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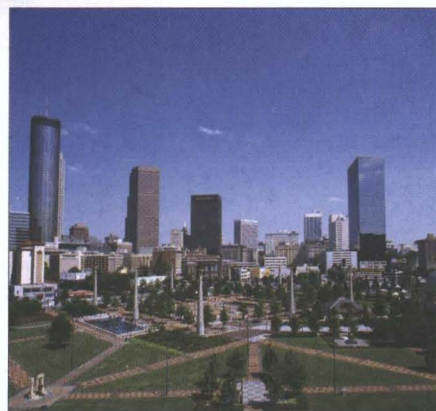
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The President General's Message



This really is a great Nation!

We can be proud of so much. We have just completed an election to determine who will serve as our leaders at the local, state and national level, including the 44th president of our country. And, we have witnessed a memorable inauguration celebration. More importantly, we had the freedom and opportunity to participate in both.

What is most impressive is that, once again, this transition of governmental power has been accomplished peacefully, despite the fact that millions did not vote for the winner. This means we are not only a great nation, but it makes us almost unique among other nations where violence almost always accompanies such a change in power. I believe the underlying element in our society which allows this to happen, is respect: Respect for our way of life, our institutions, our symbols, the value of our American citizenship and especially our respect for one another.

As SAR members, we should feel an even greater respect than most for our American way of life as forged by our ancestors, as we have pledged ourselves to support and defend them. Our existing and anticipated programs are designed for just those purposes. It's imperative that we as individuals, and collectively as chapters and state societies, continue to support and participate in these programs. Our essay, orations, scouting and poster contest, and our recognition of ROTC students and teachers need and deserve this support and participation. Just as importantly, we have to support our education programs being advanced through our Center for Advancing America's Heritage. On that matter, I hope you will notice that this issue of our magazine focuses attention on our programs for young people as a reminder of why we are raising funds for a new facility. The Center for Advancing America's Heritage is rapidly becoming the public face of the SAR, helping us meet our mission of providing patriotic education for all Americans based on our shared heritage. Your continued respect for our way of life is vital to our future; and, when you really think about it, your support and participation of our existing and planned programs is an obligation of membership in our society.



As SAR members, we should also display an extraordinary respect for others. This includes those who do not share our personal or political views, in and outside our society. And it includes those who have come before us. Our programs in that regard, the Patriot Index, grave markings, etc., are also deserving of your support and participation. On this note, I want to commend Compatriot Marston Watson and all those who planned for and participated in the Wreaths Across America program. Those attending our Spring Leadership meeting will hear and see a report on this new (to us) program.

As always, thanks again for all that each of you do for our society and our great nation.

Yours in Patriotic Service,

David N. Appleby
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President General



Welcome to the South!

The Georgia Society has a great Congress planned just for you. This is the last of the Congresses over the Fourth of July and it promises to be a memorable experience, starting with the unbeatable hotel rate of \$95 plus tax per night and free parking!

Our hotel, The Marriott Renaissance Waverly Hotel, is located in the northwest quadrant of the Atlanta area at the intersections of Interstates 75 and 285 and U.S. 41 about 22 miles from the Atlanta airport.

The 14-story atrium Waverly is the premier hotel in the area known as the Platinum Triangle. Visit the 119th Congress link at SAR.org for everything from the layout of the hotel to where rent a tux and what to do on your way to or from Congress.



STONE MOUNTAIN PARK

We hope you plan to relax as well as work. Friday will see a golf tournament as well as a genealogical conference in the morning, and then at night after dinner, a fun social gathering. Tours on Saturday will start early and end with a bell-ringing ceremony to celebrate the Declaration of Independence. Since it is the Fourth, the host reception, starting at 4 p.m., not only will welcome all to Georgia,

but will also leave you with a feeling of why this is such a special day.

Meetings, Memorial Service in Historic Downtown Marietta, The First Lady's Reception and the Orations finals round out Sunday. Our reason for meeting begins in earnest on Monday and continues through Wednesday, ending

with great tours and the Installation of Officers Banquet.

Reserve your place and register early with the registration form included in this issue. Come early and stay late to enjoy our great rate at the Waverly. You will be glad you did.

— LARRY T. GUZY,
GEORGIA HOST CHAIRMAN

NUMEROUS EVENTS PLANNED IN CONJUNCTION WITH 119TH ANNUAL CONGRESS

The 119th Annual Congress is being hosted by the Georgia Society in Metro Atlanta. Our Host Hotel is the Marriott Renaissance Waverly in Cobb County/Marietta. The Georgia Society last hosted Congress in 1983 so they are ready to show us Southern hospitality (with grits to be served instead of potatoes!). Because this is the last Congress over the Fourth of July there will be some exciting events in conjunction with this special occasion. With great

rates and important business to resolve, the attendance is expected to be high so early registration is encouraged. Complete the form below and mail it today. For complete information on all events, visit SAR.org and go to 119th Congress.

Registration of \$285 includes the (1) Host Reception Saturday 4-6 p.m., (2) Memorial Service Sunday 2:30-3:30 p.m., (3) Youth Awards Luncheon Monday; (4) the President

General's Banquet Tuesday; and (5) The Installation Banquet Wednesday. Although registration includes these items, for proper seating and arrangements, please check the form to indicate your intention to attend them. Registration after June 1 is \$310.

The optional events are as follows:

(6) Friday, July 3, 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Genealogy Seminar. Join us at 8:30 a.m. for a session of great speakers. Registration is \$20 SAR/DAR, \$25 all others; after June 1 \$30 for all.

(7) Friday, July 3, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. "Four-ball" 18-hole golf tournament at City Club of Marietta. 18 holes, cart and lunch; inclusive cost is \$82.

(8) Friday, July 3, 7-10 p.m. Join us after dinner for Social Hours. First drink included, \$10.

(9) Saturday, July 4 - two tour options: Tour 1: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., The Booth Museum and Cartersville. Fantastic Presidents Hall and Western Art Collection. Lunch includ-

ed, \$57; (10) Tour 2: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Kennesaw Mountain National Park & Southern Museum of Civil War & Locomotive History. The engine *General* calls this home. Lunch included, \$50.

(11) Sunday, July 5, 8-9:30 a.m. Color Guard Breakfast. Planning and coordination working breakfast for any color guardsmen, \$24.

(12) Monday, July 6, 7-8:30 a.m. Council of State Presidents Breakfast for current, immediate past and potential future state presidents. Nominations for the eight slots for the nominating committee begin here, \$25.

(13) Tuesday, July 7, 7-8:45 a.m. Southern District Breakfast. Deep South folks enjoying their own language, \$24 (grits spoken here).

(14) Tuesday, July 7, 7-8:45 a.m. Atlantic Middle States Breakfast. If you are from this region, join them for the only breakfast with potatoes, \$26

(15) Tuesday, July 7, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Ladies Luncheon with terrific food and

great program in the hotel's Habersham Ballroom, \$44.

(16) Tuesday, July 7, noon-1:30 p.m. George Washington Fellows and VPG Luncheon. Join those who support the GWEF for an entertaining fellowship lunch. VPGs will depart at 1 p.m. for their meeting, \$37.

(17) Wednesday, July 8, 7-8:45 a.m. SAR 1000 Breakfast. Join all those who support the various funds of the SAR in celebration of another great year, \$24.

(18) Wednesday, July 8, 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Tour 3: Cyclorama and City Tour. See *Battle of Atlanta* in this historic diorama, which includes the engine *Texas*, preceded by city tour. Lunch included, \$50.

(19) Wednesday, July 8, 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tour 4: Stone Mountain Park. You thought Mount Rushmore was big, but the carving on the face of this 800-foot granite rock dwarfs the other famous one in South Dakota. All attractions, including the lift to the top and lunch, included, \$68.

REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE 119TH ANNUAL CONGRESS

To: National Society SAR, 1000 South 4th St, Louisville KY 40203

Enclosed is my Check for \$ _____ payable to NSSAR for these events:

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(These fees apply to Registrations received on or before June 1; after this date, fees increase to \$310.)

National Number _____ Name _____ State Society _____

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National Title _____

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

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Congress Events Included in Registration Fees

- (1) Host Society Reception
- (2) Sunday Memorial Service
- (3) Youth Awards Luncheon
- (4) Tuesday Banquet
- (5) Wednesday Banquet **\$285.00**

Optional Congress Events

- (6) Genealogy Seminar
Fri. Jul. 3, 8:00am - 12:30pm **\$ 20.00**
- (7) Golf Tournament
Fri. Jul. 3, 10:00am - 3:30pm **\$ 82.00**
- (8) Social Hour
(after dinner on your own)
Fri. Jul. 3, 7:00pm - 10:30pm **\$ 10.00**
- (9) The Booth Museum
Sat. Jul. 4, 9:00am - 2:00pm **\$ 57.00**
- (10) Kennesaw Mountain Park
Sat. Jul. 4, 9:00am - 2:00 pm **\$ 50.00**
- (11) Color Guard Breakfast
Sun. Jul. 5, 8:00am - 9:30am **\$ 24.00**
- (12) Council of State Presidents
Breakfast
Mon. Jul. 6, 7:00am - 8:30am **\$ 25.00**
- (13) Southern District Breakfast
Tue. Jul. 7, 7:00am - 8:45am **\$ 24.00**
- (14) Atlantic Middle States Breakfast
Tue. Jul. 7, 7:00am - 8:45am **\$ 26.00**
- (15) Ladies Luncheon
Tue. Jul. 7, 11:30am - 2:30pm **\$ 44.00**
- (16) George Washington Fellows &
VPsG Luncheon
Tue. Jul. 7, 12:00pm - 1:30pm **\$ 37.00**
- (17) SAR 1000 Breakfast
Wed. Jul. 8, 7:00am - 8:45am **\$ 24.00**
- (18) Cyclorama and City Tour
Wed. Jul. 8, 11:30am - 3:30pm **\$ 50.00**
- (19) Stone Mountain Park
Wed. Jul. 8, 11:30am - 4:30pm **\$ 68.00**

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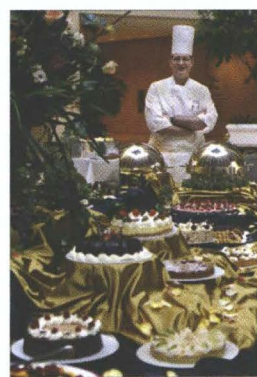
The 14-story atrium at The Renaissance Waverly Hotel in Cobb County is a AAA 4-Diamond hotel. It is the crown jewel of the Galleria Shopping/Office complex and directly connected to the 320,000 square foot Cobb Galleria Convention Center.

Guests can enjoy the exclusive boutique shops of Vinings Jubilee and the Cumberland Mall located across the street, while downtown Atlanta and Hartsfield Jackson International Airport are just a short drive away. The hotel features over 60,000 square feet of flexible meeting and banquet space. With superior accommodations, high speed internet access, and innovative dining options, this luxury hotel is the preferred destination for business, group and leisure travelers.

The Waverly Hotel is located at the intersection of I-75 and I-285 with easy access in all directions. Self Parking is free.



Great food proudly served



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Headquarters celebrates 30 years

The celebration and fellowship on the anniversary of the NSSAR in Louisville, Ky., were undiminished despite a morning snowstorm that cut into the attendance, much as it did in February 1979.

"We've had a great 30 years in Louisville—here's to another 30 years," said Dr. William C. Gist, former president general (1995-96), who represented President General David N. Appleby during the rededication ceremony organized by Executive Director Joe Harris.

Gist and Librarian General Richard D. Brockway discussed how the headquarters came to be in Louisville and gave a brief history of previous headquarters.

Among those in attendance were: immediate past PG Bruce A. Wilcox; Genealogist General Joseph W. Dooley, who led the color guard; Registrar General J. David Sympson, who gave the invocation and benediction; Historian General Stephen A. Leishman; members of the headquar-

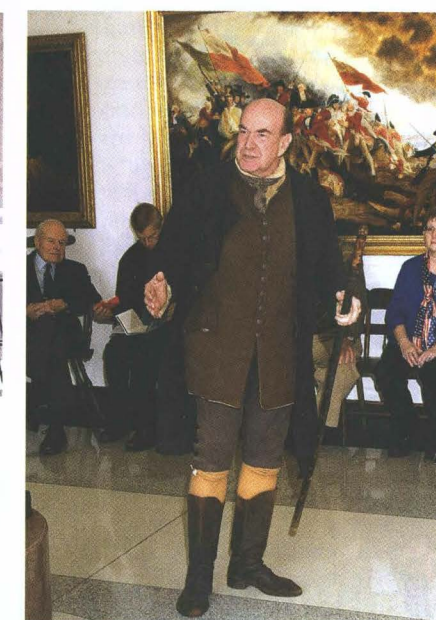


Bruce Traugher, representing Mayor Jerry Abramson, left, presents Librarian General Richard D. Brockway with a proclamation in celebration of the NSSAR's 30th anniversary in Louisville.

ters staff; and numerous community representatives.

Speakers included: Larry Cox, on behalf of U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell; Dustin Aalsey, on behalf of U.S. Rep. John Yarmuth; and Bruce Traugher, who presented a proclamation from Louisville Mayor Jerry Abramson making Feb. 2, 2009 "NSSAR Rededication Day."

In addition to the ceremony, there were workshops open to the public



Compatriot Mel Hankla performs a Kentucky Chautauqua performance as frontiersman Simon Kenton during the SAR Rededication Ceremony for the 30th anniversary of the national headquarters in Louisville.

and Compatriot Mel Hankla performed Chautauqua portrayals as both Simon Kenton and George Rogers Clark.

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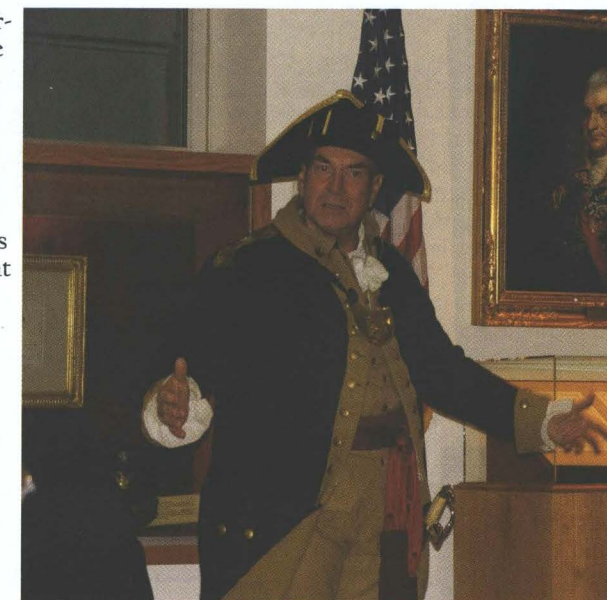
Pharmacists visit headquarters

MDSSAR State President, retired U.S. Navy Capt. R. Duane Tackitt, and the American Pharmacists Association hosted a reception for past and current federal pharmacy leaders and consultants to the surgeon generals of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Public Health Service, Coast Guard and Veterans Affairs. Capt. Tackitt is the director of federal pharmacy programs for the American Pharmacists Association and was coordinating the annual Joint Forces Pharmacy Seminar at the Louisville International Convention Center and the Galt House Hotel.

The reception, held on election day, Nov. 4, 2008, was at the NSSAR Headquarters and was coordinated with NSSAR Executive Director Joe Harris, who provided a brief history of the association and information on membership. He also discussed the Center for Advancing America's Heritage and the building project. Development Director Laurie Ann Roberts and the Education Director Colleen Wilson helped coordinate the event. As part of the reception the 38 attendees visited the museum and

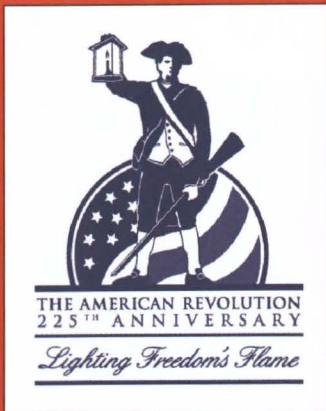
were treated to a conversation with Gen. George Rogers Clark, portrayed by SAR member and reenactor Mel Hankla. In addition, the original SAR applications for members Sir Winston Churchill and Presidents Teddy Roosevelt, Dwight Eisenhower and Gerald Ford were available for viewing.

The KYSSAR Color Guard with fifer and drummer, under the leadership of Color Guard Commander Dan Klinck, joined the JFPS Pharmacy Technician Color Guard in the Monday, Nov. 3, 2008 Opening General Session. The color guard assisted the JFPS in its 14th annual event, which provides educational and networking opportunities to more than 1,200 federal pharmacists, pharmacy technicians,



General George Rogers Clark (Mel Hankla) addressing the Pharmacy Leadership Reception.

and 123 industry partners/exhibitors. Participation of the KYSSAR was arranged through Tackitt.



War comes to an end

*British leave New York
Washington's farewell to his officers
Washington resigns his commission*

Evacuation Day

British Soldiers leave New York City—November 25, 1783

By Lt. Col. Peter Goebel

On Nov. 16, 1776, Gens. Nathanael Greene and George Washington unhappily watched from Fort Lee in New Jersey as redcoats and Hessians swarmed up to the patriot entrenchments of Fort Mifflin, forcing the surrender of all the men and the stores in the fort. American losses were 53 killed, 96 wounded and 2,722 captured; 43 artillery pieces were captured, as well as great quantities of artillery and small arms ammunition. The British losses included 77 killed, 374 wounded, and seven missing; nearly three-fourths of these casualties were Hessians.

The Continental Army's presence on Manhattan would cease for almost seven years until 1783.

Washington made the incautious decision to defend the fort at the wishes of Congress and against his own sound judgment, following the confidence, enthusiasm, and desires of his subordinates. Washington believed the fort was indefensible, and he had skillfully disposed the remainder of his forces so that the retention of the garrison of Fort Mifflin on Manhattan was not only unnecessary, but dangerous. He would learn. He would succeed. He would return to New York City.

The War for Independence progressed through its dark days and bright spots to the surrender of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown, Va., on Oct. 19, 1781.

Yorktown was the decisive event of the war. The struggle did not end at once, but there was little more serious



fighting. Independence had been won. Now it had to be formalized.

On Jan. 20, 1783 the Cessation of Hostilities was signed by the British and United States Commissioners. That same day peace was made between Britain and France and Britain and Spain, with Britain formally proclaiming cessation of hostilities on Feb. 4. Washington stayed in the Hudson Valley with the Army.

He toured New York State, setting out on July 18 and going to Albany, Saratoga, Lake George, Ticonderoga, the lower end of Lake Champlain, Crown Point, and Putnam's Point. Then starting southward again, he and his party went via Schenectady to Fort Schuyler, over the portage to Wood

Creek and on to Lake Oneida. The return journey included a visit to Lake Otsego in which Washington had particular interest because, as he pointed out, the eastern branch of the Susquehanna River had its headwaters there. It was Aug. 4 when Washington again reached Albany, and Aug. 6 when he went back to his office at Newburgh.

Washington was seeing at a more relaxed pace the scenes of triumph for the United States. The Peace of Paris was signed on Sept. 3, 1783. Evacuation of the British was closer. Washington was getting ready to go home.

While he was dreaming and chafing, word came Oct. 12 that the British

intended to begin evacuating the area around New York in November.

Washington corresponded with both British Commander in America Guy Carleton and New York Gov. George Clinton.

The Commander-in-Chief made it plain in all his preparations that York Island and its adjacent waters were being taken over by the authorities of the state, not by the Continentals. The Army was to participate as symbol, escort, and temporary garrison only.

On Nov. 20, Washington issued his last official paper at West Point and rode down to the Harlem River. Quietly and without ceremony, in the company of Clinton and a number of others, he recrossed for the first time the stream on which he regretfully had turned his back seven years and one month previously.

He stayed at Day's Tavern in the Village of Harlem, and waited until the evacuation was completed.

Then it was time for Washington to re-enter New York: Nov. 25, 1783, evacuation day.

The day dawned crisp and sparkling, the wind from the northwest. But Washington and his little army saw no remains of autumn foliage as they advanced down Manhattan Island, for no trees stood. Everything that could be used for fuel—forests, fences, outhouses, even ornamental

shrubs—had vanished. Mansions, which had been preserved as officers' quarters, rose solitary from seas of weeds, clapboards fallen gray from lack of paint.

The city had seen better days.

It is a fair guess that New York suffered more in the war for independence than did any of the other states. Nearly one-third of all the fighting took place on New York soil.

However, New York would renew itself, and rise again.

The massive British defensive works, which entirely circled Manhattan Island, were deserted. Washington swung into action. He had a careful plan: he would ride at the side of Clinton, who was to enter the town first, as a signal that Washington was turning over his power to a civil government. Next in the line of march was the honor guard commanded by Washington's corpulent chief of artillery, Henry Knox, the only officer who had remained by his side since the opening days of the Revolution. So many others had betrayed or deserted him, but big Henry, bulking fully 280 pounds, was with him to the last. He would take over Fort George from the British garrison, raise the American flag, and fire the first salute to the astonishing American victory.

The citizens were joyous.

Promptly at noon, Knox and 800 of the best Continentals stepped off briskly, their shouldered muskets gleaming in the cold light. Mounted light infantry from West Point nudged their horses to a walk. Behind a detachment of field artillery towing three-pounders came a battalion of lean, hard Massachusetts men. As Washington rode down the narrow Post Road, reminders of long and bitter war bombarded him. All of Manhattan Island had been turned into a fortified camp. Earthwork stockades, gun emplacements, and breastworks everywhere jutted skyward. No one spoke as they passed the ruin of Fort Washington.

The procession moved through Manhattan Island.

The advance came to a halt at a barrier (the Bowery and Third Avenue) closing the entrance to the inner city. After a short wait, a discharge of cannon indicated that the British had embarked. Washington passed the barrier and rode to Bull's Head Tavern, where he would wait until his troops had taken over the city and established order. The wait stretched unaccountably long, and then an angry aide appeared to report that, in order to keep the American flag from rising on the high pole above Fort George, the British had cut the halyards, knocked off the cleats, and greased the pole. But

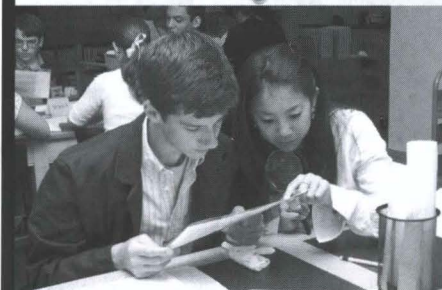
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someone had rummaged through an ironmongers and found new cleats. A sailor, with the halyards tied around his waist, ascended the flagpole step by step, driving in the cleats as he mounted.

The group then proceeded as a 13-gun salute indicated the flag was flying proudly.

The honor guard was waiting. On Broadway, Washington found the troops who had faced the British at the barrier and then had preceded him and had formed line to honor him and Clinton.

United States troops were in New York City. New Yorkers knew it.

The troops that were leaving were equipped for show, one observer wrote, "and with the scarlet uniforms and burnished arms, made a brilliant display. The troops that marched in, on the contrary, were ill clad and weather-beaten, and made a forlorn appearance. But then they were our troops, and as I looked on them, and thought of all they had done for us, my heart and my eyes were full, and I admired and gloried in them the more because they were weather-beaten and forlorn." [20]



The next few days were full of celebrations—congratulatory addresses ceremoniously delivered to Washington, dinners at which many toasts were drunk and fireworks.

Washington's wife, Martha, had joined him in New York in late November. Whenever he could interrupt the round of official receptions for a few hours, he went shopping with Martha. Slipping away from his headquarters at No. 1 Broadway, they hunted for presents for Martha's four little grandchildren, orphaned when Washington's adopted (and only) son died at the very moment of final victory at Yorktown. Washington had vowed he would not buy anything from England that he could get anywhere else. Now he and Martha went to New York on a shopping spree. Martha bought herself hats and stockings, an umbrella, sashes, and lockets for her little granddaughters. Washington bought them toys, books, a whirligig and a fiddle for their music lessons. [22]

He kept his vow.

Now he heard from Carleton, whose fleet was still anchored in the New York harbor.

Carleton wrote that if wind and weather permitted, he hoped to leave on Dec. 4 with the last of his troops, an announcement Washington answered with the wish "that your Excellency, with the troops under your orders, may have a safe and pleasant passage." Every movement of the British fleet bore out Carleton's statement that he intended to leave on the 4th, if the winds were favorable. On Dec. 4, in the outer harbor, the boatswains on the last of the British transports soon piped all hands to make sail. [23]

The British evacuation of New York City was completed. Washington had accomplished his mission. It was time for the business of forging a new nation.

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Washington's farewell to his officers

BY CHARLES R. LAMPMAN

The year was 1782 and the British had evacuated their troops from every location other than New York City. Lt. Gen. Guy Carleton, (longtime governor of Canada) had replaced Sir Henry Clinton as commander in chief, and was ordered by London to evacuate the remaining British forces still in New York City. The American peace commissioners in Paris (Ben Franklin, John Jay, John Adams and Henry Laurens) on Nov. 5, 1782 had signed what was to be the final treaty, which was sent to both governments. On Feb. 4, 1783, King George III agreed to end hostilities with the United States and on April 15 the Congress also ratified the peace treaty. In September the French agreed to the formal treaty, thus ending all hostilities. For George Washington, it was now time to say his farewells and dismiss his troops.

Washington's farewell to the army at Rocking Hill, N.J., took place on Nov. 2, 1783 and was a lengthy address. Washington had gone from New Jersey to West Point on Nov. 15 to plead for support of the union of the state and pledge to do all in his power to ensure that New York was peacefully restored under American rule with no reprisals. The Continental officers at West Point presented him with a letter responding to his farewell to the army. The letter complained that Congress had not properly supported the army but still praised Washington's leadership. Washington issued his last official paper discharging his three-year enlistees as well as his household staff, and on Nov. 20 in the company of the New York governor, Maj. Gen. George Clinton, headed for New York City with plans to

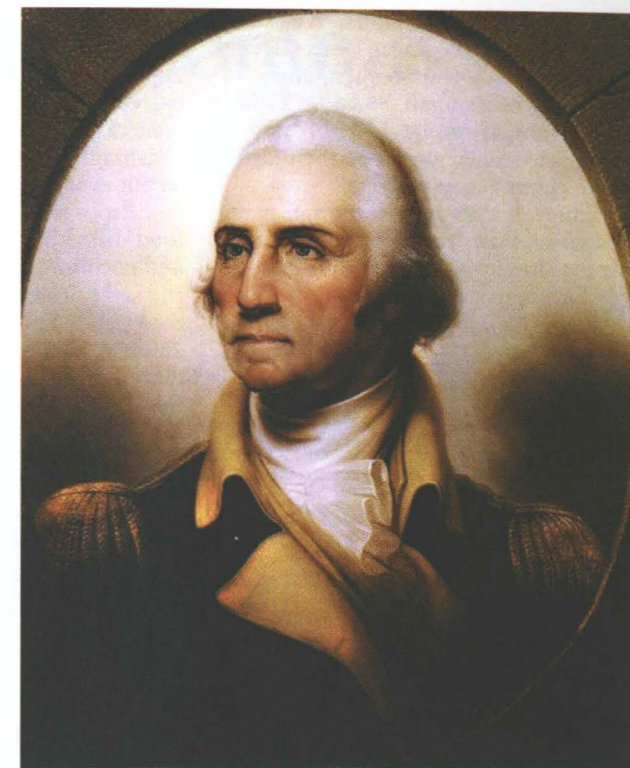
immediately retake the city.

Carleton had sent word to Washington that the last of the British troops would leave "York Island" (New York City) on the 23rd. Carleton evacuated his troops and Loyalists from the city to awaiting transports and assured Washington that as soon as he had favorable winds, all would set sail and hopefully be completely clear of New York Harbor by Dec. 4. Washington and Clinton rode into the city on Nov. 25.

Washington did not want to stay in New York City any longer than necessary - he wanted to continue his journey to resign his commission to Congress, seated in Annapolis, Md.,

settle his accounts and then go home to Mount Vernon. It was time to say farewell to those officers who could be assembled on short notice at Fraunces Tavern. Washington called the meeting for noon.

It appears that no one recorded the names of all of those present but we are grateful to Benjamin Tallmadge, major of the Second Continental Light Dragoons, who recorded an account of



At Fraunces Tavern on Dec. 4, Washington formally bade farewell to his officers.

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the meeting in his memoirs. We do know they included Maj. Gens. Henry Knox, Friedrich von Steuben, and Alexander McDougall. Since Lt. Cols. David Humphreys, David Cobb, and Benjamin Walker would be the only staff officers accompanying Washington to Mount Vernon, it may be assumed that they also were at the tavern. Other Continental officers who may have participated were Brig. Gen. Thaddeus Kosciuszko; two of Knox's aide-de-camps, Capt. John Lillie and Samuel Shaw; Maj. William Popham, aide-de-camp to Clinton; and Maj. William North, aide-de-camp to von Steuben.

In the Long Room waiters had set out a sumptuous luncheon of food and wine but no one touched it as all awaited the arrival of Washington. The itemized bill from the tavern shows that the officers consumed £10 worth of punch, 24 bottles of spruce, 24 bottles of porter, 16 of port, 18 of claret and 75 of Madeira. (Based on this amount of beverage consumed, the number of attendees was probably in excess of 50, much of which was probably consumed after the officers returned from seeing Washington off.) Washington had not written a speech, thinking that it would be too formal. He figured that he could not trust himself emotionally to read such an

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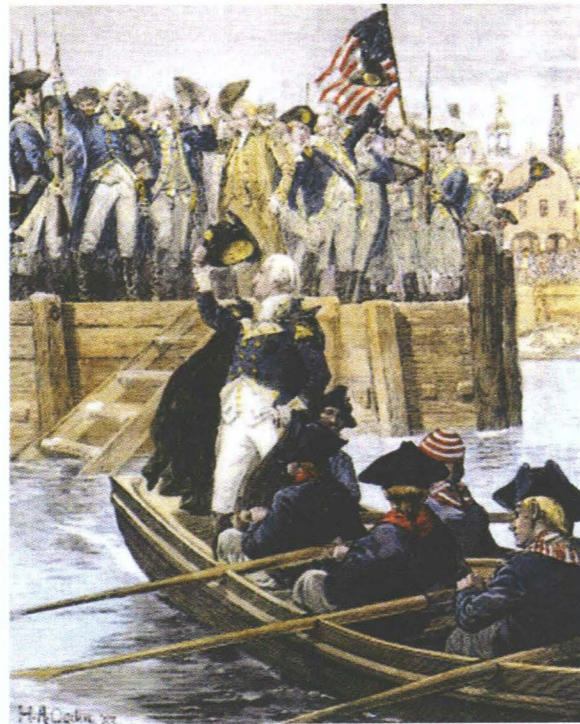
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address. It has been reported that as the hour approached, he had extreme difficulty keeping control of his emotions. Washington arrived and to put everyone at ease, he filled a plate with food, filled his wine glass and encouraged all to do the same. The next two paragraphs now quote Tallmadge's account—it is more powerful than any this author could provide.

"Washington thus addressed them: 'With an heart full of love and gratitude, I now take leave of you. I most devoutly wish that your latter days may be as prosperous and happy as your former ones have been glorious and honourable.' Having drank, he said, 'I cannot come to each of you to take my leave, but shall be obliged to you, if each will come and take me by the hand.' General Knox being nearest turned to him; Washington with tears rolling down his cheeks, grasped Knox's hand, and then kissed him: He did the same by every succeeding officer, and by some other gentlemen who were present. The passions of nature were never more tenderly agitated than in this interesting and distressful scene. The whole company were in tears. Such a scene of sorrow and weeping I had never before witnessed, and hope I may never be called upon to witness again. Not a word was uttered to break the solemn silence that prevailed or to interrupt the tenderness of the scene. The simple thought that we were about to part from the man who had conducted us through a long and bloody war, and under whose conduct the glory and independence of our country had been achieved, and that we should see his face no more in this world, seemed to me utterly insupportable. But the time of separation had come, and waiving his hand to his grieving children around him, he left the room, and passing through a corps of light infantry who were paraded to receive him, he walked silently on to Whitehall, where a barge was in waiting.

"We all followed in mournful silence to the wharf, where a prodigious crowd had assembled to witness the departure of the man who, under God, had been the great agent in establishing the glory and independence of the United States. As



soon as he was seated, the barge put off into the river, and when out in the stream, our great and beloved General waived his hand, and bid us silent adieu."

Any military man can understand the high state of emotions of the day in that room. George Washington was already an icon and remains so today.

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Washington resigns commission

BY WIN WILLIAMS

One of George Washington's most important contributions as commander-in-chief was to establish the precedent that civilian-elected officials, rather than the military officers, possessed ultimate authority over the military. A dramatic example of this belief was when he resigned his commission before a session of the Continental Congress meeting in Annapolis, Md.

The year was 1783. The Treaty of Paris had been signed by Franklin, Adams and Jay on Sept. 3, thus concluding one of the greatest conflicts of all time. At West Point on Nov. 2, Washington issued his farewell orders to the Continental Army, thus discharging all troops enlisted for the duration of the war. The following day he received instructions from Congress to disband the remaining troops.

On Nov. 25, British troops left New York City, with Washington and the governor taking possession. At Fraunces Tavern on Dec. 4, Washington formally bade farewell to his officers. The time had arrived for making the trek to Annapolis to deliver what he believed would be his last speech as a public servant.

The general left the tavern and walked the streets lined with infantry troops to Whitehall Ferry. There a barge was waiting to take him across the river. As the barge pulled away, Washington turned to the gathering at the wharf and lifted his hat. The assembly removed their hats in a silent farewell.

On the patriot's journey through Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore, citizens lined the streets for a glimpse of their hero. Each stop had its festive ceremonies, including cannon salutes and elaborate banquets.

Meanwhile, the Congress adjourned on Nov. 4 after several months at Princeton, calling for the next regular session to convene in the new State House in Annapolis on Nov. 26. However, it was not until Dec. 13 that a quorum was present to conduct business.



On Dec. 20 Washington sent a letter to Congress, notifying it of his arrival in Annapolis with the intention of "asking to resign the commission he has the honor of holding in their service, and desiring to know their pleasure in what matter it will be the most proper to offer his resignation whether in writing or at an audience." Thomas Jefferson, Elbridge Gerry and James McHenry were appointed to plan details of the resignation ceremony. The protocol decided upon introduced the precedent that the military establishment was subordinate and answerable to Congress. The commander in chief would make this acknowledgment by bowing to the Congress.

On Dec. 23 at noon, the State House chamber was overflowing with famous people, including members of Congress, military officers and local officials, with ladies occupying the gallery. The general was escorted to his

designated seat, followed by Congress President Thomas Mifflin, who declared: "Sir, the United States in Congress assembled are prepared to receive your communications." Washington stood, bowed and delivered the following address:

"The great events on which my resignation depended having at length taken place; I have now the honor of offering my sincere Congratulations to Congress and of presenting myself before them to

surrender into their hands the trust committed to me, and to claim the indulgence of retiring from the Service of my Country.

"Happy in the confirmation of our Independence and Sovereignty, and pleased with the opportunity afforded the United States of becoming a respectable Nation, I resign with satisfaction the Appointment I accepted with diffidence. A diffidence to my abilities to accomplish so arduous a task, which however was superseded by a confidence in the rectitude of our Cause, the support of the Supreme Power of the Union, and the Patronage of Heaven.

"The Successful termination of the War has verified the most sanguine expectation and my gratitude for the interposition of Providence, and the assistance I have received from my Countrymen, increases with every review of the momentous Contest.

Postscript

In January 2007, the Maryland State Archives completed the acquisition of George Washington's final draft of his resignation speech, thus bringing back to Maryland one of the seminal documents of United States history, the patriot's personal copy of the speech he gave in the Old Senate Chamber on Dec. 23, 1783. In response to instructions from Congress that he was expected to make formal remarks, he wrote this speech while he was in Annapolis.

There are two official copies of the speech: one is in the National Archives in Washington, D.C., and one at the Library of Congress. The one acquired by the Archives for Maryland is his personal, annotated copy from which he read during the ceremony. Washington gave this draft to a member of the Congressional protocol committee, which included Thomas Jefferson and James McHenry, who had planned the ceremony. It had remained in private hands ever since and is now on public display near where Washington stood as he delivered his remarks. It is short, about 350 words on a single page, front and back.

—WIN WILLIAMS

"While I repeat my obligations to the Army in general, I should do injustice to my own feeling not to acknowledge in this place the peculiar Services and distinguished merits of the Gentlemen who have been attached to my person during the War. It was impossible the choice of confidential Officers to compose my family should have been more fortunate. Permit me Sir, to recommend in particular those who have continued in Service to the present moment, as worthy of favorable notice and patronage of Congress.

"I consider it an indispensable duty to close this last solemn act of my Official life, by commending the Interests of our dearest Country to the protecting of Almighty God, and those who have superintendence of them, to his holy keeping.

"Having now finished the work assigned to me, I retire from the great theatre of Action; and bidding an affectionate farewell to this August body under whose orders I have so long acted, I hereby offer my Commission, and take leave of all the employments of public life."

The general then offered Mifflin his commission (engrossed of parchment) and a copy of his address. Mifflin made a brief response concerning Washington's leadership. After a few other formalities, the general left the chamber.

The Congress adjourned, with Washington returned to shake hands and say farewell to each representative. He soon departed with two aides. On Christmas Eve he rode up the driveway at Mount Vernon after serving his country for over eight years. Waiting at the door was his wife, Martha.

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He continues to be active in all levels of the organization.



225th Anniversary series spans seven years

By ROBERT L. "BOB" BOWEN, CHAIRMAN

This issue of *The SAR Magazine* marks the end of a journey that began at the 113th Annual Congress in Chicago in 2003. That's when President General Raymond G. Musgrave established the Revolutionary War 225th Anniversary Committee and gave it its marching orders: "Prepare monthly magazine reports and promote commemorative programs for the major and not-so-major battles and events leading to the Paris Peace Treaty and George Washington's return to civilian life." I have had the privilege of leading this effort from the beginning and I'm proud to submit this final report of the committee's activities.

Beginning with the Fall 2003 issue of *The SAR Magazine* and continuing through the current Winter 2009 issue, members of the committee and others have written 57 articles about the 225th anniversary of battles, skirmishes and events. A total of 29 writers contributed. Some of the writers had submitted articles to the magazine in the past, but most were published for the first time. A complete list of the writers is at the end of this report.

Some of the reports consisted of two articles: ... a historical piece about the battle one issue, followed by a report of the commemorative program the next. The Battle of Kings Mountain is a case in point. Mel Hankla wrote about the history of the battle. Steve Pittard wrote about the 225th commemorative program.

The committee is particularly pleased with several commemorative programs that were conducted for the first time. The 1779 Battle of Vincennes was commemorated in a program at the Indiana State Library in Indianapolis. Ron Horton and Frank Branson of the South Carolina Society organized the first Buford's Massacre program. SCSSAR also conducted the first program for the Battle of Hanging Rock.

Roger Barnhart and Chuck Bragg organized the first program for the Col. Austin de la Balme Massacre in Indiana, a program that has been conducted every year since. And Larry Aarons and the members of Virginia's Dan River Chapter organized the 225th anniversary program for the Crossing of the Dan River.

There was a time when it didn't appear as if we would ever settle on the last battle of the Revolutionary War. Five different states laid claim to the title, and conducted programs to underscore their claim. To settle the issue, we declared the following:

The Battle of Blue Licks (August 1782) was the final battle in Kentucky. The Siege of Ft. Henry (September 1782) was the final battle in West Virginia. The Battle of Lookout Mountain (September 1782) was the last battle in Tennessee. The last naval battle in American waters was fought off Florida on March 10, 1783. And, the last battle of the Revolutionary War and the last battle west of the

Mississippi River was fought at Arkansas Post on April 17, 1783.

I would be remiss if I did not thank my home society, Virginia, for organizing the 225th Anniversary of the Battle of Yorktown. Joe Dooley was at the helm. More than 250 compatriots, spouses and significant others from throughout the country attended the two-day program. Likewise, I want to thank Jacques de Trentinian of the France Society for organizing the SAR involvement in the 225th Anniversary of the Paris Treaty program in Paris. About 100 compatriots from the United States and France took part in that five-day program.

Thanks to former magazine editor Win Williams who made room for our reports in the magazine and, to my wife, Helen, for riding shotgun on most of the trips here and there, which equaled more than two and one-half times around the world. It was a journey, not a destination, and the friends made along the way will last a lifetime.

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STEWART DUNAWAY

During the Kings Mountain Ceremony on Oct. 7, 2008, Judge Ed Butler, Secretary General, represented NSSAR and was the principal speaker and presented the NSSAR wreath. One of the eight senior officers of that battle was Lt. Col. Frederick Hambricht, who led the Lincoln County, N.C. militia. Although he was shot in the thigh, he stayed in the saddle and led his troops to victory. Hambricht was Butler's first proven patriot used to join the SAR. In the photo, from left, Registrar General David Sympson; Secretary General Ed Butler; Historian General Steve Leishman; and Lindsey Brock, chief VPG and VPG of the South Atlantic District.

228th anniversary of Kings Mountain

Remarks of Judge Edward F. Butler Sr., Secretary General, National Society Sons of the American Revolution:

... I bring greetings to you from the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. We are known as the SAR. We are the largest male hereditary society in the United States. Sixteen U. S. Presidents have been or are members of the SAR. Since I joined 22 years ago, some 60,000 men have joined our number.

We are here today to honor the heroes of, and commemorate, the Battle of Kings Mountain, conducted 228 years ago today. There was only one British soldier in the battle that day. All the rest of the combatants were colonists. Many of the Tories in the battle were from New York and New Jersey. A large number of the patriots were Scotch Irish, Welsh, French Huguenots and German. All lived on the western frontier.

One of the Germans, Col. Frederick Hambricht, was my direct ancestor, and he was my original patriot ancestor when I joined SAR. Except for the first 10 seconds of the battle, when Maj. William Chronicle was killed, the Lincoln County (N.C.) Militia of about 90 men was led by Col. Hambricht. The "Over The Mountain Men," came from far western Virginia, North Carolina and what is now part of east Tennessee. They were joined by Virginians, and citizen soldiers from North Carolina and South Carolina.

The Tories had taken the high ground on Kings Mountain, and the patriots sought to capture the mountain. The colonists were divided into eight groups. Col. Hambricht's men were assigned the eastern end of the mountain, which had the steepest terrain to climb. Even

with a bullet in his thigh, Col. Hambricht remained on his horse and encouraged his men to the top of the mountain. With a boot full of blood he shouted, "Huzza my brave boys," his accent from the old country rang out, "fight on a few minutes more, and the battle will be over!" His exemplary leadership contributed to this important victory.

I submit to you that the one-hour battle was the most important hour of the American Revolutionary War.¹ The victory marked the turning point in the war and was the catalyst that led to the ultimate victory over the English at Yorktown, Va.

Col. Hambricht and the other leaders at the Battle of Kings Mountain were presented swords by the North Carolina Legislature to recognize this significant victory.

Col. Hambricht. He was born Frederick Hamprecht in Neunstetten, Germany in 1727. He came to Philadelphia from Germany in 1738 with his family on the ship *St. Andrew*, when he was 11 years old. He fought with Capt. Cobrin's Company of the N.C. Militia during the Spanish Alarm (1747-1748) at Wilmington, Del.

Col. Hambricht was selected as a delegate to the North Carolina Continental Congress, which met in Hillsboro, N.C. on Aug. 21, 1775. He also served on a Committee of Safety of Lincoln County, N.C., and after the battle was appointed a justice of the peace.

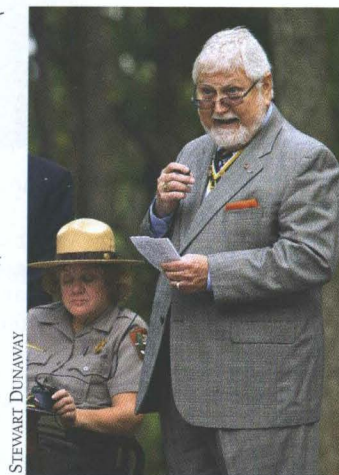
I am glad to see so many young people here today. You are our future. I hope you learn from your history.

Following the above remarks, Butler presented a wreath on behalf of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution, at which time he saluted the bronze plaque on the high stone obelisk monument.

Thereafter, scores of wreaths were presented by other national, district and state lineage societies; and by SAR, SR, CAR and DAR chapters, and by the descendants of Frederick Hambricht. After the ceremony,

Butler was invited to have a buffet lunch with the Overmountain Victory Trail Association—the group that walked from east Tennessee over a two-week period to participate in the ceremony. That afternoon, he attended a lecture on "The Aftermath of the Battle of Kings Mountain."

¹ ALTHOUGH I CAME TO THIS CONCLUSION ON MY OWN, I HAVE SINCE BEEN TOLD THAT THESE WERE THE EXACT WORDS OF THOMAS JEFFERSON, WHEN HE DESCRIBED THIS BATTLE.



STEWART DUNAWAY

Secretary General Ed Butler

Compatriots across America celebrate Wreaths Across America

By MARSTON WATSON, CHAIRMAN
TASK FORCE FOR WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

From deep in the heart of Texas to the hills of Virginia, from the ice-covered states in New England to the Gulf shores in the South and from the Pacific Ocean to the winter-laden fields in the Midwest, our compatriots paid homage to fallen military veterans at national cemeteries and monuments across America on Saturday, Dec. 13, 2008.

It all began precisely at noon at the Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia, where Morrill Worcester of the Worcester Wreath Company first donated his company's extra wreaths 16 years ago. The Wreaths Across America ceremonies at more than 350 cemetery and monument locations across our nation began at the same moment in their respective time zones.

Neither rain, nor sleet nor winter storms would deter the tens of thousands of our living veterans, their families and friends, as well as our compatriots, from devoting an hour of their time to remembering the fallen patriots from the War of Independence to the conflicts of today. The program at each location was marked by the presentation of our national colors by the military and/or SAR color guards, the national anthem and an opening prayer. Seven memorial wreaths were presented by individuals representing the U.S. Air Force, Army, Navy, Marines, Coast Guard, Merchant Marines and prisoners of war.

President General David Appleby issued a proclamation in honor of this occasion, which was read by fellow compatriots across the nation. It states in part, "We descendants of the patriots of the War of Independence, represented by our membership in the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, share a common bond with the patriots who are interred in this cemetery. It is fitting to remember the colonial men and women who dared to declare themselves independent from their English ruler and establish the United States of America. We Americans who are here today are the beneficiaries of that legacy, regardless of our own heritage and ethnic origins. It would be fitting of us to remember a loved one or perhaps an ancestor who made the sacrifice that



brought honor and peace to our nation."

The event at our nation's cemeteries and monuments came about at the urging of thousands of Americans from across the country who wanted to know how they could get involved. This prompted Morrill Worcester, a 2006 recipient of the NSSAR Gold Good Citizen award, and his wife, Karen, to establish a Wreaths Across America nonprofit organization (501c3) in 2007. Their mission, to Remember, Honor and Teach about the sacrifices made by our veterans, captured the hearts and minds of many communities across the country. A total of 105,724 wreaths (30,000 of which were donated by the Worcester Wreath Company) were placed at the headstones of those who served and, in many cases, sacrificed their lives for our freedom, in the 2008 observance.

Morrill and Karen Worcester participated with thousands of people at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia. Vice President General Gary

Bond represented President General David Appleby in reading the proclamation at the ceremony.

The Sacramento Valley National Cemetery in Dixon, Calif. (near Sacramento) was one of three locations (in addition to Togus, Maine, and Fayetteville, Ark.) in which participation from individuals and corporations made it possible for a wreath to be placed at every one of the more than 3,700 gravesites. Kathleen Todd Watson, first vice regent of Anne Loucks Chapter and former national president of the NSSAR Ladies Auxiliary, worked tirelessly with her team and support committee to accomplish this feat. The Sacramento and Gold Country SAR chapters provided the color guard. Cemetery Director Dean Moline commented that this event, "was a great success in showing support for the veterans and the cemetery program."

Here is a snapshot of SAR involvement across the nation:

- Compatriots Billy Cox and Richard Mason represented the Count Pulaski Chapter at the Arkansas Veteran's Cemetery.

- Compatriot Joe Kerr of the Lafayette Chapter reported that about 7,000 wreaths were placed at every veteran headstone at the Fayetteville National Cemetery.

- The Oklahoma Society proudly attended ceremonies at Ft. Gibson National Cemetery, Floral

Haven Cemetery in Broken Arrow and the Ft. Sill National Cemetery in Elgin.

- Iowa Society compatriots Mike Rowley, Fran Keith, Dave Shannon and Dean Swearingen were among many SAR members who participated throughout the Hawkeye state.

- The color guard from a number of chapters nationwide participated at wreath ceremonies, from the Westwood Cemetery in Massachusetts to the Presidio National Cemetery in San Francisco.

- Secretary General Edward Butler joined his fellow color guardsmen, Rev.



James Taylor and Peter Baron, at the San Antonio National Cemetery.

- Stan Evans of Tennessee reported that two chapter members in color guard uniform posted and retired the national and state flags.

- State Rep. Kevin Brooks (a member of the Col. Benjamin Cleveland Chapter) made special mention of the SAR participation at the ceremony in his speech. Compatriot Bill Eubank read the President General's proclamation.

This Wreaths Across America Task Force chairman is blessed with dedi-

cated members who applied their leadership skills in encouraging state societies and chapters to participate in this very important national event: Vice Chairman Ron Newton (Maine) and committee members Jim Alexander (Ala.), Carroll Collins (Md.), Stan Evans (Tenn.), Dick Fetzer (Ohio), Peter Goebel (N.Y.), Bob Grover (Ark.), Andy Johnson (Va.), Larry McClanahan (Tenn.), Charlie McGillicuddy (Maine) and Travis

Spears (Calif.). Their dedication and hard work brought about a significant presence of our fellow compatriots.

Perhaps the final word about the Wreaths Across America ceremonies on Dec. 13 should come from Karen Worcester, co-founder of the Worcester Wreath Company, who expressed her delight at the overwhelming success of this important national event. "Anyone who believes that there is no greatness in America would think differently after attending a wreath ceremony," she said.

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Help new members with applications

By DOUGLAS LITTLE
DAYTONA-ORMOND CHAPTER, FLSSAR

As we all know, handing a prospective member a worksheet and the pamphlet on how to fill out his lineage and then prove it usually means that it's the last ever heard from that prospect.

The Daytona-Ormond Chapter has developed a procedure that seems to work. We man a desk at the Daytona City Island Library each Friday afternoon to provide a contact point for prospective members. Three chapter members are in this group of SAR volunteers, including the chapter registrar and genealogist with at least one, and typically all three, being present each Friday. We have been doing this for some years now with the result that the library staff feels comfortable in referring anyone who inquires about the SAR (or DAR, Mayflower, etc.) to stop by the genealogy room on Friday afternoons. In addition the library permits us to have racks with SAR brochures, along with other lineage societies, since we all work together. Often a "newbie" just starting out in genealogy overhears our conversation and inquires about membership.

Once a prospective member shows up, we start with the usual basic information: name, address, telephone number and, very important, his e-mail address. We have found that people without an e-mail address tend to be more difficult to involve, particularly as we use a computer-based approach. We don't push these men out the door but the success ratio is far lower. On the other hand we find a lot of men (those with e-mail addresses) come in expecting that all the information they have found on the Web is the gospel truth and is therefore all the documentation they need.

The first step is to establish whether the prospective member has a blood relative that was ever in the SAR or DAR. If so, that is the obvious place to start, although many, if not most, applicants would like to trace back to a patriot ancestor with their own surname. We work hard to encourage them to start with an established line and then add their direct lineage as a supplemental. If they don't have a SAR or DAR blood relative, we find they usually have some idea of who their patriot ancestor may be—it may not be the right one, but it is usually a good clue.

The next step (unless the applicant is the son or grandson of an existing SAR or DAR member and just needs a birth certificate or two) is to create a lineage on our computer using one of the various SAR application computer programs. We use Bill Bristor's Word template but there are a number of others. When we start the application, with the prospect looking over our shoulder supplying the information as we fill it out, he gets a feeling of involvement rather than the turnoff of being handed a worksheet with instructions.

The application is completed as far as possible with little talk of documentation—that comes later! The applicant can usually take us back to his grandparents although with lots of dates and locations missing. The next step is to go online to Ancestry.com (available at the library) and check the U.S. census for his immediate ancestors. The censuses provide dates, locations, etc. and this allows us to talk in an unthreatening way about documentation. (We print out the census pages for "documentation.") Usually we can get the applicant back to the 1850s using various censuses.

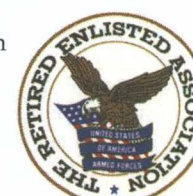
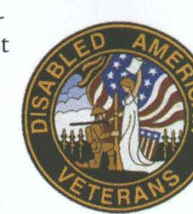
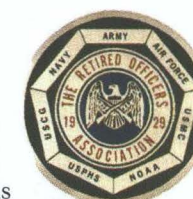
At this point we shift to RootsWeb.com, searching on the name of the oldest person we have entered

on the application. In most cases this provides a framework lineage on which we can start building proof. We are fortunate in having a fair-sized genealogy section in our library (to which our chapter regularly contributes additional books that will help with applications). These books are our first step in documentation with the second step being accessing HeritageQuest.com. Heritage Quest claims more than 20,000 books in its online library. The search is fairly easy and appropriate pages may be printed to accompany the application as proof.

Along the way we have indicated to the applicant that he will need to get birth/baptism, death and marriage certificates for the first three generations. Not all are needed but enough to prove his bloodline. Much of our approach here is that the applicant should have them for "his records" in any case. Here we help with the "where to write for" books that are available in the library or online.

In those cases where an applicant has no good leads we use a different approach. Rather than start by filling out the actual SAR application, we open a new PAF computer file. We use PAF because it is easy to explain and, when we are done, we can give the file to the applicant with instructions on how to download PAF for free so he can continue his genealogy (obviously any of the many genealogy programs can be used). Opening the PAF file permits us to easily research multiple branches. Many times we can check names in the 1850s-era to the SAR Patriot Index CD and find a proven patriot ancestor.

It's a far cry from the time when many of us came into SAR. Then we did all the work ourselves or we didn't get in, or we were lucky enough to find someone to guide us through the process. Why does our chapter go this way? Because new applicants have more generations between themselves and their patriot ancestor. Gone are the days when an applicant's patriot ancestor was great-grandfather. A patriot ancestor being the 9th or 10th generation is not unusual. In addition, there is the desire for instant gratification—people are no longer willing to work for a couple of years to assemble the data needed and, with the advent of computers and the Web, that's no longer necessary. Most applicants do not have the necessary genealogy knowledge to put together the lineage and proof needed for an SAR application, so it is up to us to provide it.



Partners in Patriotism

By PAUL WILKE, CHAIRMAN & ROBERT L. "BOB" BOWEN, SENIOR ADVISOR

Chapter and state activities are widespread for the 2008-09 Partners in Patriotism program.

The program works the same way it did last year. Chapters and state societies that work with a veterans organization, such as the American Legion, VFW, DAV, MOPH or National Sojourners, on a program of mutual interest will qualify for the Partners in Patriotism Certificate.

Through November 2008, we have received reports from chapters in Arkansas, Florida, Indiana, Iowa, Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Virginia, and Wisconsin. Twenty-one states and 44 chapters submitted reports last year and we believe we will top that during the current program.

At this writing, most of the reports received dealt with Veterans Day programs. The Abraham Van Buren Chapter in Clinton, Ark., joined with the Military Order of the Purple Heart, DAV, VFW, American Legion, Pearl Harbor Survivors, Gold Star Mothers and Wives and AMVETS to pay tribute to veterans of the wars fought to preserve the freedoms won by our patriot ancestors.

The Emerald Coast Chapter in Fort Walton Beach, Fla., joined with Playground Chapter 72 of the Disabled American Veterans for a wreath-laying ceremony at the Beal Memorial on Veterans Day.

Indiana's Jim Arnold reported activities involving the Indiana Society and four Indiana chapters. Programs included color guard participation in the 57th Annual Saratoga (CV-3) reunion and the second annual Speedway Post 500

Fall Festival Parade in Indianapolis in September.

On Nov. 1, the Indiana Color Guard was near Columbia City for the commemoration of the Col. Augustin de LaBalme massacre with Freemont American Legion Post 257 providing the honor guard; and in Bedford, Ind., for a June 13 Flag Day program with Gillen American Legion Post 33 providing the honor guard, firing squad and taps. INSSAR also took part in the Indianapolis Veterans Festival on June 15 with members of Speedway Post 500. In addition to the Indiana Society, the following Indiana chapters took part in the reported activities: Clarence A. Cook, Daniel Guthrie, Anthony Halberstadt, Alexis Coquillard, Fort Wayne, David Benton, Ohio Valley, and Continental.

The Iowa Society Color Guard joined with the Patriot Guard Riders, the VFW and members of The American Legion on Oct. 30, in a program to honor troops from the Iowa National Guard who were deployed to Iraq.

The Mississippi Society and Mississippi's Jacob Horger Chapter took part in several Veterans Day programs, including one on Nov. 8 with Hattiesburg VFW Post 3036 in Forest County; a Veterans Day parade on Nov. 9; a memorial program on Nov. 11 at the Veterans Museum in Laurel with members of American Legion Post 11; and in a ceremony in nearby Mount Olive, Miss., with members of VFW Post 9122.

The Missouri Color Guard participated in the 90th anniversary of Veterans Day at the National World War I Museum in Kansas City, Mo. The American Legion Band provided the music.

Ohio's Cincinnati Chapter provided the color guard for MPOH's Purple Heart Day in Cincinnati on Aug. 4, 2008.

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Declaration of Publication!

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Top cadets honored

Above, Lt. Col. Edmund P. Karr (U.S. Army, ret.), right, presented Jonathan A. Waterlander (SQ 18) the outstanding graduating cadet award during a special ceremony at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo. Cadet Waterlander specialized in foreign studies.

On May 29, 2008, a delegation from the National Society Sons of the American Revolution (at right) traveled to the United States Military Academy in West Point, N.Y., to present the NSSAR Award to the outstanding cadet majoring in U.S. History. The award was presented to Cadet Amanda Molyneux, who graduated on May 31, 2008. The award consists of an engraved tray. Pictured immediately after the award ceremony are Richard Sage, Empire State Society and former Historian General; Peter Goebel, Empire State Society and VPG; Cadet Molyneux; Douglas B. Stuart, Maryland Society; and John P. Kleiss, president of the First New York Continental Chapter of the Empire State Society. Stuart and Goebel are West Point graduates.



Partners

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Pennsylvania's Philadelphia-Continental Chapter joined with other patriotic groups and veterans organizations for a parade and program to commemorate the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Paris. PASSAR's Gov. Joseph Hiester Chapter joined with the Marine Corps League and members of the Combined Veterans Council of Berks County for a veterans program in Reading's city park on Nov. 11.

The Gen. James Williams Chapter in South Carolina joined with the American Legion and VFW for a Veterans Day program on Nov. 11 in Clinton.

Three chapters in Virginia have met the requirement for a Partners in Patriotism Certificate. The Col. Fielding Lewis Chapter invited the local National Sojourners chapter to its Flag Day meeting to conduct its Build a Flag and Toast to the Flag programs. The Culpepper Minute Men Chapter Color Guard joined with local veterans groups for the annual Warrenton-Fauquier Heritage Day Parade on Sept. 27. And the Overmountain Men Chapter joined with Gate City American Legion Post 265 and American Legion Post 3 of Kingsport, Tenn., for the second annual Veterans Day Dedication Ceremony in Gate City, Va.

Finally, the Wisconsin Society Color Guard took part in a Veterans Day program at the Wisconsin State Capital promoted by the Madison Veterans Council and members of The American Legion, American ex-Prisoners of War, AMVETS, Gold Star Mothers and Wives, Navy League, MOPH and Marine Corps League.

We hope to receive many additional reports between now and the June 5 deadline. Please send your reports via e-mail or snail mail to Bob Bowen, 78 Smithfield Way, Fredericksburg, VA 22406 or semperfibob@cox.net. Participating chapters and societies will receive only one certificate, regardless of the number of programs in which they participate. The certificates will be presented at the 119th Annual Congress in Atlanta. The cut off for this year's activities is May 31.

The Continental Army's harshest winter: Morristown 1780

By PAUL J.P. BANWART

Oftentimes when one looks at the Revolutionary War, he or she usually thinks of the battles at Bunker Hill, Trenton and Yorktown. Most of the time, these battles are duly glorified and are credited to be the foundation of the colonial victory. However, less well-known events also played a significant role in the outcome of the American Revolutionary War. One such event took place at Morristown. It was in this town that a war was fought not on the battlefield but in the minds and hearts of the soldiers.

In Morristown, Washington's Continental Army wintered two years from January to May of 1777, after the victories at Trenton and Princeton, and from December 1779 to June 1780, documented as being "the worst winter of the 18th century." The soldiers endured the winters by living in huts at Jockey Hollow. Notables such as James McHenry, Alexander Hamilton, Robert Hanson Harrison, Gen. Nathanael Greene, Richard Kiddler Meade, Marquis de Lafayette, and of course Gen. George Washington, wintered at Morristown. During their first visit, a serious outbreak of smallpox threatened the vitality of the army. To prevent an epidemic, the first mass inoculation in the history of the country was administered. In 1779, with dwindling supplies, Washington sought the comfort of the military supply depot at Fort Mifflin located in Morristown. Unlike their first stay, the army faced a battle of determination and willpower. Combating starvation and high monetary inflation, the future funding and longevity of the war was uncertain. Not only was the Continental Army faced with troublesome financial difficulties, but they also faced the test of physical endurance of the harshest winter. If it had not been for the unity and camaraderie of the soldiers, perhaps the outcome of the war might have been different.

After visiting Morristown, the National Park Service's first National Historic Park, one gains a better understanding of the tactical superiority of Morristown's terrain. The town's geographical location was a military's dream. The Watchung Mountains and the Great Swamp provided a defensive barrier between Morristown and the



T. Rex Legler, left, and Charlie Newcomer, right, present the Eagle Scout Scholarship to Paul J.P. Banwart of Shakopee, Minn. A member of Troop 218, Banwart has earned more than 100 merit badges and is attending the University of Minnesota.

Additional youth essays will appear in upcoming issues of SAR Magazine.

British-controlled New York City. In addition, the design of the roads in Morristown provided mobility and versatility to counter any British surprise attack. Even though no battles were fought at Morristown, it provided an ideal and strategic position over the British. Not only did the colonials have superior location, but also more experienced soldiers. Despite facing a harsher winter than Valley Forge, the Continental Army suffered less than 100 casualties compared with the devastating 1,500-plus deaths at Valley Forge.

In March 1780, George Washington declared St. Patrick's Day a holiday to honor his Irish troops. Consequently, the holiday boosted the whole army's morale and helped lead the army to future victories. With strength and willpower to break free from the rule of Britain, the colonials were able to endure through the winters at Morristown and rally enough energy to

leverage themselves to win decisive battles that would inevitably end the war. Morristown exemplifies the high cost of freedom the colonials paid in order to ensure the safety for future generations to prosper in this beloved nation. Let us not only remember Morristown as an event in history, but let us embrace the sacrifices the Continental Army made which has sustained our freedom to today.

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The Center and You

Your role in SAR's historic new mission

By ROLAND DOWNING,
PRESIDENT GENERAL 2005-06

Progress toward establishing The Center for Advancing America's Heritage has been so rapid this last year that many members may have lost track of recent important events. I hope this article will be helpful to you in understanding and appreciating what is undoubtedly one of the major evolutions in SAR history.

Frankly, I was surprised at how quickly the Trustees and Congress switched from our old expansion plan to our new one on Louisville's "Museum Row." It was as if after years of study, planning and fundraising everyone simultaneously was able to recognize and act on a superior plan with confidence.

The key points in this decision are location in Louisville's cultural corridor (Museum Row) and consolidation of all operations in one building rather than two. The old plan would have had us operating two buildings across the street from each other in a more remote part of the city. Now we have the opportunity to connect with other cultural institutions located in the same area for expanded partnerships. Other advantages have to do with tax credits and improved possibilities of financial assistance from the Louisville community.

The SAR's reasons for seeking new or expanded facilities remain the same as in prior years — to better serve our membership and to expand educational outreach with programs emanating from a national center staffed by professionals and using modern mass media techniques.

THE IMPORTANCE OF OUTREACH EDUCATION

The SAR started responding to changes in American popular culture in the 1980s and 1990s. Personally, I remember the establishment of the Task Force to Preserve United States History in 1994 with Howard Horne as chairman. This and other milestones mark SAR's growing desire to have an effective influence in popular culture. Higher education and other institutions, including governments, had

largely stopped promoting Americanism in response to "political correctness" and the pernicious influence of multiculturalism.

Consequently, if the United States is to remain a strong, united nation, organizations such as ours must take up the flag and promote assimilation and American unity.

Our mission statements, "to inspire members and the community at large with a more profound reverence for the principles of government founded by our forefathers," and "to foster true patriotism," demand that we reach out and educate.

In response, the SAR is slowly but surely experiencing a culture change from an organization that was largely celebratory to one that also reaches out to educate. Imagine, a lineage society becoming an educational institution.

OUTREACH EDUCATION HAS GRASSROOTS SUPPORT

The section above on milestones points out key evolutionary phases in SAR history that illustrates the membership's grassroots support in every phase. Funding for initiatives now comes from grassroots membership, in contrast to the past when rich, influential men either funded or persuaded governments to fund initiatives. During the last 40 years, governance in the SAR has become democratic, reflecting the culture of middle-class professionals who compete for leadership positions in the state and national societies.

The concept of establishing modern outreach educational capability in the National Society has been confirmed

Milestones along the road to outreach education

Most recently in March 2008, the SAR purchased the Fulton Conway Building and plans were made to convert this empty warehouse into The Center for Advancing America's Heritage. A chronology of prior milestones follows.

Before 1990s—The NSSAR established numerous committees to help coordinate educational events in states and chapters. The museum and library were established. Special purpose endowment funds were set up to sponsor events such as the oration contest and Eagle Scout Scholarship program.

1993-1994—A "grand vision" of a greatly expanded headquarters complex was proposed and the first SAR Foundation was set up for fund raising.

1995—The Task Force to Preserve United States History was established.

1999-2001—That "grand vision" morphed into "down to earth" practicality for expansion in the property near current headquarters. The SAR receives \$1.3 million from Compatriot Friend's estate from which \$300,000 was used to initiate expansion. \$1 million went to the permanent endowment.

2002—A new SAR Foundation is established. A director of development is retained for one year and fundraising among the membership was launched. The project was christened "The Center for Advancing America's Heritage" in recognition of the primary function of our Society.

2003—The building fund then contained about \$1 million and goals were set for a \$6 million capital campaign.

2004-2006—The building fund had increased to about \$3 million. A director of education is added to the headquarters staff.

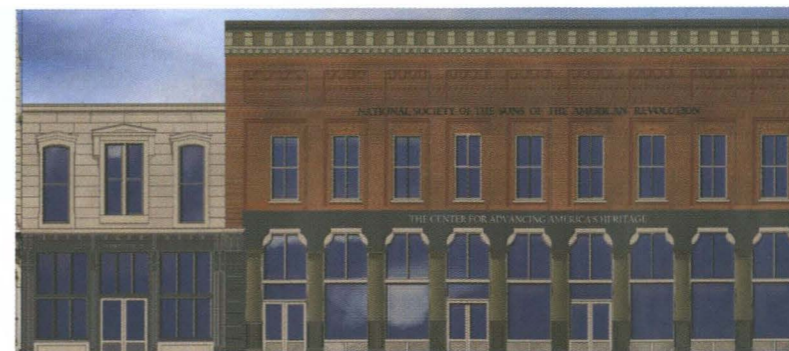
2007-2008—SAR Foundation hires a director of development and current fund raising programs are established. The historic decision is made to establish The Center in Louisville's "Museum Row" where there is greatly improved public access.

again and again in votes taken in both Trustee and Annual Congress sessions.

MEMBERSHIP IS GUIDING WHAT HAPPENS IN THE CENTER

Immediately after the Trustees approved the purchase of the "Museum Row" location for The Center, President General Bruce Wilcox called for a weekend retreat of more than two dozen interested members. During the retreat last April in Raleigh, N.C., compatriots from across the nation gathered at their own expense in what I describe as a "creativity session" to develop the core purpose of The Center for Advancing America's Heritage and to define the strategy and scope of the Capital Campaign.

Then President General Wilcox appointed The CAAH Advisory Task Force to function as a subcommittee of the Strategic Planning Committee to ensure that members' interests are reflected in the physical design and program development for The Center.



The task force is concentrating on four core areas for The Center: library, store, exhibit/galleries (museum) and educational spaces/programs. The task force has a focus group assigned to each of these areas. These are challenging assignments. All new ideas should be referred to Larry Guzy, my task force co-chair, to ensure they are vetted by experts in a particular field.

Some general principles have already been developed.

1. The facility is primarily an extension of our education mission; however, it will house our headquarters as well. Internally it should be referred to as "The Center."

2. The Center will be open to the public, perhaps up to seven days a week, in order to promote the SAR and its missions.

3. The Center is defined as the educational outreach project of the Sons of the American Revolution that seeks to present to the community at large visions and learning from the founding era so that citizens will appreciate the principles of good citizenship and will value American heritage.

4. The term "gallery" will be used in instead of "museum." Our artifacts/art will be used in a thematic manner to inspire and engage. The gallery will host traveling exhibits.

5. The store will be referred to as the "Center Store." The items sold there will be thematic with our mission.

PROJECTED BENEFITS TO MEMBERS

From a personal point of view, I cannot imagine a single negative to my SAR experience from having a landmark center that reaches out to the entire nation with historic and educational programming on Americanism. It seems certain to me that this improved visibility will result in more public awareness, approval and increased membership.

For me, one of the joys of membership in the SAR has come from being with patriotic, like-minded men and women, who want to do things to preserve and improve this great nation. In this regard, the SAR is a vehicle for achieving the personal satisfaction that comes from working on a noble cause. Certainly The Center will showcase that cause to millions more people and thereby increase one's feeling of accomplishment.

Local programming in states and chapters will benefit from materials and ideas flowing from The Center. Our Education Department already is offering materials to be requested online, a resource manual for state societies, a traveling resource trunk and many other items. If you're interested in participating, contact Colleen Wilson, our director of education. In Louisville, the NSSAR has begun sponsoring Naturalization and Flag Retirement Ceremonies.

Collaborative relationships have been set up with the University of Louisville and the other Main Street museums. The possibilities seem limitless.

THE BLESSED NEWS

At Congress I used an analogy that involved pregnancy. When you find out you're expecting you don't wait around to see what you need to do next, you get busy. The SAR is pregnant! We have had the ultrasound and we now know the principal features. Oh my! Our birth is eminent. Let's move. We must be vigilant in supporting our beloved creation.

You will receive or have received a letter from the Capital Campaign urging you to make at least a five-year pledge to The Center. Please contribute to the successful completion of our noble mission.

SAR OUTREACH: HISTORIC CELEBRATIONS

This listing is compiled for each issue by Compatriot John H. Sauer, a member of the West Virginia Society. It is continually updated, largely through information sent to Compatriot Sauer at 2110 Mason Blvd., Point Pleasant, WV 25550 or by e-mail to SweetSauer@suddenlink.net.

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Feb. 14 — Battle of Kettle Creek, Washington Ga., 10 a.m., anniversary Battle of Kettle Creek; 2 p.m., historic home tour, film, battlefield tour and wreath laying. Sponsored by Samuel Elbert Chapter and GASSAR. Contact Walker Chewning, (770) 972-7890.

Feb. 22 — California Massing of the Colors, Burbank, Calif., 3 p.m., contact Don Moran, (661) 823-9227.

Feb. 28 — Last Naval Battle of the Revolution, Cape Canaveral, Fla., 10 a.m., contact Ben DuBose, (321) 952-2928.

March 14 — Guilford Courthouse National Battlefield (near Greensboro, N.C.): 11 a.m. Sponsored by Nathanael Greene Chapter NCSSAR. Contact John J. Sullivan (336) 282-4032.

April 11 — Halifax Day, Halifax N.C. Celebration of "Halifax Resolves," first colony to recommend independence from England. 2 p.m., SAR grave marking and wreath laying. Sponsored by Halifax Resolves Chapter.

May 9 — Battle of Pensacola, Pensacola, Fla., 9 a.m., contact Wesley Oldham, (850) 436-6666.

May 24 — Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous, Vincennes, Ind., 9 a.m., contact Bob Howell, (812) 278-7007.

June 13 — Ramsour's Mill (near Lincolnton, N.C.) Wreath laying sponsored by Catawba Valley Chapter, NCSSAR at 10 a.m., Color Guard participation.

Sept. 20 — Battle of Saratoga, Saratoga National Historic Park, Stillwater, N.Y., 2 p.m. DAR Monument. Annual celebration: wreath laying. Sponsored by Saratoga Battle Chapter, ESSAR

Oct. 3 — Point Pleasant Battle Days, Point Pleasant, W. Va. (Battle Monument State Park): 2 p.m. Sponsored by Point Pleasant Chapter. WVSSAR. Contact Finlay Coles, (304) 675-2719.

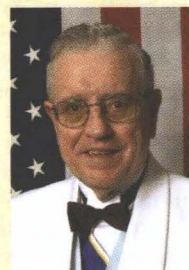
Oct. 7 — Battle of Kings Mountain, Blacksburg, S.C., 11 a.m., contact Frank Horton, (910) 630-0875.

Oct. 19 — Yorktown Victory Day Celebration, Yorktown, Va., 10 a.m., wreath laying at the tomb of Thomas Nelson, Jr. Sponsored by VASSAR, 11 a.m., parade.

January 12, 2009

Dear Compatriots,

The 2008 State Recognition Challenge has ended and we are beginning our 2009 Challenge in our five-year program. This challenge in support of The Center for Advancing America's Heritage Capital Campaign is critically important to the overall success of our fund raising efforts. Not only will the dollars raised from our membership be needed to complete this project, but a strong show of support will send out a clear message that we are determined to achieve our goal. We will be asking for leadership gifts from individuals, corporations, foundations and the government sector. It is critical that we continue to show that our members support this project through their monetary gifts.



George Thurmond



Lindsey Brock

Congratulations to Delaware, the District of Columbia, New Mexico and Vermont for being the first to have achieved a \$250 average donation per society member by the end of our five-year campaign in December 2013, with at least 20% of our members participating

We have raised more than \$3 Million in cash and achieved a 13 percent level of participation from compatriots within our society. Gifts of all amounts are

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The IRA Rollover Option

Why You Should Take Advantage of the Benefit

BY LAURIE ANNE ROBERTS, DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT, SAR FOUNDATION, INC.

In October 2008, Congress passed a \$700 billion bailout bill that included a provision allowing those over the age of 70 1/2 to transfer funds from their traditional or Roth IRA account directly to a charitable organization without incurring any taxes on the transfer. This allocation is allowed through December 2009 at a distribution level up to \$100,000.

The advantage of this is that donors may continue to make gifts and exclude them from their federal income tax on line 15b of the 1040 Form.

In late December, President Bush signed into passage additional relief for those over the age of 70 1/2 in the Worker, Retiree and Employer Recovery Act of 2008 (H.R. 7327). This legislation included a waiver of the mandatory minimum IRA distribution rule (just for the 2009 calendar year) for individuals who are 70 1/2 and older.

Previously, those 70 1/2 and older were required to distribute a certain amount of funds from their IRA to avoid a stiff tax penalty. But through this recently enacted law, they can keep all of their funds in their IRA without receiving a tax penalty.

So why should you continue to make this distribution? If you traditionally make charitable contributions during the year, you can use your IRA funds to make your charitable contributions and avoid using taxable income to make those donations. Keep in mind that you will not be able to claim it as a tax deduction.

You can make a gift to benefit The Center for Advancing America's Heritage Capital Campaign, The George Washington Endowment Fund or any of our numerous youth programs using your IRA funds in 2009. Contact Laurie Ann Roberts at the SAR Foundation at (502) 315-1777 for assistance in making your gift.

It is estimated that there are more than \$3 trillion in retirement funds such as IRAs.

Individuals are encouraged to liquidate their IRAs in their lifetime under current tax laws to avoid confiscatory tax rates of up to 80 percent if their IRA funds are left to a dependent or family member (other than their spouse). Remember, dollars remaining in an IRA may be taxed to the beneficiary and are considered assets for the purpose of calculating your estate tax liability.

Contact your IRA administrator or your estate planning professional for more information regarding the new tax laws concerning IRAs and other methods of estate planning to provide the most benefit to you as well as the charities that are important to you.



Laurie Anne Roberts

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Totals:	24,728	3,038	3,158	13%	\$3,118,975	\$126,347	\$3,245,322	\$131
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Please join in the challenge and let your fellow compatriots know that now is the time to complete The Center. It is time to ADVANCE.

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STATE SOCIETY & CHAPTER EVENTS

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

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

ALABAMA SOCIETY

CAHABA-COOSA CHAPTER

On Sunday afternoon, Oct. 19, 2008, the members of the Cahaba-Coosa Chapter marked the final resting place of Revolutionary War veteran Jonathan Clower at his burial spot in northern Chilton County. Patriot Jonathon Clower was born Dec. 3, 1763 in Berks County, Penn., and served in the North Continental Line. He fought at the Battle of Eutaw Springs and the Battle of Dorchester and was discharged on May 20, 1782 in Charleston, S.C., by Col. Lee.

After the war he married Mary Shular and they had 12 children. They eventually migrated to Alabama and were among the first settlers of what is now Chilton County. Clower died Sept. 18, 1837 in Shelby County (now part of Chilton County) and his grave is the earliest recorded grave in the county.

Approximately 45 people were in attendance, including seven descendants of the patriot. Scott Martin, a Clower descendant and former president of the Cahaba-Coosa Chapter, organized the dedication and also provided the family history to those in attendance.



Alan Dismukes, president of the Cahaba-Coosa Chapter, presented the state wreath at the grave dedication.

GENERAL GALVEZ CHAPTER

State Sen. Trip Pittman addressed the July meeting of the General Galvez Chapter. Pittman has traced his family back to Gen. William Mead Davidson of Revolutionary War fame. His family has embraced and supported the ideals, morals and goals of the American dream since our nation's founding.

Pittman gave an in-depth description of the inner workings



Sen. Pittman

of our state government and how difficult it is to get anything accomplished with all the lobbyists, special interest groups and professional politicians in Montgomery.

The senator is a graduate of the University of Alabama and an officer in the U.S. Army Reserves. He started and operates his own business. Pittman said he ran for public office because he was frustrated with the direction state government was headed and decided to try and make a difference.

MONTGOMERY CHAPTER

President Stan Phillips of the Gen. Richard Montgomery Chapter, left, presents Ron Davis of Wetumpka, Ala., with his certificate of membership, as well as two memorial certificates of membership for his brother, Eldon Clark Davis, and son, Scott Clark Davis. Chapter Registrar Larry Cornwell, who sponsored all three, is at right.

Memorial memberships are available to deceased next of kin of SAR members, which also entitles them to have an SAR member gravemarker placed at their graves.

Also, Cornwell visited the Advanced Placement American History classes at Jefferson Davis High School in Montgomery, where he lectured on the Revolutionary War soldier.

Cornwell has given this talk this past year at the Prattville Rotary Club, two fifth-grade classes at the Daniel



PHOTO BY BRUCE PICKETTE



PHOTO BY ANNE PHILLIPS CHAPTER, DAR

DAR member Lynna Meadows became the first DAR member to be awarded the SAR Medal and Certificate of Appreciation for recruiting at least three new SAR members for the Gen. Richard Montgomery Chapter. She was awarded the medal by chapter President Stan Phillips, left, and Registrar Larry Cornwell at a meeting of the Anne Phillips Chapter of the DAR.

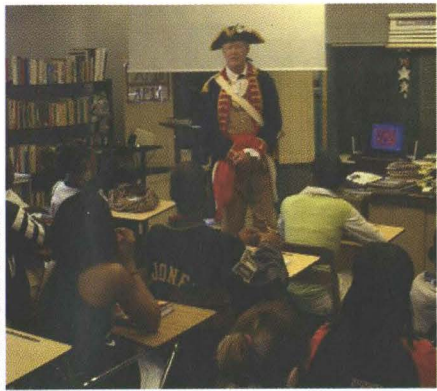


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Pratt Elementary School in Prattville, the Montgomery Civitan Club, the Childton County Historical Society, a large family reunion in Vernon, Ala., and the Askesis Study Club in Prattville.

He has additionally lectured on "Christian Faith of Our Patriot Forefathers" at the Woodland United Methodist Church in Montgomery, a Cahaba-Coosa SAR Chapter meeting, the Francis Marion Chapter of the DAR, and the Cloverdale United Methodist Church men's group.

Children at the Daniel Pratt Elementary School sent him colorful thank you notes, which can be viewed at www.alssar.org.

CONNECTICUT SOCIETY

For several years now, the Connecticut Society Color Guard and Camp Followers, known as the Connecticut Line, have left their uniforms and weapons at home and dressed as 1773 citizens of Boston in honor of the Boston Tea Party. The date is Dec. 14, and the weather is cold. Greatcoats, capes and mittens are in order. Arriving at the Boston Commons, which dates to 1634, the oldest city park in the United States, the Connecticut Line, whom I will now refer to as "our citizens," start off on the famous Freedom Trail.



CALIFORNIA SOCIETY

From left, Robert Ebert, Charles Lampman, Rev. Louis Carlson, Dr. Phillip Dodson, Jim Faulkinbury, Coreena Ross (CASSAR Ladies Auxiliary President), Edward Butler (NSSAR Secretary General), Karl Jacobs, Soldado Leroy Martinez, and Stephen Renouf (CASSAR President). This picture was taken during a wreath-laying ceremony at the tombstone of Dr. James Lafayette Cogswell, the founder of the Sons of Revolutionary Sires in 1875 (which became the California Society, SAR in 1889).

Along this trail we visit the three oldest cemeteries in Boston, including the King's Chapel Burial Ground, the oldest in Boston, started in 1630. The second oldest is the Copp's Hill Burial Ground, 1659, and the Granary Burial Ground, 1660, where Sam Adams, John Hancock, Robert Paine, Paul Revere and many others, including some of our ancestors, are buried.

The citizens pass many historic sites, including the Boston Latin School, established in 1635, which is still operating. We tour the Paul Revere House, built in 1680. We pass the Old State House built in 1713, where, from the balcony, the *Declaration of Independence* was read to cheering crowds. The citizens pass the Old Corner Bookstore built in 1718. It became a meeting place of many

notable writers. We will visit the Old North Church, built in 1723, made famous by "once if by land, twice if by sea." We pass the familiar Faneuil Hall, built in 1742, and rebuilt after fire 20 years later.

The citizens pass the Massachusetts State House built in 1795 on land once owned by John Hancock,

the Park Street Church where gunpowder was stored in the War of 1812, the beautiful statues of Benjamin Franklin, Samuel Adams and Paul Revere, the Bunker Hill Monument and the USS *Constitution*, the oldest commissioned ship afloat. The citizens eat at the Green Dragon where the Sons of Liberty planned the Boston Tea Party. After food and drink, we move on to the Old South Church where we are greeted by many other citizens of 1773 Boston. Gentlemen and their Ladies mingle among us and reacquaint old relationships. We enter the church in preparation to argue with the Royalists and the ship officers. After each side has expressed itself at length, Indians slip out the door and head for the docks. The masses follow and cheer as the tea is thrown overboard.



DC SOCIETY

Newly installed steps at Historic Congressional Cemetery leading to the gravesite of Elbridge Gerry, the only Signer of the Declaration of Independence buried in Washington, were dedicated by PG David Appleby

on the Saturday following Thanksgiving.

With the DC Society's annual Potowmack Ball that evening bringing the PG and Mrs. Appleby and a host of other dignitaries to Washington, DCSSAR arranged for the dedication of the steps and cooperated with Virginia's Fairfax Resolves Chapter in marking a nearby Revolutionary War Patriot's grave. The dual ceremonies were followed by a reception at the cemetery offices.

Past President Peter Arrott Dixon represented the society in presenting Senior ROTC Medals and Certificates at Georgetown University and Howard University.

At Georgetown, Midshipmen James Mosteller and Cadet Ben Weldon were honored. At Howard, Dixon presented awards to Cadets Jose Tovar and Jawaan Thomas, members of the school's U.S. Air Force ROTC unit.

DELAWARE SOCIETY

The Delaware Society recently celebrated Delaware's "Ratification Day" at a formal dinner attended by President General David N. Appleby. The society recognized the role of Delaware's being the first state to sign the new Constitution on Dec. 7, 1787.

In addition to Appleby, some of the other dignitaries taking part included: past PGs Howard F. Horne and Roland



G. Downing, Historian General Stephen A. Leishman, VPG Gary H. Bond, and DESSAR President Davis L. Wright.

The Society celebrated Constitution Day at a luncheon at the Maple Dale Country Club. Supreme Court Justice

Henry duPont Ridgely—a 39-year member—spoke on the relevance of the U.S. Constitution. Pictured, at right, are, seated, Charles V. N. Wilkerson, local chapter president; standing, from left, state President Davis L. Wright, Justice Ridgely,



and Kent County Vice President John C. Lewis.

FLORIDA SOCIETY

MIAMI CHAPTER

At their monthly luncheon, members of the Miami Chapter were thrilled to hear an account by U.S. Army Col. Greg R. Wilson of how he led a sting operation that resulted in the freeing of Ingrid Betancourt, an anti-corruption activist and Nobel Peace Prize nominee, who had been held for more than six years by narcotics terrorists in the jungles of Columbia.

LAKELAND CHAPTER

On Nov. 15, 2008, Ronald Toops, president of FLSSAR, presented a flag certificate from the State Society to the Highland Fairways Property Owners Association in Lakeland, Fla. Highway Fairways is a senior community, which celebrates special flag raising ceremonies every year for Memorial Day, Independence Day and Veterans Day.

Kenneth Wooden, chapter president, presented certificates for the Lakeland SAR Chapter on Dec. 11, 2008, to 75 resident who fly the U.S. flag daily in Highland Fairways.

GEORGIA SOCIETY

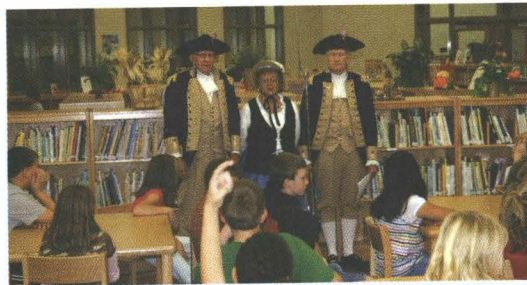
Compatriots William F. Ramsaur and Robert Galer are leading the Georgia Society to create Georgia's Revolutionary War Trail. Galer says the War for Independence has a "remarkable history in Georgia." With a matching grant provided by the Georgia Department of Economic Development, the society plans to establish a 200-mile motor trail of historic sites, tracing the Revolution's path through Georgia. Sites

will include Vann's Creek, Kettle Creek, Fort Cornwallis, Brier Creek, Battle and Siege of Savannah, Fort Morris and the Frederica River.

The *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* has featured an article on this movement available on its Web site. For more information, contact the Georgia Society at www.georgiasocietysar.org.

JOSEPH HABERSHAM CHAPTER

In November, 2008, the chapter kicked off its sixth year of presentations to schools in its six-county membership area. In the past five years, members have presented approximately 250 living-history programs to more



Color Guard Members Perry Hendrix and Larry Whitfield, with Tomochichi Chapter DAR Member Evie Whitfield make the Joseph Habersham Chapter's first school presentation for 2008-2009.

than 30,000 students. More than 100,000 students and 20,000 relatives and friends have been made aware of the SAR through other programs. During the 2008-09 school year, the response has been outstanding, and the chapter anticipates having more than 2,500 fourth-grade students enter the Americanism Poster Contest, which will top the 2,200 that entered last year.

ALTAMAHA CHAPTER

John Ammons, who stood tall for his country at her birth, was honored for his service as a Revolutionary War soldier during a grave-marking ceremony Saturday, Nov. 1, 2008.

About 60 people, many of them Ammons descendants, attended the ceremony at the High Bluff Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery near Schlatterville. The exact location of Ammons' grave is not known, but a marker was placed in the older section of the cemetery where many unmarked graves are located.

David Dukes, chapter president, served as emcee and offered the invocation and benediction.

Betty Ammons McGuire, great-great granddaughter of John Ammons, read her ancestor's biography to open the ceremony.

The GASSAR Color Guard presented the colors and offered honors to Ammons.

Bill Ramsaur, Southeast regional vice president of the GASSAR, offered



the grave dedication. He pointed out that research had revealed that Ammons served as a private under Gen. Francis Marion.

"One of Marion's Men" is engraved on Ammons' marker. Marion, known as the "Swamp Fox," led a guerrilla campaign for colonial forces in the South. During the ceremony, it was noted that Ammons had a grandson named Francis Marion "Bud" Ammons.

Following Ramsaur's remarks, McGuire and her nephew, Jimmy Ammons, unveiled the marker.

Representatives of the national society; state chapter; Maine Society; Altamaha, Ocmulgee, Piedmont and Valdosta chapters of the SAR; and the Martha Stewart Bulloch chapter of the DAR presented wreaths at Ammons marker.

A three-volley musket salute was offered by the Col. Elijah Clarke militia.

MARSHES OF GLYNN CHAPTER

The Marshes of Glynn Chapter of the Georgia SAR portrayed five Revolutionary War figures in period dress for the fifth grade at Ferderica Academy on St. Simons Island on Dec. 8, 2008. Pictured with the class

(above), from left, are John Adams (Jonathan Tennant), Benedict Arnold (Stephen Rynar), King George III (Forester Scarborough), George Washington (Bill Ramsaur), and Patrick Henry (Jimmy Boatright). Each gave a brief biography and answered questions about his character. The group is giving a total of six presentations to public and private schools in

Glynn County, concluding in March 2009.

INDIANA SOCIETY

The INSSAR Color Guard was invited this year for the sixth consecutive year to be part of the Indiana Symphony



Orchestra's outdoor July Fourth Freedom Celebration Concert. This occurs over four nights surrounding the Fourth of July. From the orchestra shell, the color guard compatriots march up through the entire audience to a song from "The Patriot," with banners flying. Just before the intermission, a medley of service songs is played. As each service's song is played, we run to as many veterans as we can, saluting them and thanking them for their service. Total average attendance for the four nights runs around 32,000 people.

The color guard presented a program to the first annual Vet Fest for District II of the American Legion. The Vet Fest was held on June 15 in Speedway, Ind. The color guard presented to about 100 vets and families the uniforms, accouterments, muskets, and flags. After the presentation, there was a question-and-answer session, followed by a musket demonstration.

COOK CHAPTER

The Clarence A. Cook chapter participates in four naturalization proceedings each year. Indianapolis holds two proceedings each month, one of which is held at the state fairgrounds



One picture is of Steve Oberlin (INSSAR Vice President and Indiana Color Guard commander) presenting the George Rogers Clark battle flag. This flag is also the first Indiana militia flag, and is now flying over the headquarters of the deployed Indiana National Guard in Iraq.



Preparing to march in the annual Indianapolis Veterans Day Parade are members of the Indianapolis Clarence A. Cook Chapter (one of whom is working on his application), and the Muncie Continental Chapter of the INSSAR Color Guard. The parade goes forward regardless of the weather. This day, a 36-degree drizzling rain did not deter the march. Manning the banner, left to right, are WOSAR Janet Krups and SAR/DAR daughter Fran Hicks.

during the International Festival. DAR chapters in the area participate in the rest. The DAR chapters prepare the American flags with a sticker reading: "Sons of the American Revolution, Clarence A. Cook Chapter." The chapter provides funds for the flags. After a welcoming speech given by one compatriot at the end of the formal court proceeding, each new citizen is congratulated and given a flag.

IOWA SOCIETY

Members participated in four Wreaths Across America programs.

The first program was in Des Moines. About 50 people attended the event and KCCI-TV, WHO-AM and the Des Moines Register provided coverage.

A nice story and a photo appeared in *The Register* of the dedicated wreaths being placed on a stone. There was additional coverage on the newspaper's Web site.

The color guard was provided by the local U.S. Marine Corps Junior ROTC, with a bugler from American Legion Post 374. The speaker was Col. Tim Orr, the newly appointed adjutant general for the Iowa National Guard.

Wreaths were placed on veterans' graves at Woodland Cemetery (all Civil War), Glendale Cemetery in Des Moines (World Wars I and II), and at sites near Ottumwa and Council Bluffs, each for a Revolutionary War veteran.

There are 40 known veterans of our War of Independence buried in Iowa.

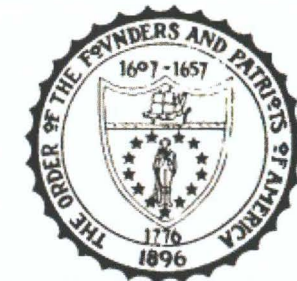
Compatriot Volney H. Smith and his twin grandsons marked the graves in



the West Liberty Cemetery near Council Bluffs. The local newspaper took photos of the trio placing a wreath on the grave of Smith's fifth-great grandfather, Joel Buffington.

The Ottumwa American Legion Post provided a color guard, a bugler and a 24-gun salute for the ceremony at the the Ottumwa Cemetery. (Why 24? Why not)

The Central Iowa Chapter attended the Wreath Across America ceremony in Iowa City.



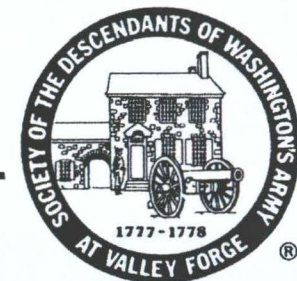
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Descendants of a soldier who served in the Continental Army under the command of General George Washington at Valley Forge during the Winter encampment period of December 19, 1777 - June 19, 1778, may be eligible for membership in the Society with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

To obtain a membership application form, please write to the Commissary General.

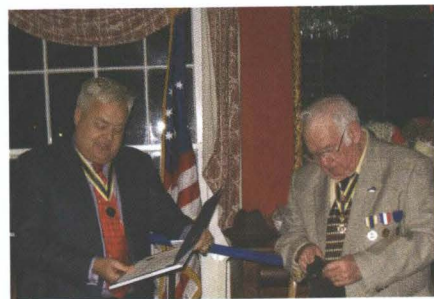
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KANSAS SOCIETY

The Delaware Crossing, Henry Leavenworth, and Monticello chapters of the Kansas Society held a joint meeting in early December 2008 at the National World War I Museum in Kansas City, Mo.

Guests of KSSAR were NSSAR Congress Planning Chairman Larry Guzy with his wife, Karin, and NSSAR Executive Director Joe Harris and his wife, Gail. Guzy and Harris were in Kansas City for a meeting at the Kansas City (downtown) Marriott Hotel, site of the 2013 Congress. The Museum will be on a tour in 2013.

KENTUCKY SOCIETY



KYSSAR President David Cartmell presents Rev. Forrest Bond Chilton, president of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter, a certificate and pin honoring him as a George Washington Fellow for a special donation made to the George Washington Endowment Fund. Monies from this fund are used to support programs of the NSSAR.

ISAAC SHELBY CHAPTER

Five members of the Gov. Isaac Shelby chapter were recognized for their service to veterans. They are Philip Yenowine, Charlie Scott, Rev. Forrest Chilton, Dennis Scott and Reggie Roberson.

LOUISIANA SOCIETY

ENEMUND MEULLION CHAPTER

On Nov. 15, 2008, the Enemund Meullion Chapter placed a patriot marker and laid a wreath at the grave of Pierre Chelette, militia member of Fort St. Jean Baptiste in Natchitoches Parish, La.

Private Chelette was listed on the rolls of the militia during the Galvez Expedition, the "Western front" of the Revolutionary War. On Nov. 8, 1779 Thomas Jefferson wrote to Gen. Galvez, expressing his thanks for Spain's assistance to the revolutionary cause. In George Washington's farewell to his officers, he toasted Spain for its assistance during the Revolutionary War. In 1784 the U.S. Congress cited General Galvez and the Spanish government for their aid during the Revolution.



This event was attended by more than 50 people, many of whom were descendants of Pierre Chelette. Unveiling the patriot marker were Tony L. "Bo" Vets II and his sister, Carly Theresa Vets, the first SAR and DAR members claiming Pierre Chelette as an ancestor.

MARYLAND SOCIETY

EVERHART CHAPTER

The Sergeant Lawrence Everhart Chapter held its annual meeting at Dutch's Daughter Restaurant in October. Madison Churchill read her winning fifth grade essay, six new members were inducted, and new officers were elected and installed. The guest of honor was Sheriff Charles A. "Chuck" Jenkins who addressed the audience and was presented the SAR Law Enforcement Medal.



Sheriff Charles A. "Chuck" Jenkins, Duane Tackitt, Past President Col. Mark Hoke and newly installed President Doug Favorite.

MICHIGAN SOCIETY

A charter was granted to the Huron Valley Chapter by MISSAR and presented by MISSAR President Ellis Olson to chapter President David Critchett.

A delegation consisting of Trustee Gerald Burkland, MISSAR Secretary Richard Steele and MISSAR Chaplain Bernie Wagers attended the Fall



MISSAR President Ellis Olson presents a chapter to David Critchett.

Leadership/Trustee meeting held Sept. 25-27, 2008 in Louisville. Burkland and Wagers were also members of the honor guard for Friday night's banquet and meeting.

The Michigan Society also participated in the Wreaths Across America program held Dec. 13, 2008.

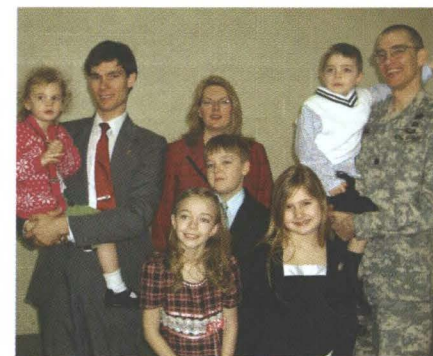
MINNESOTA SOCIETY

Douglas Allen, who joined SAR in September, has been elected national president of the Theta Chi Fraternity, which has 135 active chapters and seven colonies throughout North America. Founded in 1856, Theta Chi is headquartered in Indianapolis.

NEW YORK [EMPIRE STATE] SOCIETY

Nancy Staring Society, National Society Children of the American Revolution, attended the 403rd Civil Affairs Battalion, Syracuse, N.Y., change of command ceremony between Lt. Col. Peter K. Goebel and Lt. Col. Mary E. Graf.

The five CAR members attending were Philip J. Mosher, society president; Katharine D. Goebel, society vice president and NYSSCAR Adirondack Mountain District vice president; and Abigail C. Mosher, society chaplain and historian; David B. Goebel and Anna M. Goebel. Three senior leaders



From left, front row, Katharine D. Goebel and Abigail C. Mosher; middle row, Philip J. Mosher; and back row, Anna M. Goebel, Jonathan E. Goebel, Elizabeth G. Mosher, David B. Goebel and Lt. Col. Peter K. Goebel.

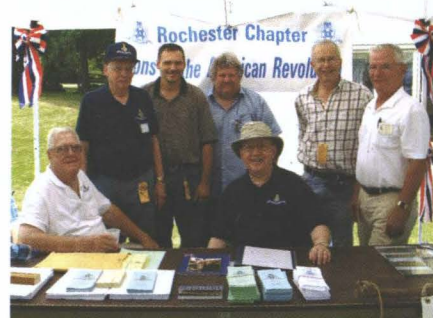
also attended: Elizabeth G. Mosher, president and corresponding secretary; Alice G. Goebel, secretary; and Jonathan E. Goebel, historian, ESSAR secretary and former VPG of the North Atlantic District.

Lt. Col. Peter K. Goebel serves as the society's senior chaplain and NYSSCAR as Adirondack Mountain District Senior Vice President. He also serves as the Empire State Society president and VPG of the North Atlantic District.

ROCHESTER CHAPTER

On the hot and humid weekend of July 19-20, the Rochester Chapter set up a recruitment booth at the Genesee Country Village and Museum's 26th Annual Civil War Re-enactment Weekend.

The museum is the third-largest living history establishment in the United States and its Civil War Weekend attracts visitors from all over the Northeast.



From left, seated, Millard "Red" Fairley and Steve Clarke. Standing, Bob Coomber, Daryl Verstrete, Bob Pugsley, Mike Tunison and Lee Harris of the Rochester Chapter.

NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

LOWER CAPE FEAR CHAPTER

Compatriot Richard Jones of the Lower Cape Fear Chapter, NCSSAR presented the Brightmore Home in Wilmington with a flag certificate at

the annual Fourth of July celebration. The chapter presented 11 medals and certificates to area organizations and chapter members.

In November, the chapter awarded heroism medals to Ben Clark and Alec Fonvielle of Wilmington N.C. These two boys, taking advantage of Hurricane Bertha in 2008 went to the beach for a day of surfing. After a nearly full day of surfing they were resting in the water on their boards when they saw two people in trouble in the water.

The woman was already going under.

The boys responded and pulled both out of the rip current and onto their boards and worked their way toward shore.

The woman slid off the board several times and was pulled back on by the boys. The man was pulled onto one of the boards and rode in without slipping off, but was still a load for a couple of 13 year olds.



Pictured, from left, are Alec Fonvielle; Bill Holt, president of the Lower Cape Fear Chapter; and Ben Clark.

HALIFAX RESOLVES CHAPTER

The Halifax Resolves Chapter, NCSSAR, marked the grave of patriot

soldier and legislator Nathaniel Macon at his home, Buck Springs Plantation in rural Warren Co., N.C.

Macon, the sixth child of Gideon and Priscilla Macon, was born Dec. 17, 1757 in Edgecombe (now Warren) County, N.C. He received his basic education in a makeshift school run by Charles Pettigrew. In 1774, he pursued classical studies at the College of New Jersey, today known as Princeton University, until 1776, when he joined the New Jersey militia. Late 1777 found Nathaniel back in Warrenton, N.C.

where he studied law and history at the Bute (now Warren) County Courthouse. He never applied for a license to practice law, however. After the British invasion of the South in 1780, Macon joined the army. He was elected a lieutenant in his brother, Col. John Macon's company, but declined the appointment and served instead as a private. Nathaniel served until the provisional Treaty of 1782, having been at the surrender of Fort Moultrie, the rout at Camden, and with Gen. Nathaniel Greene during his retreat across North Carolina.

During the summer of 1780, he was elected to the North Carolina Senate without his knowledge or consent, for the 1781-1782 session. At first he declined, saying that he "had seen the face of the British many times, but never their back and he intended to stay until he did." Macon finally accepted at the urging of Greene, who told him "the country needs legislators more than privates." When he left the army, he refused pay for his service and his pension.



Halifax Resolves President Ron Jones presided over the ceremony assisted by NCSSAR President Dr. Samuel C. Powell; NE NC Regional VP Steve Avent; and Halifax Resolves VP Ken Wilson. NCSSAR Chapters represented were the Gen. Francis Nash Chapter, the Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, and the Raleigh Chapter. The NCCAR was represented by the Joel Lane Society. NCSAR participants included the Battle of Alamance Chapter, the Elizabeth Montfort Ashe Chapter and the Warren Chapter. Color guard duties were performed by the Warren County High School AFJROTC, which was awarded a certificate of appreciation for its participation.

OKLAHOMA SOCIETY

The Tulsa SAR and DAR chapters worked together to create a float for the Tulsa Veterans Parade, the third-largest in the United States, drawing public awareness and generating questions about SAR and DAR.

State Regent Mary Duffe from Edmond and Chapter Regent Barbara Reidy rode in the light blue Cadillac (loaned by DAR member Nancy Sevenoaks) in front of the 40-foot float.



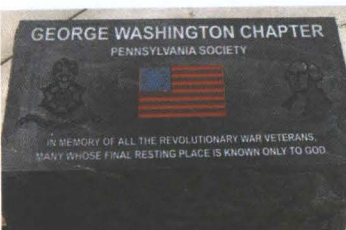
PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY

On Flag Day, the George Washington Chapter held a dedication at the National Cemetery on the Alleghenies in Washington County, Penn. The chapter donated a four-person electric utility cart to the cemetery. In addition, a "boulder" was dedicated to the chapter, PASSAR and the SAR, which will be placed along a memorial walkway in the cemetery. Among dignitaries that spoke were U.S. Rep. Tim Murphy as well as fellow George Washington Compatriot and Pennsylvania State Sen. J. Barry Stout.

A reception was held following the ceremony.

The National Cemetery of the Alleghenies was dedicated on Oct. 9, 2005 and has close to 1,800 burials. It is located on nearly 300 acres in Washington County, Penn., and serves veterans and their families in southwestern Pennsylvania, northern West Virginia and eastern Ohio.

Even though the cemetery was dedicated in late 2005, there is an old cemetery on the property that has roots going back to the Whiskey Rebellion. Among the 50 people buried in an old family plot are Revolutionary War soldiers Richard Boyce and John Fawcett—who served in the 4th Battalion of the Washington County Militia. In 1787 Fawcett received a land patent for 421 acres. The "boulder" that was dedi-



OHIO SOCIETY

The Cuyahoga Chapter DAR Constitution Day Meeting as attended by numerous SAR members. Front row, from left, Barbara Griffith, state organizing secretary and chapter register; Sharon Myers, publicity chairman and national defense chairman; Stephanie Whims, regent; Sharon Snowden, chapter historian; Richard Fetzer, National Trustee; back row, Bill Maling, Lafayette Chapter (drummer); OHSSAR President Timothy Ward; John Frankin, Second Vice President OHSSAR; Lee McBride, Western Reserve Society OHSSAR.



Taking part in the presentation of the utility/golf cart to the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies, from left, Chapter President David Gove, project chairman Gary Timmons and National Cemetery Director Gerald Vitela.

cated to the chapter and the Pennsylvania Society reads "In memory of all the Revolutionary War Veterans, many whose final resting place is known only to God."

RHODE ISLAND SOCIETY

Bonnie and Ray Benjamin received Rhode Island's first memorial for their son, Shawn Benjamin, (featured in the Fall 2008 issue) at the holiday meeting Dec. 15, 2008.

On Nov. 15th, 2008, a celebration and remembrance of Capt. Stephen Olney, who died Nov. 23, 1832, was held at Olney Park in North Providence, R.I.



Participating in the ceremony, were, from left, Master Sgt. James Loffler, command historian, R.I. National Guard; Thomas E. Greene, RISSAR member and North Providence town historian; Carlen Booth, past president, RISSAR; Daniel O'Connell, president, Lippitt-Olney Chapter, RISSAR; RISSAR President Bruce MacGunnigle; Lt. Col. Ronald Sullman, Varnum Continentals; Capt. Michael Phillips, Varnum Continentals; Col. Martin Denny-Brown, commanding officer, Varnum Continentals.



Rhode Island Society Chaplain Charles L. Smith Jr. is given the World War II War Service medal by his wife, June, Regent of the Bristol Chapter.

Capt. Olney served during the American Revolution from May 1775 through May 1782. During that time, he participated in 11 battles.

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Presentation of the Silver Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate, from left, Mark Anthony, Paul Grier, Gov. Sanford and Rick Corbett.

SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

SCSSAR President Paul Grier, Past President Rick Corbett, and State Secretary Mark Anthony presented Gov. Mark Sanford with the SAR Silver Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate as well as a Flag Certificate honoring the Governor's Mansion.

The Silver Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate were presented for Sanford's continued efforts to promote the ideas of federalism as well as his years of public service.

During the meeting, Sanford also signed a proclamation from the State of South Carolina recognizing the 225th anniversary of the Treaty of Paris.

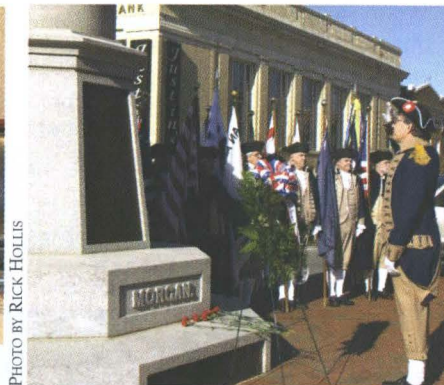
MOULTRIE CHAPTER

The William Moultrie Chapter hosted its Christmas party Dec. 3 at the Carolina Yacht Club, and more than 80 attended. The guest of honor was Baroness Knight of Collingtree, who is important as she serves not only as a member of the House of Lords, but also as the chairman of the Sulgrave Manor Board.

Sulgrave Manor is the ancestral home of the Washington family, established in 1539 by Lawrence Washington. Lady Knight gave an interesting and informative talk on Sulgrave Manor and the difference between politics in the U.S. and Great Britain.



Dr. Bert Pruitt, a Washington family descendant; Baroness Knight; and Brig. Gen. Henry Siegling, commander of the Washington Light Infantry founded in 1807.



Tennessee Society SAR President Colby Morgan, saluting, at the monument of his kinsman Gen. Daniel Morgan at Spartanburg, S.C., on Jan. 17, 2009 during the Cowpens celebration.

TENNESSEE SOCIETY

Chattanooga's John Sevier Chapter awarded SAR's Gold Medal for Heroism to Michael D. Weinmann, a Chattanooga resident, at its November meeting.

Late in the afternoon of July 21, Mike Weinmann heard a loud noise, looked over at the home next door and saw smoke rising from the roof.



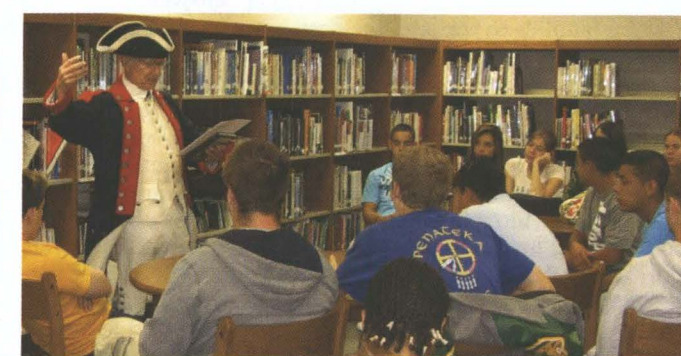
Realizing that his 90-year-old neighbors, Clinton and Mildred Tallent, might need help, Mike ran to their house, got them out and dialed 911.

Firefighters initially thought that no one was home, but then found that Weinmann had assisted the Tallents out of the fire and into his own home, saving them from almost certain injury or death.

TEXAS SOCIETY

The Athens Chapter held its November meeting to commemorate Veterans Day with a World War II theme.

Guest speaker was Rev. Joe Warren of First Presbyterian Church Athens,



Color Guard Commander Victor Smith, Brazos Valley Chapter, speaks to one of four 11th-grade English classes.

whose topic was Sir Winston Churchill. Rev. Warren not only related how the former prime minister of Great Britain led his country during her darkest days of World War II, but also entertained members and guests with little-known, interesting facts about Churchill. A display of dozens of war relics provided by Immediate Past President Charles Luna and other chapter members highlighted the meeting.

Steve Grant and the Athens Cemetery Association were recognized by Sam Whitten, secretary/treasurer, for their role in the chapter's high school essay contest being re-named in honor of Art Hall, a chapter founder and past chapter president.

BRAZOS VALLEY CHAPTER

We do not normally think of American literature and the American Revolution in the same thought. However, one author had a major impact not only on the American Revolution, but also the French Revolution. This pre-eminent author was Thomas Paine. Compatriot Vic Smith was invited by English teacher Tjwanah Smith to present an American literature program to her four 11th-grade English classes at the Dublin (Texas) High School. The subject, which Smith chose, was Thomas Paine's contribution to American literature. Smith discussed the two most well known of Paine's works: Common Sense and The American Crisis.

Common Sense provided the independence movement the moral and intellectual justification for independence, placing it on a higher plane. In The American Crisis, Paine opened with the famous sentences: "These are the times that try men's souls. The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of their country; but he that stands by it now, deserves the love and thanks of man and woman." Paine was instrumental in rallying the colonies at the darkest hour of the Revolutionary War, during the winter of 1776-1777.

VIRGINIA SOCIETY

Robert E. McConnell Receives Silver Good Citizenship Medal from Overmountain Men Chapter VASSAR

Robert E. McConnell



VASSAR State President Art Batten, DBWTA President and Overmountain Men Chapter SAR member Robert E. McConnell and Overmountain Men Chapter President Bobby D. McConnell.

recently was awarded the SAR Silver Good Citizenship Medal by the Overmountain Men Chapter VASSAR. VASSAR President Art Batten and Overmountain Men Chapter President Bobby D. McConnell presented the medal to DBWT Association President Robert E. McConnell, a member of the Overmountain Men Chapter. The association was also honored by receiving the SAR Virginia Commonwealth Award.

McConnell was one of only three Virginia recipient of the SAR Silver Good Citizenship Medal in 2008 and the only SAR member to receive it.

McConnell more than fulfilled the requirements. He has served his church, and local schools with programs, tours and living history events. He is a director of the McConnell and Related Families Clan. The current president of the Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail Association, McConnell was instrumental in getting the Wilderness Road named as a

National Heritage Trail and as a Westward Migration Trail. He is working toward making Scott County a "Preserve America" Community.

FAIRFAX RESOLVES CHAPTER

The Fairfax Resolves Chapter dedicated a marker commemorating the Revolutionary War service of Surgeon's Mate Elisha Harrison, 4th Maryland Regiment. The ceremony was held on Nov. 29, 2008 at Congressional Cemetery, Washington, D.C. Chapter First Vice President Lawrence Lamborn and President General David Appleby unveiled the marker after John E. Sweeney spoke on Harrison's life and times.



Maryland Society President Duane Tackitt, D.C. Society President Paul Hays, and Lamborn placed Maryland, D.C., and U.S. flags at the grave, recognizing that Harrison served from Maryland, died in the District of Columbia, and helped establish the United States through his military service. A copy of the paper and documentation were presented to Congressional Cemetery for its future use in public outreach.

Volunteers return to Sycamore Shoals

In the book of Genesis God commanded Jacob to return to the land of his fathers and grandfathers. On Sept. 20, 2008 we, too, returned to the land of our forefathers as the Tennessee Society of SAR hosted its first memorial to the Overmountain Men and the Sycamore Shoals Historic Site. We gathered to remember those brave men and women who ventured across the mountains and into the unknown wilderness seeking liberty. We stood on an American historic shrine, made sacred by the blood, sweat, tears and very lives of our forefathers.

The Cherokee used the flats of the forks of the Watauga River at Sycamore Shoals as a meeting place. It was on these flats that Fort Caswell was erected and later the larger more fortified Fort Watauga was built.

In 1759, James Robertson, who later founded Nashville, accompanied Daniel Boone on Boone's third expedition. Robertson was so taken with the area that he stayed behind and planted corn while Boone traveled on to Kentucky. Robertson later led a dozen families to the site, the first outright defiance of King George's Proclamation of 1763 prohibiting the crossing of the Mountains.

Capt. William Bean of the Virginia Militia moved his family here along the river in 1769 and built a cabin near where he had camped with Boone. William and Lidia Bean are credited as Tennessee's first permanent settlers. The Beans son, Russell, was the first white child born.

The Watauga Association was formed in 1772 and brought the first "majority rule-democratic" form of government to North America. In May the *Articles of the Watauga Association* were adopted.

In March 1775 the largest land transaction the Americas had witnessed took place as Richard Henderson and Boone

negotiated the purchase of 20 million acres, taking in most of what is today Kentucky.

With the prodding of British agents, Cherokee War Chief Dragging Canoe sent warriors to evict these squatters. Robertson led the defense that sent the Cherokee reeling.

The war in the north between the patriot forces led by George Washington and the British, resembled a chess game. When the war shifted to the south, it was more like a game of dominos. The British strategy became the annihilation of the opposition to the crown with little concern for how it affected the general population. Patrick Ferguson, commander of the west wing of the British forces, joined in the tactic by sending threats to the inhabitants of the Overmountain region.

The word went forth, "Come to the muster ground" and they came to Sycamore Shoals. Here less than two months earlier Col. Elijah Clark and 300 of his Georgia Militia had answered the call of Isaac Shelby to help drive the British from their camp in Musgrove's Mill.

Men's souls were being put to the test in the southern colonies, especially in the Overmountain settlements of Watauga, Holston, and Nolichucky River. Ferguson's threat came across true and clear to the Overmountain people and they intended to take the war to him rather than have him come to their territory. They came to the "muster ground" and on Sept. 25, 1780 departed to march toward the place of ultimate victory at Kings Mountain.

The TSSAR invites all compatriots to join us in commemoration of the "Gathering at Sycamore Shoals" each year on the third Saturday in September with the descendants of the intrepid men and women who rose up in defiance of King George: "Men and women who would be FREE."



Name	State	Number	State	Name	State	Number
Tom Oliver Caldwell MD	AL	148840	AL	Terry Gene Threadgill Jr.	MS	156987
John Rison Jones Jr.	AL	146080	AL	Thomas Nathan Clark	NC	116706
Hubert Theron Montgomery	AL	159302	AL	Teddy McClellan	NC	171266
Loyal Jackson Smith Jr.	AL	154891	AL	Edwin Fearington Sharpe	NC	131332
Ralph Taylor	AL	160332	AL	Emory Ward Stearns II	NC	87830
James O Gibson Jr.	AR	127185	AR	Hubert A. Yoder	NC	93095
Louis Pomeroy Black	AZ	132784	AZ	Walter R. Nabity	NE	93034
Albert Leroy Grim	CA	144379	CA	William Jerry Willeford	NE	130893
Marvin McPherson Shaw	CA	160619	CA	Creeley Buchanan	NH	78270
Barry Lee Van Vleck	CO	170375	CO	George William Letts	NJ	135182
Francis Howard Hunt	CT	117456	CT	Ronald Edward Rausch Jr.	NJ	161152
Norman Henry Jolicoeur	CT	159691	CT	Lloyd W. Wise Jr.	NJ	88958
Everett Ezra Ballard	FL	148931	FL	Bruce Coburn Atkinson	NY	160440
Harvey M. Burnette	FL	76565	FL	Richard Lincoln Bent	NY	127667
George Andrew Burns Sr.	FL	130250	FL	Howard Francis Cain	NY	142943
Charles R. Choate	FL	108486	FL	George Lawton Childs	NY	102478
Russell Theodore Coon	FL	150921	FL	Robert Hunt Empsall	NY	163998
Wendell Daniel Dibrell	FL	127861	FL	Warner Benjamin Harrison	NY	134919
Joseph Gerald Doherty	FL	152008	FL	Stanley Lewis McFee	NY	164005
Richard Allen Hobbs	FL	167532	FL	Dean D. Monaco	NY	72142
Alvin Lawrence Horning	FL	131582	FL	Douglas Francis Monroe	NY	171604
Gordon Bruce Phillips	FL	158708	FL	Frederick Andrew Parker Jr.	NY	145632
James Delmas Rogers	FL	170529	FL	Francis V. Reilly	NY	109275
Carl Ralph Ross	FL	136477	FL	W Cole Sebring	NY	155152
James Alward Van Fleet	FL	162300	FL	Howard Lovell Wright Jr.	NY	116481
James Wilkinson Moore	GA	128184	GA	Roy L. Anderson	OH	113454
George Franklin Romine	GA	140158	GA	Dean Willard Ewing	OH	170962
Clarence Herman Ihns	IA	172486	IA	David Alvin Feldt	OH	155873
H. Norris Lynch	ID	120820	ID	William Donald Gallagher	OH	139776
Stewart Michael Wetter	IL	122137	IL	Harry Roger Judson	OH	132560
James Esta Hamilton	IN	144363	IN	Brandon Kelly Leist	OH	172669
John Patrick Henry	IN	148447	IN	James Richard Morgan	OH	119860
Steve Lee Mankin Sr.	IN	167088	IN	Joseph Francis Mozena	OH	156431
Donald Harvey McGuire Jr.	IN	116754	IN	Richard Eugene Rench	OH	116201
Robert Alan McKesson	IN	169306	IN	Oliver Schroeder Jr.	OH	74244
Lawrence Eugene Poorman	IN	118639	IN	David Samuel Smith	OH	125500
Grover E Smith	IN	120056	IN	Nelson Lee Stevens	OH	165529
Bruce Edwin Palmer	KS	124804	KS	Frederick Tod Jr.	OH	67329
James Asa Brashear Jr.	KY	150075	KY	Charles Emerson Turvy	OH	131875
Edwin Joseph Cantin	LA	150419	LA	Thomas Theodore Williams	OH	154616
James Harry Cotter	LA	112321	LA	Gordon-hurst Barrow	OK	100666
Gary Stephen Grand	LA	144980	LA	John Ernest Cottle	OK	132920
Francis Carroll Grevemberg	LA	126100	LA	Donald Forestel Scott	OK	103397
Ernest E Reiser	LA	82571	LA	William Earl Dunn Jr.	OR	141956
John William Waters	LA	150327	LA	Kenneth David Avery	PA	142752
Charles N Adams Jr.	MD	98033	MD	William Mitchener Baily Esq	PA	110433
Lloyd Carroll Hall	MD	169528	MD	Craig Baxter	PA	163134
L. E. Kielman Jr.	MD	124147	MD	Cledith Don Bowyer	PA	148041
Paul Edward Kraft	MD	120954	MD	Elmer Merle Glunt	PA	122305
Hanford E. Moxley	MD	87485	MD	Melvin Asher Goldy III	PA	147942
Albert Atlee Radcliffe Jr.	MD	124149	MD	Cyrus Adam Hammaker Jr.	PA	150908
Henry Alfred Harvey	MI	121570	MI	George Philip Kiester	PA	127245
William M. Perrett III	MI	77345	MI	Joseph Chester Manmiller	PA	153524
Keith LaVerne Stanton	MN	74749	MN	Robert James McCune	PA	131903
Robert Kenneth Elliott	MO	118251	MO	Peter S. Miller	PA	105025
Marion I. Jim Guest USA (Ret.)	MO	137514	MO	Frank Nehlig	PA	97259
Homer G. Sterne	MO	125640	MO	Truman Handy Newberry II	PA	139222
Ralph Donald Summers	MO	157984	MO	William David Pontious Jr.	PA	151987
				John W. Rudy	PA	114560
				Earl Serenus Thoman	PA	149751
				Theodore Neveling Town	PA	158828
				Robert B. Van Atta	PA	106114
				Wilbur Albert Wagner	PA	159542
				James Allen Wright	PA	135225
				Shirley James (Jim) Zarger Jr.	PA	117415
				Herbert K. Zearfoss	PA	109917
				Walter Howard Covell	RI	148017
				John Craig Mason III	SC	134299
				Vivian Loftis Brown	TN	132297
				Richard L. Desaussure Jr., MD	TN	119670

Welcome New Members

NSSAR membership Dec. 15, 2008: 28,137.
Numbers indicate total new members since last issue. Patriot ancestor is identified at the right.

Alabama (43)

John Phillip Arnold, 172880, Charles Seale
Robert Preston Blakeley, 172640, Joseph Sewell
Keith William Brock, 172765, Frederick Desern
John Harold Camp Jr., 172686, Thomas Camp
Eugene Carter Camp, 172687, Thomas Camp
Lorris Gay Cockerham, 172688, John Cockerham
Michael Bret Cockerham, 172690, John Cockerham
Richard Lorris Cockerham, 172689, John Cockerham
Ronald Pershing Davis, 172691, Michael Capehart
William Eugene Dial, 172879, Lot Rodgers/ Rogers
Clark Benton Dorsey, 172769, Nicholas Dorsey
Gregory Wayne Farrar, 172874, Samuel Sewall Sr.
Bryan Alan Farrar, 172749, Samuel Sewall, Sr.
William Howard Hambright, 172774, Frederick Hambright
William Edward Hazen, 172886, Seth Perry
Robert Terry Hughes Jr., 172955, Richard Byrd
Kevin Noel Hunt, 172768, James Hunt, Jr.
Charles Eugene Hyde III, 172772, James Banks
Charles Ivins Jr., 172878, Joshua Blodgett
Samuel Andrew Johnson, 172542, John Cockerham
John Fletcher Jones, 172887, Henry Snelgrove
Raymond Allen Keller III, 172766, Ananias Allen
Justin Lynn Kelly, 172958, Richard Byrd
Kenneth Eugene Mahan, 172773, Wendell Trout
Michael Kevin Meiser, 172952, John George Overmyer
Charles William Meiser, 172951, John George Overmyer
Nathan Walker Reed, 172949, Perley Howe
Justin James Rojek, 172873, John McLaughlin
Keith Eugene Shirah, 172953, Richard Byrd
Christopher Ryan Shirah, 172957, Richard Byrd
Sean Keith Shirah, 172956, Richard Byrd

Kendall Clarence Shirah, 172954, Richard Byrd
Wayne Ervin Simmon, 172771, Levi Simmon
Luke Alexander Smith, 172877, William Frampton
Marcus Herbert Smith, 172950, Nathan Atkinson
Travis Kelly Smith, 172639, Joseph Sewell
Austin Liberty Smith, 172638, Joseph Sewell
Edgar Leslie Smith III, 172876, William Frampton
Bruce Anthony Stritter Jr., 172767, Nicholas Hogle
Walter Perry Vickers, 172770, Elijah Pugh
David Henderson Walker, 172543, Joseph Crownover
Robert L Williford Jr., 172875, Simon Beckham
William Tommy Wilson, 172974, William Wilson

Arizona (8)

Steven John Albert, 172775, Benjamin Hill
Joshua Wayne Arnold, 172882, Nathan Pierce
Rolland Wayne Arnold, 172881, Nathan Pierce
Clarence Alfred Collette, 172636, Abel Butterfield
Mark William Hoyle, 172545, Frederick Scheibler
James Joseph Jackson, 172776, Martin Seidner
Jack Arthur Masheco Jr., 172637, Joshua Van Fleet
Daniel Glenn Sharp Jr., 172544, Samuel Fitzrandolph

Arkansas (2)

Matthew Keegan Miller, 172777, William Bryan
Roger Q. Mills Jr., 172883, Green Hill Jr.

California (25)

Wendell Bryan Alexander, 172548, Jeremiah Beasley
Charles Edward Anderson, 172645, Kneeland Ross
William Fred Benage, 172642, Moses Day
James Randall Briggs, 172872, Joel Briggs
Steven Charles Chilton, 172884, George Chilton
Thomas Christian Coxon, 172692, Silas Richmond
Benny Dean Croyle, 172547, Thomas Croyle

Scott Thomas Douglas, 172869, James Curry
Jeffery David Douglas, 172868, James Curry
Brian Michael Dutton, 172643, John Gray
Forrest Thurston Griswell, 172546, Edward Jackson
John Kent Humphrey, 172644, Nathan Rogers
Arthur Samuel Irwin, 172871, Rees Jones
Kenneth James Johnston, 172780, Sarah Kersey Trimble
Cody William Johnston, 172781, Sarah Kersey Trimble
Louis Hausam Kreuzer II, 172782, Griffin Lewis
Robert Jay Lynn II, 172778, Barnabas B. Haley
Dale William Nicoll, 172779, John Herndon Graves
Leland LaMoine O'Donnell, 172961, Bennett Wellman
Gregory Cornel Rice, 172870, Jeduthan Rice
John Charles Scroggs, 172641, Alexander Scroggs
William Henry Sexton, 172960, Joseph Sexton
Lance Dewitt Smith, 172549, Elijah Bostwick
Roy Neman Tougaw, 172865, Joseph Tougas
Robert Simpson Wright, 172959, David Perrin

Colorado (4)

Richard Hall Hoskinson, 172962, Isaiah Hoskinson Sr.
Alexander Richard Hoskinson, 172963, Isaiah Hoskinson Sr.
Lawrence Dale Lancaster, 172550, Daniel Coman
Walter Weart, 172551, John Larrabee

Connecticut (2)

Mark Steven Littlefield, 172553, Ebenezer Littlefield
Donald Yates Wynne Jr., 172552, Parley Kinney

Dakotas (1)

Colin Christopher Eilts, 172964, James Stickney

Delaware (4)

David Michael Anguish, 172554, Ichabod Miner
John Newton Beckley III, 172463, Joseph Beckley Jr.
James Walter Beckley, 172464, Joseph Beckley Jr.
Gregg Norwood Lynch, 172965, Andrew Kennedy Jr.

District of Columbia (12)

Lane Douglas Brooks, 172467, George Linam
Michael Alan Counihan Jr., 172646, Samuel Britt
Bevin Jackson Creel, 172783, William Magee
Lucas Anthony Finnell, 172969, Reuben Finnell
Zachary Victor Finnell, 172968, Reuben Finnell
Val Wano Finnell, 172967, Reuben Finnell
Fletcher Doud Gill, 172785, Benjamin Doud
Nathan McLeod Halligan, 172966, Daniel Norcross
William Clarence Hays III, 172466, Robert Dowdle
Timothy White Johnson, 172465, John Melugin
Andrew Lewis Johnson, 172468, John Annis
Bradford Clayton Shue, 172784, John Looney

Florida (43)

David Judson Bahn, 172481, Hezekiah Rice
Ronald Carl Bryant, 172482, George Yates
John Edward Cooney, 172795, Jonathan Barnes
Ralph Worth Crews, 172888, George Taylor
Harry Joseph Curran, 172652, George Shilling
Dale John Dalton, 172976, Reuben Dalton
Paul James Farley, 172653, David Rose
William Rawdon Fisher, 172479, Aaron Hankinson
Edward Ralph Gingrich, 172975, Stephen Wonder
Edward Dean Gorton Jr., 172480, William Gorton Jr.
Michael Timothy Hamilton, 172476, Stewart Hamilton
James Aaron Hazen, 172557, Benjamin Hazen
Larry Fay Hosmer, 172478, Simeon Hosmer
Raymond Henry Ivers, 172555, Samuel Hawkins
Joel Barnett Jones Jr., 172650, Joel Barnett
Francis Hamwood Jones II, 172651, Joel Barnett
James Sterrett Kappel, 172971, John Fife
Zachary Sterrett Kappel, 172972, John Fife
Earl Calvin Kincaid Jr., 172559, Andrew Kincaid
David Henry Kramer, 172796, Samuel Howard
Donald Richard Malone, 172558, Patrick Malone
James Daniel Malone, 172977, Stephen Warrington
Alan Michael Mandigo USN, (Ret.), 172701, Jonathan Hammond
Brent Thomas Marshall, 172483, James Cowherd
Dale David Marshall, 172973, Joseph Waln
Samuel Roy Martin, 172702, Nathan Talley
Brent Emanuel Melvin, 172700, Solomon Pippin/
Pippen
Bryce David Melvin, 172970, Solomon Pippin
George Washington Mosely Jr., 172647, John Stonecipher
Frederick James Nord, 172793, William Aumack
Francis Samuel Oosterhoudt III, 172790, Martinus Oosterhout
Michael Bruce Oosterhoudt, 172791, Martinus Oosterhout
Patrick Edwin Oosterhoudt, 172792, Martinus Oosterhout
John Osborn Osgood, 172475, John Osgood
Charles Wesley Pittman, 172556, Jacob Highsmith
David Brian Sturgis, 172648, Jacob Learn
Matthew Emmett Sturgis, 172649, Jacob Learn
Joel Roger Trout, 172794, David Porter
Thomas Richard Veal, 172477, Abraham Parham Jones
Ira John Ward, 172789, Daniel Turner
Donald Douglas Wilson Jr., 172798, Christopher Daniel
Daniel Douglas Wilson, 172797, Christopher Daniel
Walter Richard Young Sr., 172978, Aaron Crain

Georgia (16)

Rodney Earl Bennett, 172654, Richard Bennett
Edward Remer Cone, 172563, William Cone
Joe Delbert Gilbert, 172889, Mary Babb
Charles Edward Green, 172799, John Duke
William Allen Greenly, 172564, John McCabe
Robert Dobson Harris, 172565, John Dobson Sr.
Charles William Lassetter Jr., 172566, Tobias Lassetter
Christian Stow Noble, 172703, Luther Dudley
Ray Shearer Register, 172704, Benjamin Register
Gregory Lee Sidwell, 172562, Dempsey Wood
Michael Winter Sidwell, 172561, Dempsey Wood
Barry Lane Sidwell, 172560, Dempsey Wood
William Maurice Slayton, 172800, George Slayton

David Scott Stieghan, 172801, Ezekiel Alexander
Harry Mills Treadaway Sr., 172890, Beal Baker
Harry Wilklow III, 172705, Jacob Wilklow

Hawaii (3)

Frank Graham Embree, 172802, Samuel Bertholf
Dale Christopher Rielage, 172804, David Garrigus
Jack Moulton Schmidt, 172803, Benjamin Pettingill

Idaho (1)

Charles Milton James, 172484, Benjamin Allison

Illinois (14)

Paul Donald Bailey III, 172983, Jacob Bailey
Lowell Richard Beck, 172894, Abraham Lucas
Jonathan Everett Beck, 172895, Abraham Lucas
Thomas Carleton Bussin, 172892, John Kell
John Nettleton Chapin Jr., 172981, Phinehas Chapin
James Weldon Crawford, 172805, Jacob Moses
Robert Lee Dennison, 172656, (James) Francis Dodds
Norman Gail Dickey, 172979, George Dickey
Kenneth Leon Griffin, 172655, Johan Simon Claar
Carl William Johnson, 172893, Paul Hammond
Keith Evan LeBaron, 172891, David LeBaron
Jo Gilbert Loomis Jr., 172706, Nathaniel Loomis
Dana Joseph Mannon, 172980, Elijah Dana
Thomas Wayne Plackett, 172982, John Cundiff

Indiana (7)

James Andrew Case, 172708, Aeneas Campbell Sr.
Ralph Lee Jewell, 172707, John Hiser
Raymond Karl Miller, 172485, Edward Evans
Steven Edward Moore, 172985, Felix Earnest
Kevin Michael Moore, 172986, Felix Earnest
Brian Dennis Randall, 172806, Jeremiah Randall
Jon Robert Rogers, 172984, Zachariah Higgs

Iowa (3)

Clarence Herman Ihns, 172486, Jeremiah Markham
Lyle Keith Ihns, 172487, Jeremiah Markham
Joseph Warren Proctor III, 172807, Peter Colbeth

Kansas (5)

John Richard Blecha, 172709, Peter Hess
John Michael Cecil, 172567, Richard Hammett
Stefan Nicholas Chebultz, 172896, John Lock
Scott Michael Nelson, 172568, Edward Blackburn
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Jon Ellis Huffman, 172987, George Yates
James White Jackson, 172948, John Jackson
Robert Louis Shuck, 172569, Mathias Shuck
Jack Allen Wheat, 172711, John Kennedy
James Farlow Wilson, 172710, David Dalton

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Benjamin Carter Campbell, 172750, John Milford
Joseph Guptil Connors Jr., 172574, Pierre Primeau
Kenneth Jude Domingue, 172658, Firmin Breaux
Edward Eloi Friloux, 172712, Michel Friloux
Thurmond John Gates, 172570, Christian Gates
Raymond Brian Gates, 172573, Christian Gates
Robert Clay Gates, 172572, Christian Gates
William Patrick Gates, 172571, Christian Gates
Ronald Hilton Gauthier, 172715, Pierre Ducote
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Stanley Gene Boynton, 172900, Solomon Tracy
Christopher Edward Boynton, 172901, Solomon Tracy
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Harold William Eastman, 172899, Timothy Eastman
Lane Mabbett, 172575, Jonathan Packard
William Henry Smith, 172991, John Gilpatrick Jr.
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Michael Robert Smith, 172990, John Gilpatrick Jr.

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William Charles Batton, 172909, Henry Austin Sr.
James Dana Buckland, 172489, John Buckland
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William Frank Currier, 172492, Levi Currier
Stephen Edward Denney, 172905, Edward Denney
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John Richard Glover, 172911, Robert Glover
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Alexander Holliday Hoon, 172493, Henry Hoon
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Randolph Tabor Moore, 172490, Marsh Mareen Duvall
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Jeffrey Scott Simon, 172906, John Almony
Arthur Lewis Somers, 172488, Isaac Milligan

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Philip Irving Lemire, 172577, John Miller Sr.
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Trevor Stewart Fountain, 172496, George Holt
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Jeffrey Michael March, 172660, Philip Gray
Shawn Ryan Miller, 172500, Rhoderick Hopkins
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Texas (60)

Daryl Joseph Allport, 172754, Daniel Smith Tyler Reese Blakey, 173044, James Forrest Ryan Grant Blakey, 173045, James Forrest Troy Dean Bolen, 172740, William Webb James Carroll Brasher, 172752, Hatch Dent Brett Parrish Brasher, 172753, Hatch Dent Robert Myrick Browning, 172763, Stephen Reuben Turner
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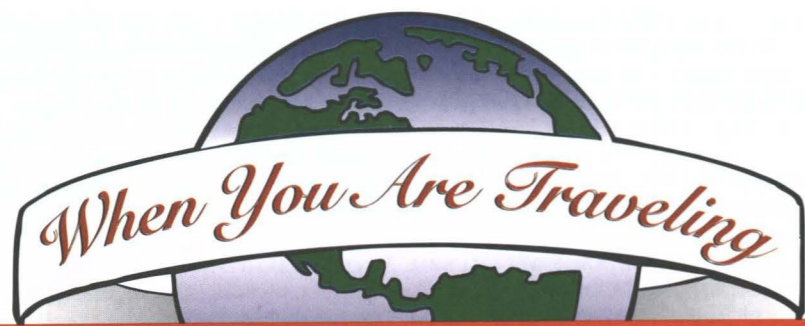
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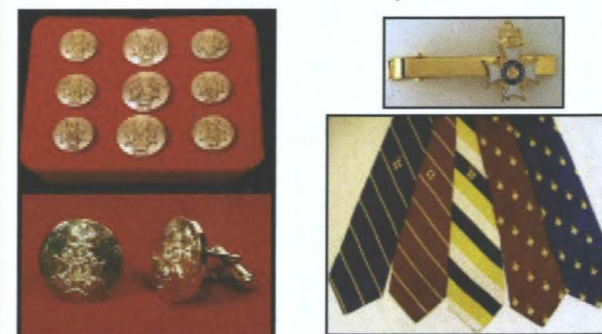


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The origin of the *Challenge Coin*, like many other aspects of military tradition, is a matter of much debate, and many organizations and services claim to have originated it. [Read more on the coin's background by searching "challenge coin" on the Internet.] It became tradition to ensure that all members (of an organization) carried the medallion at all times. This was accomplished via a challenge: a challenger would ask to see the medallion (of a fellow member), and if he could not produce his own coin, he would be required to buy the drink of choice for the challenger. If the challenged member *did* produce a coin, then the challenger was required to buy the drink. Coin measures 1-3/4" in diameter and 1/8" thick. **SAR Challenge Coin**
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