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# The **President General's Message**

# Raising Public Awareness

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your President
General. Thank you to my wife,
Karen, and our family for their
support. I would like to know
whether they tolerate my absences for
SAR travel or look forward to them.

I thank PG (2022-23) C. Bruce Pickette for his friendship and assistance in advising me this past year and for involving me in various deliberations and decisions.

Thank you also to the former PGs who have encouraged me to seek this position and mentored me along the way, especially PG (2015-16) Larry Magerkurth (1937-2022), whom we lost last year. Larry was instrumental in increasing the professionalism in SAR leadership and understanding of corporate governance, which is a key to our long-term stability.

A few housekeeping matters: Thanks to COVID-19, I am—unfortunately—still working full time. Please do not call my office, but I welcome email at johnldodd@twc.com. Generally, I will respond at the end of the day or the next morning, not instantly.

Dr. Keith Weisinger and I are in the process of finalizing the committees. I thank Keith for his attention to detail throughout this process. If there is a committee you would like to assist, please first contact the committee chair, who will relay your request to Keith and me.

Since I work on the West Coast, I can only travel the 3,000 miles for East Coast events sometimes. I aim to attend an Eastern or Central United States event every other week. Many of these events are already on the calendar. I look forward to seeing you there. This will necessitate VPGs or other General Officers to attend in my stead. Please get in touch with travel coordinator Derek Brown with your requests as soon as possible. Priority will be given to events with some "public facing" aspect.

Because of health concerns, First Lady Karen usually will not accompany me. She will be there in spirit, though, and appreciates the work of all the ladies in the states and chapters to support the SAR's projects. As a First Lady Project, she requests donations be made to the educational outreach programs at Headquarters. Karen was a teacher before becoming a lawyer. She recognizes the importance of patriotic education for our youth. The SAR hosts countless students throughout the year for \$10 a head. Hopefully, your donations will make this resource available to schools that otherwise could not participate. Megan Krebs and Rae Ann Sauer have a fund for this.

Our most recent SAR trip was some time ago. Next spring, we plan to journey to France to honor the contributions of Rochambeau. Vergennes and others. Tentative dates are April 28-May 12, so we-meaning I—can return before college graduations. We plan to see much of the countryside, including Normandy, the Loire Valley, Tours, Lyon and Dijon, and conclude in Paris. We will have some great wine, food and fellowship with our Compatriots from the France Society. Information will be available on the SAR website shortly. Traveling with compatriots is a great way to make new friends who share our common interest in history and patriotism.

I was pleased to see the [Vice President General Bradley] Hayes family host a young lady from the France Society as part of our Youth Exchange Program. Both my son, Will, and daughter Lacy participated. I highly recommend it. Compatriot Hayes has taken over as program chair and is eager to assist you with matching your children and grandchildren with a counterpart from France.

As we enter the period of the 250th Anniversary of the Revolution, we should raise public awareness of both the sacrifices of our Patriot Ancestors and the SAR.

My goals this year are modest. Please spread the word of the

sacrifices of our Patriot Ancestors and the good work you all are doing in your states and chapters. To mix Biblical metaphors: Do not hide your good works under a bushel basket but proclaim them from the rooftops.

This can start simply by wearing your SAR logo shirts and caps while running errands. Wear your SAR rosette or an America 250 pin on your sports or suit coat. These are great conversation starters and are a way to find potential members you might not otherwise contact.

States and chapters must be creative in raising the SAR's profile over the next several years. This benefits the SAR and advances our educational mission to inform the public concerning the sacrifices of our Patriot Ancestors and the current relevance of the values for which they fought.

The National Society has taken steps to raise the public profile of the SAR with the addition of Marketing and Public Relations Manager Drew Hight. The new Marketing Plan provides useful guidance to states and chapters to assist in getting out our message.

We now have active Facebook, Twitter and YouTube accounts. Each one of you should "join," "like," "follow" and/or "subscribe" to these outlets. More followers tell the algorithms that these sites are important and will direct traffic to them from folks outside the SAR. This simple act takes only minutes. Please take this message back to your states and chapters.

Each of your chapters should at least have a Facebook page, and maybe Twitter and YouTube accounts as well, depending on whether you can persuade your kids and grandkids to help set them up. :)

Each time you have an event, post on your social media about it. Send a short video to Drew for editing and posting on the National YouTube channel. We depend on the states and chapters to create the content to raise

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public awareness of the SAR and the 250th.

I also commend the work of everyone involved in publicizing the 250th Anniversary of the Revolution, particularly Cliff Olson as committee chairman and J. Howard Fisk for the website. Howard and Compatriot Eric Alford are helping with one of the highest visibility aspects of our 250th publicity. We are working with Henry Rifles to produce a special SAR tribute rifle, marking significant events in the Revolution. For those who have not seen these, go to Henry Rifle's website, www.henryusa.com, and look at the tribute editions. They are available for the Scouts, firefighters, truckers and other groups.

Our tribute model will have an etching of the SAR eagle logo on one side of the receiver and a special event etching on the other. Each rifle will be available for approximately one year. We will start with the Boston Tea Party later this year to mark that 250th Anniversary in December. Then, we will have the Lexington and Concord, Washington Crossing the Delaware, etc., on through Yorktown and maybe the Treaty of Paris, depending on sales.

We would like to have these available exclusively through Bass Pro Shops and Cabela's, featured in their Christmas catalog with a paragraph on the event and a mention of the SAR. We hope a portion of the proceeds from the sale of each rifle will go to the Foundation for the Education Center and Museum. So, guys—and ladies—get your Christmas list started. Millions will see the mention of the SAR and the 250th Anniversary in the catalog. It will be an important kickoff for the 250th Anniversary period.

I encourage you to include some public-facing aspects in everything you do. For example, you can present flag certificates to prominent businesses, issue a press release, document the presentation with photos and videos, and post those online. Offer to investigate the lineage of anyone at the business.

Document your presentation of awards for youth and first responders, send out press releases, and post the ceremony on social media. Presentation of these awards is a vehicle to inform the public, through press releases and social media, not only about the SAR and its programs but also about the upcoming 250th Anniversary of the Revolution. Again, offer to investigate the recipient's lineage.

For prominent members of your community or recipients of these awards, offer to pay their application fees and first-year dues. They may take you up on it, or they may pay anyway. You may have seen that Emmy Award-winning actor James Woods joined.

When we met to sign the application, he said thanks but would pay the fees and took out his checkbook. He asked how much. I responded \$175, or whatever it was. He joked that I should have told him \$1,000.



James Woods

Compatriot Woods has been instrumental in spreading the word about the 250th by retweeting to his 3.4 million followers the Revolutionary War and Beyond essays sent out by PG Manning and encouraging folks to be passionate about history and join the SAR and DAR. I encourage you to follow him on social media.

Compatriot Travis Tritt, a Grammy

Award-winning country music artist, tweeted about his SAR membership to more than 300,000 followers. There are several more folks in this pipeline, with hopefully even more to come as



Travis Tritt

we enter the 250th Anniversary period.

The publicity your chapter will get on social media from inducting those to whom you give awards will far outweigh the small amount the chapter advances for fees. And the new member may see fit to make a larger donation to the chapter or National Society down the road.

Whether prominent or not, welcome these new members into your

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DEREK J. BROWN

Candidate for Registrar General - NSSAR

#### **NSSAR SERVICE**

Life Member SAR / CASSAR; Inspector General; Nominating Committee: Vice President General Western District; Vice President General International District; PG Travel Coordinator; Dual Member NVSSAR, HISSAR, Germany Society, International Society (Life).

George Washington Fellow, 1776 Society, CAAH, Solid Light Plan, Façade Restoration, SARACAR, Life Member Friends of the Library, multiple donations to the Museum. Attended 8 NSSAR Congresses, 23 Leadership/ Trustee meetings, 12 Western District meetings. Attended 23 CASSAR state meetings, 4 NVSSAR state meetings, 3 HISSAR state meetings, 3

#### NSSAR COMMITTEES

Membership (Chair, past Vice-Chair); King Eagle Scout, Knight Essay, Genealogy, HQ and Maintenance, Public Service & Heroism, Council of State Presidents, Council of Vice Presidents General, GWEF Fundraising, Strategic Planning.

#### CASSAR / CHAPTER SERVICE

CASSAR - Youth Activities Director, Vice President, President; Chapter President, Registrar (current), Trustee/Alt Trustee.

#### AWARDS

Meritorious Service (gold, silver), Roger Sherman (gold, silver, bronze), Liberty (w/ olc), Lafayette (w/ gold olc), Samuel Adams Congress (bronze), Council of State Presidents (silver), America 250th (gold), Patriot Medal (CASSAR), Law Enforcement Commendation.

#### **PERSONAL**

BSEE – Washington State University, MBA – Golden Gate University, Registered Electrical Engineer (CA), Senior Consulting Engineer for PG&E (44+ years). Wife Janet (DAR, GW Fellow), Son Jeff (SAR, GW Fellow), Daughter-inlaw Kat (DAR), Daughter Allison (DAR).

Please send endorsements by Feb. 1, 2024 to PG Bruce Pickette at pickette@att.net.



# Congress Convenes in Orlando

Friday, July 14-Thursday, July 20

By Stephen M. Vest, Editor of *SAR Magazine* 

The 133rd Congress, hosted by the Florida Society, drew more than 550 compatriots, guests and dignitaries to sunny Orlando, with easy access to restaurants, shopping and the famous theme parks.

Early arrivers enjoyed a daylong trip to the Kennedy Space Center, returning to the Rosen Plaza Hotel for the welcome reception.

Following the traditional schedule, the Memorial Service was held on Sunday at St. Luke's United Methodist Church. The Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Finals highlighted Sunday night's schedule, with meetings beginning on Monday. The Youth Awards Luncheon was held Monday afternoon, and the major banquets were held Tuesday and Wednesday night.

Monday's session began with greetings from

distinguished guests and the presentation of gifts. Reports from general officers and major committees followed.

President General (2006-07) Nathan White of Texas continued his attendance streak—28 consecutive Congresses, dating back to 1996. Other Presidents General in attendance were David N. Appleby, Edward F. Butler Sr., Joseph W. Dooley, Lindsey C. Brock, Thomas E. Lawrence, J. Michael Tomme Sr., Larry T. Guzy, Warren M. Alter, John T. "Jack" Manning and Davis Lee Wright.

#### **DUE INCREASE APPROVED**

The most debated issue at the Congress was the first dues increase in a dozen years. After several amendments to the motion failed, dues were raised by \$15 (effective September 1) by more than a 10-to-1 margin.

#### **NEW OFFICERS ELECTED**

There were no contested races at this year's Congress, so all nominees advanced by acclamation, including President General John L. Dodd (California), Secretary General Darryl S. Addington (Tennessee), Treasurer General Michael J. Elston (Virginia), Chancellor General Edmon McKinley (Alabama), Genealogist General Gary O. Green (North Carolina), Registrar General William Allen Greenly (Georgia), Historian General T. Brooks Lyles Jr. (South Carolina), Librarian General J. Fred Olive III (Alabama), Chaplain General Dwight Elam (Florida) and Surgeon General David C. Chaffin (Tennessee). President General (2022-23) C. Bruce Pickette and Jeffrey D. Thomas (Virginia) were elected to the Foundation Board. Later, William Lee Popham Sr. (Florida) was elected Foundation Board president, replacing PG Dooley.

Named to the Executive Committee were Kenneth L. Goodson Jr. (Michigan), Paul C. Callanan (Michigan), William Lee Popham Sr., PG Pickette and PG Wright.

#### **BUSINESS SESSIONS CONDUCTED**

Application rates remain unchanged for 2023. Congress unanimously approved an Executive Committee recommendation to complete an office redesign project for at most \$390,000.

#### **OTHER HIGHLIGHTS**

Ohio Compatriot Tim Ward was honored for being the first-line sponsor on more than 1,000 SAR applications, the first to accomplish this feat.

U.S. Senator Rick Scott of Florida brought greetings during Tuesday's morning session and was inducted into the host Florida Society.





Above, John L. Dodd of California, with First Lady Karen, took the oath as President General during the 133rd Congress, held in Orlando, Fla. Left, from left, Brittany Austin, Director of Finance Megan Krebs and Administrative Coordinator Kelly Moore were presented the Martha Washington Medal by President General C. Bruce Pickette during the Wednesday night banquet. Other staff members honored were Senior Geneologist Denise F. Hall and Robin Christian, who also received the Martha Washington Medal; Registrar Jon Toon and Curator Zacharv Distel, the Gold Good Citizenship Medal; and Senior Director of Operations Michael Scroggins, the Gold Meritorious Service Medal.







Top, Secretary General John L. Dodd Esq. was installed as President General by outgoing PG C. Bruce Pickette and presented the ring of George Washington, above. The ring was delivered by Diane Ungvarsky, above right, the wife of outgoing Color Guard Commander [Historian General] T. Brooks Lyles Jr.

At right, Minuteman W. Lee Popham, left, of Florida introduced United States Sen. Rick Scott (R-Florida), who made comments during the Tuesday morning session. Popham also participated in Sen. Scott's induction into the Society.

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### Homily From the 133rd Congress of the SAR

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# The Real Source of Comfort

By Rev. Dr. J. Vernon Welkner III

Presidents General, honored guests and my fellow compatriots have gathered today to pay our respects to the compatriots who have departed from this life since our last National Congress. I deeply appreciate the gracious hospitality of the pastors, staff and congregation of St. Luke's United Methodist Church for permitting the use of this beautiful facility.

#### WE REMEMBER

In America, we are people who remember. As citizens of this great country, we are often called upon to remember the people and events of years past. We remember the contributions made that cause our nation to stand apart from the other nations of this world. We have designated places such as memorial highways, halls and stadiums. We have set aside large tracts of land to remind us of battles and historic events, so we do not forget the sacrifices others have made. We build memorials and monuments to encourage each other to remember.

Many of us have been inspired by the magnificent Washington Monument in Washington, D.C., built to honor our first president. We have visited the solemn temple of the Lincoln Memorial, built to remember our 16th president. Near our nation's capital, in Arlington, Va., beneath the flowing banner of our national colors is the United States Marine Corps War Memorial. There are monuments calling our attention to those who served in our nation's wars and conflicts because we are a people who remember. Stretched across this land are statues, historic markers, parks and even towns and cities named for historic figures we remember. And we should remember. A nation that fails to remember the contributions of those who came before is a nation that fails. We must remember.

It is incumbent upon me to remind you that the members of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution remember. Each of us has at least one Patriot Ancestor that we memorialized on our membership certificate. I remember Joseph McReynolds, my Patriot Ancestor who served with the North Carolina militia. Our society's great interest in ancestry and history shows that we choose to remember our Patriot Ancestors and their contributions to our great nation. We honor and memorialize our Revolutionary War Patriot Ancestors and our departed compatriots with

grave markers and other symbols of recognition. In many ways, our Society chooses to remember.

Today, we remember our departed compatriots. On this day, at this service, we have chosen to remember those compatriots who departed from our ranks since our last annual Congress. Some have been mentioned by name. Many are listed in our Memorial Service folder. All are important. Some served our National Society as officers, others as state society officers, while others served in the many chapters spread across this land. We honor them for their service and for joining us. We enjoyed their fellowship, and we are grateful for their membership. We are members of the SAR, and we remember.



St. Luke's Unted Methodist Church

# Society, Chapter and Individual Awards

The following awards were presented to state societies, chapters and individuals for various categories listed in the SAR Handbook.

# THE PRESIDENT GENERAL'S EDUCATION OUTREACH STREAMER

For compatriots of a chapter that performs a certain number of new historical presentations or performs an existing presentation in a new venue or to a new audience. Winners: Alabama — Gen. John Archer Chapter, Tennessee Valley Chapter; Colorado — Castle Rock Chapter, Mount Evans Chapter, Long Peak Chapter; Florida — Lake Sumter Chapter; Georgia — Athens Chapter, Blue Ridge Mountain Chapter, Brier Creek Chapter, Button Gwinnett Chapter, Casimir Pulaski Chapter, Coweta Falls Chapter, Little River Chapter, Lyman Hall Chapter, Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, Marshes of Glynn Chapter, Mount Vernon Chapter, Ocmulgee Chapter, Robert Forsyth Chapter, Wiregrass Chapter; Indiana — John Martin Chapter; Iowa — Central Iowa Chapter; Kansas — Delaware Crossing Chapter, Monticello Chapter, Washington Chapter; Kentucky — Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter, George Mason Chapter, Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter, Simon Kenton Chapter; Maryland — Col. Tench Tilghman Chapter, Little Meadows Chapter; Missouri - Allen Oliver Chapter, Independence Patriots Chapter, M. Graham Clark Chapter, Spirit of St. Louis Chapter; North Carolina — Alamance Battleground Chapter, Albemarle Chapter, Battle of Kings Mountain Chapter, Bethabara Chapter, Blue Ridge Chapter, Catawba Valley Chapter, Col. Alexander Erwin Chapter, Col. Daniel Boone Chapter, Gen. Francis Nash Chapter, Gen. George Washington Chapter, Halifax Resolves Chapter, Le Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, Lower Cape Fear Chapter, Lt. Col. John Phifer Chapter, Mecklenburg Chapter, New Bern Chapter, Raleigh Chapter, Salisbury Chapter, Sandhills Chapter, Western Waters Chapter, Yadkin Valley Chapter; Ohio Camp Charlotte Chapter, Cincinnati Chapter, Hocking Valley Chapter, John Hancock Chapter, Mahoning Valley Chapter, Northeastern Ohio Chapter; Pennsylvania — Continental Congress Chapter, Gen. Arthur St. Clair Chapter, George Washington Chapter; Tennessee — Isaac Shelby Chapter, John Sevier Chapter, Stephen Holston Chapter, Thomas Kilgore Chapter; Texas — Arlington Chapter, Dallas Chapter, Edmund Terrill Chapter, Freedom Chapter, Piney Woods Chapter, San Antonio Chapter; Virginia — Col. James Wood II Chapter, Col. William Grayson Chapter, Dan River Chapter, Fairfax Resolves Chapter, Fort

Harrison Chapter, Gen. Daniel Morgan Chapter, Gen. William Campbell Chapter, George Washington Chapter, James Monroe Chapter, Lt. David Cox Chapter, Norfolk Chapter, Richard Henry Lee Chapter, Sgt. Maj. John Champe Chapter.

## THE OHANESIAN HISTORY PRESENTATIONS AWARD FOR CHAPTERS

This cash award is presented to the chapters, based on membership, whose members collectively, orally make the most presentations on any aspect of the American Revolution to classes or groups in schools (K-12) in their respective geographic service area. Chapters: 10-49 members, Gen. William Campbell Chapter, Virginia; 50-99 members, Castle Rock Chapter, Colorado; 200-plus members, Cincinnati Chapter, Ohio.

#### C.A.R. ACTIVITY AWARD AND STREAMERS

To the state society that has documented their work with the Children of the American Revolution. Winners: Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Kansas, Maryland, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York (Empire State), North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Washington.

# COUNCIL OF YOUTH PROGRAMS POSTER CONTEST

The following are those societies that participated in the Americanism Poster Contest and received a participation streamer: Alabama, Arizona, California, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia.

## SGT. MOSES ADAMS MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL BROCHURE CONTEST

The following are those Societies that participated in the Sgt Moses Adams Memorial Middle School Brochure Contest and received a participation streamer: Alabama, Arizona, California, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Missouri, North Carolina, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia.

#### THE HAROLD L. PUTNAM AWARD

To the state society chairman responsible for the winner of the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest. Winner: Indiana Society.



President General C. Bruce Pickette, left, presented the Color Guardsman of the Year Award to Registrar General W. Allen Greenly, center, with Paul R. Callanan at right.

#### THE EDWIN B. GRAHAM PLAQUE

To the state society sponsoring the first-place winner of the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest. Winner: Indiana Society.

# JOSEPH S. RUMBAUGH HISTORICAL ORATIONS CONTEST

The following societies participated in the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Orations Contest and received a participation streamer: Alabama, Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Washington.

#### JOHN C. HAUGHTON AWARD

To the state society sponsoring the winner of the Enhanced JROTC Contest.

Winner: Florida SAR.

The following societies participated in the ROTC/ JROTC Contest and received a participation streamer: Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Louisiana, Maryland, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York (Empire State), North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, Wyoming.

#### THE GEORGE S. & STELLA M. KNIGHT AWARD

To the state society sponsoring the winner of the George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Contest. Winner: Alaska SAR. The following societies participated in the

George S. & Stella M. Knight Contest and received a participation streamer: Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, International, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York (Empire State), North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

#### THE MARIAN L. BROWN EAGLE SCOUT AWARD

To the state society sponsoring the winner of the Arthur M. King Eagle Scout Scholarship competition. Winner: Texas SAR. The following societies participated in the Arthur M. King Eagle Scout Scholarship competition and received a participation streamer: Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Dakota, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York (Empire State), North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Washington.

# THE THOMAS J. BOND JR. MEMORIAL PHOTOGRAPHY AWARD

A cash award to the compatriot presenting the best photograph depicting the spirit of patriotism. Winner:

Carleton Webster of the New Bern Chapter, North Carolina.

#### THE WINSTON C. WILLIAMS SAR MAGAZINE AWARD

To the compatriot or society that was the most cooperative in supplying usable magazine material. Winner: Virginia. Runner-up: Washington.

#### THE JENNINGS H. FLATHERS AWARD

A cash award to the state society with fewer than 500 members with the best news publications. Winner: *The Utah Patriot* of the Utah SAR, Bill Simpson, editor. Honorable Mention: *The Husker Patriot* of Nebraska SAR, co-editors William Webb and Paul Burright.

#### THE ELEANOR SMALLWOOD NIEBELL AWARD

A cash award to the state C.A.R. society and local C.A.R. society who have been judged to have the best newsletter by the guidelines set up by the N.S.C.A.R. State Winner: California Society C.A.R. Chapter: Lexington Battle Green Society of the Massachusetts Society C.A.R.

#### THE PAUL M. NIEBELL SR. AWARD

A cash award to the state society of 500 or more members with the best news publications with fewer than 10 pages. Winner: The Bulletin, Virginia, William Carpenter, editor. Honorable Mention: Missouri Compatriot Newsletter, Dan Evans, editor.

#### THE GRAHAME T. SMALLWOOD JR. AWARD

A cash award to the state society of 500 or more members with the best news publications with more than 10 pages. Winner: *The Old North State*, North Carolina, Joe P. Sutton, editor. Honorable Mention: *The California Compatriot*, Donald Littlefield, editor.

#### THE CARL F. BESSENT AWARD

A cash award to the editor of the most outstanding chapter newsletter. Single sheet: *Gen. Andrew Lewis Chapter Newsletter*, West Virginia, Thomas Galloway, editor. Honorable Mention: *Frontier Patriots*, Pennsylvania, Larry Smith, editor.

Multiple sheet (cash award): The Magazine, Williamsburg Chapter, Virginia, Dave Westenberger, editor. Honorable Mention: The General's News, Gen. Joseph Bartholomew Chapter, Illinois, J. Gordon Bidner, editor.

#### COL. STEWART BOONE McCARTY AWARD

A cash award to the compatriot who has best preserved the United States history and its traditional teachings in our schools. Winner: R. Douglas Roush of the Clarence A. Cook Chapter, Indiana.

# THE MINNESOTA SOCIETY STEPHEN TAYLOR AWARD

To the compatriot, who has made a distinguished contribution to preserving the history of the American Revolutionary era and its Patriots through his research and writings. Winner: James Bish of the Culpeper Minutemen Chapter, Virginia.

#### THE WILLIAM M. MELONE AWARD

To the state society with the largest number of new and approved supplemental memberships. Winner: Texas with 192. Runner-up: California with 129.

#### THE MATTHEW SELLERS III AWARD

To the Vice President General who made the best percentage over quota, based on last year's membership results. Winner: International District with 20.41 percent, Kenneth L. Goodson Jr., VPG; Runner-up: Pacific District with 16.07 percent, Viren Lemmer, VPG.

#### THE RICHARD H. THOMPSON JR. AWARD

To the society which, at year's end, has the smallest number of members dropped from the rolls for nonpayment of dues. Winners: Germany, Hawaii, and Spain societies with zero drops.

#### THE KENTUCKY CUP

To the membership chairman of the state society enrolling the largest percentage of new members. Winner: Canada with 30.77 percenr. Runner-up: New Hampshire with 27.92 percent.

#### THE EUGENE C. McGUIRE AWARD

To the state society enrolling the largest number of sons, grandsons and nephews of SARs and DARs. Winner: Texas with 214. Runner-up: Florida with 176.

#### THE DAR/SAR MEMBERSHIP AWARD

This award has been restructured to offer two groups of winners.

A cash award to the DAR state society with the most submitted and approved SAR members. Winner: North Carolina Society DAR with 123. Runner-up: Texas Society DAR with 121. Third place: Georgia Society DAR with 72.

A cash award to the state society with the highest percentage of recruiting approved SAR members compared to the SAR state society's membership. Winner: North Carolina Society DAR with 9.09 percent. Runner-up: Oklahoma Society DAR with 5.66 percent. Third place: Texas Society DAR with 4.65 percent.

## THE ARTHUR J. TREMBLE AWARD - 1776 TROPHY

To the state society that reinstated the largest number of dropped and resigned members. Winner: Texas with 305. Runner-up: Florida with 109.

#### THE WALTER G. STERLING AWARD

To the state society enrolling the largest number of new members, transferred from the C.A.R. Winners: Alabama and North Carolina with four each.

#### THE LEN YOUNG SMITH AWARD

To the state society that enrolled the largest number of new members under 40 years of age. Winner: Texas with 153. Runner-up: Florida with 127.

#### THE OHIO AWARD

To the state society enrolling the highest percentage of new members under 30 years of age. Winner: Wyoming with 100 percent. Runnerup: France with 77.78 percent.

# THE COLORADO AWARD

To the state society with the highest percentage of membership increase among states with more than 100 members. Winner: New Hampshire with 25.89 percent. Runner-up: Utah with 15.56 percent.

#### THE TEXAS AWARD

To the state society with the highest percentage of increase in membership among states

with fewer than 100 members. Winner: Hawaii with 20 percent. Runner-up: Spain with 17.65 percent.

#### THE HOUSTON CHAPTER AWARD

To the state society that enrolled the largest percentage of new members transferred from the C.A.R. Winner: Colorado with 5.66 percent. Runner-up: District of Columbia with 4.55 percent.

#### THE ROBERT L. SONFIELD AWARD

To the state society with the largest numerical increase of members at the end of the membership year. Winner: Florida with 96. Runner-up: New Hampshire with 51.

#### THE SENATOR ROBERT A. TAFT AWARD

To the state society enrolling the largest number of new members. Winner: Texas with 349. Runner-up: Florida with 298.

#### THE LIBERTY MEDAL AWARDS

The Bronze Liberty Medal is presented to those compatriots who have recruited 10 new members over a period of time.

Those receiving additional Liberty awards receive oakleaf clusters that are shown in parentheses: James R. Ainsley, Dennis R. Amos, Walter B. Arnold Jr., William R. Aurand, Dennis M. Beckham, William E. Behnke Sr., Maynard H. Berryman, Robert V. Blackwell, Charles W. Burton Jr., Jeffrey B. Case, Paul E. Cashion, Toby L. Chamberlain, Joseph L. Clancy, Neal A. Clark, Donald R. Denning Jr., Thomas F. Fitzgerald, John R. Foster, Thomas J. Galloway, John E. Haas, Chad S. Henson, Joel P. Hinzman, Jerry L. S. Hjellum, Craig S. Isaacson, Philip E. Johnson, Kevin L. Kanter, Martin L. Keesecker, Donald E. Knaus, John C. Laflin, John T. Lansing, Richard R. Leber, Lorance D. Lisle, Don M. Loper, DeCody B. Marble, Dennis



Left, PG Pickette presented the Len Young Smith Award to Jim Kuykendall of the Texas Society.

K. McIntire, Edmon H. McKinley, Joseph D. McMichael, Charles H. N. Meagher, Thomas E. Milson, Richard D. Moody, Mark G. Morgan, Jeffery W. Nolen, Paul A. Ocker, Timothy E. Ogline, Hal H. Pennington, Robert B. Pope Jr., Thomas B. Rhodes III, Charles E. Rice, Harry L. Rinker (9), William O. Ritchie Jr., Marc E. Robinson, David R. Robison, Gregory E. Smith, Bruce A. Taylor, David C. Thomas, William S. Thorne III, Brandon A. Villardi, Joshua B. Wallace, Carter J. Wood, John C. Workman.

Those who have received the Bronze Liberty Medal in a previous year and have recruited an additional 10 or more new members received oak-leaf clusters: Charles A. Adams II, David A. Alls, David N. Appleby, Thomas D. Ashby (2), Randolph G. Atkins Jr., James G. Auber, George G. Baggett, M. Troy C. Bailey (2), David C. Bailey Sr., James K. Barksdale, Ronald A. Bearden, Michael M. Black, Michael J. Blythe (2), Duane P. Booth, Donald A. Bradley, Terry L. Briggs, Weldon B. Brock, Charles K. Brown (5), Derek J. Brown, Stephen C. Brown, James W. Brush, Kenneth A. Buckbee, Paul H. Burright, Duane E. Carter (2), Ray V. Cassell II, James G. Catledge, James G. Chandler (2), Robert S. Cohen, Joseph C. Conger, David E. Cook (2), Roger W. Coursey (3), John H. Coutts, Craig A. Crow (2), Charles N. Dammann (2), Ernest R. Davis Sr. Michael L. Deeter, James A. DeGroff Jr. (2); Harinder S. Dhindsa (2), Andrew S. Doss, Don N. Drewry (2), Thomas L. Dunne (2), Vincent C. Dwyer III, Bobby J. Ervin, Gary R. Fague (2), Jim L. W. Faulkinbury, John E. Fine, Robert B. Fish Jr., Joseph B. Fitzpatrick (2), Douglas L. Frazer, Henry D. Fry, Steven A. Gaines, Jessie L. Hagan, David C. Hamaker, Richard L. Hartinger, J. Edward Lary Jr., Russell N. Haynes, Garry A. Heagy, Stewart L. Herron, James S. Hinson Sr., Edward E. Hitchcock, Steven C. Hodges, Alfred P. Honeywell (3), Wayne K. Hood III, Dennis L. Hopper, James L. Howard Jr. (2), Bobbie A. Hulse, Gerald W. Irion, Connor L. Jackson, Hans E. Jackson (6), Thomas

I. Jackson, Christopher J. Jenner, Gary D. Jensen, Michael E. Johnson, Ronald E. Jones (2), Donald L. Kellogg, Daniel W. Kraft (2), John E. Kraft, Frederick D. Learned (2), Ricky J. Longton, Roger B. Loomis, Robert E. Lybarger (2), Michael L. Mankin, John T. Manning, James B. McClure II, Thomas J. McCormick, Charles A. McGee (2), Joseph B. McMullen, Richard L. McReynolds, Michael D. C. Merryman, Stephen J. Miller, Timothy E. Mills, John H. Moore (4), Michael E. Moore, James A. Morock Sr., Randall S. Morris, Arthur G. Munford, Emory D. Neal (2), Gary R. Neal (2), Paul D. Nichols, David A. Noble, Clifford J. Normand, Clifford C. Olsen, William H. Raper, Robert M. Ray, William C. Regli, Donald F. Reynolds, Robert A. Rice (5), William E. Richburg Sr., Eric D. Richhart (2), Edward P. Rigel Sr., John J. Robinson, Richard J. Rossin (2), Michael J. Rowley, Henry L. Ruf III (2), James M. Ruff Jr., Glenn W. Russell Jr., Bruce A. Ryno, John C. Sassaman (3), John A. Schatzel (4), Brian G. Schilling, Barry F. Schwoerer, William L. Sekel Jr., Harry D. Sessaman, William E. Sharp III, John C. Sheldon, Richard M. Sherman, De Saussure D. Smith III (3), Leon L. Smith Jr., Christopher T. Smithson (2), David N. Spooner, Kenneth R. Stevens, Larry G. Stevens, Ethan A. Stewart Sr. (3), Stephen P. Stewart (2), George A. Stickney (2), Owen R. Stiles, Roger K. Swim, Thomas M. Taimi (2), John R. Taylor Jr., George E. Thurmond, James J. Thweatt (2), Clarence A. Tillery, Eric H. Troutman, Neil A. Vernon (2), Stephen M. Vest, Jacob A. Vink, Charles R. Wagner (4), Bryan W. Wampler, Timothy E. Ward (7), William M. Wheeler, Nathan E. White Jr., Robert A. Whitehead Sr. (3), Turner L. Wilkerson III, Gary L. Gillette, Earl Gillian Ir., Gary O. Green, Timothy D. Green, David J. Perkins (2), Steven G. Perkins, Jerry W. Pinkerton, David L. Powell, Rodney J. Wilson, Reeves R. D. Winn, David M. Witter Jr. (2), Walter R. Young Sr.

Additional levels of the Liberty Medal were added this year, representing sponsorship over time, and are reached when the Liberty Medal recipient crosses both the threshold of his next Liberty Medal and the new category of the Liberty Medal.

The first of the new categories is the Silver Liberty Medal, presented to those compatriots who, through their continued efforts, have sponsored more than 100 new compatriots: Thomas D. Ashby, George G. Baggett, Terry L. Briggs, Kenneth A. Buckbee, Charles N. Dammann, Don N. Drewry, Bobby J. Ervin, Jim L. W. Faulkinbury, Joseph B. Fitzpatrick, Gerald W. Irion, Daniel W. Kraft, Clifford J. Normand, Harry L. Rinker, Michael J. Rowley, Barry F. Schwoerer, Thomas M. Taimi, Neil A. Vernon, Robert A. Whitehead Sr.

The Gold Liberty Medal is presented to compatriots who have sponsored more than 200 new compatriots: Duane P. Booth, James G. Chandler, David E. Cook, Robert B. Fish Jr., Jessie L. Hagan, Hans E. Jackson, Eric D. Richhart, Richard J. Rossin, John C. Sassaman, De Saussure D. Smith III.

#### FLORENCE KENDALL AWARD

To the top three compatriots who recruited the largest number of the new members. First place: Harry L. Rinker of Florida, 101. Second place: Timothy E.

Ward of Ohio, 73. Third place: Charles K. Brown of Pennsylvania, 54.

#### **COLOR GUARDSMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD**

To the compatriot who is the best representative of color guards and the best example of service to the ideals of the SAR by his service as a color guardsman. Winner: W. Allen Greenly, Georgia SAR.

#### GENERAL WILLIAM C. WESTMORLAND AWARD

To the outstanding SAR Veterans Volunteer for service to veterans. Winner: Dale E. Corey, Virginia SAR.

#### THE USS STARK MEMORIAL AWARD

To the chapters and state society with the best service record to veterans during the past year.

Chapters: 0-49 members, Highlanders Chapter, Ohio; 50-99 members, New Bern Chapter, North Carolina; 100-199 members, Brevard Chapter, Florida; 200-plus members, Central Iowa Chapter, Iowa.

State society: 15-999 members, Iowa; 1,000-plus members, Georgia. Honorable mention, North Carolina.

#### STATE VETERANS SERVICE AWARD

To the state society based upon the percentage of their chapters submitting reports for the USS Stark Memorial Award.

Winners: Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Germany, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Ohio, Tennessee, Virginia, Wyoming.

#### THE SYRACUSE AWARD

To the state society with the most new chapters. Winners: International and Michigan with two new chapters each.

#### THE ROBERT B. VANCE AWARD

To the state society and chapter presenting the best example of an SAR website during the year, based on established criteria. State society winner: South Carolina. Chapter winner: Raleigh Chapter, North Carolina.

#### THE HOWARD F. HORNE JR. AWARD

A cash award to the society with the largest percentage increase of George Washington Fellows based on a percentage of total membership. Winner: Nevada SAR.

#### THE WALTER BUCHANAN MEEK AWARD

A cash award to the society that has recruited the most new George Washington Fellows: Winner: Nevada SAR.

#### THE FRANKLIN FLYER AWARD AND STREAMER

A cash award to the state society, based upon membership, with the largest recruitment of Friends of the Library as a percentage increase compared to the state society's membership as of Dec. 31 of each year. Winners: 15-199 members, Hawaii SAR; 200-499 members, Delaware SAR; 500-999 members, New Jersey SAR; 1,000-plus members, Georgia SAR.

## REGISTRAR GENERAL'S AWARD FOR RETENTION

This award is presented to the three state societies with the highest ranking within their size category for retention of members of the past five years.

Winners: fewer than 100 members, International SAR with 28.53 percent; 101-499 members, New Hampshire SAR with 10.14 percent; 500-plus members, Michigan SAR with 5.58 percent.

# THE GENEALOGIST GENERAL'S AWARD

This award is presented to the three state societies with the lowest percentages of pended applications for the year. Winner: Alabama SAR. Runner-up: Rhode Island SAR. Third place: Oregon SAR.

# THE ADMIRAL WILLIAM R. FURLONG MEMORIAL AWARD AND STREAMERS

To the state societies which have fulfilled the qualifications of awarding Flag Certificates during the previous year. Winners: Colorado, Connecticut, Georgia, Idaho, Iowa, Maryland,

Massachusetts, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Virginia, Washington State

Those societies with 100 percent involvement of their chapters in the Admiral William Furlong Memorial Award received a special recognition this year with an additional certificate: Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Oklahoma, Virginia.

#### U.S. FLAG RETIREMENT AWARD

To the state societies with at least 50 percent of its chapters presenting at least one NSSAR U.S. Flag Retirement Certificate to a person or organization who qualifies during the previous calendar year. Winners: Colorado, Georgia, Missouri, New Jersey, North Carolina, Virginia.

## THE LIBERTY BELL AMERICANISM AWARD AND STREAMER

To the chapter, based on size, presenting evidence of best implementing SAR resolutions and principles. Winners: 10-49 members, Sgt. Maj. John Champe Chapter, Virginia SAR; 50-99 members, New Bern Chapter, North Carolina SAR; 100-199 members, Col. James Wood II Chapter, Virginia SAR; 200-plus members, Cincinnati Chapter, Ohio SAR.

## THE ALLENE WILSON GROVES AWARD AND STREAMER

To the state society, based on size, that presents evidence of best implementing SAR resolutions and



Left, PG Pickette presented a Florence Kendall Award to Timothy Ward, who recruited 73 new SAR members. Compatriot Ward is the first Compatriot to recruit more than 1,000 members.

principles. Winners: 15-199 members, Nebraska SAR; 200-499 members, Washington SAR; 500-999 members, Missouri SAR; honorable mention, Maryland SAR; 1,000-plus members, Virginia SAR.

#### OFFICERS' STREAMER AWARD

To state societies whose president and national trustees have attended both preceding trustees' meetings and the previous Annual Congress. Winners: Alabama, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia.

# PRESIDENT GENERAL'S STATE SOCIETY AND CHAPTER ACTIVITIES COMPETITION AWARDS

Chapters: 10-49 members, Sgt. Maj. John Champe Chapter, Virginia SAR; 50-99 members, Robert Rankin Chapter, Texas SAR; 100-199 members, Freedom Chapter, Texas; 200-plus members, Tennessee Valley Chapter, Alabama SAR.

States: 15-199 members, International SAR; 200-499 members, Washington SAR; 500-999 members, Maryland SAR; 1,000-plus members, Virginia SAR.

#### THE PRESIDENT GENERAL'S CUP

Presented to the chapter, based on size, presenting evidence of the complete program of activities. Chapters: 1-49 members, Sgt. Maj. John Champe Chapter, Virginia; 50-99 members, New Bern Chapter, North Carolina; 100-199 members, Col. James Wood II Chapter, Virginia; 200-plus members: Tennessee Valley Chapter, Alabama; Honorable mention, Fairfax Resolves Chapter, Virginia.

# 2023 Minutemen Inducted

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he Minuteman is the most prestigious NSSAR award. The National Executive Committee established the award in 1951. Only compatriots with distinguished and exceptional service to the NSSAR may be recognized. A member may receive the award only once.

The Minuteman Award was first presented at the 1952 National Congress to former President General Benjamin H. Powell of Texas. The award, given to a maximum of six recipients yearly, has been presented annually since 1952. A total of 431 compatriots have been recognized with the Minuteman Award.

To receive this prestigious award, the compatriot must attend the National Congress. A previously honored Compatriot Minuteman escorts each honoree.

The ceremony paused for a moment of silence in honor of the Minutemen who have passed away in the past year. They included: Richard E. Willson of Ohio (Class of 1983), President General (2011-12) Larry J. Magerkurth of California (Class of 2008), Richard D. Brockway of West Virginia (Class of 2009), Col. Peter K. Goebel of New York (Class of 2009), Donald W. Baldwin of Virginia (Class of 1970), and James C. Fosdyck of California (Class of 2022).

Many Minuteman Award winners were in attendance. The senior Minuteman was William T. Allgood of the South Carolina Society (Class of 1995).

#### The Class of 2023

☆ ROBERT B. FISH JR. of the West Virginia Society was escorted by President General Larry T. Guzy of Georgia (Class of 2006).

Compatriot Fish has served the National Society as Genealogist General, Vice President General for the Central District, and a member of the Nominating Committee. He has served as National Trustee and Alternate Trustee for the West Virginia Society.

Compatriot Fish has served on the following committees: the Genealogy Committee for 12 years, serving as chairman for four of those years; the Medals and Awards, the Information Technology, and the Bylaws, Rules and Resolutions committees for seven years each; the Veterans Committee for two years; and the Historic Sites and Celebrations, SAR Magazine, Genealogy Research System, and Digitization committees for one year each.

He also served as the President General's Committee Coordinator for a term.

Compatriot Fish has sponsored 212 new members.

As Genealogist General, Compatriot Fish utilized technology to host a series of Zoom sessions called Genealogy FAQ. Also, during his term, he realized the Liberty Medal recipients were a significant group in pursuing new members. He pursued the additional rankings of the Liberty Medal of silver and gold levels to increase the recognition of those who continue to generate membership in the SAR.

As chairman of the Genealogy Committee, he initiated the process of a written "Genealogy Policy Manual" and the "Application Preparation Manual," neither existing before then and which have become the "go-to" references in use today.

Compatriot Fish has attended 12 Congresses and 20 National Leadership Meetings.

He is a George Washington Fellow, a Life Member of the Friends of the Library, and a contributor to the the SAR Conference of the American Revolution and the SAR Education Center and Museum.

☆ KENNETH L. GOODSON JR. of the Michigan Society was escorted by Paul R. Callanan, Minuteman Class of 2017.

Compatriot Goodson has served the National Society as a Vice President General for the International District for two terms and as a member of the Executive Committee and the Nominating Committee. He has served as a National Trustee for two terms and Alternate Trustee for the Michigan Society.

Compatriot Goodson has served on the following committees: the Headquarters Maintenance Committee for five years, serving as chairman for four of those years; the Color Guard Committee for five years, serving as adjutant; the American History Teacher Award Committee for five years, serving as vice chairman for four of those years; the C.A.R. Liaison Committee for three years; the Rumbaugh Orations Contest Committee for two years, serving as vice chairman for one of those years; the Knight Essay Contest Committee for two years; the special Second Floor Buildout Committee for two years; the Council of Vice Presidents General for two years; the SAR Education Center and Museum Buildout Committee for one year; and the Executive Director Search Committee.

Compatriot Goodson served as the President General's Travel Coordinator and the President General's Committee Coordinator for multiple terms. He also oversaw the development and implementation of the restoration of the Headquarter Building Façade. He worked out the details and gained Trustee approval to install an additional elevator. Another project was the development of a change to the layout of the Headquarters offices to allow for further growth. He has sponsored six new members and worked to establish three chapters: the Colonel Wistnedge Chapter, Michigan Society; the Pax Sinica Chapter in Taiwan; and the United Kingdom Chapter under the International Society.

Compatriot Goodson has attended five Congresses and eight National Leadership Meetings. He is a George Washington Fellow and a contributor to the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest, the Arthur M. and Berdena King Eagle Scout Program, the George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Contest, the Outstanding JROTC Cadet Award, the Museum Board Fund, the Color Guard Trust Fund, and the SAR Education Center and Museum.

★ W. ALLEN GREENLY of the Georgia Society was escorted by President General (2016-17) J. Michael Tomme Sr., Minuteman Class of 2013.

Compatriot Greenly has served the National Society as the Registrar General and as the Vice President General of the South Atlantic District for two terms. He has also served as the Georgia Society's National Trustee and Alternate Trustee.

Compatriot Greenly has served on the following committees: the Color Guard Committee for 13 years; the

Flag Committee for nine years, serving as vice chairman for one of those years; the Americanism, Eagle Scout, and Medals and Awards committees for seven years each; the Membership and Retention Committee for seven years, serving as vice chairman for that term; the Congress Planning and Information Technology committees for six years each; the SAR Implementation Committee for five years; the Council of State Presidents for five years; the Branding and Engagement Committee for five years, serving as chairman during those five years; the SAR Handbook Committee for five years, serving as vice chairman and then chairman for one year each; the Protocol Committee for three years; and the Council of Vice Presidents General for two years.

Compatriot Greenly initiated the Logo Contest to develop the new SAR logo. He also was instrumental in developing a bin program for collecting unserviceable United States flags.

He is the first-line sponsor of 49 new members and assisted in founding the Robert Forsyth Chapter in Georgia. Compatriot Greenly has attended eight Congresses, including as co-host chairman of the 132nd Congress in Savannah, Ga., and 19 National Leadership Meetings. He is a George Washington Fellow, a Life Member of the Friends of the Library, and an SAR Education Center and Museum contributor.



From left, W. Lee Popham Sr., C. Louis Raborg Jr., W. Allen Greenly, Robert B. Fish Jr., Kenneth L. Goodson Jr. and David G. Jessel.



# The recipients of the most prestigious award of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

☆ DAVID G. JESSEL of the Georgia Society was escorted by David J. Perkins, Minuteman Class of 2021.

Compatriot Jessel has served the National Society as a member of the Nominating Committee. He has served as a National Trustee for four terms and an Alternate Trustee for four terms representing the Germany Society.

Compatriot Jessel has served on: the ROTC/JROTC and Service Academies Committee for 15 years, serving as vice chairman for four years and chairman for three of those years. During his tenure, he developed the JROTC Endowment Fund Medal, grew the endowment fund by more than \$45,000, and created the JROTC Lapel Pin for gifts of smaller amounts.

Compatriot Jessel has also served on the Veterans Committee for 15 years; the Americanism and Patriotic Outreach committees for 12 years each; the Council of State Presidents for 11 years; the Veterans Recognition Committee for 10 years; the Protocol Committee for seven years; the Council of Youth Programs for seven years, serving as vice chairman for one year; and the America 250th SAR Committee for five years.

Compatriot Jessel was instrumental in implementing a new award for the Merchant Marine Academy in honor of Captain Ramsey of the Pennsylvania SAR.

Compatriot Jessel is the first-line sponsor of 71 new members. He has attended 13 Congresses and 28 National Leadership Meetings.

Compatriot Jessel is a George Washington Fellow and a contributor to the JROTC Endowment Fund, the George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Contest, the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest, the Americanism Youth Endowment Fund, and the SAR Education Center and Museum.

☆ W. LEE POPHAM SR. of the Florida Society was escorted by President General C. Bruce Pickette, Minuteman Class of 2017.

Compatriot Popham has served the National Society as a member of the Executive Committee, the Nominating Committee, and the SAR Foundation Board for a three-year term. He has also served as a National Trustee for the Florida Society for two terms.

Compatriot Popham has served on the following committees: the Eagle Scout Committee for eight years; the America 250th SAR Committee for seven years; the Budget Committee for seven years, serving as vice chairman for one year, chairman for five years and co-chairman for one year; the Finance Committee for seven years, serving as vice chairman for five years; the Strategic Planning Committee for six years, serving as the vice chairman for one year and chairman for four

years; the Newsletters and Publications Committee and the Records Digitization Committee for five years each; the Council of State Presidents for four years, serving as assistant secretary for one year; the National Dues Billing Task Force for four years, serving as chairman all four years; the Investment, Congress Planning, and Human Resources committees for two years each; and the Headquarters Building and Maintenance Committee for one year.

He is the first-line sponsor of 25 new members. Compatriot Popham has attended seven Congresses and 15 National Leadership Meetings and has made many trips to Headquarters for budget and SAR Foundation meetings.

He assisted in reviving the National Color Guard event, Battle of Pensacola, after several years of inactivity.

He is a George Washington Fellow and a contributor to the JROTC Endowment Fund, the Arthur M. and Berdena King Eagle Scout Fund, the Youth Awards Fund and other contests, and the SAR Education Center and Museum.

☆ C. LOUIS RABORG JR. of the Maryland Society was escorted by President General Warren M. Alter, Minuteman Class of 2014.

Compatriot Raborg has served the National Society as Vice President General of the Mid-Atlantic District for two terms. He served as a Trustee and Alternate Trustee for the Maryland Society.

Compatriot Raborg has served on the Americanism Committee for 15 years, serving as a vice chairman for two years and chairman for four years. During his tenure, he developed the Americanism Poster Contest Endowment Fund Medal.

Compatriot Raborg has also served on the Color Guard Committee for 15 years, serving as vice commander for one year and commander for two years; the Education Outreach Committee for eight years; the America 250th SAR Committee for seven years; the Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee for four years, serving as vice chairman for four years; the Counsel of Youth Programs for four years; the Congress Planning Committee for three years; and the Council of Vice Presidents General for two years.

Compatriot Raborg is the first-line sponsor of 20 new members. He has attended 13 Congresses and 21 National Leadership Meetings. He is a George Washington Fellow and a contributor to the Americanism Poster Contest Endowment Fund, the Color Guard Fund, the Sgt. Moses Adams Brochure Contest Fund, and the SAR Education Center and Museum.

### Wm. LEE POPHAM, Sr.

# Candidate for *TREASURER GENERAL* 2024 – 2025

#### NATIONAL SOCIETY

- Executive Committee Member 2022 2024
- President 2023, SAR Foundation Board 2021 2024
- Chairman, SAR Budget Committee 2016 2022 (Vice Chairman 2022–2023, Member 2023-2024)
- Chairman, Strategic Planning Committee 2019 2023 (Vice Chairman 2018 - 2019)
- Vice Chairman, Finance Committee 2018 present
- Council of State Presidents Asst Secy. 2021 2022
- Leadership Conferences & Congresses 2015 present
- Committee Memberships:
   Eagle Scout (since 2015); Finance (since 2015);
   Budget (since 2016); Investments (2017-2018);
   America 250 (since 2016); Strategic Planning (since 2017); Newsletters & Publications (since 2018);

Council of State Presidents (2018-2022); Congress Planning (2019-2021); Human Resources (since 2021)

 Contributor – Liberty Tree Campaign. Friends of Library George Washington Endowment Fellow (GWEF); ROTC-JROTC Endowment; King Eagle Scout Fund; Knight Essay Fund; Rumbaugh Orations Fund; Americanism and Tomme-Leed Youth Funds

#### FLORIDA SOCIETY

- National Trustee 2021 2023
- President 2019 2020
- Officer/Committee Chairman positions 2015 Present
- Sons of Liberty Brigade Color Guard 2014 Present

#### **CHAPTER**

Miami Chapter (est. 1893), Miami, FL

- President 2015 2017
- Officer/Committee Chairman Positions 2013 Present

#### **SAR AWARDS AND MEDALS**

- Minuteman Class of 2023
- Military Service Medal
- Distinguished Service Medal (National, State, Chapter)
- Meritorious Service Medal (Gold-2, Silver, Bronze)
- Roger Sherman Medal (Gold-2, Silver-3, Bronze-4)
- Liberty Medal (Bronze–2)
- Color Guard Medal (Silver, Bronze)
- Lafayette Volunteer Service Medal (3)
- Samuel Adams Congress Medal (Silver, Bronze)
- Council of State Presidents (CoSP) Medal (Gold, Silver)
- Patriot Medal, Class of 2021
- Good Citizenship Medal (Silver, Bronze)
- Robert E. Burt BSA Volunteer Award Medal
- C.A.R.-SAR Medal of Appreciation (Bronze)
- · NSSAR Tribute to Scotland Medal



#### **PROFESSIONAL**

- Financial Operations Executive real estate and recreational rental industry; Mergers & Acquisitions; Roll-Ups.
- Former CPA Partner, KPMG
- Past Board of Directors two NASD & AMEX publicly traded companies, and two financial institutions
- Several Endowment and Investment Committee fiduciary positions

#### **EDUCATION**

- Duke University, Durham NC 1971; AB;
  - Management Sciences & Accounting
- University of Miami School of Law, Coral Gables, FL 1976; Juris Doctor

# ORGANIZATIONS & PROFESSIONAL AFFILATIONS

- Past National Treasurer, U.S. Power Squadrons America's Boating Club
- BSA Natl Sea Scout Committee; Alt. SAR Rep, Community Relationships Comm; Natl Sea Base Com.; Natl, Regional, & Council Venturing Leadership Awards; Silver Beaver Award; 3 Community Award Medals (SAR, Masons, U.S. Power Squadrons)
- Master Mason -32° KCCH Scottish Rite; Knight Templar; National Sojourner; MAHI Shriner; York Rite College; MI-AM-I Grotto
- Past Elder, Riviera Presbyterian Church
- Past Sr President, Tequesta Society C.A.R.

#### **PERSONAL**

- Lee & Laura live in South Miami, FL
- Enjoys Cruising Boat; Car; M/C; RV
- Six children and Six Grandchildren:
  - ~ 10 SAR Compatriots (6 Junior)
  - $\sim 2$  Memorials
  - ~ 3 DAR Daughters
  - ~ 8 C.A.R. Society Members

Please send endorsements by 01 February 2024 to PG Bruce Pickette at Pickette@att.net.



# **Key Events** in United States Military History

he Veterans Committee, as part of its ongoing mission to promote support for veterans, is pleased to announce a new resource for SAR members.

Compatriot Bryan Wampler (Kansas) has led a process to identify key events in United States military history and create a list of significant anniversaries and annually recognized military observances. The current list is available on the Veterans Committee webpage under Committee Resources and on the opposite page. The following link will also take you to this resource: www.sar.org/committees/veterans-committee.

There will be an ongoing effort by the Veterans Committee to continually update the list so that it remains a pertinent resource. The significant anniversaries published on this list are typically those recognized by the Department of Defense.

The purpose of the list is to bring awareness of these military milestone anniversaries and observances to SAR chapters and societies, so that the chapters can plan their commemorative events or support local veterans organizations; military organizations, including recruiting stations and National Guard and Reserve units; and other military bases in chapter and society commemorative efforts.

Too many times, these important military anniversaries sneak up on us or are overlooked. By spotlighting some of the anniversaries and observances in a timely manner, it is hoped that the SAR membership will select some of these events for local commemorations.

How a chapter or society determines to commemorate the events is left to its members. However, suggestions would be: 1) partner with or support local veteran service organizations recognizing one of these events, 2) the chapter sponsors its commemoration and invites veterans within their community to attend, or 3) support a local military unit with a celebration program. Any of these anniversaries and observances would be an excellent opportunity to reach out to your local veteran service organizations for collaboration in planning a commemoration event. Remember that service organizations frequently need more volunteers, so partnering with your local veterans organizations is a great way to build relationships for future collaboration. Military members in our communities are busy but often arrange for a member to represent the organization if a formal invitation is proffered.

In addition to the list being available on the Veterans Committee webpage, reminders of upcoming milestone anniversaries will be sent out to the state societies. Some of the dates on the current list have already passed for this year. However, moving forward, the intent is to provide updates with sufficient notice to allow chapters time to plan appropriate commemorations.

The Veterans Committee also would like to highlight

that commemorating these events can be reported in the USS Stark Memorial Report. Depending on the specific nature of the commemoration, the activity could be reported in either Section 3 or Section 8 of the report.

We hope this list proves beneficial to chapters in their local support of our veterans and currently serving members of the U.S. Armed Forces. The committee hopes

that chapters and societies also will develop their list of anniversaries and commemorations for their local programs.

In Patriots' Service,

Scott Giltner (Chairman) and Bryan Wampler Veterans Committee

#### **Annual Celebrations**

- June 14, 1775 Army Birthday The United States Army was founded on 14 June 1775 when the Continental Congress authorized enlistment of riflemen to serve for one year.
- Aug. 4, 1790 Coast Guard Birthday The U.S. Coast Guard was founded on Aug. 4, 1790, when President George Washington signed the Tariff Act that authorized the construction of 10 vessels, referred to as "cutters," to enforce federal tariff and trade laws and to prevent smuggling.
- Sept. 18, 1947 Air Force Birthday The U.S. Air Force was initially part of the U.S. Army and authorized as a separate military branch on Sept. 18, 1947, under the National Security Act of 1947.
- Oct. 13, 1775 Navy Birthday The U.S. Navy was established on Oct. 13, 1775, by the Continental Congress through a resolution that reads: "That a swift sailing vessel, to carry 10 carriage guns, and a proportionable number of swivels, with 80 men, be fitted, with all possible dispatch, for a cruise of three months."
- Nov. 10, 1775 Marine Corps Birthday The U.S. Marine Corps was founded to serve aboard naval vessels and was responsible for the security of the ship and its crew by conducting offensive and defensive combat during boarding actions and defending the ship's officers from mutiny.
- Dec. 13, 1636 National Guard Birthday (The Militia) The National Guard of the United States was founded as state militias and is the oldest component of the armed forces. Today, it is a joint activity of the United States Department of Defense consisting of the Army and the Air National Guard.
- Dec. 20, 2019 Space Force Birthday The U.S.
   Space Force is the first new armed service since 1947. Established on Sept. 1, 1982, it is responsible for space warfare operations.

#### Significant Military Event Milestone Anniversaries 2023

- 20th Anniversary of the beginning of Operation Iraqi Freedom (March 20)
- 50th Anniversary of the end of American combat in the Vietnam War (March 29)
- 50th Anniversary of the All-Volunteer Army
- ◆ 70th Anniversary of the Korean Armistice (July 27)
- 240th Anniversary of the end of the Revolutionary War (Sept. 3)
- ◆ 250th Anniversary of the **Boston Tea Party** (Dec. 16)

#### Significant Military Event Milestone Anniversaries 2024

- ◆ 80th Anniversary of **D-Day** (June 6)
- ◆ 35th Anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall (Nov. 9)

#### Significant Observances

- Aug. 7, 2023 Purple Heart Day National Purple Heart Day honors service members who have been wounded or killed in military service.
- Sept. 11, 2023 National Day of Service and Remembrance - Also known as Patriot Day, this annual observance to remember those injured or killed during the terrorist attacks in the United States on Sept. 11, 2001.
- Sept. 15, 2023 POW/MIA Recognition Day A time to remember prisoners of war (POW) and those missing in action (MIA) and their families.
- Sept. 24, 2023 Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day - A day to honor the families of our nation's fallen service members.
- Nov. 11, 2023 Veterans Day The anniversary date
  of the signing of the armistice that ended World
  War I. Today, it is a day is set aside to honor military
  veterans for their service.
- Dec. 16, 2023 National Wreaths Across America -An annual laying of wreaths at veteran cemeteries across the nation.

# Selections

### From the SAR Museum Collection



TEXT AND PHOTOS BY ZACHERY DISTEL, CURATOR AND PROGRAM EXHIBIT DIRECTOR

"I would give Three Guineas for a Barrell of your Cyder—not one drop is to be had here for Gold. And wine is not to be had under Six or Eight Dollars a Gallon and that very bad. I would give a Guinea for a Barrell of your Beer. The small beer here is wretchedly bad. In short I can get nothing that I can drink, and I believe I shall be sick from this Cause alone. Rum at forty shillings a Gallon and bad Water, will never do, in this hot Climate in summer where Acid Liquors are necessary against Putrefaction."

— John Adams to Abigail Adams Philadelphia, May 22, 1777

ike many of his fellow Colonists, John Adams partook in the long tradition of consuming alcoholic beverages throughout the day. Early settlers brought the practice from Europe and imbibed it for what they believed to be medicinal reasons as much as for pleasure. Above, John complained to Abigail of his

decay or rotting, that he believed was caused by hot weather. Due to the risk of drinking contaminated water and the rigors of 18th-century life, drinking alcohol was an acceptable and celebrated daily practice.

During the 18th century, international trade included alcohol and implements used to consume it. Thanks to the generosity of the Missouri Auxiliary, the SAR Collection acquired a c.1775-80 English Delftware punch bowl of the type imported by North American Colonists. Prior to the Revolution, Colonists filled punch bowls and passed them around the room, with each partygoer making a toast that was often to the King, the British Empire and the benefits of British citizenship. This punch bowl celebrated "Trade and Navigation." "Trade" likely celebrated the economy of the British Empire that Colonists enjoyed, while "Navigation" suggested the supremacy of the Royal Navy. A further reference may be to the Navigation Acts, which underpinned the Colonial economy and later fueled the American Revolution.

In formal settings, Colonists drank from glasses that followed the latest English fashions. The Alabama Ladies Auxiliary donated two mid-18th century English wine or cordial glasses that featured popular "trapped air" stems. Fashionable homes of the era, including Mount Vernon and Monticello, served fine drinks in matching sets of such glasses. Those imbibing in a more modest home likely sipped from cups made of organic materials like wood, clay and horn. M. Kent Gregory, California Society, donated an 18th-century wooden tankard that could have been found in many early American homes.

The expectation for a daily ration of alcohol did not



need for alcohol to fend off "putrefaction," which is Rundlet and gill measure.



end when a citizen became a soldier in the Continental Wooden tankard and wine or cordial glasses.

Army. The daily gill (4 ounces) of spirits pledged by the Continental Army was a small and infrequent comfort. Given the supply-chain issues that plagued the army, spirits were sporadically provided. Joseph Plumb Martin recorded an instance of unexpectedly receiving their daily gill in 1777: "[W]e met the quartermasters, who had come out to meet us with wagons and hogsheads of whiskey! ... The intention of the quartermaster sergeants was to give each man a gill of liquor." In such instances, spirits were distributed to the soldiers using a gill measure like the one donated by Tony L. Vets Sr., Louisiana Society, in memory of Emma Vets.

Like water, spirits were constantly sought while on campaign. Shortly after the Battle of Guilford Courthouse, Maj. Gen. Nathanael Green wrote to Governor Nash of North Carolina: "I beg your excellency will order to Hillsborough as soon as possible twenty hogheads [sic] of rum for the use of the Army. Without spirits the men cannot support the fatigues of the campaign." When spirits were obtained, equally as important was a container to put the gill in, such as the turned-wood rundlet purchased by the Museum Board. This was a lesson Martin learned the hard way in early 1778:

"An officer belonging to the quartermaster general's department asked me if I had a canteen. I answered in the negative (I had left mine at my quarters). 'A soldier,' he said, 'should always have a canteen,' and I was sorry that I was just then deficient of that article, for he gave us a half-pint tumblerful of genuine Jamaica spirits, which was ... 'as smooth as oil.'"

Although the idea of issuing liquor to troops seems extraordinary today, this practice by the Continental Army demonstrates how common and acceptable alcohol consumption was in the 18th century.

Drunkenness, however, was frowned upon and seen as a failure of the individual. Ben Franklin recorded more than 200 terms for drunkenness, including "halfway to Concord," "he's lost his rudder," and "as dizzy as a goose." Late 18th-century Americans consumed an average of 5.8 gallons of absolute alcohol annually, which rose to the highest level of 7.1 gallons in 1830 and today is 2.3 gallons. Then, just as today, alcohol consumption did not receive universal approval. Dr. Benjamin Rush wrote An Inquiry into the Effects of Ardent Spirts Upon the Human Body and Mind in 1785, which was ahead of its time in describing alcoholism as a disease and an addiction. Although Rush's writings had little immediate impact, his thoughts helped





English Delftware punchbowl.

lay a foundation for the temperance movement, culminating in Prohibition 135 years later.

Adding 18th-century artifacts related to alcohol and its consumption, or opposition to its consumption, allows the SAR Collection to interpret this key aspect of early American history. If you have artifacts related to this topic in your collection, please consider donating them to the SAR. Cultivation of the Museum Collection on this subject helps further understanding of America's history.

The Artifact Donor Program was created to meet the goal of expanding the SAR Museum Collection. A curated wish list of artifacts that interpret the story of the American Revolution, from wig dusters to muskets, are sought and secured by reputable dealers and made available for purchase and donation to the SAR. When an artifact goes on public display, the exhibit text will credit the donor(s). To participate or request a "Museum Collection Highlights" presentation for your chapter or group, please get in touch with SAR Curator Zachary Distel at zdistel@sar.org or Museum Board Chairman M. Kent Gregory, Ed. D., at drkentgregory@earthlink.net.

# NAVIGATING REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTIONS

#### From IRA and Retirement Accounts

By Ray Strothman

s individuals plan for their golden years, understanding the intricacies of retirement accounts becomes essential. One crucial aspect is the concept of Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs). RMDs refer to the minimum amount individuals must withdraw from their Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) and certain other retirement accounts once they reach a specific age. This article aims to shed light on the significance of RMDs, the rules governing them, and strategies for optimizing distributions while adhering to the regulations.

#### WHEN DO RMDs BEGIN?

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) specifies that individuals must start taking RMDs from their retirement accounts by April I, following the year they turn 73. It is important to note that Roth IRAs do not have RMDs during the account holder's lifetime.

#### TAX STRATEGIES

Since RMDs are treated as taxable income, they may increase your tax liability. It's advisable to consult with a

tax professional or financial advisor to explore strategies for managing the tax implications. Methods may include charitable contributions using Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs) to fulfill the RMD requirement or investing in a Qualified Longevity Annuity Contract (QLAC).

## DONATING YOUR RMD TO A QUALIFIED CHARITY

QCDs offer a beneficial approach for individuals who frequently donate to charitable causes. QCDs enable individuals aged 73 or above to transfer up to \$100,000 annually directly from their IRA to eligible charitable organizations, such as the SAR Foundation. According to Dick Wilson, a Louisville-based financial advisor and combat photographer in Vietnam, these distributions fulfill RMD obligations and are not subject to taxation. "Using QCDs, individuals can accomplish their philanthropic objectives while lowering their taxable income," said Wilson, a friend of the Foundation.

As a photographer, Wilson learned that to capture a key moment in time and get the best close-up, you must lean in with curiosity and respect. "Humans want to be seen and recognized," he said, giving more weight to



naming opportunities such as those offered in the SAR Education Center and Museum. SAR Development Director Phil Bloyd says name placements are available from \$5,328 to \$15 million.

#### **INVESTING IN A QLAC**

A well-known tax management principle is postponing payments whenever possible, and the QLAC precisely facilitates that. QLACs offer individuals a means to defer RMDs until age 85, provided the annuity adheres to IRS guidelines.

With a QLAC, individuals exchange a portion of their assets for a consistent stream of income that continues for their lifetime. Regardless of how long they live, they will receive guaranteed regular payments. Although the funds do not appreciate, they are also safeguarded from decline.

In addition to providing dependable lifelong income, QLACs offer the added advantage of reducing an individual's RMDs, which are mandatory for IRAs and qualified retirement plans even if the funds are not required. This reduction can help retirees maintain a lower tax bracket, ultimately assisting them in avoiding higher Medicare premiums.

# WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO TAKE MY RMD?

The best way to take your RMD will depend on your circumstances. You should consult a financial or tax advisor to determine your best interests.

#### CONCLUSION

RMDs are integral in retirement planning and tax management. Understanding the rules and planning can help retirees avoid costly penalties while effectively managing their retirement account distributions. By staying informed about RMD requirements, consulting with professionals, and exploring tax-efficient strategies, individuals can confidently support the causes they believe in (such as the SAR) and maximize the benefits of their hard-earned savings.

The Revolution Is Coming ...



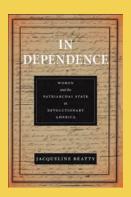
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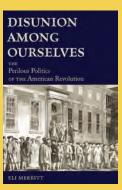
The SAR Foundation recognizes donors to the Liberty Tree Campaign at four levels with a pin, certificates and enhancements.

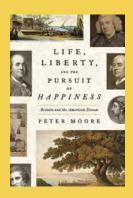
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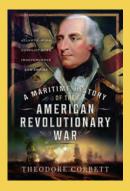
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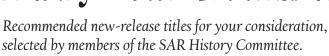








# Henry Knox Bookshelf



(April 25, 2023), 272 pgs., \$39.



Patriarchal forces of law, finance and social custom restricted women's rights and agency in Revolutionary America, yet women in this period exploited these confines, transforming constraints into vehicles of female empowerment. Through a close reading of thousands of legislative, judicial and institutional pleas across seventy years of history in three urban centers, Jacqueline Beatty illustrates the ways in which women in the Revolutionary Era asserted their status as dependents, demanding the protections owed to them as the assumed subordinates of men. They claimed various forms of aid and assistance, won divorce suits, and defended themselves and their female friends despite patriarchal assumptions about their powerlessness. Ultimately, women in the Revolutionary Era could advocate for themselves and express a relative degree of power, not despite their dependent status but because of it.

Disunion Among Ourselves: The Perilous Politics of the American Revolution, 1776-1782 by Eli Merritt (University of Missouri Press) ISBN 978-0826222817 (June 4, 2023), 456 pgs., \$39.95.

Instead of disbanding into separate regional confederacies, the founders managed to unite for the sake of liberty and self-preservation. In so doing, they succeeded in holding the young nation together. To achieve this, they forged grueling compromises, including the Declaration of Independence in 1776, the Mississippi-Fisheries Compromise of 1779, and the ratification of the Articles of Confederation in 1781.

Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness: Britain and the American Dream by Peter Moore (Farrar, Straus and Giroux) ISBN 978037460059 (June 27, 2023), 592 pgs., \$35.

Centered on the life of Benjamin Franklin, and featuring figures including the cultural giant Samuel Johnson, the firebrand politician John Wilkes and Revolutionary activist Thomas Paine, this book looks at the generation that preceded the Declaration in 1776. Everyone, it seemed, had "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" on their minds; Moore shows why and reveals how these still-nascent ideals made their way across an ocean and started a revolution.

A Maritime History of the American Revolutionary War: An Atlantic-Wide Conflict Over Independence and Empire by Theodore Corbett (Pen & Sword) ISBN 9781399040419 (June 30, 2023), 280 pgs., \$34.95

While many books have been written on the naval history of the Revolution, this is one of the first to treat it as an Atlantic-wide conflict. Its geographical scope is vast, featuring overlooked aspects of the war in which sloops and barges fought, actions that proved to be as decisive as the familiar ship-of-theline confrontations. It emphasizes the role of the crew as much as the notalways-heroic officers.

BOOKS AVAILABLE AT YOUR LIBRARY OR WHEREVER BOOKS ARE SOLD. BOOK DESCRIPTIONS ARE MARKETING COPY.

**Henry Knox** was a bookseller prior to joining the Continental Army and was known for recommending books to his fellow officers. For more information, go to https://education.sar.org.

# Genealogy Corner

By Denise F. Hall, Senior Genealogist

o you have questions about the verification marks and abbreviations placed by reviewing genealogists on record copies of SAR applications? You're not alone. Let's start with the basics.

When a DAR application has been used for proof, DAR's markings and abbreviations may differ from the SAR's. For instance, DAR typically uses Latin terms and abbreviations, while SAR uses English versions because those are more universally understandable. Here's your key to those terms:

Latin terms = English terms a: ante = bef: before p: post = aft: after c/ca: circa = abt: about

Note: When the SAR genealogy staff applies a DAR # between generations, it indicates that a DAR record copy was used for those generational connections.

#### Other abbreviations noted on applications:

prob = probably

liv = living (noted most often for a location where, for instance, someone was last found when an actual place of death was not documented.)

cen = census (used mostly after a year when someone was last located, such as "aft 1880 cen," then the location of that census would be stated as "liv [town/county/state].")

bur = buried (entered when the location of someone's tombstone is known, but the actual place of death is unproven.)

bapt/bpt = baptized (precedes date of birth when the date of baptism is the only date proven/precedes place of birth when only the location of baptism is known.)
Similarly, a christening date would be entered as "chr."

bbl = bible (entered by a date to indicate that date was proven by a bible record.)

calc = calculation (indicates that a date was calculated from, for instance, the age of a person found on a tombstone or other record.)

TS = tombstone (when a date is proven by a tombstone inscription.) Note: TS is a universal abbreviation used whether the date was proven by a gravestone, tombstone, marker on a niche, etc.

cem = cemetery (when a date came from cemetery records.)

ww = will written (the date the will was written.)

wp = will probated/proven (indicates the testator died before that date, such as "bef 01 Jan 1862 wp.")

est = estate/adm = administration ("est adm" would indicate the date of the administration of an estate after the death of someone who died intestate; date would be preceded by "bef.")

rec = record or recorded

#### Marriage abbreviations:

int = date a marriage intention was filed mb/bond = marriage bond date ml/lic = date marriage license was issued cons = marriage consent Abbreviations for Service Used by Genealogy Staff to Designate Service (other than military ranks)

Pnsr = pensioner

Wpns = widow pensioned

Hpns = heir(s) pensioned

PS = patriotic service

CS = civil service

SDI = signer of the Declaration of Independence

#### **Correct Formatting for Application Fields**

Locations should always be entered as city/county/state, but the word "county" or the abbreviation "Co" should not be entered. Enter locations, for example, as:

Louisville/Jefferson/KY (when all three fields are proven) /Jefferson/KY (when only the county and state are proven)

Louisville//KY (when only a city/town and state are proven)

Never spell out state names; only enter standard uppercase, two-letter state abbreviations with no periods.

Date fields must be completed as "day month year." Enter only the first three letters of months and allow one space between each piece of datum. Do not enter slash marks unless indicating "or."

Leave all unknown/unproven or non-applicable fields blank. Do not enter "living" for people who are alive.

#### Verification and Other Marks Applied During Reviews

Staff applies a verification or tick mark over data that is proven. If a tick mark (typically vertical) is over only the first letter of a name, it means that only the initial is proven, not the full name. Usually, the remainder of such a name is bracketed. Note: Staff uses the term "bracket/bracketing" as verbs meaning "place/placing parentheses (around data)." Parentheses are placed around unproven or incorrect data and should always be omitted on future applications unless proof is submitted to verify such data. Also, include all amended data on future applications. Do not enter any lineage data on applications inside parentheses.

Staff applies a vertical line between generations as each connection is proven during reviews. You are strongly encouraged to do the same when reviewing applications before sending to National. Make a plain paper copy to note the connections, check off data as all is proven by the submitted documents, and omit all incorrect or unproven

When a caret (^) is applied, it indicates the placement of a piece of datum, the caret being an insertion mark. DAR reviewers sometimes will use a caret or an asterisk (\*) to indicate the position of an added data point.

If you have suggestions for future Genealogy Corner topics or have any questions, please email me at dhall@sar.org.



### Researching

# YOUR PATRIOT'S UNIFORM

By Jim Penny, Alexander Hodge Chapter #49

t some point, you may desire to "dress the part" of a soldier of the Revolution. This may be in order to be part of a chapter's color guard, or it may be just another step in honoring your Patriot Ancestor.

#### WHERE TO START

You already know his name, unit/units, probably the name of his commander, and the date of service. Your Patriot may have served in a militia unit that became a state unit, and later became a state line in the Continental Army. Each step along the way, the uniform may have changed. And if those are not enough options, perhaps your Patriot served for more than just one colony/state, as did mine.

For example, my Patriot served in two militias of different counties in two different states and would have served in a third state, but he hired a substitute. I know the dates and commanders for both.

Gather as much supporting information about your Patriot Ancestor as possible before beginning your research.

#### RESEARCHING

Search by key words such as "Militia in North Carolina," "Militia in Rowan County," "North Carolina in Revolutionary War" or "1st Regiment of Rowan County, N.C., during Revolutionary War." Each form of the search may bring up slightly different results. Try different key wording arrangements but always include "Revolutionary War." Otherwise, you could get results from another war for the same unit. Try searching for known commanders for a company and regiment.

You can hope to get a picture, but second best is a record with a written description of a uniform. Not only did Gen. George Washington seek to create a standard uniform, but some states did also. The requirements for the uniform will be recorded in an official document.

Here are some useful sources:

#### BOOKS

These are only a few of what are available.

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#### ART

Revolutionary War paintings can provide accurate examples of uniforms that were worn.

Don Troiani also has an excellent website (dontroiani. com) and a Facebook page entitled Don Troiani Historical Artist. Troiani uses people in period dress as models for his artwork. He has a number of paintings of Revolutionary War soldiers at all levels and from all states.

Many other artists have used either the battles, troops

or leaders as their subjects. Some were contemporaries of the events and people involved. Try searching "Art and American Revolutionary War." (See opening image and image 3.)

#### THE SAR

Explore SAR websites at the national, state and chapter levels for photos. Some display the variety of uniforms worn. (See image 4.)

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Websites for museums, historical sites, battlefield sites, state historical societies, the National Park Service and the American Revolution Institute often have information, and sometimes images, on Revolutionary War soldiers. (See image 5.)





# THE HAND OF PROVIDENCE

#### Eight events that are indicative of the providential fortune of the American Revolution

By Dr. Brad Frazier

n the opening to author Benson Bobrick's book, Angel in the Whirlwind, we find a quote from John Page to Thomas Jefferson dated July 20, 1776: "We know the race is not to the swift nor the battle to the strong. Do you not think an Angel rides in the Whirlwind and directs this storm?" Indeed, the Hand of Providence does seem to have taken the American cause under its wing. Conflicts often have examples of what appear to be fortuitous or miraculous events that alter an outcome. However, in the case of the American Revolution, there was an uncanny number of these examples. There have been many revolutions in the course of history, but I can think of no other where the seeming Hand of Providence acted so often to favor one side. The Hand of Providence is not universally accepted as a force in human affairs. Some might say "the Hand of Chance." Perhaps the seal of the United States should have included a pair of dice clutched in the eagle's talons. Whether it was Providence, as I believe, or simple chance, as others may profess, there is no denying that something was at

In this essay, we will examine eight events that are indicative of this phenomenon. These events occurred before and during the revolution and arguably altered the outcome in favor of the American cause.

#### THE PROPHECY

We begin with a little-known Indian prophecy that was given in the fall of 1770. In the company of Dr. James Craik and others, George Washington was traveling in the Ohio country to survey land for veterans from the French and Indian War. Their party was met by a French trader who informed them that a great sachem, or chief, of the northwestern tribes had heard that Washington was in the area and desired to see him. The two parties met in due course, and at the council fire, the old sachem rose, looked at Washington, and spoke: "It was on the day when the white men's

blood mixed with the streams of our forest that I first beheld this chief. I called to my young men and said, mark yon tall and daring warrior? He is not of the red-coat tribe, he hath an Indian's wisdom, and his warriors fight as we do. Quick, let your aim be certain, and he dies. Our rifles were leveled, rifles which but for him knew not how to miss. It's all in vain, a power mightier far than we shielded him from harm. He cannot die in battle. Listen! The Great Spirit protects that man and guides his destiny. He will become the chief of nations, and a people yet unborn will hail him as the father of a mighty empire." There it is. Years after the Braddock defeat in 1755, to which the sachem had alluded, and yet years before Washington would lead his nation in a long struggle for independence, we have the prophecy of the Hand of Providence. Is the story related by Dr. Craik to Washington's grandson true? It was undoubtedly true 15 years earlier during the Braddock campaign of the French and Indian War when a 23-year-old George Washington was Gen. Braddock's aidede-camp.

After a long illness that was most likely dysentery, Washington caught up with Gen. Braddock just in time to be in the middle of the debacle near Fort Duquesne in 1755. A general rout ensued when British forces fled the field, including a 21-year-old teamster named Daniel Boone. That day saw Washington rally what was left of his Virginians to cover the retreat. He ended the day with one bullet hole in his hat and four in his coat after having two horses shot from under him. The prophecy begins here, with a young Washington untouched while all around him fell, including Gen. Braddock. The Rev. Samuel Davies of Hanover County, Va., put it this way at the time: "That heroic youth, Col. Washington, whom I cannot hope that Providence has hitherto preserved in so signal a manner for some important service to his country." Indeed, it had.

#### ESCAPE FROM NEW YORK

Washington's handling of Long Island's battles during the revolution

was not a high point of his career. He had split his forces, leaving them open to piecemeal destruction, failed to check the terrain, and left the Jamaica Pass wide open. One has to wonder what any of them were thinking to have allowed themselves to be cut off on an island with the world's most powerful navy in control of all of the waterways. Gen. Howe's planning had been excellent, and all he had left to do was mop up the demoralized Americans. Author and historian Willard Sterne Randall stated, "Only Howe's failure to storm the Brooklyn fortifications while the Americans were in pandemonium kept the revolution alive." Joseph Ellis, in His Excellency: George Washington, noted that "ultimately Washington's army and life were spared because Gen. Howe also behaved inexplicably."

Why did Howe hesitate despite the urging of his senior generals to press the attack and finish the Americans? He controlled the entire theatre, and yet the Americans escaped. What happened?

On the night of Aug. 28, Washington convened a war council to discuss their options. The following night, they began to ferry anywhere from 8,000 to 12,000 troops and their baggage across the East River to safety and within a few hundred yards of the forward British outposts. Enter the Hand of Providence. A strong storm blew in early that day that prevented the Royal Navy from patrolling the East River and blocking the Americans' escape route. This storm was followed immediately by a dense fog on the Long Island side that enveloped both camps, yet was clear on the far side of the East River for assembly of the boats handled by Col. Glover's men that would be used to bring Washington's army over. The wind died, and the river, which had been a maelstrom, became smooth as glass. The constantly overloaded boats now had an easy passage. At the time, the fog was described "to settle peculiarly over both encampments." American Gen. Israel Putnam said, "Gen. Howe is either our friend or no general. He had our whole army in his power ...



And yet suffered us to escape without the least interruption." An "inexplicable general," a fog that came "in a peculiar manner" and an unexpected storm that blocked the Royal Navy from the fight combined to allow the American army to escape, which saved the revolution and its commander for another day. It would appear that the Hand of Providence foretold by the sachem more than 20 years earlier was back and actively assisting the American cause.

#### VICTORY OR DEATH

The winter of 1776 found Washington's army demoralized and looking forward to going home at the end of December, when their enlistments expired. Washington himself felt that if he did not make a bold reversal of fortune before the end of the year, the American cause would die. On Dec. 20, Washington confided to John Hancock that "ten days will put an end to the existence of our army." The British had twice his forces, were far better provisioned and were in warm winter quarters. Three to four hundred men a day were swearing allegiance to the Crown in eastern New Jersey alone. Joseph Reed, an American officer with Washington, said on Dec. 22 that "we are all of the opinion, my dear general, that something must be attempted ... In short, some enterprise

must be undertaken in our present circumstances or we must give up the cause." Washington found himself with a demoralized and dwindling army—cold, poorly provisioned and ready to go home in a little over a week.

However, the Hand of Providence was ready to once again assist the gambling instincts of George Washington on what might well be the last toss of the dice for the American Revolution. The idea, interestingly enough, would come from Benedict Arnold, and the watchword would be "victory or death."

The Hessian garrison at Trenton was 1,500 strong, but Col. Johann Rall was not happy with his exposed position. The behavior of his troops had incensed many Americans who had preferred to stay neutral, and he now found himself under a constant, lowintensity siege. One of his officers noted in his diary of Dec. 24 that "we have not slept a single night since coming to this place." Col. Rall had been requesting reinforcements from British Gen. Grant for several weeks to no effect. Grant had been assured by his Loyalist friends that Washington's men were almost naked and dying from the cold. Providence helped Gen. Grant in this belief by providing an American spy in John Honeyman, a former bodyguard of British Gen. Wolfe during the French and Indian War.

Washington, the general, is well known. Washington, the spymaster, is not, and that is a mistake. Throughout the war he ran a ring of spies that fed the British misleading information. Posing as a cattle buyer from Griggstown, Honeyman provided the British incorrect information on the Americans while keeping Washington up to date on his enemy's intentions. Seizing the opportunity to improve morale, Washington had a pamphlet that had been recently written by Thomas Paine read to the troops. The American Crisis had just been conveniently printed in Philadelphia on Dec. 19.

The plans for the Trenton attack followed Washington's overly complicated tactical style. Four columns were to converge on Trenton in a coordinated movement. Only one column even made it across the river. Providentially, that column was the one with Washington himself and, more importantly, with the 18 artillery pieces of Henry Knox. That artillery would play a pivotal role in the success at Trenton, since only 25 percent of the attacking force was in play, and 18th-century artillery was far less prone to weather fouling than were the infantry muskets of the period. Once again, the weather was a factor, but as author Michael Stephenson put it, "Washington was always lucky with

the weather." Perhaps, but I prefer to believe other factors were at work.

The Hessians at Trenton were not the drunken mob so often portrayed in history, but they were tired from constant alerts and patrols. On Dec. 24, they received another warning from British Gen. Grant that an attack was possible. Washington's column shoved off from McKonkey's Ferry across the 800-vard-wide ice-choked Delaware River in 19- by 60-foot Dunham iron ore barges, polled by the ever-reliable Marblehead Regiment of Col. John Glover. This would be their last land duty, as virtually the entire unit would leave to join the privateers forming on the coast. According to Delaware officer Thomas Rodney, the weather was "as severe as I ever saw." The crossing took 14 hours and was four hours late, yet this same severe weather that prevented three of the four units from crossing the river also masked the approach of Washington's force. The story of a Loyalist farmer's warning being ignored by Hessian Col. Rall of Washington's attack seems incongruous with the alert status of the German garrison. Nevertheless, it cannot be ignored as part of the providential hand that kept helping the American cause. Did Col. Rall really put the warning message in his pocket to continue his card playing? We may never know for certain, but it dovetails nicely with the theme of this essay.

By 9:30 in the morning, the battle was over, the surprise was complete and the Americans had a victory at Trenton. Washington quickly followed up this victory with a field win over Cornwallis' rearguard at Princeton. Princeton provided yet another example of the Hand of Providence in action. During the battle, Washington rode his white horse between the lines, which were only 30 yards apart. Men fell on all sides of him, yet he once again miraculously emerged unscathed. His aide, Col. Edward Fitzgerald, covered his eyes with his hat, as he was certain Washington would be killed. In a few weeks, we find the American cause reversed from near collapse to celebration and a renewed sense of purpose. How did all this happen? Perhaps it was Thomas Paine's emotionally powerful pamphlet that, coincidently, had just been printed on December 19. Maybe it was the weather that once again stepped in to help the Americans or an enemy that ignored its warnings and failed to reinforce its

outlying garrisons. Was it the seemingly charmed life of its commander? Could it be that the only unit that got across Delaware was the unit with the artillery that would be critical in the coming fight? Maybe Col. Rall did ignore a Loyalist's warning of an impending attack to play a game of cards. It is a marvel that so many of these factors came into play just as the American cause looked to be finished. Yet, they all did play a significant role in the reversal of fortune at Trenton and Princeton. One has to wonder just how many more times Providence would put its finger on the scales for the cause of American independence.

#### A SNIPER'S HONOR

On Sept. 11, 1777, a senior American officer with a large cocked hat was riding in the company of a colorfully dressed cavalry officer by the name of Casimir Pulaski. The two were near Chadd's Ford along Brandywine Creek. Unknown to both of these officers, a green-clad special marksmanship unit of the British army observed their movements. The two Americans were well within the range of this unit's revolutionary breech-loading rifles. This group was led by 33-year-old British Capt. Patrick Ferguson and was comprised of the army's best marksmen. Ferguson himself was considered one of the finest shots in the world. The young captain and two of his men moved forward to eliminate the Americans when he changed his mind and called them off. The captain later noted that "it was not pleasant to fire at the back of an unoffending individual who was acquitting himself very coolly of his duty—so I let him alone." The next day, Ferguson was seriously wounded in the right elbow during the battle along Brandywine Creek. Imagine his surprise when he learned that the senior American officer he refused to shoot was likely Washington himself. Upon learning of this, Ferguson said, "I could have lodged half a dozen balls in or about him before he was out of my reach." Despite this knowledge, he later wrote, "I am not sorry that I did not know at the time who it was."

Although there has been doubt among some historians as to whether Washington was the officer in question, research eventually produced a letter from Washington to Congress that confirmed he was riding with Pulaski and without an armed escort in that vicinity on that very day. Pulaski was known to wear a colorful hussar uniform, which also matches Ferguson's account.

It would appear that the Hand of Providence so eloquently foretold by the sachem in 1770 was still at work, protecting Washington and the American cause of liberty. Nearly a century after the event, American historian Lyman C. Draper wrote, "How slight oftentimes, are the incidents which ... seem to give direction to the most momentous concerns of the human race. This singular impulse of Ferguson illustrates, in a forcible manner, the over-ruling Hand of Providence in directing the operation of a man's mind when he is least of all aware of it."

#### HERR BARON

The American army that went into winter quarters at Valley Forge in 1777 had regained a measure of confidence from the recent victories at Trenton and Princeton. However, it remained a largely undisciplined force which would not win in the European-style battles that would surely come in the campaign season of 1778. Washington was a natural fighter, but neither he nor his officers were military professionals capable of turning the raw material of the Americans into efficient combat units that would move and fight as a team. Without such a change, the American army would be no match for the British in the open field. That was about to change, as the Hand of Providence would once again step in to deliver to the American cause precisely what is needed at exactly the point in time it needed it most. The deliverer, except for a single profanity, could not even speak the English language.

On May 6, 1778, the Continental Army staged the Grand Review at Valley Forge before an amazed crowd of onlookers. The army marched, moved from column into line, and fired volleys with a precision hitherto unknown. The camp was orderly and clean, and the morale of the troops was high. The driving force behind this miraculous change was Frederick William Augustus Heinrich Ferdinand von Steuben. Von Steuben had been underemployed for 15 years, since his dismissal from the Prussian army as a captain in 1763. In 1777, the French understood that the American army was losing equipment faster than it

could be replaced and that Washington needed someone who could turn the Americans into an effective Europeanstyle fighting force. The French minister of war, the Comte de Saint Germain, remembered von Steuben from the Seven Years' War and believed he was just what Washington could use. However, a mere ex-captain would not do. Arguments over the legitimacy of his title and other aspects of his background have engaged historians almost since the revolution ended. The most likely scenario is that the Comte de Germain arranged for the rank and title to impress Benjamin Franklin, to secure a recommendation from him to Gen. Washington and the American Congress. There is, however, no argument regarding the miracle wrought by von Steuben on the Continental Army.

He arrived at Valley Forge in January of 1778 and found a disorganized mob. Von Steuben almost immediately gained the respect and affection of the American fighting men despite, or possibly because of, his lack of English language skills. The baron's explosive profanity in French and German, mixed with his genuine care for the wellbeing of his troops, enabled him to form an attachment with his American soldiers that only deepened over time. Early on, von Steuben accepted Capt. Benjamin Walker as his translator and aide. The baron would often ask his translators to swear at the troops in English for him when he became frustrated, which only added to the Americans' amusement and affection for the colorful Prussian. Von Steuben brought discipline, sanitation and martial skill in movement and installed in the men pride in their new Continental army.

As author Benson Bobrick noted in Angel in the Whirlwind, "in a remarkably short time, he transformed the roa concisels into an effective European style fighting force." Consider that Baron von Steuben had only arrived at Valley Forge in January. Yet, within a few months, he brought forth a fantastic transformation. Author Dave Richard Palmer put it best: "The Continental Army came of age that winter." Bobrick added that "Steuben's genius was his ability to unite Prussian virtues to those of the American mind." That sums it up well and does not even consider von Steuben's insistence that an officer's first duty was to care for his men. This was Prussian sentiment. but it was perfect for the Americans

and further cemented an already positive relationship.

The proof would come in short order at Monmouth Courthouse, where the newly trained American army fought the British to a draw in an open European-style battle. Never again would the British be able to ignore the fighting ability of the Continental line regiments.

Consider the Hand of Providence in all of this. A 46-year-old Prussian captain who had been underemployed for 15 years, and who only spoke one word of English, ended up half a world away from Germany as the training savior of the American army when they needed it most—a Prussian who could transcend the language barrier and single-handedly developed an overall army manual that perfectly matched the American psyche. It is truly unique that von Steuben even ended up in America, let alone accomplished what he did in only a few months. How can one deny that the Hand of Providence must have been at work for the cause of American independence?

#### HONOR AMONG THIEVES?

On the morning of Sept. 23, 1780, three militia irregulars stopped a solitary traveler on the road near Tarrytown, N.Y. What happened next is the subject of some debate, but what is not in question is that this chance encounter exposed one of the most

dangerous betrayals in American history. However, that encounter is only part of the story.

Major John Andre, traveling under the pseudonym of John Anderson, was in actuality the British head of Intelligence in North America. Andre was returning from his first and only meeting with American Gen. Benedict Arnold. The traitor Arnold had prepared his command at Fort Arnold and the West Point area for an easy British victory. He sweetened the deal with information that Washington himself would be in the area and easy to capture. Besides the chance encounter with the three irregulars, what other factors indicate more than just luck was at play in the capture of Andre and the subsequent exposure of Arnold's treachery?

The three American militiamen— Paulding, Van Wart and Williamsdespite their later deification by the Patriots, were more likely working the "neutral ground" in search of an unwary traveler that they might rob. The neutral ground was known to be the hunting ground for bandits of both sides. Andre was stopped by three men who at first seemed more interested in his watch and money. Enter the Hand of Providence. Paulding was wearing a Hessian Jaeger coat in which he had made his escape only four days earlier as a captive of the British in New York City. Apparently, this coat initially



caused Major Andre to believe he was in the hands of British partisans. His next move was a severe mistake of saying that "he hoped that they belonged to the lower party." The lower party represented the lower Hudson River and British interests.

Andre did not know that Paulding had just escaped from British captivity and, worse for him, was the only one of the three Americans who could read. Having now realized his mistake and with incriminating papers in Paulding's hands, he attempted to bribe his way out with an offer of 500 guineas. The three Americans had become suspicious of the whole affair and, despite the offer, elected to turn Andre over to the nearest American unit commanded by Col. John Iameson. Had Andre not been misled by the Hessian coat being worn by Paulding, he could have produced the pass from Arnold in his pocket and been on his way without further molestation. That Paulding could read might have been used to Andre's advantage. The young major also uncharacteristically ignored the instructions of his chief, Gen. Clinton. Clinton had instructed him not to remove his uniform, not to go behind enemy lines and not to carry any papers on his person. He disregarded all of these instructions, to his ultimate cost. The very reason Andre was even on the road near Tarrytown was that his ship, Vulture, had been forced to retreat downriver the previous day by American artillery fire.

A degree of chance is always present on any mission, but we once again are confronted with the uncanny number of factors that broke the American way. First, there was the lucky escape of the irregular, Paulding, just four days previously and the fact that he was in a Hessian coat at the time of the encounter with Andre. In addition, we have the simple fact that the one American who could read was also in charge and was wearing that coat. Also consider that Andre had to take a land route back to British lines due to the loss of his ship, an act that put him in danger of the very thing that happened. Finally, his uncharacteristic refusal to heed the warnings of his commander regarding this mission ultimately cost him his life. What strains the bounds of credulity is that all of these factors occurred in concert. It remains hard to accept that only the whims of chance guided this affair.

#### A Truly Lamentable State

Our seventh example deals with the events leading up to French naval supremacy in the Chesapeake Bay, which directly led to the British surrender at Yorktown. The title of this section refers to the comments made by British Admiral Sir Samuel Hood to Admiral Graves upon Graves' request for a fighting opinion once the British navy found itself facing a superior French fleet in the Chesapeake. Hood replied, "Sir Samuel would be happy to send an opinion, but he knows not what to say in the truly lamentable state we have brought ourselves." How did the world's naval superpower of the 18th century find itself unable to protect the army of Cornwallis?

Three years before, Britain's enemies had begun to gather. France, Spain and the Netherlands all eventually joined in opposing Britain on the high seas. This opposition spread the strength of the Royal Navy across the globe. There were, however, signs of self-inflicted wounds. In 1780, British Admiral Lord George Rodney captured the Dutch island of St. Eustatius, including a prize haul of over five million pounds sterling. Rodney also used this richest capture in British naval history to pay off his substantial personal debts in England. Here is the first evidence of the Hand of Providence at work. Having secured his treasure, Rodney reduced the size of the British fleet in the Caribbean to use as convoy escorts for the prize headed back to England. French Admiral de Grasse convinced his new Spanish allies to escort a returning French treasure fleet, thereby freeing him to concentrate the entire French battle fleet in North America. The stage was being set for a superior correlation of French naval forces in the American theatre for the first time.

The next break for the Americans was the need for de Grasse to travel to Havana to pick up payment for the American and French land forces converging on Yorktown. That detour took more time and allowed the French fleet to remain out of sight of the pursuing British squadron. In addition, the copper-sheathed hulls of the Royal Navy were faster than their French counterparts, resulting in the British fleet arriving at the Chesapeake several days ahead of the French. Thinking that the French must be headed for New York, they sailed on.

The very arrival of French Admiral de Grasse was due to the appointment of the Marquis de Castries to the post of French naval minister. It was de Castries who recognized the talent of de Grasse, promoted him to admiral and sent him to America with the largest fleet ever assembled in France. De Castries further broke with tradition by giving de Grasse unlimited freedom of action. The end result of all of these actions was the single French naval victory of the American Revolution, just when it mattered most. Cornwallis was trapped, and the end of the war would be the result.

Consider the alignment of events necessary for all of this to have occurred. The Netherlands declared war on Britain, allowing British Admiral Rodney to capture St. Eustatius and pay off his debts. Rodney reduced the British capital fleet to escort "his" treasure convoy home and left the operational theatre in the hands of two inexperienced junior admirals. The French king appointed a new naval minister, who promoted an energetic new admiral to lead the largest fleet France had ever assembled. That fleet was directed to American waters, and the new admiral was given unprecedented leeway to conduct operations. A critical design difference between British and French ships allowed the British to miss the French at the Chesapeake due to their faster speed. The French won a final naval battle over the British in American waters that sealed Lord Cornwallis in Yorktown. Significantly, this would be a pivotal battle of the Revolution in which no American forces played a part. The dice continued to roll the American way throughout this episode—fascinating, and yet another example of the incredible fortune that smiled on the new United States.

#### THE INDISPENSABLE MAN

Throughout the history of the United States, we have adhered to the overarching principle that the military must be subordinate to civilian authority. Many revolutions have initially succeeded, only to devour themselves at the end by failing to adhere to that doctrine. However, even in this, it need not have happened that way at the founding of the United States but for the actions of one man. Without question, this was the indispensable man of the American

Revolution—the man Providence had time and again spared from harm throughout the long war for independence.

January of 1783 found the American army once again demoralized and nearly in a state of mutiny. Congress had continued to fail to provide adequate supplies or pay. Many men had gone years without pay, and what pay there was came in the form of paper currency that had little real value. On March 10, an anonymous letter circulated among the officer corps and then encamped New York. That letter was later revealed to be the handiwork of Maj. John Armstrong Jr., the aide to Gen. Horatio Gates. The letter encouraged the officers to either disengage from the British or march on to Philadelphia to seize the government. Upon hearing this, Washington asked for a meeting of his own to be held on March 15. Washington then ordered Gen. Gates to preside over the meeting and furnish him with a report of the proceedings. This was a wise move as it made it look as if the chief

conspirator was going to chair the meeting and that Washington would not even attend. Imagine Gates' surprise when Gen. Washington arrived at the meeting of 500 officers and asked to speak. Initially, his words fell on deaf ears. They had heard these arguments before and were in no mood to listen to empty promises from Congress. What happened next may have saved our revolution from the anarchy that has attended the end of so many others.

Washington at first appeared confused as he tried to read a letter from a congressman. The officers crowded in closer to see what was wrong, only to see their commanderin-chief retrieve a pair of spectacles from his pocket. Even Washington's closest aides had never seen these before. He then said those famous words, "Gentlemen, you will pardon me, for I have grown not only gray but blind in the service of my country." At that moment, the mutiny died, to be replaced by an outpouring of affection for their commander-in-chief. No other person in the world could have made

this happen. Only Washington, who had shared in every hardship and triumph since the beginning of the war, had the power to reach into each officer's soul. One might wonder just how much of this episode Washington planned. His political skill was constantly being underestimated. Nevertheless, the birth of the destruction of our liberty was aborted. Thomas Jefferson wrote, "The moderation and virtue of a single character probably prevented this Revolution from being closed, as most others have been, by a subversion of that liberty it was intended to establish.'

This final act of Washington, the indispensable man of the American Revolution, protected by an almost miraculous Hand of Providence since 1755, was to save the very essence of our struggle. I can think of no more fitting example to end this essay on the Hand of Providence.

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Vice President Eric Sloughfy, Joel Hawbaker and President Bob

#### ALABAMA SOCIETY

#### Cheaha Chapter

At the chapter's April meeting at the Anniston/Calhoun County Public Library, compatriots heard Joel Hawbaker, a renowned educator, speaker and coach, present "The Revolutionary War."

After the presentation, Chapter President Bob Folsom presented Mr. Hawbaker with an NSSAR Challenge Coin.

#### Tennessee Valley Chapter

On June 14, the 248th birthday of the U.S. Army, the Tennessee Valley Chapter (TVCSAR), conducted a special grave marking to commemorate Patriot John Wade Keyes and to designate him as Alabama's first U.S. military veteran. The event was conducted in the historic section of the Athens (Ala.) City Cemetery and with the local DAR chapter named for him.

The chapter undertook an extensive evaluation of the estimated 1,220 Patriots associated with Alabama and concluded that Keyes had military service in the Continental Army before anyone affiliated later in life with the state. Keyes was a member of one of the first ten rifle companies of the Continental Army. These units were created by a resolution of the Second Continental Congress on June 14, 1775.

A joint resolution of the Alabama Legislature, SJR91, sponsored by Compatriot and State Senator Tom Butler, identified that Keyes had U.S. military service more

than a year before the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Several groups presented wreaths. Retired Capt. Mike Rose, a compatriot and Medal of Honor recipient, presented the chapter wreath.

In addition to TVCSAR President Mark Hubbs, speakers included Athens Mayor Ronnie Marks and Regent Pam Porterfield of the DAR's John Wade Keyes Chapter. Others participating in the program included Alabama SAR President Jim Griffin and former Mississippi SAR President John Fulwilder.

A 15-member color guard of the Alabama SAR, commanded by Joe Barker, supported the event to include a musket firing. Special music, the anthem/hymn entitled "Chester," was provided by Julie Estes, a DAR member and accomplished flutist.



Retired Captain Mike Rose, a recipient of the Medal of Honor, presents the SAR wreath at the gravesite of Alabama's first veteran.

#### ARIZONA SOCIETY

On May 20, Immediate Past President Dr. William Baran participated in honoring six Revolutionary War SAR Patriots buried at the Fort Barr Cemetery located in Derry Township, Westmoreland County, Pa. Being a direct descendant of Robert Barr, he presented the Patriots' biographies. Three were Barr brothers Robert, James and Alexander; a brother-in-law, James Wilson, who married their sister, Isabella; Samuel Barr (related back in Ireland); and William Gilson, who purchased the property where his family lived until 1907.



From left, Don Kellogg, President James Clement and Keith Johnson.

#### DAKOTA SOCIETY

The Dakota Society participated in the Memorial Day wreath presentation at Veterans Memorial Park in Rapid City, S.D., as it has since 1998. This event was canceled in 2020 and 2021 because of COVID-19. James Clement laid the wreath. The color guardsmen were Don Kellogg, James Clement and Keith Johnson.

# **FLORIDA SOCIETY**

# Clearwater Chapter

On April 15, the chapter provided a color guard at a remembrance service for Clearwater DAR member Abby Crawford Milton at Sylvan Abbey Cemetery. She passed away in 1991 at the age of 110.

On April 22, the chapter held its annual Patriot Picnic at John Chestnut Park in Palm Harbor, Fla. Thirty-five members from the surrounding SAR and DAR chapters attended.



## Gainesville Chapter

Compatriots Gene Page, left, and Sean Tonnelier, members of the Gainesville Chapter, marched in the Fourth of July American Independence Parade in historic Micanopy, Fla., which is between Gainesville and Ocala.

# Saint Petersburg Chapter

The March 18 speaker was Kristy Tozer from Tall Ships Saint Petersburg, a sailing ship festival held from March 30 to April 2 at the Port of Saint Petersburg. Ships included the *Nao Trinidad*, a working replica of Christopher Columbus' *Santa Maria*, and the *Pride of Baltimore*, a ship like those used during the Revolutionary War. Tall Ships Saint Petersburg is part of Tall Ships America, a nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving maritime history and enhancing education about sailing.

David Anderson of Discover Florida Tours was the guest speaker at the April 15 meeting. He spoke about his organization and the Jungle Prada Site in Saint Petersburg, which was the landing site of Spanish explorer Panfilo De Narvaez on April 15, 1528.

On May 20, James Grayshaw, past president of the Clearwater Chapter, presented a history of the SAR and other fraternal, patriotic organizations.

On May 28, the chapter joined with other civic and patriotic organizations, placing American flags at the Bay Pines National Cemetery graves for Memorial Day.

# Tampa Chapter

Alexander Rose, the author of *Washington's Spies*, which also became a TV show called *Turn*, was the guest speaker at the April 15 meeting.

During the meeting, JROTC medals and certificates were presented to two outstanding cadets. Cadet Trisha Sakamuri was selected by the FLSSAR and NSSAR as the Outstanding Cadet of the Year. She received her award at the National Congress in Orlando.

During April and May, the chapter honored several Hillsborough and Pasco County high-school students and an ROTC cadet at the University of South Florida. Students were given Bronze J/ROTC medals and certificates.

Our May meeting was held on the 13th, one week earlier than the regular schedule, to avoid conflict with the FLSSAR annual meeting. The speaker was Robert Yarnell, who presented "A Revolution Not Made but Prevented."

On May 29, the Tampa Color Guard supported the Memorial Day service held at American Legion Post No. 5 in Tampa, which has the only private cemetery for veterans. On Flag Day, they supported the DeSota Chapter DAR.

The Tampa Color Guard supported the Honor Flights at St. Petersburg-Clearwater Airport on April 19 (below) and June 13. On both events, the color guard led several groups of returning veterans down the passenger corridor to a reception area with hundreds of citizens who welcomed these veterans of World War II, Korea and Vietnam back from their trip to Washington, D.C.





From left, Don Bazemore, Benjamin Martin, Alton McCloud, Bernard Martin II, Bernard Martin, Steve Burke and Richard Lee Herron, all members of the Brier Creek Artillery.

# **GEORGIA SOCIETY**

The Brier Creek Artillery traveled to Midway, Ga., to attend a Revolutionary War Patriot grave marking on April 30. In conjunction with the St. John's Parish Chapter DAR, six SAR chapters held the dedication of grave markers commemorating the service of Patriot soldiers Edward Ball, Francis Coddington, Philip Lowe, John Robarts and Samuel Spencer. After the dedication, the Brier Creek Artillery and compatriots armed with flintlocks fired a three-round volley, followed by Taps.

# Blue Ridge Mountains Chapter

On May 2, Compatriot Ron Hill presented Lisa Cahill of the Veterans Art Program of Northeast Georgia with



the SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal for her service as program director, instructor and secretary to the board of directors. The program, founded by Hill in 2014, is a community-based arts organization serving veterans, spouses, dependents and caregivers.

A recognized nonprofit, the program has thrived due, in considerable measure, to Lisa's dedicated commitment to local veterans and their families. Lisa has worked with various populations, but over the past nine years, she has worked with

veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injuries. Her desire to work with veterans stems from her own father's needs.



# Coweta Falls Chapter

The chapter conducted its 18th annual Memorial Day commemoration at Parkhill Cemetery on May 29. This year, the service was held inside the Mausoleum of the Pines, above. The DAR King's Gap Ensemble followed the posting of colors by singing the national anthem.

This year's featured speaker was Columbus Mayor Skip Henderson

Thirteen SAR, DAR, C.A.R. and fraternal organizations presented wreaths. There was a moment of silence, Taps, the retiring of the colors and the benediction. The final part was a three-round salute fired from a cannon outside the mausoleum door. Approximately 100 members and guests were in attendance for this meaningful day.

# Wiregrass Chapter

"God Bless America, Land that I Love" was the July 2 Sunday service theme at the First Methodist Church of Swainsboro, Ga.

The chapter posted the colors. Compatriot Dess Smith

III carried the United States flag, Compatriot Gary Mason the Christian flag, and Compatriot Wilder Smith Ir. carried the Holy Bible. The color guard stopped at the front of the church and turned to face the congregation. Choir Director **Bobby Reeves** led the pledges to the U.S. flag, Christian flag and Bible.

In all, 14 compatriots attended the service.



From left, Dess Smith III, Rev. David Unkles, Wilder Smith Jr. and Gary Mason.



## ILLINOIS SOCIETY

# Long Knives Chapter

Only eight percent of the SAR's nearly 40,000 members have the same last name as their Patriot Ancestor. To be in this small group of men gives a reward unto its own. Can you imagine locating the grave of your Patriot Ancestor, having the same surname as that ancestor, and holding a grave-marking ceremony for that ancestor? For one Illinois compatriot, this was a dream come true.

Compatriot Brian Corder located the resting place of his Patriot Ancestor, Lewis Corder, in an abandoned cemetery in Crab Orchard, Ill. Surrounded by urban development, permission was given by neighbors to access the site.

Patriot Corder was 15 when he enlisted in the North Carolina Militia in August 1782. He participated in the Battle of Guilford Courthouse and was a pensioner for his service. After the Revolution, he moved to the Nashville, Tenn., area and later to Illinois, founding Crab Orchard.

The chapter helped Brian Corder, above, honor his Patriot Ancestor on June 3 with the proper, solemn grave-marking ceremony he deserved, a perfect mixture of respect, honor, joy and exhilaration.

## **INDIANA SOCIETY**

The George Rogers Clark Memorial Wreath Laying Ceremony, celebrating the 244th anniversary of the Capture of Fort Sackville, and Patriot Grave Marking were held May 27 outside the memorial in Vincennes, Ind. There were a record number of color guard members and wreath presenters this year, below.

Past Vice President General T. Rex Legler II, Central District, presided.

Randy K. Helderman, Indiana SAR Color Guard Commander, led the color guard. Kentucky Compatriot Chris Canine was the drummer, and Scott Giltner from Kentucky played the fife. Color guard participants included compatriots from Indiana,

Kentucky, Wisconsin, Ohio, North Carolina, Georgia, Illinois, West Virginia and Missouri.

Welcome and opening remarks were made by Frank W. Doughman, park superintendent. Legler, President General NSSAR C. Bruce Pickette, Indiana SAR President Jacob A. Vink, Co-chair Indiana 250th Commission Thomas S. Whiteman and Flagbearer Joseph W. Behnke presented Superintendent Doughman a 250th Anniversary flag, stand, and a dozen 250th Anniversary lapel pins. The flag has been placed in the park's visitor center.

Special guests PG Pickette, First Lady Rita Pickette, Vice President Generals John A. Turley and Toby L. Chamberlain, President Indiana SAR Jacob A. Vink, Indiana Ladies Auxiliary SAR President Margaret A. McGriff, State Regent Indiana DAR Cherie Baxter and President Indiana CAR Malorie Voris brought greetings and presented wreaths.

A biography of George Rogers Clark was read by Richard Quire, Kentucky SAR, and Legler read biographies of the five honored Patriots: Charles Baptist Bonneau, Joseph Bowman, Francois Riday Busseron, Jacques Cardinal and Pierre Cuerre.



Wreath presenters included national representatives; a dozen other states; the Indiana and Ohio Ladies Auxiliaries; the Indiana DAR State Regent; Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio DAR chapters; several lineage societies; the Indiana C.A.R. President; and an Indiana and Kentucky C.A.R. society. Flag streamers were awarded to all who presented wreaths.

Legler, Allen Manning, Canine and Gahafer conducted a flag-folding ceremony. The flag was presented to a descendant of Patriot Pierre Cuerre.

The SAR hosted a tent on Saturday and Sunday at the 46th Annual Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous. Compatriots dressed in Colonial attire and recruited prospective members.

SAR members interested in participating in the Saturday, May 25, 2024, ceremony and Patriot grave marking may contact Robert P. Cunningham by email at rpcunnin@indiana.edu.

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SAR color guard, from left, Kenneth Michael, Jacob Vink, Mark Kreps, Ron Darrah and Scott Adams.

The Indiana Color Guard participated in the Patriots on the Trail and Liberty Tree Dedication program in Beech Grove, Ind., on June 3. The Samuel Bryan DAR Chapter presented the program.

## **IOWA SOCIETY**

One never knows whom they might encounter while dressed in a Continental uniform; Compatriot Mike Rowley learned that when visiting the Gold Star Museum

at Camp Dodge in Johnston.

First, he met up with Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds, known for her "Fair-Side Chats" with presidential candidates. Later, he met U.S. Congressman Zach Nunn.





Color Guard Commander Bill Marshall leads the KSSSAR Color Guard procession.

#### KANSAS SOCIETY

The Kansas Society Color Guard was invited by the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution for its presentation of a memorial marker for former First Lady of the United States and DAR member Mamie Doud Eisenhower. The ceremony was held June 3 at the Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum in Abilene, Kans.

Kansas State Regent Rebecca Kline asked the color guard to post the colors. Color Guard Commander Bill Marshall led guardsmen from across Kansas in the presentation. Compatriot Bit Roberts played the bugle call "To the Colors" to begin the ceremony.

Mary Jean Eisenhower, the granddaughter of President and Mrs. Eisenhower, presented comments for the Eisenhower family.

NSDAR Historian General Suzanne Heske provided remarks, including a short biography of the former first lady.



# **KENTUCKY SOCIETY**

# Lafayette Chapter

The chapter recognized Cheryl Lewicki, commander in chief of Washington Army at Valley Forge (DVF), with the Bronze 250th Medal for participating in local 250th events and services. SAR President General Bruce Pickette, above right, and Chapter President Patrick Wesolosky presented the medal and certificate.



Colonel Daniel Boone Chapter

In one of the Commonwealth's largest gravemarking ceremonies, above, the chapter joined with the Susannah Hart Shelby

and Frankfort DAR chapters to commemorate the Revolutionary service of the chapter's namesake and his wife, Rebecca, buried on a beautiful outcropping above the Kentucky River in the Frankfort Cemetery.

More than 20 SAR and DAR chapters from a dozen states and the Boone Family Association participated in the festivities, which drew more than 300 people. The color guard, comprised of more than 40 compatriots, was led by Kentucky Color Guard Commander Scott Giltner and included Chapter President Patrick Parker.

The NSSAR was represented by Historian General and National Color Guard Commander LTC (Ret.) Brooks Lyles. He presented SAR challenge coins to SSG Ryan Fagan and the Kentucky Army National Guard's Heritage Brass Quintet for their outstanding event support (inset photo).

Compatriot Richard Quire, president of the newly chartered James Harrod Chapter, served as the emcee. The featured speaker was Compatriot Dr. Ron Bryant, who spoke on Boone's national significance (both factual and fictional).

President General (1995-96) William C. Gist Jr. of Louisville and State President Tim Brown were among the honored guests.

## **LOUISIANA SOCIETY**

On Memorial Day, compatriots from the Louisiana and Texas societies marked the cenotaph for Patriot Martin Camersac (1742-1820) at the Sallier Cemetery in Lake Charles, La.

Camersac, a rifleman, was born in Bordeaux, France, the son of a sea captain. He made his way to southeastern Louisiana around 1770, settling first in Orleans Parish, then soon moved to St. Landry Parish. He was a part of the Opelousas Militia and was recorded at the Opelousas Post on April 15, 1776.

Camersac served under Captain Juan B. Bienvenu in the official militia of the City of New Orleans and esteemed Patriot Bernardo de Galvez, the Spanish governor of Louisiana. Galvez first marched on the British defenses at Fort Bute, located on Bayou Manchac, on Sept. 7, 1779.

After taking that outpost by assault, Galvez moved on to what the British called Fort New Richmond, in what is now Baton Rouge, and, after a brief siege, claimed victory on Sept. 21, 1779. The militias in and around New Orleans were critical to Galvez's accomplishments, representing nearly two-thirds of his total force of roughly 1.200 men.

## MARYLAND SOCIETY

# Colonel Aquila Hall Chapter

On May 8, compatriots met to judge pamphlets and posters entered in the annual contest for the local schools, below. The theme for the pamphlets was the Bill of Rights. The theme for posters was a chosen figure from the Revolution.



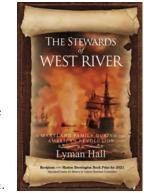
# Colonel Tench Tilghman Chapter

On June 17, Chapter President Conway Gregory inducted three new compatriots: Lyman Dean Hall, Wesley Olan Hagood and Gary Vincent

Tresente.

After the ceremony and lunch, chapter members learned about the genealogy resources available at the Clifton M. Miller Library at nearby Washington College in Chestertown, Md., from Jennifer E. Nesbitt, the library's executive assistant.

Compatriot Hall is the distinguished author of The Stewards of West River: A Maryland Family During the American Revolution.





Approval was obtained for a musket salute. Missouri Society SAR Color Guard Commander Steven Perkins issued a statewide muster call. The church invited area dignitaries.

Chapter President Jim Jackson conducted the service and gave a history of the Battle of San Carlos.

The Missouri Society Color Guard presented the colors.

# Gen. William Smallwood and Sgt. Lawrence Everhart Chapters

On a windswept hill with a backdrop of Sugarloaf Mountain, the General William Smallwood and Sergeant Lawrence Everhart chapters hosted a father-son grave marking, above, for Patriots Joseph Benton Sr. and Jr. on June 17.

The ceremony was conducted at the request of Kentucky Compatriot Gary Tunget, a direct descendant. The cemetery is located on the Montgomery and Frederick county line.

# Sgt. Lawrence Everhart Chapter

The chapter participated in a Memorial Day Ceremony with allied organizations. The ceremony, held in the mausoleum of the famous Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Frederick, Md., below, honors the entombed veterans at Mt. Olivet.



## **MISSOURI SOCIETY**

# Fernando de Leyba Chapter

The All-Saints Catholic Church in St. Peters, Mo., is celebrating its 200th anniversary. One of the events it wanted to take place in 2023 was an SAR grave marking for one of the church's founders, Etienne Bernard (1752-1831), a member of the 1st Company, St. Louis Militia, who fought at the American Revolution Battle of Fort San Carlos (also known as the Battle of St. Louis) on May 20, 1780.

Compatriot Dennis Hahn and Saint Charles DAR Chapter member Patti Dickherber worked with the All-Saints Heritage and Archive Committee to coordinate the event. A plaque was designed, and a program was planned.

# Independence Patriots Chapter

On March II, the chapter color guard laid a wreath at the Independence (Mo.) Courthouse. The event commemorated the birthday of President Andrew Jackson at the statue of him, mounted on a horse, in front of the courthouse.

Jackson was a 16-year-old prisoner of war during the Revolution. He was hailed as the "Hero of the Battle of New Orleans" during the War of 1812, which denied the British access to the Mississippi River.



From left, Stephen Sullins, Peter Reynolds, Rebecca Reynolds (Adam Yager DAR) and Chaplain Raymond Holland.

#### **NEBRASKA SOCIETY**

On April 16, the Spring State Meeting was held at Mahoney State Park in Ashland, Nebr. Many medals and awards were presented, including the Eagle Scout Medal and Scholarship to Nathan Delaney of Omaha.

Also in April, Omaha Chapter Secretary Mark Byars presented the Chapter Patriot Chest to 376 fifth-grade students and teachers during II different presentations to five elementary schools in the Bennington school district. The presentations went well, and the SAR has already been booked for presentations for the next school year.

On April 30, members participated in the Nebraska DAR's third America 250 Marker dedication in Lincoln. On May 14, members traveled west for the Nebraska DAR's fourth America 250 marker dedication at the Veteran's Memorial Cemetery in Alliance. On June 10, members traveled to Elwood for another DAR America 250 marker dedication. We enjoy working with and assisting the Nebraska DAR in dedicating these markers.

During April and May, members in Omaha and Lincoln presented Bronze and Silver ROTC medals to deserving cadets in local area high-school JROTC units and area



Omaha Compatriot Martin Beerman, a descendant of Pvt. Dan Blackman, and his wife Jane

university ROTC units.

On May 20, Omaha Compatriot Martin Beerman traveled to Floyd, N.Y., to attend and participate in a grave-marking ceremony for his Revolutionary War Patriot, Dan Blackman, and son, 1812 veteran Dan Blackman. Both are buried in Floyd Cemetery. Compatriot Beerman obtained new veteran headstones for both ancestors. Compatriot

Beerman thanks the Oriskany Battle Chapter for its assistance with the ceremony.

On May 27, members participated in the Patriotic Productions Memorial Day Parade in downtown Omaha.

On June 3, Omaha Chapter President Paul Burright; his father, Omaha Chapter Compatriot Mel Burright; and Mel's brother, Dallas, traveled to Concord, Ohio, to attend and participate in a Patriot grave-marking ceremony for six Revolutionary War Patriots, including their ancestor, Isaac Messenger.



From left, NJSSAR Color Guardsmen Roger Williams, James Howard, Color Guard Commander Jay Hershey and Earl Grondyke, chaplain.

# **NEW JERSEY SOCIETY**

The NJSSAR held its annual meeting and Lexington-Concord Luncheon on April 15, at which President Robert Meyer succeeded former President Charles Morgan Jr. The NJSSAR Color Guard posted the colors. Among the honors and medals presented, Color Guardsmen Roger Williams received the Color Guard Silver Medal, and Sam Davis received the Color Guard Bronze Medal. Williams and

Color Guardsman Jim Howard received the Patriot Medal.

On April 16, the NJSSAR Color Guard conducted a wreath laying to commemorate the Battle of Bound Brook on April 13, 1777. NJSSAR President and New York-New Jersey Regional Vice President Robert Meyer, Color Guard Commander Jay Hershey, and Guardsmen James Howard, Williams and Earl Grondyke were present.

The NJSSAR Color Guard attended the Ensign Henry Young Patriot Grave Marking Ceremony on May 6 in the Young Family Burial Plot along the Cedar Swamp Trail in Cape May County, N.J.

The NJSSAR Cannon Crew joined several re-enactor artillery crews for a day of celebrating early American history at East Jersey Old Town Village in Piscataway, N.J., on May 13. Cannon Crew Commander Frank McGonigle gave the orders and lit the charges as the crew fired on the hour for much of the day.

The New Jersey SAR Color Guard participated in the Battle of Bennett's Island, unveiling a historic marker commemorating the battle.



# Monmouth Chapter

Monmouth Chapter President Jake Rue, above, visited Patriot John Eldridge's grave at Fairview Cemetery, Middletown, N.J., on Memorial Day.

# Raritan Valley Chapter

Compatriot Harry Hudson recently had the grave of his fourth greatgrandfather, Joshua Baker, marked with a replacement tombstone, right. Baker (1752-1836) served in the Connecticut Militia.





# NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

# Blue Ridge Chapter

The Blue Ridge SAR Color Guard was front and center in welcoming veterans home to Asheville, N.C., from the April 29 Honor Flight to our nation's capital, above. Making the presentation even more special was the honor of welcoming Blue Ridge Chapter Compatriot Lance Dickinson, a Vietnam veteran, home from the trip. Another Blue Ridge member, Larry Chapman (USMC Col. Ret.), who serves as the chapter's JROTC Committee chairman, escorted him.

Presenting the colors to more than 400 family members and onlookers were Color Guard Commander Garry Linton, Compatriots Ken Weglarz and Dave Gunther, Blue Ridge Chapter President Steve Greene and Mountain Region Vice President Craig Isaacson.

The National Honor Flights were begun in 2005 by Hendersonville, N.C., native Jeff Miller and his friend, Earl Morse. Miller's father was a World War II veteran, and Morse's father served in Korea and Vietnam. In the 18 years that Honor Flights have taken place, 250,000 veterans of the American Armed Forces have traveled to Washington, D.C., to view the seat of freedom they served to protect.

# New Bern Chapter

Compatriot Gerry Strickland Jr. received the NSSAR Youth Education Medal on May 19 during the chapter's annual awards meeting at the St. Johns Masonic Lodge. The NSSAR Youth Education Medal recognizes the sustained education of our youth by an SAR member. As a volunteer member of the Tryon Palace Continental Line, Gerry has served as a historical interpreter over the past five years at various venues, including Moore's

Creek National Battlefield Park, Tryon Palace at the N.C. History Center, Halifax Historical Site, Alamance Battleground State Historic Site and N.C. State Fairgrounds in Raleigh.

His demonstrations included Colonial campsites and cooking, the Brown Bess musket, N.C. maritime commerce during the American Revolution, guarding prisoners of war, N.C. State Navy in the American Revolution, soldier encampment life, N.C. Continental Line organization and history, and Naval stores and production. In 2022 alone, Gerry made these demonstrations to 1,700 Boy and Girl Scouts. homeschool students, public and private school groups, and families with children.



From left, Gerry Strickland Jr. received the award from Jay DeLoach (past president, NCSSAR).



# Catawba Valley Chapter

In conjunction with the Jacob Forney Chapter NCSDAR, the chapter conducted the 243rd anniversary of the Battle of Ramsour's Mill on June 16-17 in Lincolnton, N.C.

General George Washington and wife, Martha, joined the chapter for the weekend. Friday evening, a Patriot's Gala Reception—with fine food, a program of honor for our Patriots, and awards for SAR and DAR members—concluded with a question-and-answer session with the Washingtons, above. Saturday morning's commemoration service included the largest combined SAR color guard witnessed at Ramsour's Mill.

#### **OHIO SOCIETY**

For the first time, an Ohio elementary educator received the Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence National American History Teacher Award. The national program features three

educational levels: elementary, middle and high school.

Monroe Elementary Gifted Intervention Specialist Melissa Costello represented the Cincinnati Chapter.

"For the National SAR Award, I won a prize package that includes an all-expense paid week-long Teacher Institute professional development at Colonial Williamsburg in Virginia and a \$1,000 stipend, which will help me further expand the SAR and DAR historical contest offerings to students at both Monroe Elementary and Monroe Junior High," said Costello. "We must instill these principles early in life, so I have made it my mission to bring these patriotic foundations into our schools and give children an early exposure to these important concepts."

Several of Costello's students also participated in statelevel contests sponsored by the SAR and DAR. Olivia Fields and Carly Watts were named state winners in the DAR Essay Contest, and fourth grader Alexa Funke won the Ohio SAR Poster Contest.

# Cincinnati Chapter

On June 20, during the recent swearing-in ceremony, Compatriot Nathan Chester participated as his wife, Ming Chester, became a U.S. citizen. Nathan himself just became a member of the SAR and witnessed firsthand how the SAR



supports in these ceremonies. Ming, welcome to the USA!

For Compatriots Jack Bredenfoerder and Jerry Knight, who are regular participants in these naturalization ceremonies, there was a special connection to this special day. Bredenfoerder welcomed 40 new citizens from 30 countries at a naturalization ceremony held at

the Potter Stewart Federal Courthouse in downtown Cincinnati.

At the March 1 chapter meeting, Paralegal Joseph Snyder gave a presentation on the naturalization process for new citizens. There was a 15-page document handed out. He covered things such as English language proficiency and the 100 questions on the citizenship test, of which they must answer correctly six of the 10 questions selected by the examiner. Snyder also discussed the differences between permanent residents, i.e. Green Card holders, and citizens.

Many were surprised at how much effort and process is involved in the new U.S. citizens' naturalization journey.

# Lafayette Chapter

The Lafayette Chapter SAR celebrated its 100th anniversary on Feb. 18 in Akron, Ohio. The chapter was chartered on Jan. 31, 1923, by the Ohio Society. Many of the charter members were from the Western Reserve Chapter. The program included compatriots sharing how their ancestors contributed to the Patriot cause during



the American Revolution. The centennial celebration will continue with a joint DAR/SAR meeting in Akron later this year.



## **PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY**

# Continental Congress Chapter

Accompanied by the Col. Richard McAlister Chapter, NSDAR, the chapter presented York Mayor Michael R. Helfrich the SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal at City Hall on May 22.

Attendees expressed great appreciation to Mayor Helfrich for his unwavering support for and dedication to preserving our Colonial and Revolutionary history, actively promoting our Constitution and our representative form of government and personally sharing the living memory of one of America's most famous forefathers: Thomas Payne.

Mayor Helfrich, also a re-enactor, provides outstanding presentations on impersonations, dressed in period attire. Helfrich uses actual Colonial- and Revolutionary-period items (newspapers and documents) acquired through the years. The mayor's office attests to his enthusiasm, as the entire décor centered around York's Colonial-period history and its significant connection to the birth of our great nation. Chapter President Russell Mills, 1st Vice President Edward Kopsick, Secretary Joseph Clark, Historian Thomas Gibson (in Regimental attire), DAR Representative Cynthia Mills and York-based re-enactor Valarie Connor presented the medal and certificate, above.



South Carolina's new state officers.

## SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

The 2023 South Carolina Annual Meeting took place April 28-29 at the Greenville Marriott. Treasurer General Darryl Addington and Vice President General George Strunk, South Atlantic District, inducted the Society's new officers and passed the gavel from outgoing President Lawrence Peebles to new President Ted Walker.



Harris Hayward beside the gravesite of his ancestor, Gen. Andrew Pickens. (Photo by Thomas C. Hanson)

# Gen. Andrew Pickens Chapter

A service for the historical restoration of the General Andrew Pickens Gravesite took place on April 1 at Old Stone Church in Clemson.

Compatriot Harry Mays Jr., a General Pickens descendant, began the restoration project in 2012. Planning and fundraising for the \$55,000 project began four years ago when the chapter researched and applied for grant funding. With the help of State Sen. Thomas Alexander, the chapter received a \$25,000 grant from the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism. Pickens County contributed in-kind work totaling \$9,320. The South Carolina Department of History and Archives awarded a \$15,000 grant for the project. Private donations funded the balance.

## TENNESSEE SOCIETY

## Stephen Holston Chapter

On Saturday, June 17, Tennessee compatriots had the honor of attending the military honors and burial service for 23-year-old CPL Joe Allen Vinyard, who was killed

during World War II and accounted for on Sept. 9, 2022. Cpl. Vinyard was a descendant of Patriot Ancestor John Vinyard (SAR Patriot # P-340863).

Vinyard served in the 774th Tank Battalion during the Battle of Hürtgen Forest, one of the bloodiest conflicts of World War II, fought between September 1944 and February 1945. As U.S. forces advanced eastward into Germany, the Germans manned Siegfried Line positions opposite the Belgian border. The battle involved approximately 200,000 troops facing difficult weather and rough terrain, with tens of thousands of casualties on both sides.

On Dec. 11, 1944, Vinyard was aboard a tank when an 88-mm enemy shell hit it in Gey, Germany. The crew bailed out of the tank, but when they regrouped, Vinyard was missing. One of the other crewmen reported seeing Vinyard exit the tank, but, even after several days, no one could find him. Two inspections of the destroyed tank reported finding no remains. The War Department issued a presumptive finding of death in April 1946, but his whereabouts remained unknown. During postwar operations, the American Graves Registration Command conducted several investigations in the Hürtgen area. In the fall of 1947, remains were found in two destroyed tanks near Gey. However, they could not be identified. While studying unresolved U.S. losses in the Hürtgen area, a Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency historian determined that one set of unidentified remains recovered possibly belonged to Vinyard. He was buried in Ardennes American Cemetery in Belgium, disinterred in July 2021, and sent to a DPAA laboratory for analysis. The laboratory analysis and the totality of the circumstantial evidence available established the remains as those of Corporal Vinyard, who is memorialized on the Walls of the Missing at the Netherlands American Cemetery in Margraten.

TNSSAR President Dr. David Chaffin, TNSSAR President-elect Joel Davenport, TNSSAR Chaplain Greg Banther, Jerry Hjellum, John Sevier Chapter President Clifford Kent, Dr. Don Chamberlain, Tim Adams, Paul Bobenhausen, Scott Pryor, Jacob Griffith and Chuck Green attended the ceremony, with military honors conducted by the members of the 101st Airborne.

## Stones River Chapter

On May 6 and in conjunction with Armed Forces Day, the chapter, along with the Lt. Andrew Crockett, Tombigbee, John Sevier, Stephen Holston and Joseph Greer chapters, teamed up to mark the grave of past Chapter President Harlan Dabney's Patriot Ancestor, Lt. John Dabney (P-143087). This was the culmination of two years of research and planning. Harlan found the gravesite using a hunting app with tax maps showing the location in Franklin, Tenn., and contacted the current property owners, Steven and Rachelle Sipkovsky.

Harlan Dabney is identified by a red dot on his tricorn hat, below. His wife, Amy, is in front, wearing a blue top.



Chapter President Doug Dickerson gave the opening welcome. The color guard was led by Cliff Kent (District 3 CG Commander). Compatriot Dr. Mark E. Young (formerly with the Virginia Opera) beautifully sang the national anthem. A Patriot biography was shared from descendant Harlan Dabney, and a musical rendition of "Shenandoah" was provided by Harlan on fiddle and Jim Sandman (registrar/chaplain) on guitar. The marker's dedication was given by Joel Davenport (2023-24 TNSSAR president-elect and Stephen Holston Chapter president). The unveiling of the marker, wreath presentations, musket/cannon salute (cannon operated by Steve Gaines, past TNSSAR president) and Taps were additional highlights that made for a beautiful ceremony on a pleasant day. The SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate was presented to the Sipkovsky family to show SAR's appreciation to the current property owners for allowing this Patriot grave marking.



From left, at the Central Texas Veterans Cemetery in Killen, Ron Walcik, Robert Gonzales, Phillip Crawford, Coleman Hampton, Bill Kinnison and Robert Grant.

## **TEXAS SOCIETY**

Two central Texas chapters, Heart of Texas from Salado and Peter Sides from Waco, represented the SAR in paying respects to the family of Private Myron Williams, who was laid to rest in the Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery in Killeen, Texas, on June 2. PFC Williams was a World War II soldier who went missing for 79 years until his remains were identified through DNA in 2022.

# Alexander Hodge Chapter

Chapter President Carl V. Hill Jr., accompanied by Eron Tynes, past president of the San Jacinto Chapter of the Daughters of Texas Republic, presented a flag program to the Richard A. Anderson Texas State Veterans Home residents in nearby Houston on Memorial Day.

The Sugarland-based chapter previously visited the veterans home in November. COVID-19 restrictions closed that opportunity.

The Memorial Day visit took on a more personal meaning, as one of our members, Compatriot Tom Green, is now a resident. Green is a past state president and registrar.

# Patrick Henry Chapter

The chapter, along with the DAR, hosted a Memorial Day commemoration at the Texas State Cemetery.

An inspiring talk by Mark Collins, aka "George Washington," opened the program.

The keynote speaker was Lt. Gen. Kenneth Eickmann, who spoke on the history of Memorial Day. He shared with the audience his dedication to those who sacrificed their lives and those who are missing in action. The descendants of Lt. Robert Rankin and Sgt. Steven Williams read eulogies of both veterans of the Revolutionary War, who are buried at the cemetery. The event was capped off by three volleys of musket fire followed by the playing of Taps.

Color guardsmen from several central Texas chapters participated in posting and retrieving the colors and firing the muskets.



Left, from left, Lt. Gen. Kenneth Eickmann, Mark Collins and Chapter President Shiidon Hawley; below, Southern Adjutant Blair Rudy commands the Color Guard.



# **UTAH SOCIETY**

The Utah Society held its annual Celebrate America awards and recognition banquet in May. President Trenton

Grandy welcomed the large gathering. Vice President General Ellis Rail of the Intermountain District and State Regent Katie Madsen brought greetings.

Those receiving awards included: Madsen, who received the SAR-DAR Medal of Appreciation; Dalene England, who received the SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal for her years of providing American Ideals education to Utah youth; Cadet Mallorie Smith, JROTC State Society winner and fourth-place national SAR winner; Miles Lamb,

State Society Eagle Scout Contest winner; and Sheriff Ryan Arbon, who received the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal.

The speaker was the Honorable Ted Stewart, a senior judge of the U.S. District Court for Utah



Utah Society President Trenton Grandy, left, with the Honorable Ted Stewart.

and author of A World Without America: What Would Your Life Be Like If The American Revolution Had Failed? Stewart's remarks were sobering and, at times, startling. One of the "facts" he offered is that those who counted themselves Sons or Daughters of the American Revolution would have most likely never been born, or if born, they would be living in Australia or South Africa. Those who read Judge Stewart's book said it helped them to appreciate America, and their gratitude for the Patriots increased.

# Red Cliffs of Zion Chapter

The Red, White, and Blue Dinner was held on Feb. 24. ROTC Awards were given to Southern Utah University, Pineview and Dixie High Schools cadets.

On the evening of March 22, the chapter hosted the Salute to Our Cold War Veterans in the St. George Tabernacle in historic downtown St. George, Utah. The event recognizes our Cold War veterans, who served between 1945 and 1991. Compatriot Woodbury, who is not a veteran, gave a poignant, brief talk entitled "My Perspective, From the Outside Looking In." He then introduced the keynote speaker, Lt. Col. Frank Gagliardi, USMC (Ret.) and vice president of the Red Cliffs of Zion Chapter, who served in both enlisted and officer ranks in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1968 through 1991. Lt. Col. Gagliardi's talk was entitled "From the Inside."

## **VIRGINIA SOCIETY**

# Col. George Waller Chapter

On April 29, the chapter hosted its third annual commemoration of General Joseph Martin at the Historic



Henry County Courthouse in Martinsville, Va. Gen. Martin was famous for keeping many Native American tribes neutral during the American Revolution and afterward, participating in state and local politics, helping settle the then-frontiers of Kentucky and Tennessee, and lending his name to Martinsville. Several SAR and DAR chapters were present, along with many community members and the local honor guard. The keynote speaker was Congressman Morgan Griffith, who delivered a great speech about remembering our past heroes.

Congressman Morgan Griffith, left, and Chapter President Jarred Marlowe.

# Col. James Wood II Chapter

On June 3, the chapter participated in a Revolutionary War Patriot grave-marking ceremony with the Fort Loudoun Chapter of the DAR. The ceremony was conducted for Rev. Christian Streit at Mount Hebron Cemetery in Winchester. Rev. Streit was a Lutheran minister from New Jersey. He graduated from the College of Philadelphia and took a position at the Lutheran Church



The Virginia State SAR Color Guard.

in Easton, Pa. When the Revolutionary War broke out, he became the chaplain for the 3rd Virginia Regiment and eventually served as the pastor in Charleston, S.C. While serving in Charleston, he was captured by the British. After his release, he returned to Pennsylvania and, in 1785, accepted a position in Winchester. He assumed pastoral oversight of a large congregation of German- and English-speaking members. His church was the Reformed Lutheran Church, which was in what is now the Mount Hebron Cemetery. The church cornerstone was laid in 1764 but remained unfinished until Rev. Streit organized the congregation to complete the building. His area of responsibility included a portion of the lower Shenandoah Valley. He laid the foundation of numerous congregations throughout the region for 27 years.

Fort Loudoun DAR Regent Susan Lauren emceed the event, with Melissa Clevenger providing chaplain duties. During the dedication, Alexandra Collins, Lawrence Augustine Washington Society, C.A.R., unveiled the marker.

The Virginia State SAR Color Guard was commanded by Marc Robinson and included Brian Bayliss, Sean Carrigan, Paul Christensen, Dale Corey, Thomas "Chip" Daniel, Allan Phillips and Will Reynolds (CJWII); Peter Davenport (George Mason); and Warner Workman (Sgt Maj John Champe).

# Gen. William Campbell Chapter

On May 23, the chapter, the Black's Fort Chapter of the DAR and the Over Mountain Trail Association conducted Plumb Alley Day at the Yeary Cabin in Abingdon, Va. Plumb Alley Day is a street fair that promotes children's health, education and welfare in Abingdon and



Past Regent Lila Thurman; Beth Henningson, regent; and Joella Barbour at Yeary Cabin. (Courtesy of John Gullion)

Washington County. The event is in the town's historic district at a shaded alley between Main and Valley streets. The event features food, music, dance performances, and children's activities and includes vendors that are beneficial to the support of the children. Demonstrations by the three organizations were seen by 1,000 visitors concerning the Colonial era of the valley.

The chapter was well represented by Compatriots John Britton, Kevin Combs, John Gullion, James Johnson, Robert Richmond, Lee Saunders, Michael Shaver and Emmitt Yearly, with Tennessee Compatriot Michael Henningson.



# Sgt. Maj. John Champe Chapter

On July 2, the Purcellville Cannons baseball team hosted Military Appreciation Night to honor military personnel, above. The chapter led participation with the Col. James Wood II (CJW-II) Chapter SAR and Lanes Mill Chapter DAR to form a color guard and musket squad.

The combined color guard presented colors and then stood at attention. At the same time, the combined musket squad of five SAR members executed a three-shot volley to honor military personnel who paid the ultimate sacrifice.

Chapter President Ken Bonner commanded the color guard. Dale Corey, Richard Tyler, Mark Sink and Valerie Sink were flag carriers. The musket squad was commanded by Barry Schwoerer (SMJC). Other musket men were Chip Daniel (CJW-II), Steve Van Deusen (SMJC, Paul CJW-II) and Sean Carrigan (CJW-II).

# Williamsburg Chapter

A Memorial Day Commemoration took place on the Palace Green in Colonial Williamsburg, honoring with a traditional wreath-laying ceremony the men and women who sacrificed their lives to defend our nation. Pictured with the chapter color guard are Bill Schermerhorn, public events coordinator for Colonial Williamsburg; Ron Carnegie, portraying George Washington; and Mark Schneider, portraying Marquis de Lafayette.

# Fairfax Resolves Chapter

On June 3, the Fairfax Resolves and SGM John Champe chapters co-sponsored the commemoration of the 242nd Anniversary of Wayne's Crossing, below, at the Loudoun County Courthouse in Leesburg, Va. More than 70 people attended the ceremony, including several Virginia SAR and SAR officers and DAR representatives from chapters throughout Virginia and Maryland. At least 14 wreaths were presented to commemorate this pivotal crossing.

Wayne's Crossing was one of the most significant events of the Revolutionary War to occur in Leesburg. Brig. Gen. Anthony Wayne and his army of 700 soldiers of the Pennsylvania Line crossed the Potomac and marched through Leesburg in June of 1781 on their way to provide the critical reinforcements necessary to push Gen. Lord Cornwallis and the British Army into Yorktown, which culminated in a great victory for the Continental Army. At that time, Loudoun County had the largest militia of any county in Virginia—1,746 men—and often came to these same courthouse grounds to drill.

The militia's uniform was the hunting jacket, shown in the Spirit of Loudoun statue on these grounds. Gen. George Washington loved this uniform because the frontiersmen who wore them had a reputation for being excellent riflemen who struck fear in the hearts of the British Regulars—a legacy we proudly honor.





## **WASHINGTON SOCIETY**

The Washington State Society held its annual conference in Spokane on April 28-29. More than 40 color guardsmen (pictured above) from nine chapters were present.

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In a May 18 ceremony at Liberty High School in Renton, Wash., the Washington SAR awarded the Outstanding Cadet Medal to Cadet SCPO Eowyn Ream of the Patriot Battalion. She placed first in the statewide JROTC Enhanced Essay Competition and is an outstanding leader in her unit, even as a junior. Presenting the award was Capt. Conrad Plyler, USN (Ret.), director of JROTC programs for the WASSAR. At that same ceremony, Cadet Ream was awarded the SAR Bronze Outstanding Cadet Medal, as a token of her winning the Cascade Centennial Chapter competition, by MG Dick Paul, USAF (Ret.). Cash awards totaling more than \$1,000 were also given. Cadet Ream's superior performance and dedication reflect great credit to herself and her unit.



Cadet Ream accepted the Cascade Centennial Chapter Award from MG Paul

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On Monday, April 24, color guardsmen from the Seattle, Alexander Hamilton and George Rogers Clark chapters joined forces to greet returning Honor Flight veterans. The 54 veterans were from World War II, Korea and Vietnam. The SAR provided one of the largest groups of greeters, and as one returnee stated: "This reception is even better than the one in Baltimore last Friday!" There is no greater joy than representing the "First Veterans" by thanking the current veterans for their service. Standing in SeaTac, shaking hands with the returning veterans who keep our freedom alive, polishes every letter of Patriotism. If you have ever considered joining the color guard, this event, which occurs quarterly, is one you should not miss.

# Cascade Centennial Chapter

Cascade Centennial Chapter has pushed to get involved in presenting Flag Certificates this past quarter, with seven presented to date. Recently, Compatriot Bob Everitt presented a Flag Certificate on Memorial Day to the Harbour Village HOA and its president, Rebecca Hoff. Among residents attending the presentation were five veterans from the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard. A flag has flown daily at the Village entryway since the complex opened in 1982.

# John Paul Jones Chapter

The chapter presented the SAR JROTC Bronze Outstanding Cadet Medal to Cadet Arianna Appleby of the South Kitsap High School Wolf Battalion in a ceremony held on May 16. Cadet Appleby's essay and application package won the chapter competition and was entered into the WASSAR state competition, where she finished second. Presenting the medal and checks for chapter and state awards, respectively, was Chapter President Perry Taylor.

## WEST VIRGINIA SOCIETY

## General Adam Stephen Chapter

The chapter was honored to participate in a memorial service to celebrate the founder of the city of Martinsburg, W.Va. On May 12, many of the city's citizens gathered at the Adam Stephen's Monument on Queen Street in downtown Martinsburg.

The chapter color guard was accompanied by Col. James Wood Chapter SAR Color Guard members posting the colors and presenting wreaths.

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chapter. I continue to hear anecdotal evidence of a chapter representative merely handing an interested fellow a brochure, sending him a web link, or answering an email whenever he gets around to it. We are all volunteers, but for the SAR to grow, we need to take some of these folks by the hand and walk them through the process.

Moreover, once they come to a chapter meeting, buy them lunch and find a position or committee that interests them. Let them know you value their participation and are happy they joined. Retaining a member takes less effort than doing the paperwork for a new one. You may have a member who has had the same position for 10 years and wants to keep it from passing along. But he may agree to an assistant or mentor someone about the SAR. Younger members, sons and grandsons can be your webmasters or social-media chairmen.

Now that I am a cranky old man, I can say that we can't just be the "cranky old man society."

SAR membership currently is about 37,000. For several years, we have had no significant net gain in membership. New members more or less equaled deaths and drops. Retention is the simplest solution. Reach out to those who chose not to renew and see what more they seek in the SAR.

If we can grow about 12 percent annually for the next several years, we can reach 60,000 members sometime in 2026. This is a manageable goal. I challenge you to meet or match that goal for your chapter.

The SAR has transitioned from an organization focused on membership activities, awards and local parades to being an organization on the cusp of being the primary source of accurate information concerning the American Revolution.

Youth programs focus on students who hopefully will be tomorrow's leaders. The Dr. Tom and Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award and multiple state and chapter sponsorships for attending the Freedom's Foundation at Valley Forge provide important assistance to the teachers educating tomorrow's leaders. The annual SAR Conference on the American Revolution focuses on the academic community by advancing historical scholarship at the highest level.

Building on this educational mission is the Educational Center and Museum, under construction in Louisville. Note that "Educational Center" is before "Museum." Through the efforts of Kent Gregory, Bill Stone and others, we are amassing an amazing collection of Revolutionary-era artifacts rivaling any in the country. However, the educational component will set our facility in Louisville apart from the crowd.

Using cutting-edge technology, the educational component will be available not just to visitors but also to any classroom in America and to homeschoolers and interested adults, not just in America but worldwide.

Now that we have begun constructing the Education Center and Museum, I urge you to double down on your contributions. The Liberty Tree Campaign is the most painless way to make a difference. For less than one dinner out monthly, you can make a meaningful recurring contribution on your credit card.

We, the Sons—and Daughters—of the American Revolution, do not belong because we think we are better than our friends and neighbors who either have not completed the paperwork or are ineligible. We participate because we know we owe something to our Patriot Ancestors. We owe them the effort to remember and document their sacrifices.

I will share one short story about one of my Patriot ancestor's services. I have not completed the supplemental paperwork yet, but I claim him nonetheless.

He was about 16 in 1776; Mathias Hanlon's father sent him to Allentown, N.J., to stay with his sister, supposedly away from harm. Instead of staying with her, he enlisted in the army, fighting for several years. He was in the battles of New Bruswick, Brandywine and others. According to his pension record, he was sent to Kettle Creek to guard the salt works at one point. The record reports: "They got in conversation with ladies and were taken by some British and Tories before they were aware of their approach." He was then "hung until he was lifeless" but "afterward found himself lying upon the ground abandoned by said British and Tories, and as soon as his situation would permit, made his way back to the Kettle Creek Salt Works." Talk about perseverance! This guy was not even 20, was hanged until the Tories thought he was dead, then got up and continued the fight. We owe these Patriots something.

Our Patriot Ancestors did not just fight a battle of arms. They fought a battle of ideas. This new nation began as an *idea*. Scholars, shopkeepers and farmers shared the common *idea* that people could govern themselves. It was not merely that the Colonists opposed any particular tax. Our Patriot Ancestors opposed the *idea* that they could not govern themselves. They fought for the *idea* of independence.

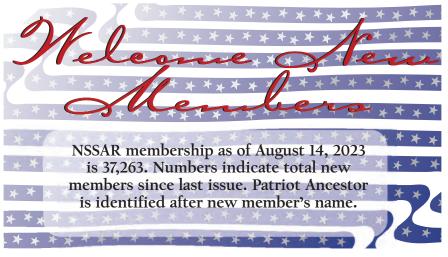
Some Colonists were content to be ruled by a king. Others were willing to take up arms to remain servants of a faraway government that wanted to impose exorbitant taxes and dictate many details of their lives. So, too, many people need to share the values of our nation's Founders. It may be popular in some circles to denigrate, disparage or even deny the ideological underpinnings of the American Revolution. It may be chic to ignore the benefits our Patriot Ancestors' sacrifices brought to this nation and the world. Popular culture often misrepresents the founders' motives, criticizing the *ideas* which gave us the Constitution, which permits them the right to criticize those ideas.

But not us. Our Education Center and Museum are important in winning the modern battle of ideas. The ideas our Patriot Ancestors fought for must not be forgotten. Be proud of your Patriot Ancestors. Honor their legacy. Their ideas are timeless and will prevail.

Thank you again for continuing service to the SAR and allowing me to serve as your President General: God Bless America and the SAR.

John L. Dodd President General

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## **FLORIDA**

- ☆ Caloosa Chapter, Fort Myers. Generally meets second Wednesday, October-May at Marina at Edison Ford Pinchers for lunch, 11:30 a.m. For details, call (239) 542-0068, see www.caloosasar.org or email president@caloosasar.org.
- ☆ Clearwater Chapter, North Pinellas and West Pasco. Meets at noon on the third Wednesday, September-May, at Dunedin Golf Club, 1050 Palm Blvd., Dunedin, FL. Call Kevin MacFarland, (813) 777-1345.
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- ☆ Lake-Sumter Chapter, luncheon meeting, 11 a.m., first Saturday, October-June. Call (352) 589-5565.
- ☆ Miami Chapter catered monthly

- hot luncheon (\$20) meetings at noon–1:30 p.m. the last Saturday. Coral Gables American Legion Post 98, 303 Alhambra Circle, Coral Gables. Complimentary parking and building entrance are both located in rear of building. Special observances on Washington's Birthday, 4th of July and Constitution Week. Visiting SARs, spouses, family members and guests welcome. Call Lee Popham (305) 904-4400 or WmLeePopham@outlook.com.
- ☆ Naples Chapter meets at 11:30 the second Thursday October-May at the Tiburon Golf Club, Airport-Pulling Road and Vanderbilt Beach Road. Guests and prospective members welcome. Call Tom Woodruff, (239) 732-0602 or visit www.NaplesSAR.org.
- ☆ Saramana Chapter (Sarasota), 11:30 a.m. lunch meeting, third Saturday, October to May except fourth Saturday in April. All visitors welcome. Contact Doug, (941) 302-4746 or dougerbpro@gmail.com.
- ☆ St. Lucie River Chapter, 11 a.m. lunch, second Saturday of the month, October-May, Mission Bar B Q, 1407 NW St. Lucie West Blvd., Port St. Lucie, Fla. Call (772) 812-1136.
- ❖ Villages Chapter meets at 10 a.m. on the second Saturday of every month at the Captiva Recreation Center, 658 Pinellas Place, The Villages, Fla. 32162. For information, contact Jim Simpson at (772) 475-8925 or jim.simpson.sar@gmail.com.

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## **GEORGIA**

- ☆ Piedmont Chapter, 8 a.m. breakfast meeting on the third Saturday at the Roswell Rec Center, Roswell Park, 10495 Woodstock Road, Roswell. Call Bob Sapp, (770) 971-0189 or visit www. PiedmontChapter.org.
- ☆ Robert Forsyth Chapter, Cumming, Ga., 2nd Thursday (except January/ July). Golden Corral, 2025 Marketplace Blvd. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m. Or see www. RobertForsythSAR.org.

## **ILLINOIS**

- ☆ Captain Zeally Moss Chapter of Peoria, III., meets every fourth Wednesday evening, March-October, various locations. See website for details, www.captainzeallymoss.org.
- ☆ Chicago Fort Dearborn Chapter, luncheon meetings at noon, Union League Club, third Thursday, January, March, May, July, September and November. Email request@ dearbornsar.org

## **KENTUCKY**

☆ Capt. John Metcalfe Chapter, dinner meeting at 6 p.m., first Thursday in March, June, September

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## **MICHIGAN**

☆ Central Michigan Chapter
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## **NEBRASKA**

☆ Omaha Chapter meets the second Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. at Gorats Steak House, 4917 Center Street, Omaha. Guests and family members welcome. Contact the chapter secretary at tup44j@gmail.com.

## **NEW JERSEY**

☆ Col. Richard Somers Chapter meets on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Fred & Ethel's, 1 N. New York Road, Galloway, NJ. All visitors are welcome. Contact Paul Tucci at secretary@ colrichardsomers.com for more details. Our website is www. colrichardsomers.com.

#### OHIO

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- ☆ Continental Congress Chapter, meetings and dinners Saturday quarterly, at York Country Club, York, PA, plus yearly: York County Picnic, Lancaster, PA and Gettysburg, PA events, diverse gatherings, SAR, DAR and guests invited, Robert Gasner, Esq., rxesa@comcast.net.
- ☆ Gen. Arthur St. Clair Chapter meets every third Saturday at 12:00, Hoss's Restaurant, Greensburg. For information, call (724) 527-5917.

☆ Philadelphia Continental Chapter, meetings, luncheons, dinners and functions monthly except July and August. William H. Baker, 929 Burmont Road, Drexel Hill, PA, wbaklava@aol. com, www.PCCSAR.org.

#### **TEXAS**

- ☆ Arlington Chapter meets the second Saturday of each month at 8:30 a.m. at Southern Recipes Grill, 2715 N. Collins St., Arlington. All are welcome. Our website is www.txssar. org/arlington.
- ☆ Bernardo de Galvez Chapter #1 meets the third Saturday of each month at noon at Kelley's Country Cookin' In La Marque. See our website bdgsar.org to confirm meetings.
- ☆ Bluebonnet Chapter #41 meets the third Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Marble Falls Public Library, 101 Main St., Marble Falls, TX. All are welcome. Our website is www.txssar.org/bluebonnet.
- ☼ Dallas Chapter meets the second Saturday of each month at 8 a.m. for breakfast, with meeting starting at 9 a.m. at Ventana by Buckner, South Tower, Grand Hall, 8301 N US 75-Central Expressway, Dallas, TX 75225. Our website is www.txssar.org/ Dallas.
- ☆ Patrick Henry Chapter meets on the 3rd Saturday of every month at 11 a.m. at Saltgrass Steak House, 12613 Galleria Circle, Bee Cave, TX, www.austinsar.org, Ken Tooke, President. The meetings change to the Austin Women's Club for the February and September sessions.
- ☆ Paul Carrington Chapter meets the third Saturday (September-May) at Houston's BraeBurn Country Club for breakfast at 9 a.m. Our website is www.SARHouston.org.
- ♣ Plano Chapter meets monthly, first Tuesday at 6:45 p.m. at Outback Steakhouse, 1509 N. Central Expressway (northwest corner of 15th Street and State Hwy. 75,) Plano, TX. Visit www.planosar.org or call (972) 608-0082.

☆ San Antonio Chapter meets at 11:30 a.m. every third Wednesday at The Petroleum Club. No meetings in July and August. Visit our site at www.txssar.org for more information. Reservations are requested.

#### **VIRGINIA**

- ☆ George Washington Chapter meets at 11:30 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month, except June-August. Monthly meeting details are available from Treasurer Scott Walker: scottwalker2363@ gmail.com. Learn more about our chapter at www.gwsar.org! (Alexandria, VA)
- ❖ Williamsburg Chapter meets at 11:30 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month (Feb-Nov) at Colonial Heritage Club off Richmond Road in Williamsburg. Lunch is \$24 − purchased one week in advance. For more information about chapter activities, visit www. williamsburgsar.org or contact Treasurer Gary Dunaway at ormazd72@gmail.com.

# **WASHINGTON**

- ☆ Alexander Hamilton Chapter meets at 9 a.m., third Saturday of the month, except July and August. The December meeting is for Installation of Officers or the Christmas Party. Tower Lanes Entertainment, 6323 Sixth Avenue, Tacoma, WA. No host buffet begins at 8:30 a.m. Buffet charge: \$15. Email iherr11@hotmail.com.
- ⇒ John Paul Jones Chapter meets on the fourth Saturday of the month, except June, July, Aug and Dec at the Disabled American Veterans Building, 4980 Auto Center Way, Bremerton, WA. Guests welcome. Email Doug Nelson at spccnelson@ hotmail.com.
- ☆ Seattle Chapter 9-10 a.m.
  breakfast, 10-11:30 a.m. meeting at
  Aurora Borealis, 16708 Aurora
  Boulevard N. Shoreline, WA. Meets
  second Saturday of each month
  except June, July, August and
  December. Contact
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