160999; Thomas Williams

Tennessee (23)

Ronald John Boshart, 160862; Peter Whitmer, Sr. William Otis Brent Bowman, 160930; Hardy Murfree Joseph Hamilton Bowman, IV, 160928; Hardy Murfree Joseph Hamilton Bowman, V, 160929, Hardy Murfree Douglas Eric Carpenter, 160864; Jeremiah Carpenter Gary Clinton Chancey, 160863; David Ellington



REMEMBERING THOSE WHO CAME BEFORE - Over a long period of time the Singleton Cemetery near Sumter, South Carolina had been allowed to fall into true disarray. Then about four years ago the local Matthew Singleton Chapter decided to implement a



Richard Lewis Curtis, 160868; James Curtis Andrew James Duffel, 160943; John Mauli James Edward Farris, 160867; John Mack Jarvis Arnold Gober, 160734; William Gober Hicklin Albert Harrel, Jr. 160865: Moses Harrel, Sr. Michael Duane Hill, 160948; E. Leven Benson Joel David Maples, 160653; Jacob McClendon, Sr. Timothy Eldridge Massey, 160866; Andrew Susong



Edgar Dallery (left) observes as his grandchildren, (from his left) William Manning Dallery, Stanley MacLean Dallery and Charles Mason Dallery, are inducted by Muriel Hanna, President of the Matthew Singleton Chapter, SCSSAR.

Lawrence Howard Puckett, 161001; James Hickman Jerry Eugene Stevenson, 160947; Audley Paul Arless Edward Stonecipher, 160931; Henricus Stonecipher Gene Warren Turner, 161037; David Phillips Robert Mark Thomas Walker, 160652; Alexander McIntosh George William Nathaniel Walker, 160651; Alexander McIntosh David Heath Ward, 161000; Archelaus Hughes Jessie Vernon West, II. 160733: Willis West, Sr. Kenneth David White, 160654; Jeremiah White

Texas (40)

Larry Kit Arnold, 160898; John Arnold Martin Sessler Bachner, 160899; John Sevier Aaron Arthur Baker, 160972: Aaron Burleson Arthur Ashley Bracken, 160901; John Williams John Leonard Clanton, 160932: Charles Devereux Elvis Eugene Clardy, 160593; Michael Clardy Timothy James Cornelius, 160934; Jonas Kline Ira Carl Dorman, Jr., 160902; Grief Whittington Myles Sean Elswick, 160592; Joseph Love, Jr. Mike Ferguson, III, 161002; James Ferguson, Jr. Ryan Withington Gertz, 160594; Joseph Moseley Daryl Stephen Gray, 160933; Philippe Fontenot Franklin Delano Guest, 160974; Moses Guest Kenneth Herbert Harrington, 160903; Leeroy Taylor Allen Grady Hatley, Jr., 160659; Hezekiah Hargrave Kirkwood Smith Hawthorne, 160825; James Hawthorne Francis Earl Hawthorne, 160824; James Hawthorne Kenneth Raymond Haycock, 160655; Ralph Hacock James Alfred Javens, 160591; Sebastian Heeter Douglas Jeffrey Keyser, 160658; William Keyser

Garry Dean Victor Laine, 160935; William Covington Clay Edward Lawrence, 160904; Edward Wortham Marvin Don Majors, 160869: Samuel Wilson Jackie Dean Minze, 160596; Joseph Minzes Joe Marshall Moody, 160870; Arthur Moody Conrad Evans Newman, 160900; David Campbel Leonard Wayne Patterson, 160949; Jacob Wetzel, Sr. John Clay Patterson, 160660; Jesse Ashby Lee Ashlev Phillips, 161038; William Wels David Robert Ralston, 160950; Jacob Alderfer Jon Richard Sandidge, 160951; Claiborne Sandidge John Roger Lycurgus, 160787; James Scarborough Samuel William Smith, 161024; Macajah Mayfield Frederick Benteen Steves, Jr., 160657: Jeremiah Steves Charles Chetwynd Toole, Jr., 160656: James Toole, Sr. James Curtis Ward, 160590; William Ward Merle Frederick Ward, 160589; Thomas Ward Taylor Marshall Whichard, Jr., 160952; Christopher Slusher James Joseph Woodruff, 160871; Zachariah Brainerd James Joseph Woodruff, II, 160872; Zachariah Brainerd Robert Arnold Woodruff, III, 160873; Zachariah Brainerd Jeffrey Alan Worm, 160595; Valentine Wightman, Jr. James Arthur Worm, 160788; Valentine Wightman, Jr.

Virginia (29)

Wesley Ballard Brown, 160599; William English Harold Lee Brown, 160598; William English Mark Anthony Campbell, 160828; John Scalf Donald Harvey Campbell, 160829; James Campbell David Allen Colvin, 160606; Benjamin Lillard Kenneth Eddleman Cousins, 160603; Henry Cousins Virgil Claud Dabney, 160597; Benjamin Dabney William Castleman Dawson, 160735; Abel Kolb Robert Edgar Dunnells, 160954; Nathaniel Treadwell George Dickerson Dyer, Sr., 160830; George Dyer John Powell Ferratt, Jr., 160605; James Oast William Timothy Kelley, 160790; David Cox Marvin Douglas Lewis, 160601; Carr Bailey, Jr. James Harris McCall, Jr., 160604; James Napier Chester Lee Montgomery, 160847; Alexander Montgomer Harold Ronnie Montgomery, 160848; Alexander Montgomery Harold Vincent Motsinger, 160906; Felix Motsinger Jon Paul Parrish, 160600; Edward Richards Ronald Leon Pendleton, 160827: William Stewart Thomas Joseph Quigley, 160905; Isham Burks Dustin Christopher Reed, 160792: Richard Rilea Dale Charles Reed, 160791: Richard Rilea Christopher Tyler Scott, 160608: James Hamilton Nicholas Andrew Scott, 160607: James Hamilton *William Alfred Shearer, Jr., 161025: John Elliot Elmer Frank Smith, 160953: Heinrich Kauffer David Emerson Templeton, 160789; Patrick Porter Lester McKeen Walling, Jr., 160826; Joseph Camburn John Alan Woodard, 160602; Jonathan Moulton

Washington (3)

Mark Doherty Mitchell, 160936; Jonathan Whitaker, Jr. David Eldon Robertson, Jr., 161003; Amasa Russell Sr. Harry Sumpter Thorington, 160609; Robert McElhoes

West Virginia (1) John Erman Gygax, 160661; Jacob Bush

Wisconsin (2)

Peter Steininger Kies, 160955; Seers Harris Roland Thomas Minter, 160736; Henry Harrington, Sr.



massive restoration program to return the grounds to their former glory. These photos graphically depict what the area looked like before Compatriots went to work (left) and how their hard work paid off by May of this year (right).



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Ft. Lauderdale Chapter. Luncheon meetings on 2nd Thursday monthly at 11:30 a.m. Guests welcome. For reservations: (954) 942-3081.

Gainesville Chapter, 12:00 Noon, 3rd Monday meets every, Month, Sheraton Gainesville Hotel, 2900 SW 13th St. Info call (352) 373-7300 or (352) 377-4164.

Lakeland Chapter. Lunch mtgs, 11:30 a.m. 3rd Sat. monthly except Jun, Jul, & Aug. Cleveland Heights Golf Course. Info call 863-858-8856 or 863-533-3038. All welcome.

Naples Chapter meets at 11:30 a.m. the first Thursday of each month October - May at the Elks Lodge, 3950 Radio Road. Contact Dick Yale, phone: (239) 353-4832; e-mail: rgyale@prodigy.net

Ocala Chapter, 11:30 a.m., 3rd Wednesday monthly. Elks Club, 702 NE 25th Avenue, Ocala.

Palm Beach Chapter meets 3rd Tuesday except Jul., Aug., Sep. at the Sailfish Club, 1338 North Lake Way, Palm Beach, FL, at noon. For info call Raymond Shepley, (561) 833-2640.

Pensacola Chapter meets 11:15 am 2nd Saturday Hall's Rest, 920 E. Gregory. (850) 473-1176.

St. Augustine Chapter. Lunch meeting, 12 N. 3rd Sat. Sept-May. Info & Res: (904) 280-3013 or (904) 940-1077.

St. Lucie River Chapter. Luncheon mtgs. noon 2nd Sat. monthly, except Jun., Jul., Aug. Call President Jay F. Wise: (772) 466-1275.

Saramana Chapter: Bradenton, Sarasota and Venice. Meets Noon 2nd Friday, except July & August. Call (941) 496-8021.

ILLINOIS

Chicago Ft. Dearborn Chapter, Luncheon Meetings at noon. Union League Club -3rd Thursdays - Jan, Mar, Jul, Sep & Nov. (847) 256-0233.

NEVADA

Southern Nevada Chapter, Las Vegas, is holding a Breakfast Meeting at 9 a.m. first Sat. of each month at Denny's Rest., 3081 S. Maryland Parkway.

OHIO

Richard Montgomery Chapter, Dayton, OH. meets 1st Wed. eve each month except July and Aug. Dayton Masonic Temple (High Twelve Rm) 7:30 p.m. Call Robert Keen (937) 254-3449 for info.

OREGON

Lewis & Clark Chapter: Meet the first Saturday of each month except July & August at 11:00am. Beaverton Elks Lodge #1987, 3500 SW 104th Ave., Beaverton, OR. Phone (503) 629-5184.

PENNSYLVANIA

Philadelphia-Continental Chapter. Meetings, luncheons, dinners, and functions monthly except July and August. Tel: Lanny R. Patten, Secretary, 1306 Club House Rd., Gladwyne, PA, 19035; Ph: (610) 520-9577.

TENNESSEE

Memphis Chapter, meets the third Tuesday each month at 6:00 P.M. (901) 458-2970.

TEXAS

Dallas Chapter, meets 7:30 a.m. on second Saturday of each month at Crowne Plaza Suites, 7800 Alpha Rd., Dallas. Guests welcome.

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

Plano Chapter, meets every second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. The meeting are at Juan's Hacienda Mexican Restaurant, 300 West Plano Parkway, near Collin Creek Mall. Visitors are welcome.

Fort Worth, Maj. K.M. Van Zandt Chapter, meets 9:00 a.m. on 3rd Saturday of each month at Woodhaven Country Club, 913 Country Club Lane, Fort Worth.

VIRGINIA

Fairfax Resolves Chapter, McLean, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday, Sept.-Apr. at McLean Governmental Center, 1437 Balls Hill Road, Call John D. Pitzer, Pres. (703) 921-0145 or Richard E. Spurr, Treas. (703) 751-2829.



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