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# The President General's Message



## Distinguished Compatriots:

A few months ago one of our members discovered a new web site on the Internet for an organization calling itself "The Second American Revolution" and using the acronym "SAR" as a means of identification. As all of us know, our Society has been known as the "SAR" for many, many years - so naturally your officers became very concerned at this blatant infringement. The matter was turned over to Chancellor General Duane T. Sargisson and the Legal Advisory Committee, which is chaired by Texas Society Compatriot Rice Aston.

The decision made was to send a cease and desist letter to "The Second American Revolution", which was done in mid-December, 1997.

A concrete cause for concern arose recently when a State Society President was contacted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation inquiring about the objectives of our organization. This was the result of a letter that was sent out (on official State Society letterhead) asking for participation in the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Award program. It was quickly evident that we had been confused with "The Second American Revolution." A serious matter, indeed - particularly in view of an article that appeared in a December 1997 issue of *U.S. News and World Report* that discussed FBI responsibility to monitor terrorist groups.

It then became evident that there was a need to have direct communication with Mr. Louis Freeh, Director of the FBI. These are a few quotes from the letter to him dated December 22, 1997.

*The purpose of this letter is to hopefully clear up any confusion. The National Society Sons of the American Revolution (National Society) is a patriotic, historical and educational organization chartered by the U.S. Congress. The National Society has been known as the SAR, which is a service mark that is very valuable to us. We have recently discovered that "The Second American Revolution", a new militant group, has begun using our name, the SAR, and we are greatly concerned that this has caused many Americans to conclude that we share the unusual methods and goals of "The Second American Revolution." A recent call by your organization to one of our State Societies indicates that there may be some confusion between the National Society and "The Second American Revolution." We have written to "The Second American Revolution" and its known Internet service providers demanding that they cease and desist use of the service mark "SAR." A copy is enclosed. We have encountered some difficulty in identifying the actual person or persons to whom a cease and desist demand should be sent since the web sites reveal no names, addresses, or telephone numbers - only the email address of nathan@flash.net and the name Nathan Harris as part of a web site address... We have been advised that there*

*is a possibility of some type of retaliation by "The Second American Revolution" in response to the letter.*

The letter to Director Freeh also detailed at some length the full range of programs aimed at carrying out our objectives. We will keep the membership posted as this problem works toward a solution.

I am pleased to report that since this letter was penned, the two web sites referred to have been closed down - largely due to the efforts of Compatriot Rice Aston in making personal contact with the site operators. We will continue to monitor the Internet to see if another site crops up.

Patricia and I sincerely thank you for the letters of support that we have received - and regret not being able to acknowledge all of them.

God Bless America.

Faternally,

Carl K. Hoffmann



During President General Hoffmann's extensive travels so far in his term of office, he has participated in a number of Revolutionary War battle commemorations sponsored by the SAR. One of these celebrations marked the Battle of Kings Mountain, which took place in October, 1780 (as reported in a news story appearing on page 12 of this issue of the magazine). Here he posed with Robert G. Stanton (left) Director of the National Park Service, and Jerry Belson, Director of the Service's Southeast Regional Office.

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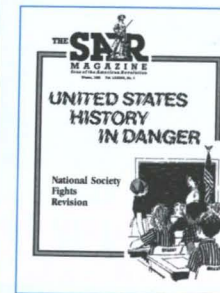
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Robert F. Galer (second from left), the author of the accompanying article, participated in the October ceremony that saw marking of the grave site of Patriot Jacob Cleveland, a veteran of the Battle of Kings Mountain. Held at the Cleveland Family Cemetery in Elbert County, Georgia, the program featured dedication of a six-foot granite memorial. Also proud to be on hand were (from left): Samuel Ebert Chapter Compatriot Henry Drennen, a descendant; Ben Miller, President of the Samuel Butts Chapter; James Clark, President of the Georgia Society; Herbert Braselton, Society VP; and David Hoss, Society Regional VP.

## HONORING OUR PATRIOT ANCESTORS

*Robert F. Galer, Chairman of the Revolutionary War Graves Committee, details a program for implementing an important NSSAR objective: locating and permanently recording Patriot grave sites.*

In the early 1990s the National Society's Executive Committee agreed to a major undertaking, as proposed by Former President General Clovis H. Brakebill, then Chairman of the Revolutionary War Graves Committee. They would publish the *Graves Register*. Since 1920, the *Graves Register* – as it was called – consisted of roughly 35,000 accumulated grave registry forms, grave marking requests, thousands of 3 x 5" index cards and some tapes. Problem was they were preserved but not available to anyone. With publication the *Register* would of help to genealogists, prospective members and sponsors and for locating and recording new graves.

It would be a cloth-bound book kept to manageable size by using dbase format software to reduce each grave entry to 13 concise fields of data. Keying would be done by secretaries and volunteers, while the desktop publisher given the contract would merge the 25,000 entries that were already on tapes with the remaining forms.

Then came another unique plan: Go outside SAR into the public domain to acquire lists of previously reported Revolutionary War grave sites. Queries and appeals were sent out. Shelves of the NSSAR and other libraries were checked for cemetery records. As a result, when printed in mid-1993, the *Revolutionary War Graves Register* – with a price of \$65.00 – contained over 54,000 entries.

The new policy would continue. Henceforth, the SAR *Graves Register* would attempt to include the burial data for all the Revolutionary War graves ever located. It would become a world-class register.

After his pioneer work, Chairman Brakebill relinquished the chairmanship of the committee to Robert F. Galer of Georgia, appointed by then President General Robert B. Vance. The former

Chairman left some detailed guidelines which are being followed in the main to this day. They can be summarized as: **ACQUISITION, PUBLICATION, and PRESERVATION.** The Committee later added **MARKING** to these imperatives.

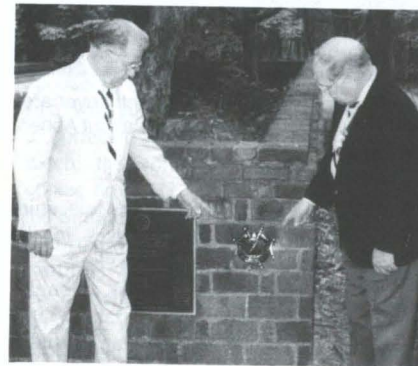
### ACQUISITION

As an initial step, corrections/updates were solicited to the entries in the book.



Patriot John Boon was honored late last year when an SAR marker was placed at his grave site in Friedens Evangelical Cemetery. Staging the ceremony were North Carolina Society's Alamance Battleground Chapter President David Koontz (left) and members of the Chapter's Color Guard.

Letters and forms began to come in pointing out mistakes and omissions. It was decided to publish these in the next edition as a full, repeat entry marked as an update. And in editing future lists, duplicate names would be closely screened for major differences, and marked and coded as 'Updates'. Aiming to add another 54,000 graves to the *Register* in less than ten years instead of 70 years for the first 54,000, the Committee began appealing to members and non-members alike to submit more *Graves Register* forms. Copying the form was encouraged.



In September a new SAR marker was unveiled at the grave site of Patriot George Mason, author of the Bill of Rights, at Gunston Hall Plantation in Virginia. Doing the honors were Society President-elect Paul M. Frantz (left) and President Bruce A. Wilcox. Compatriot Frantz also serves as Chairman of the NSSAR Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee.

Those persons bent on reporting multiple graves or lists already collected (and did not have the book) sometimes asked "Have these graves already been reported by someone else?" Even with the book, checking was slow as entries were arranged alphabetically by surname. Checking states or counties was slow. FPG Brakebill, still a member of the committee, queried the publisher for a sort by county or state. The answer was that a printout by states was possible. Lesser sorting by county was limited by the proprietary software in the possession of the publisher and even the data itself which often omitted a county or township of death or burial. Nevertheless, a master list of burials by states was made from the entries in the 1993 book and given to the Committee without charge. **A printout of burials in a state will be provided by the Chairman upon request by anyone: there's a small charge for copying and mailing.**

### Using State Lists In Searches

Compatriots in Ohio were the first to request a state list for their state. They had obtained a 996-page listing of Patriot Graves assembled almost 70 years ago by the state Veterans office and subsequently reproduced by the Ohio DAR. The Ohio men, using an SAR state list, were able to compare the two and subsequently sent in a sizable list of unreported graves to augment the *Register*. In fact, they forwarded 3,742 of them, but

not by completing an equal number of *Graves Register* forms. They devised a special form that closely followed the essential data published in the *Register*: it is ideal for transferring multiple grave reports into a database.

A Compatriot had visited cemeteries and libraries in the vicinity of his home in Massachusetts over the years, accumulating 165 Patriot graves locations. He also asked for a state list to help in weeding out any duplicates. Only 21 showed up in the state list. He was able to send in 144 new graves for the *Register*. Since that first effort, this SAR has reported many more, also assisting another in a western state to locate an ancestor's grave site.

One disadvantage is that each state list is taken from the book, so includes only graves reported from 1920 to mid-1993 – and not the thousands being added every year since. With this limitation in mind, a state list can yet be useful to a serious researcher.

Since copying costs run about five cents per page, it's useful to know that each list varies in size from another. Oregon and California, with one grave each in the book and on their respective list, are one page in length; Connecticut is 70 pages.

The limitations of using state lists in graves search led Graves Committee Member H. Ross Arnold of Georgia to renew a long-standing belief. The county unit was the ideal sort vehicle for graves registration, and particularly so with the enlarged scope of the SAR *Register* to establish a centralized national register.



Mt. Union Cemetery in Stark County, Ohio was the setting for dedication of a military marker at the grave of Patriot John Shreve. Empire State Society Compatriot Eugene Sheldon Shreve II and other family members were proud to be present for the program that was staged by the John Stark Chapter, including President Karl L. Tallman. Compatriot Shreve also participated in another similar program at the grave of his ancestor, John Lash.

Under Ross' direction and financed by a foundation, the Georgia Society had just completed a statewide grave survey – based on bibliographic material and some local reconnaissance – and identified 3,421 Patriots who had died or been buried in Georgia. The two volumes, published by the Georgia Society and titled *Georgia*

## Graves Register Available On Compact Disc

The *Graves Register* published in 1993 is now being offered as a compact disc from Progeny Publishing or the NSSAR Merchandise Department. Your attention is invited to the advertisement appearing on page 15 of this issue of the magazine. The price is the same when ordering from either entity.

It features numerous advantages over the book format. An innovative built-in viewer – The Family Explorer – enables one to use several indexes for a fast search of principal names, spouses, cemetery locations and the like, with an immediate printing option from the screen. Each time the program is run, the entire list of Patriot names is presented in alphabetical order by surname. All names with the same surname can be listed, all who were born in a specific year, or are located in a common cemetery.

Another section of the disc features general information about the SAR – including such diverse topics as the structure and purposes of our Society; how to add new Patriot Grave data, including a form that may be printed out; Revolutionary War Era feature articles that have appeared in *The SAR Magazine*; descriptions of the Society's programs for youth, such as the Oration Contest; and membership qualifications.

*Revolutionary War Soldiers' Graves* were in a county format. The county designation seemed so important to the Graves Committee that henceforth, every effort would be made to include the county designation with each burial entry, opening up the possibility of a county-by-county sort in future publications.

### How To Handle Inquiries

Our Headquarters in Louisville occasionally forwards a letter that goes something like this:

*Dear Sirs:*

*I am interested in assisting in locating and identifying Revolutionary War graves sites. I visit numerous cemeteries in my travels about the country and am eager to help with reporting graves.*

*Would you give me some idea on how to go about this?*

Letters of this sort are eagerly welcomed. The response can vary in length, but may include all or some of the following:

*Thanks for your query. When you visit a likely cemetery, look for names of men born before 1760. Copy the information from a tombstone including the name of the spouse, or look nearby for the spouse. Check this information against any books or rosters of soldiers, sailors or other Patriots who served during the Revolution.*



In a Massachusetts cemetery, this would be the *Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War, 1896*. In an Alabama cemetery, verification might be found in the genealogy room of the nearby public or community college library. Further, one may desire to check Patriot Rosters of the States of Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia where Alabama residents probably served during the war. There is much satisfaction in tracing service in this manner. Attention to emigration routes can be useful in the backward research needed to locate a state of service.

"The SAR Grave Registry form need not be used for reporting multiple grave sites. It should be mentioned that minimum acceptable burial information for entry into the register is name and county and state of death/burial. Building on this, W. R. (Bill) Branthoover of Ohio has devised a productive reporting form which might be called the 'Branthoover short form.' It is a single page of paper with room for eight graves to be reported thereon. Each entry contains this kind of burial data:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Born \_\_\_\_\_ Died \_\_\_\_\_  
 Buried (Name of cemetery) (Town) (County) (State)  
 Rank/Service \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse (1) (2) (3)  
 Source \_\_\_\_\_

#### Doing It In Ohio

A former President of the Ohio Society, Comp. Branthoover is active with the Samuel Huntington Chapter and a long-time member of the NSSAR Graves Committee. His wife, Margaretta, who accompanies him is Secretary of NSDAR's New Connecticut Chapter. Reporting 6,283 grave locations to the SAR over the years, they have devoted countless hours in travel to cemeteries and in research – principally in Ohio and Vermont – seeking the resting places of Revolutionary War soldiers in both states. Residing six months of the year in each state, they use a method of operation that is rather simple. With Ohio being a large state, visiting cemeteries is not a practical approach. Vermont poses less complicated problems due to its smaller size.

In Ohio the researchers depend upon the work carried out over the years by the State Adjutant General, the Veterans officers and many DARs. Often the projects of these individuals appear in printed public rosters and become an invaluable research tool. Information gleaned from the rosters are then checked with the following:

1. *Genealogical Abstracts of the Revolutionary War Pension Files* by Virgil D. White, 1990
2. *NSDAR Patriot Index*, 1990
3. *State Papers of New Hampshire* by Isaac W. Hammond, 1887
4. *Record of Service of Connecticut Men*, 1889
5. *Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War*, 1902
6. *Soldiers, Sailors and Patriots of the Revolutionary War - Vermont* by Maj. Gen. Carleton E. and Sue F. Fisher, 1992



As detailed in the accompanying article, Ohio Compatriot and Mrs. William R. Branthoover are ardent seekers of Patriot graves. They are shown here in Vermont recording data about Abner Brush and his wife, Ruth.

Vermont poses slightly different research methods. There cemeteries are visited and any names found with a birth year occurring in the 1760's or before are recorded and later researched in these publications:

1. *Fisher and Fisher*, 1992
2. Use of the previously mentioned volumes for the States of Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire
3. *The State of Vermont - Rolls of Soldiers in the Revolutionary War 1775-1783* by John E. Goodrich, 1904
4. Virgil D. White, 1990
5. *Proceedings of the Vermont Historical Society: Soldiers in the Revolution Buried in Vermont* by Walter H. Crockett
6. *NSDAR Patriot Index*, 1990
7. *Census of Pensioners of Vermont*, 1841

Once a soldier passes the test of any of the above references, that data is then entered by the Branthoovers on their special form devised to accommodate eight abbreviated entries. These names are then crosschecked with the state list printed out from the 672-page clothbound *NSSAR Revolutionary War Graves Register*, 1993. Those not found on the list are forwarded to the NSSAR Graves Committee with sufficient data for entry into the data base.

It is obvious that this industrious couple love what they are doing each year (this year they expanded their research to Quebec) but they have written and admitted that in the process of years of grave acquisition, that not much surprises them any more. They have been "barked at, growled at, hissed at, moored at, stung, scratched, bitten and inevitably wound up the losers in bouts with barbed wire fences."

#### PUBLICATION

After coming out with its first book in 1993, the Graves Committee looked for additional ways to carry out its publication plans. While waiting for the accelerated acquisition mandate to take effect, were there other ways – other than a rather expensive book and the more limited state lists – to disseminate the information already

on hand? The main goal still was to acquire and publish 54,000 more graves in the shortest time possible. But what else?

One committee member, W. Douglas Little, put a proposal on the table. Little was also a member of the Patriot Index Committee and Project Manager for publication of the *Patriot Index* on compact disc. Negotiations at that time were underway to find a contractor to publish the *Patriot Index* CD. Why not include a compact disc of Revolutionary War graves in the arrangement and use it as a sort of pathfinder to work out publishing glitches in advance of the *Patriot Index* CD? The inherited data discs from the 1993 book publisher could be used and the introductory text sections on both discs would be virtually the same. And the contract could call for marketing the *Revolutionary War Graves* CD, as it came to be called, with the *Patriot Index* CD. It would reach a broad audience and would possess broad search-and-find capabilities that would appeal to those who had purchased the same data earlier in the book. The *Graves Register* as a compact disc concept was adopted by both Graves and Patriot Index Committees and Compatriot Little, since appointed Chairman of the Patriot Index Committee, became project officer for both of the planned CDs.

Publication of the RWGR CD, based on the graves data in the 1993 *Register*, became a reality in January, 1998 as detailed in an accompanying news story. It contains numerous advantages over the book format.

#### New Software Was Developed

A new computer program was needed to address the SAR acquisition and publication agenda. Specifications were turned over to Chris Schmink of Columbus, Georgia – a non-SAR experienced in dBase software programs usable by volunteer workers, and one who was in support of the SAR grave registration mission. Chris delivered the *Graves Registry* software on schedule and at minimum cost to the organization. Licensed for exclusive, indefinite use by the NSSAR,

the purchase was approved by the Executive Committee. It is a DOS program designed to be run on almost any IBM-compatible computer. It can be used in a Windows environment – Windows 95 or 3.1 – and appears to be compatible with both, even when using a mouse.

It is easy to install and follow, making it suitable for use by volunteers who install the software on their hard drive and key in the data directly from grave forms or lists furnished to them by an administrator in batches of approximately 300 graves. Data entry follows the format of surname, given name, Jr., Sr. etc.; birth and death year; cemetery location by name, town/township, county and state; rank, state of service; spouse(s); bibliographic source of the entry in a two letter code; and a final code to mark a corrected entry. Once finished with a batch, the volunteer makes two backup copies on 3 1/2" discs. One is returned to the administrator (currently the Committee Chairman), who edits the material and confirms its condition before transferring the contents to the administrator's master database. When notified that the data is in good condition, the volunteer may destroy the second backup disc, remove the program and data from the hard drive, and re-enter the program for the next batch. The double backup procedure guards against the complete data loss in case the second disc is lost or damaged in the mail, and saves the volunteer from re-entering valuable data.

#### Volunteers Key To Success

Twenty-five editing and data entry volunteers are currently involved in the grave registration cycle. The "editor" volunteer has helped greatly to eliminate the "ups", identify updated entries and expanded to take on the identification and entry of counties, as needed. Some 'data entry' volunteers have completed four or five batches, averaging one every month and a half. Others, with less time available, are linked to a slower pace. All are learning fast and producing a quality product as their discs are edited and critiqued with an information exchange with the administrator.

Editors principally work with access to the 1993 *Register*. Batches of forms/lists received from the administrator are checked to identify and delete those entries duplicating one of the 54,000 in the book. Some of them duplicate but contain additional data such as the name of a spouse, alternate spelling of a surname or some other change that qualifies it as an "updated" entry, and they are marked for reentry in the next edition.

Volunteers are versatile. Some do the full range of editing and data-entry. In the first nine months, 8,623 graves were entered in the *Register*, a big step toward the goal of 54,000 more.

Volunteers participating in the registration software project are: Kent Bedenbaugh, SC; Wilma Bond, VA; Dan Boone, OK; Herbert H. Braden, PA; Robert L. Chadwick, VT; Mary Jane Davis, VA; Lisa Dye, GA; Arthur



Last year members of the Pennsylvania Society's Tiadaghton Chapter of Williamsport participated in the grave marking ceremony honoring Patriot Abraham Sypher, an ancestor of Illinois Society Compatriot Burton L. Showers. Playing a leading role was Past Chaplain General Rev. Gene Patterson (foreground), a Chapter member. The locale

L. Finnell, MN; Tim Harris, MN; William M. Hooks, AZ; Terrell D. Jones, MO; Peter O. Kurz, NJ; Stephen J. Lance, NJ; Art Loux, KS; LeRoy R. McConkey, VA; Robert E. Millett, IA; Kenneth R. Purdy, VA; Eric Richhart, UT; William D. Robertson, CA; Richard C. Saunders, NY; Charles B. Schweizer, IL; John A. Shiver, AL; Paul C. Simpson, GA; Michael Stottle, MD; John S. Warner, PA; James H. Wheatley, MN and William M. Willis, IA.

The Graves Committee is always seeking volunteers to help with the increase in acquisitions. And there is inevitable turnover and replacement. If you feel you are qualified and have the time, your work can be interesting – and important. Contact the Administrator/Chairman: Robert F. Galer, 7236 Lullwater Road, Columbus, GA 31904, (rfgaler@aol.com) to get on the list.

#### PRESERVATION

Until 1993, the *SAR Graves Register* consisted of all the Graves Registry forms received since the 1920s, most of them on index cards stored at SAR Headquarters. Besides being virtually inaccessible, it was recognized that paper was not the best medium for preserving valuable records of this sort.

In mid-1996, a field team from the Genealogical Society of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints began filming the forms at the request of the Graves Committee and approval of the President General.

It was mentioned that 13 bits of data had been extracted from the forms for the book entries. The forms, however, contained a lot of other data: family pedigrees; half-tones and photos of tombstones; a sketch to help locate the gravesite; details of military or patriotic service; a short biography of the Patriot; and the name and address of the submitter. Accordingly, when the team filmed a *Grave Registry* form, it also filmed the attached material.

The secondary effect of putting the forms on film was to make them available. In preparation for the LDS visit, members and wives of the Graves Committee spent many hours re-organizing and collating the forms to be suitable for alphabetized filming. For the first time in years, it became possible to locate that elusive grave registration that your father had sent into headquarters 20 or 30 years ago.

#### How Forms May Be Viewed

The film project is finished and catalogued now. The forms received prior to mid-1993 are on eight rolls of microfilm catalogued in the reference section of the NSSAR Library in Louisville with the number F255.B721996 under the subject "Revolutionary War Graves Register Forms". They may also be viewed at the Family History Library (LDS) in Salt Lake City, Utah and may be ordered for viewing through Family History Centers throughout the world. At \$6.00 per roll, they can be ordered for retention in the local Center.

Numbers for the eight rolls in the Family History Catalog (on compact disc) are as follows:

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2032075 D-H	2032076 H-L
2032077 L-M	2032132 N-R
2032133 R-T	2032134 T-Z

In the final step, committee members Millett and Galer, with their wives Laura and Mary Jane, finished the re-organizing and collating they had worked on for the two previous years, and moved all the Grave Registry forms upstairs to the NSSAR Library where they were given a central position in the reference section by Librarian Mike Christian.

Grave records preservation on a more local note recently occurred in New Jersey. The spouse of the President of the Pinelands Chapter was distressed that the state records of New Jersey's Revolutionary War grave sites were not in one place. For Naomi Case, the project was daunting. New Jersey's old records and the search files on 3 x 5" cards were combined with the state DAR grave registration list for a coordinated register of all known sites in New Jersey. The Chapter Graves Chairman, Dave Wasson, added a number of previously unmarked grave sites to the list. For her outstanding work for SAR graves registration, Mrs. Case was awarded the SAR Martha Washington Medal.

#### MARKING

Grave marking and dedication ceremonies are dear to the hearts of SAR members. A letter received by the Graves Committee goes like this:

Dear Compatriot Galer:

After a three year search I have located the unmarked grave of my veteran ancestor. He is buried in a small town in New Hampshire. I located the grave with the help of the American Legion. They have been putting a flag on the spot for many years.

(Continued on page 44)



## Mickey, Minnie To Greet 108th Annual Congress Attendees

Compatriots who ever dreamed of meeting Mickey and Minnie in person will be offered that opportunity just as official activities of the 108th Annual Congress get underway Saturday evening, June 6th in Buena Vista, Florida.

The setting will be the Hilton at Walt Disney World Village where the Florida Society will host the traditional Congress reception for all registered delegates and their guests. It will be a gala occasion, replete with warm Southern Hospitality. And, of course, the most famous Disney characters of all will be more than happy to have souvenir photos posed with them.

### Congress To Run June 6-10

The Hilton, which is located inside the Walt Disney World Resort, will serve as Headquarters for the Congress, which is scheduled for June 6 through 10. The hotel is within footsteps of Downtown Disney featuring Disney Village Marketplace, Pleasure Island and Disney's West Side. The hotel boasts over 800 rooms and suites, seven restaurants and lounges (including a Benihana Japanese Steakhouse), two outdoor swimming pools and the availability of five Disney golf courses.

The Congress room rate at the Hilton is an unprecedented \$99 single or double, plus tax, with extra adults at an additional \$20 each. Parking will be free in the large lot surrounding the hotel. Reservations may be made NOW by using the form appearing on page 10 of this issue of the magazine.

Pre-Registrations for the Congress may also be made at this time by using the form on the opposite page. Attention is drawn to the fact that registrations filed prior to May 15 are somewhat less in cost than waiting until later! Reservations for the Ladies Luncheon on Tuesday the 9th may be made on the form, too. This popular annual activity – in honor of the President General's lady – will be staged at the Hilton.

### Unique Site For Memorial Service

On Sunday June 7 buses will carry Compatriots and guests to the unique Mary, Queen of the Universe Shrine for the Memorial Service, which is always planned



The handsome Mary, Queen of the Universe Shrine will be the site of the traditional Memorial Service on Sunday, the day before Congress business sessions begin. Buses will transport attendees from the Hilton.

to remember those SARs who are called to eternal rest during the previous year. This 2,000-seat church is adorned with 14 inspirational stained glass windows entitled "The Magnificat Windows." Constructed

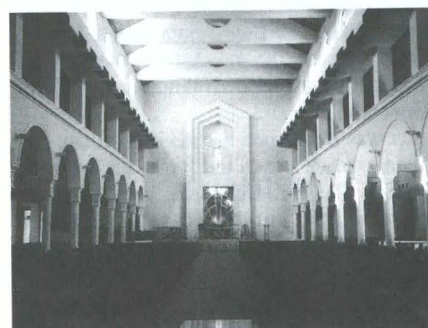


The Hilton at Walt Disney World Village in Buena Vista boasts the feeling of a tropical resort both on the inside and throughout the grounds.

stone-by-stone through the prayerful offerings of men, women and children from across the world – and declared by Pope Paul II as a "house of pilgrimage" – the Shrine was dedicated in August, 1993. The edifice also features a multi-media theater in which visitors learn more about the history of the Church in the United States, the place of the Catholic Church in world history, facets of the Gospel story telling of Christ's life, and articles relating to the Saints and to Mary, the Mother of God. A small museum has displays of historic treasures of Church art in the United States and abroad.

### First JROTC Medal To Be Offered

As was announced in the Fall 1997 Issue of the magazine, the National Society has a new program aimed at selecting the top JROTC cadet in the nation in a similar



manner as are the top winners for other NSSAR competitions (Rumbaugh Oration, Knight Essay and Eagle Scout Scholarship). The young person selected by the Americanism Committee – following a process that begins at the Chapter level – will be introduced and awarded \$1,000 at the Orlando Congress; the cadet's expenses for attending will be covered.

Assisting in recognition of the winning cadet during the Tuesday evening banquet will be General Frederick J. Kroesen, USA (Ret), who will also be guest speaker. His career spanned 40 years in a variety of duties, including a four-year assignment as Commander-in-Chief, US Army Europe and Commander, NATO Central Army Group. He currently is a self-employed consultant specializing in national and international military affairs.

### Three Optional Tours

Florida Compatriot Edward S. Hoyt, who is serving as Chairman of the Host



The Disney Magic Kingdom Park will be easy to reach using complimentary transportation from the Hilton, which will serve as Congress Headquarters.

Congress Planning Committee, states that arrangements have been made through a professional travel agency for optional tours – as detailed in the accompanying advertisement on page 11. One is a bus trip to the quaint "Little Europe" shopping district in historic Winter Park. The other, being offered on two different days, will take Compatriots and guests to the Kennedy Space Center.

The complete schedule of Congress events will be detailed in the Spring Issue of the magazine. Included will be information about the location of such areas as the Ladies Hospitality Room and NSSAR Merchandise Sales.

## PRE-REGISTRATION FORM – Please Print

For Office Use Only

Enclosed is my check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ payable to "Treasurer General, NSSAR" for the following:

My Registration Fee at \$175 \_\_\_\_\_ Guest Registration(s) at \$175 each

(Registration Fee after May 15 will be \$200)

\_\_\_\_\_ Reservations for the Ladies Luncheon on Tuesday at \$27.00 each

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Please hold \_\_\_\_\_ Reservations for the Florida Society Reception on Saturday evening

A special diet is required for \_\_\_\_\_ persons in my party, as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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(Wife's first) \_\_\_\_\_ Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_ Guest Address \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

During the Congress, I/we plan to stay at \_\_\_\_\_

## PRE-REGISTRATIONS FOR ANNUAL CONGRESS NOW BEING ACCEPTED!

For quite some time Florida Society Compatriots have been formulating exciting plans for the 108th Annual Congress which is scheduled to take place in Orlando, Florida June 6 through 10. You can nail down your plans NOW to attend this combination business and pleasure event by sending in advance registrations of \$175 for SARs and guests alike (will be \$200 after Pre-Registrations close on May 15). Just complete and mail in the form to NSSAR Headquarters, 1000 South Fourth Street, Louisville, KY 40203. Attendance for the Ladies Luncheon on Tuesday, June 9th may also be made at this time – and the Congress Planning Committee will appreciate your offering added information as indicated on the form.

The Pre-Registration Fee covers entry to a variety of activities: Saturday Evening Reception, Sunday Memorial Service, Monday Luncheon, and the Tuesday and Wednesday Formal Banquets.



Congress attendees staying at the Hilton at Walt Disney World Village, which will serve as Congress Headquarters, will be just steps away from an abundance of specialty shops and other attractions.



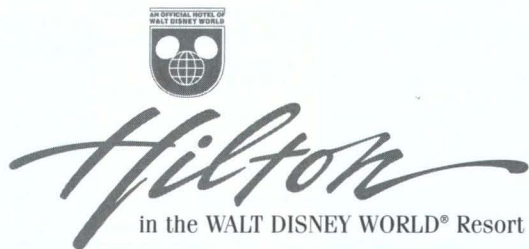


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## Sons of the American Revolution

June 1998

**TOURS:** The following programs have been specifically designed for the Sons of the American Revolution. If you and your guests are interested in attending, please complete the form below and return it to the address shown. All tours include round trip transportation on a modern motorcoach, admissions, tax, gratuity, and professional tour guide. All events are on a first-come, first-served basis and require a minimum of 35 people.

### Historic Winter Park / Park Avenue Shopping Tour

Saturday, June 6, 1998

9:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Catch the bus to the quaint "Little Europe" shopping district. A relaxing, one-hour scenic open-air boat ride offers a unique waterway tour of historic Winter Park. This cruise travels over five beautiful lakes and canals. Visit the exclusive boutiques filled with one-of-a-kind treasures, as well as stores bearing the names of your favorite designers. On Park Avenue visit the infamous Charles Hosmer Morse Museum of American Art which features the largest collection of Louis B. Tiffany glass in the world.

Price: \$24.00 per person

### Kennedy Space Center

Saturday, June 6, 1998

Thursday, June 11, 1998

8:15 am-4:00 pm

The dream and commitment of space exploration is alive at the Space Center! See Kennedy Space Center as you never have before by visiting the *brand new* Apollo/Saturn V Center. The centerpiece of this 100,000 square foot attraction is the actual refurbished 363 foot tall Saturn V moon rocket, one of only three moon rockets in existence. This 2½ hour bus tour also allows you to view the shuttle assembly building, actual launch pads, and rocket museums. A breathtaking film will be shown on a five-story IMAX screen. Lunch is on your own. Total drive time approximately two hours. Come experience a new era of galactic excellence at KSC!

Price: \$35.00 adult

\$28.00 child

**Note:** KSC reserves the right to cancel or reschedule on the day of a launch.

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GUESTS: \_\_\_\_\_

**SELECT** programs desired. Please complete this form and mail payment to address listed below. Tour vouchers will be given on-site at hospitality desk.

**CANCELLATION:** Cancellations in writing will be accepted if received by May 15, 1998. A \$3.00 cancellation fee per order will be charged. Cancellations will not be accepted after this date.

DATE/TIME	ACTIVITY	COST PER PERSON	# OF PERSONS	TOTAL
Saturday, June 6, 1998 9:15 am - 3:00 pm	Historic Winter Park Tour	\$24.00 per person	_____	_____
Saturday, June 6, 1998 8:15 am - 4:00 pm	Kennedy Space Center	\$35.00 Adult \$28.00 child	_____	_____
Thursday, June 11, 1998 8:15 am - 4:00 pm	Kennedy Space Center	\$35.00 Adult \$28.00 child	_____	_____
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## Battle Of Kings Mountain In 1780 Marked By State Societies, Chapters

By Curt Older, President Mecklenburg Chapter, North Carolina Society

The American Revolution in the South may be regarded as the first American Civil War – since American Patriots there often faced American Loyalists who were led by a small number of British officers.

The Battle of Kings Mountain on October 7, 1780 was an excellent example of Americans fighting Americans. The decisive victory by the Patriots against a similar number of Loyalists led by British Major Patrick Ferguson turned the tide of the Revolution in the South.

On October 7, 1997 the 217th anniversary of this important battle was marked by numerous organizations – including many SARs – at the Kings Mountain National Military Park in South Carolina.

### Original March Reenacted

Highlighting the celebration was arrival of the Overmountain Victory Trail Association (OVTA) marchers, a group that annually reenacts the march of the original Patriots in the battle. The march route begins near Abington, Virginia, over 200 miles away. Welcoming the marchers with a luncheon were area DAR Chapters; the event was held about noon at the Antioch Baptist Church just a few miles from the battlefield. Allen Ray, OVTA Grand Marshal, acknowledged the services of the OVTA members who participated during a brief ceremony, emphasizing that the group had



President General Carl K. Hoffmann was one of the principal speakers at the event in October commemorating the crucial Battle of Kings Mountain.

presented several historical interpretation programs at primary and secondary schools along the route.

Serving as Master of Ceremonies at an impressive program held in the Park's Amphitheater was Andrew M. Loveless, Park Superintendent. The program began at precisely 3 PM, the same time of day that the battle commenced. Following music provided by the Kings Mountain (North Carolina) High School Band, the keynote address was delivered by Robert G. Stanton, Director of the National Park Service. He stressed the importance of volunteers in the effort to pre-

## 22 MEMBERS OF ONE FAMILY WERE AT BATTLE

T.F. Craft, National Trustee of the Georgia Society, reports that Atlanta Chapter Compatriot Jack W. Newton boasts of an ancestor – John Peden – who participated in the Battle of Kings Mountain by driving a company wagon and loading guns for the soldiers. He was accompanied by 7 sons, 3 sons-in-law and 11 grandsons! None of them was wounded either there or later at Yorktown; all received land grants for their service. Having 22 members of a family in a Revolutionary Battle must be a record!

serve and enhance our National Park System. He noted the significant number of historic sites added to the Service's jurisdiction since the 1960s when he began his career with the organization. This was followed by the presentation of Overmountain Victory NHT Awards by Jerry Belson, Director of the Southeast Regional Office of the NPSH, to several long time supporters of the OVTA.

Another highlight of the overall program was a talk by President General Carl K. Hoffmann. He placed emphasis on the new National Society project aimed at fostering competition among JROTC Units across the nation – as reported in the Fall 1997 Issue of *The SAR Magazine*.

### Numerous Compatriots Participate

Playing key parts in the commemoration were the Color Guards of the North Carolina and Georgia Societies; both assisted in presentation of the Colors at the Amphitheater and the wreath laying ceremony at the U.S. Monument. Also participating was the York Comprehensive Navy JROTC Unit from York, South Carolina; they were responsible for leading a procession after the conclusion of the Amphitheater program along a quarter-mile route to the U.S. Monument at the top of the battlefield.

Mecklenburg Chapter President Curtis Older, NCSSAR, coordinated SAR participation in the event, while Paul M. Frantz, Chairman of the NSSAR Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee, provided invaluable assistance. Also helping to organize the event was Chris Revels, Park Ranger at Kings Mountain NMP.

A broad array of SARs were on hand for the presentation of wreaths at the U.S. Monument, as follows: President General Carl K. Hoffmann, representing the National Society; Robert F. Galer, Georgia Society (he serves as Chairman of the NSSAR Revolutionary War Graves Committee); Dr. Charles Page, North Carolina Society; William C. Davis, Mecklenburg Chapter, North Carolina Society; Dr. Kenneth D.

Israel, Blue Ridge Chapter, North Carolina Society; Richard Eisenman, Lower Cape Fear Chapter, North Carolina Society; John R. Kauff, Ewings Chapter, Ohio Society; James Lee Wyrosdick, Battle of Eutaw Springs Chapter, South Carolina Society; Dr. Lynwood D. Jordan, Jr., Daniel Morgan Chapter, South Carolina Chapter; Bill Damell, General Andrew Pickens Chapter, South Carolina Society; Dr. William Bailey, Jr., Tennessee Society; Jeffereon W. Reynolds, Kings Mountain Chapter, Tennessee Society; John C. Echerd, John Sevier Chapter, Tennessee Society; Jay R. Justice, Fincastle Resolutions Chapter, Virginia Society; Andrew Johnson, George Mason Chapter, Virginia Society; and Thomas N. Clark, Vice-President General for the South Atlantic District.



Making a dramatic entry at exactly 3 PM – the beginning of the 1780 battle – were members of the Overmountain Victory Trail Association.



Among the many wreaths presented at the U.S. Monument was that of the National Society. It was offered by President General Carl K. Hoffmann (standing at the monument). He was assisted by three Compatriots.



The Georgia Society Color Guard, led by Benjamin Miller, presented the Colors to open the ceremony at the Park's Amphitheater.

## Overmountain Trail Covers 220 Miles

The Visitor Center at Kings Mountain National Military Park features an outstanding selection of reading material about the American Revolution and the Battle of Kings Mountain. A brochure there provides the following information about the Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail:

"The Trail follows the route of assembly of the American Patriot army which decisively defeated an American Loyalist army at the Battle of Kings Mountain, South Carolina, in the dark days of the fall of 1780. In 1975, local citizens, many descendants of those Patriots and Loyalists, determined to march the route again as part of the American Revolutionary Bicentennial celebrations. From that first march reenactment came the Overmountain Victory Trail Association which carried petitions along the route collecting thousands of signatures requesting national trail status. In September, 1980, just before the October 7th 200th anniversary of the battle, the route was

designated a national historic trail.

"The Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail covers some 220 miles from Abingdon, Virginia, through Eastern Tennessee, over the high mountains of North Carolina, across the Piedmont of North and South Carolina, to the Kings Mountain National Military Park. A 70-mile branch from Wilkes-Surry joins the main route near its center at Quaker Meadows (Morganton, North Carolina). Three routes are designated: the true historic route, now often inaccessible, the route used by the OVTA each year, and the public motor route over highways.

"Part of the National Trails System, the Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail is a cooperative effort of the National Park Service, the U.S. Forest Service, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, OVTA, local governments, local citizens' associations, local historical societies, and the states of Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina, and South Carolina."



## VALLEY FORGE

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Major participants in the Kings Mountain commemorative program included (from left): Andrew M. Loveless, Superintendent, Kings Mountain National Military Park; Robert Vogel, Superintendent, Guilford Courthouse NMP; Robert G. Stanton, Director, National Park Service; Carl K. Hoffmann, President General, NSSAR; Jerry Belson, Director, Southeast Regional Office, NPS; Paul M. Frantz, Chairman, NSSAR Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee; J. Saunders, Superintendent, Cowpens National Battlefield.





**HAPPY HOLIDAYS** – The National Society's Staff at Louisville Headquarters enjoyed gracious gifts from Compatriots by having a Christmas lunch and get-together during the Christmas Season. SEATED, from left: Debbie Smalley, Dr. Arthur E. Chapman and Kim Robinson. STANDING, from left: Ann Carroll, Joyce Adams, Jessie Hagan, Lorin O'Hara, Roger Vaughn, Kathy Seay, Susan Agree, Sharon Gordon and Mike Scroggins. Not shown: Michael Christian, Robin Christian and Suzanne Dean. They all join in expressing "Thank You" and "Happy 1998!"

## Hospital No Place To Be In Revolution

If you were a wounded soldier during the Revolutionary War, the military hospital was not an ideal haven. The odds for your survival there worked against you.

That was the observation of Donald Post, a Revolutionary War re-enactor and professional nurse, that he offered during his enlightening talk presented to a December meeting of the New Jersey Society's Jockey Hollow Chapter. Dressed in a period costume, he portrayed a physician from Bergen County ministering to suffering soldiers.

"More Continental soldiers died as a result of poor medical practices and unsanitary camp conditions than from wounds received in battle," Mr. Post told attendees. Estimates ran as high as 20 to 1. He stated that military hospitals were often staffed by doctors who were inadequately educated and who functioned with crude, unsterile instruments; some of those he demonstrated included bullet forceps, amputation, blades and screw tourniquets.

According to him, quacks abounded at the time of the Revolution. There were 3,500 physicians, but less than 10 percent held medical degrees. Formally educated physicians were mostly sons of the wealthy who were sent abroad to study at schools in Edinburgh, Paris or London.

"There they were exposed to a broad classical education and countless medical theories, but it was unusual for them to see a patient during their training," he commented. He then discussed some of these theories, both scientific and religiously based, such as the balancing of the humors, the effects of excitability and melancholy on the human system and the citing of God

or the Devil as the cause of illness. He noted that most Colonial doctors gained their education through five-year apprenticeships to other physicians, and that in 1772, New Jersey became the first province to require them to be examined and licensed.

The medical establishment throughout the war proved ineffective, he stated. "Congress set up the Army Medical Corps, but paid little heed to it. With no more than approval of the regimental commander, each regiment recruited its hometown doctor. Hospitals were improvised facilities; they lacked beds, medicine and surgical equipment. Doctors were expected to bring their tools, while the wounded used their own blankets and slept on the floor. Common ailments included rheumatism, leg sores, heat stroke and impetigo. Worse yet, during the early years of the war, proper sanitation was unheard of so that such diseases as smallpox, typhus, diphtheria, influenza, dengue fever and Tory-rot swept through the camps, taking men in huge tolls. Common cures included bloodletting, purging, sweating, alcohol and low diet."

The war did prove a learning experience for the medical profession, however, Mr. Post concluded. Among advances, he said, were recognition by the army's rank and file of the benefits of hygiene and inoculation against infectious disease, particularly smallpox. George Washington advocated inoculation at the strong urging of his wife, Martha, but he was criticized by politicians and some members of the medical profession because "it interfered with God's plan."

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To receive a descriptive brochure, write to Col. Volney H. Rattan, 705 College Terrace, Williamsburg, VA 23185-3532.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**113th Annual Congress**  
Charleston, SC, 2003

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

## Color Guards From Kansas, Missouri Societies Perform At Yorktown Fete

For many years at Yorktown, Virginia on October 19th – the date when British General Cornwallis surrendered in 1781 to the forces under George Washington and those of the American allies – a wide range of commemorative programs have marked this historic event.

Traditionally, members of the Virginia Society gather at the grave site of General



In spite of a heavy rain, members of the Kansas and Missouri Societies Color Guards participated in the solemn program conducted at the grave site of General Thomas Nelson, Jr. Bowing after he presented a wreath was Kansas Past President Edgar E. Grover.



Due to heavy rains on October 19th at Yorktown, the service dedicated to the memory of General Thomas Nelson, Jr. was held inside Grace Episcopal Church. Shown playing patriotic music was the Fife and Drum Corps of Yorktown.

Thomas Nelson, Jr. to salute his participation in the Revolutionary War. At the time also the Governor of Virginia and Commander of the militia, he was on the scene during bombardment of British positions that began on October 9th. On the 10th Lafayette, Officer of the Day in one of the allied sectors, invited Nelson to aim the guns. When Lafayette asked for a target, Nelson pointed to an impressive brick mansion. "There, to that house," he said.



A highlight of the service in Grace Episcopal Church was presentation of remarks about General Thomas Nelson, Jr. by Virginia Society President Bruce A. Wilcox. He was surrounded by members of the Fife and Drum Corps of Yorktown.

"It is mine – and is the best one in town." Possibly it was being used by Cornwallis.

Prominent in the ceremony at Nelson's grave alongside Grace Episcopal Church were members of the Color Guards from the Kansas and Missouri Societies. They had eagerly traveled for hundreds of miles to perform – as did a number of their wives dressed in period costumes. Placing the Virginia Society's wreath was Thomas Page Nelson, Jr., a direct descendant of the governor. Kansas Society Past President Edgar E. Grover presented a wreath consisting of sunflowers from his state. Also taking an active part was the Fife and Drum Corps of Yorktown, which offered appropriate patriotic music.



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This panoramic photo shows Compatriots gathered at the new monument marking the site of "The Magazine", which was used for storage of gun powder, food, grain and the like. After the battle, it was used to entomb the body of Col. Charles Lewis and others who died in the engagement. The site is located at the confluence of the Ohio and Kanawha Rivers. Several State Societies participated in the ceremony that dedicated the structure.

## First Revolutionary War Battle Marked

On Sunday, October 5th Memorial Services were conducted by the West Virginia Society's Point Pleasant Chapter honoring those brave Virginia militiamen who fought and died at the Battle of Point Pleasant on October 10, 1774. Staged in an area that at the time was part of Virginia, the event climaxed a weekend celebration commemorating the 223rd anniversary of what is recognized as the first engagement of the Revolutionary War.

Serving as Master of Ceremonies was Raymond G. Musgrave, J.D., Vice-President General for the Central District; he also is Vice President of the Point Pleasant Chapter. President General Carl K. Hoffmann traveled from his home in



On behalf of the National Society, President General Carl K. Hoffmann presented a wreath commemorating the Battle of Point Pleasant. Escorting him were (from left): Vice-President General Lester Foster, Paul M. Frantz (Chairman of the Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee) and VPG Thomas N. Clark.

Florida to participate in the overall program, including being featured speaker for the Memorial Service. Compatriots representing 12 Chapters from several State Societies were also on hand, as were members of the DAR and C.A.R.

### Program Staged at Monument

The festivities got underway with a luncheon at the First Presbyterian Church in Point Pleasant sponsored by the local Chapter. This was followed by the unveiling and dedication of a handsome new monument, "The Magazine", at the site where the Virginia Patriots are buried. Donating to a fund that facilitated construction of the monument were: The Gordon C. and Mildred R. Jackson Foundation; John C. Markey Charitable Fund; the Virginia, Ohio, Indiana and West Virginia Societies; and Compatriots Lowell Nichols (and his wife JoAnn), Gary Eckard and John Carol Elliott.

Following remarks by West Virginia Society DAR Regent Jimelle Rumberg and Cora Teel, Regent of the Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter, the Invocation was offered by Ohio Society Ewings Chapter Chaplain James Hanna. Then the Colors were presented by the Point Pleasant Chapter Color Guard and the Virginia National Guard.

As is traditional at this annual program, the Virginia National Guard accepted with a formal salute each memorial wreath as it was presented by the following organizations: **West Virginia Society**, by President Lyle D. McCullough; **City of Point Pleasant**, by Council Member Buster Riffle; **Ohio Society**, by President Robert V. French; **Kentucky Society**, by Past

President Rollie D. Graves; **Pennsylvania Society**, by Gen. Arthur St. Clair Chapter President Richard L. Ashmun; **Virginia Society**, by President Bruce Wilcox; **Kansas Society**, by National Trustee Edgar E. Grover; **District of Columbia Society**, by Alternate National Trustee Andrew M. Johnson; **Virginia Society George Mason Chapter**, by Andrew Johnson; **Virginia Society Thomas Jefferson Chapter**, by President E. Trice Taylor; **Virginia Society Fincastle Resolutions Chapter**, by Robert Justice; **Maryland Society**, by Lester Foster, Vice-President General for the Mid-Atlantic District; **National Society**, by President General Carl K. Hoffmann. The PG was accompanied by Paul M. Frantz, Chairman of the NSSAR Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee, VPG Foster, and Thomas N. Clark, VPG for the South



The Point Pleasant Chapter Color Guard marched smartly in a parade that was part of the weekend-long commemoration.

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Atlantic District. Wreaths were also presented by various units of the DAR and C.A.R.

### U.S. Army Units Perform

Attendees were especially thrilled to watch performances staged by the "Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps ("The President's Own") and the "Commander in Chief's Honor Guard". Both are affiliated with the 3rd Infantry based at Fort Meyer,



Compatriot and Mrs. Raymond G. Musgrave (right) were pleased to welcome West Virginia Governor Cecil H. Underwood to the celebration.

Virginia. A concluding highlight of the Memorial Service was an historic eulogy delivered by Point Pleasant Chapter President George A. Vaughn. It consisted of the text delivered by Col. Andrew Lewis on October 13, 1774 regarding the death of his brother, Col. Charles Lewis, who was mortally wounded in the battle while leading the initial charge of the Augusta County Regiment.

### Battle Background

The Battle of Point Pleasant was fought between 1,000 Colonists led by Col. Andrew Lewis and 1,100 Indians under the



Those presenting wreaths during the program processed through a formation staged by the "Commander in Chief's Honor

command of Cornstalk, Chief of the Shawnees. Lewis and his men had marched from Camp Union - now Lewisburg, West Virginia - to the site of the engagement at the confluence of the Ohio and Kanawha Rivers. The Indians were from several different tribes, whose

## SAR HISTORIC CELEBRATIONS

This listing is compiled for every issue of the magazine by Paul M. Frantz, Chairman of the National Society Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee. It is continually updated, largely through information submitted by State Societies and Chapters. Please send such data to him at 4933 Buckhorn Rd., Hunting Hills, Roanoke, VA 24014 - or direct e-mail to PMFRANTZ@aol.com. The deadline for the Spring 1998 issue, which will be published in May, is March 1.

### March 2 - Burlington, NC:

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

### March 15 - Guilford Courthouse National Battlefield (near Greensboro) NC:

11:00am. Annual Memorial service. Wreath Laying. Sponsored by Nathanael Greene Chapter, NCSSAR.

### March 16 - Montpelier, VA:

11:00am. National Commemorative Service of Madison's birthday, wreath laying. VASSAR participants.

### April 13 - Jefferson Memorial, Washington, DC:

11:00am. National Commemorative Service of Jefferson's birthday, wreath laying. Sponsored by DCSSAR.

### April 13 - Monticello, VA:

10:00am. Celebration of Jefferson's birthday, wreath laying. VASSAR participants.

### April 18 - Concord, MA:

8:00am. Wreath laying at Col. Buttrick's grave.  
9:00am. Parade and Ceremonies at The Bridge. MASSAR Color Guard participants.

### April 18 - Dover, DE (Sheraton Inn):

9:00am. Commemoration of Battle of Lexington and Concord. Sponsored by DESSAR.

### April 28 - Richmond (Hollywood Cemetery) VA:

11:00am. National Commemorative Service of Monroe's birthday, wreath laying. VASSAR participants.

### May 16 - Alamance, NC:

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

### May 23-25 - New Haven CT:

6th Continental Line battle reenactment, encampment, etc. Sponsored by CTSSAR Color Guard.

### May 23 - Vincennes, IN:

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

### May 25 - Philadelphia, PA:

4:00pm. Washington Square. Tomb of Unknown Soldier. Wreath laying. PASSAR participants.

### May 25 - Westwood, MA:

9:30am. Memorial Day parade and wreath laying. MASSAR Color Guard participants.

### June 28 - Charleston, SC:

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

### July 4 - Philadelphia, PA:

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

### July 4 - NATIONWIDE:

2:00pm EDT. "Let Freedom Ring" bell ringing: 13 tolls on all church bells, courthouses, city halls, carillons, national monuments, university towers.

### July 4 - Litchfield, CT, East Cemetery:

9:30am. Annual Memorial Service for Gov. Oliver Wolcott and Col. Ben Tallmadge. Sponsored by CTSSAR.

### July 4 - Delaware Independence Day Celebrations:

10:00am. Dagsboro Episcopal Church  
10:00am. Wilmington Old Swede's Church  
12:00noon. Dover Christ Episcopal Church. Sponsored by DESSAR.

### July 4 - Boston, MA, Navy Yard:

9:00am. Ceremonies at USS Constitution. MASSAR Color Guard participants.

### July 4 - Norwood, MA:

5:00pm. Independence Day Parade. MASSAR Color Guard participants.

### July 4 - Mt. Vernon, VA:

12:00noon. Wreath laying at Washington's Tomb. SAR participants.

### July 4 - Monticello, VA:

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

### July 4 - Ashland-Highland, VA:

1:00pm. Wreath laying at Monroe Statue. Sponsored by Thomas Jefferson Chapter, VASSAR.

### July 4 - Congressional Cemetery, Washington, DC:

10:30am. Wreath laying at tomb of Elbridge Gerry. Sponsored by DCSSAR.

### July 26 - Orwell, VT:

(Ft. Mount Independence). All day. Living History encampment. SAR participants.

### September 17 - Dagsboro, DE:

7:00pm. Celebration of Constitution Day Dinner. Sponsored by DESSAR.

### October 3 - Point Pleasant, WV:

2:00pm. Annual Commemorative Service for Virginia Militiamen. Wreath laying. Sponsored by Point Pleasant Chapter, WVSSAR.

### October 7 - Kings Mountain National Military Park, SC:

3:00pm. Overmountain Men Victory Celebration. Wreath laying. Sponsored by Mecklenburg Chapter, NCSSAR.

### October 19 - Yorktown, VA:

Annual National Yorktown Victory Day Celebration. Parade, exhibits, demonstrations. SAR participants.

### October 19 - Valley Forge, PA:

12:15pm. Washington Chapel. Luncheon.  
2:00pm. Yorktown Day Memorials Service. Sponsored by SAR and DAR.

### November 9 - Annapolis, MD:

1:00pm. Chapel, US Naval Academy  
Massing of the Colors. SAR participants.

### November 11 - Wilmington, DE:

11:00am. Delaware Memorial Bridge and Delaware Veterans' Cem. Wreath laying. SAR participants.

### December 6 - Wilmington, DE:

7:00pm. US Constitution dinner. Sponsored by DESSAR.

### December 7 - Annapolis, MD:

Chapel, US Naval Academy, Crypt of John Paul Jones. Wreath laying. Sponsored by MDSSAR.

### December 19 - Valley Forge National Park, PA:

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

### December 25 - Washington Crossing, PA and NJ:

12:00 noon. Annual commemoration of Washington's Army crossing the Delaware. SAR participants.





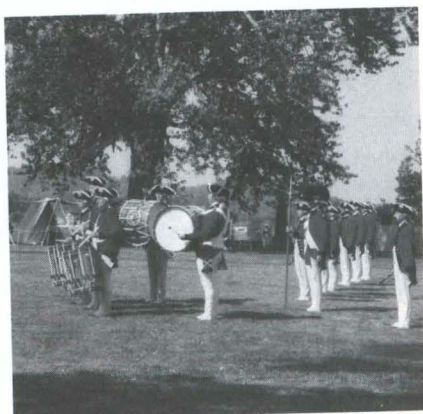
Performing with precision at the "The Magazine" were selected members of the Virginia National Guard.

towns were on or near the Scioto River in Ohio.

The battle started early in the morning when two hunters were attacked by the Indians, who had slipped across the river during the night. The conflict lasted all day with the Virginians and Indians fighting hand to hand and from tree to tree. Charles Lewis, Colonel Andrew Lewis' brother, wore a red waistcoat during the battle and was killed when he led his troops against the Indians. When Colonel Lewis sent troops to flank the Indians along Crooked Creek (behind the Mason County Library), Cornstalk thought additional troops were coming to help the Colonists. The Indians retreated across the Ohio River, taking their dead and wounded with them. Forty-six Colonists were killed in the battle and buried in "The Magazine." Many more were wounded.

Lord Dunmore was to have joined Colonel Lewis in his fight against the Indians. He did not help and, even after learning of the Battle at Point Pleasant, did not come to the rescue of the Virginia troops.

After the Battle, Colonel Lewis saw to the dead and wounded. Then he marched against the Indian towns near Chillicothe in Ohio. However, Lord Dunmore arrived first and had already signed a treaty with the Indians when Lewis arrived. The Virginians were not able to punish the Indians for their attack at Point Pleasant.



Offering a musical salute during the ceremony were members of the "Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps."

## SAR Foundation Chairman Arnold Reports On Progress and Plans

Coincidental with the Fall Meeting of the National Trustees in late September in Louisville, the SAR Patriotic and Educational Foundation Board of Trustees also met to conduct business. Presiding was Chairman Ross Arnold, a member of the Georgia Society.

In reporting to the Trustees on Foundation matters, Compatriot Arnold reiterated that the Foundation exists solely to support the National Society through the raising of funds needed to facilitate specified projects. He stated that since being established, his organization has been faced with a 'chicken and egg' situation. "That is," he emphasized, "the Foundation has felt unable to move ahead with a clear-cut fund raising plan without first having one or more NSSAR projects to promote among potential contributors.



Board Chairman Ross Arnold revealed Foundation plans during the September meeting of the National Trustees in Louisville.

At the same time, however, the National Society has been reluctant to suggest any projects which required funds when the Foundation had not developed a clear-cut funding program."

He then outlined steps that had been taken to solve this dilemma:

- President General Carl K. Hoffmann appointed two Compatriots to be members of a new "Projects Committee": Larry D. McClanahan, Chairman of the Building Growth Committee; and Former President General Charles F. Printz. Likewise, the Foundation appointed two of its Trustees to the Committee: Former Presidents General William C. Gist and Reon G. Hillegass. The group's initial responsibility will be obtaining from the National Society those projects needing funds.

- As to actual projects, there have been two major suggestions. One, offered by

Former President General Arthur M. King, is to raise \$85,000 to reimburse the National Society's Permanent Fund for the money advanced to purchase lots across Fifth Street from Headquarters (as has been reported in past issues of the magazine). Another important one is for the adequate preservation and display of a valuable collection of 35 original Revolutionary War Era newspapers being offered to the Museum by Compatriot James A. Williams, who spearheaded development of the Museum at Headquarters into the outstanding facility it is today. For many years he served as Chairman of the Museum Board and Curator.

- Chairman Arnold states that certain other projects are under study and will be reported at the Spring Trustees Meeting.

- The possibility of retaining a professional fund raising firm in Atlanta, Georgia is being investigated. A report on this aspect will also be made to the Trustees.

## Washington's Name Out In New Orleans

George Washington is no longer welcome in the schools of New Orleans, Louisiana.

By the reckoning of Mount Vernon Historian John Riley, about 450 schools in the United States are named after the great Patriot and first President. As of late October there is one fewer - because of a policy that the New Orleans Parish School Board developed to prohibit school names honoring former slave owners or others who did not "respect equal opportunity for all." What had been George Washington Elementary is now Dr. Charles Richardson Drew Elementary, thus paying tribute to a black surgeon (1904-50) known for developing methods of preserve blood plasma and for protesting the Army's practice of segregating donated blood by race.

Since the School Board's policy was adopted in 1992, New Orleans schools have purged the names of Confederate generals, slave-owning governors and even the black founder of an orphanage who owned slaves.

William B. Gwyn, a retired Professor of Political Science at Tulane University in New Orleans, points out that Washington opposed the institution of slavery and ultimately freed his slaves. Washington wrote in 1786 that he favored the gradual abolition of slavery "by slow, sure and imperceptible degrees."

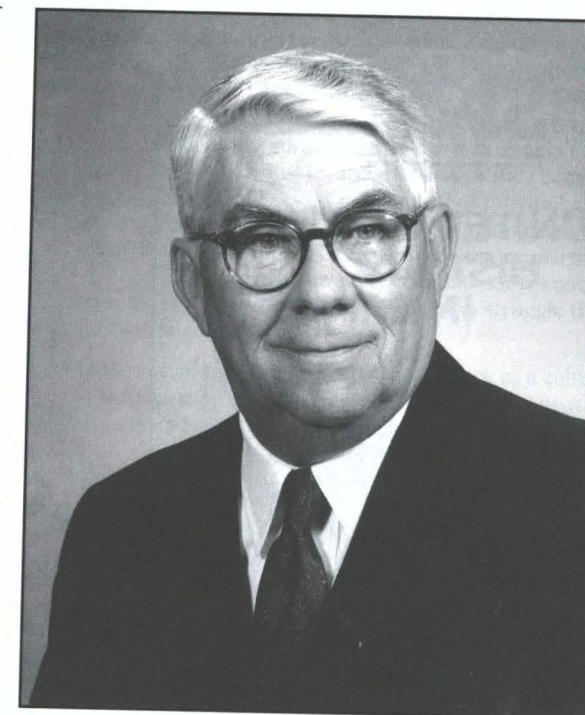
## IN OUR MEMORY

Nolan Wendell Carson, 73, 84th President General, 1987-1988, was called to life eternal on December 7, 1997. The renowned lawyer made innumerable contributions to the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Nolan Carson was born in Bucyrus, Ohio, and received his primary education in its public schools, graduating from high school in 1942. He enrolled in Heidelberg College and after completing one year, entered the military service in 1943. He served as an Army Master Sergeant of Ordnance in the Pacific Theatre, separating in 1946. In 1951 he received his Juris Doctor Degree from the University of Michigan School of Law. Just prior to graduating, he enrolled with the West Virginia Society SAR on April 13. He joined the law firm of Dinsmore and Shahl in Cincinnati, Ohio, became a partner and spent his professional career with the firm. He was successful in the practice of law and was recognized and respected for his keen understanding of the law. Nolan possessed an absorbing interest in guiding young lawyers.

Nolan was active in both civic and political areas. A Republican, he served in the Ohio State House of Representatives, was Chairman of the Ohio Elections Commission, and was President of the Hamilton County Park Commissioners. He was a Trustee of Heidelberg College and of the Cincinnati Southern Railway.

During his SAR career, Nolan Carson served as President of the Cincinnati Chapter and as President and National Trustee of the Ohio State Society. He served as Chairman of the Permanent Fund, the Investment Committee, and the George Washington Endowment Fund Board. He guided the finances of the



**Nolan Wendell Carson**  
President General  
1987-1988

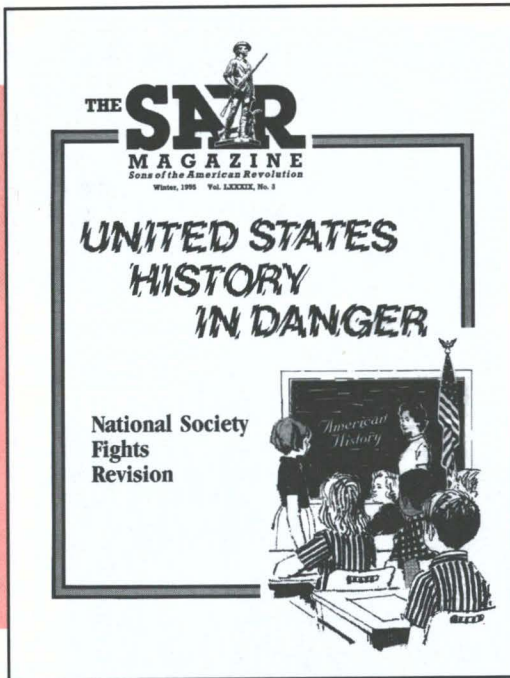
Society, enabling it to have a firm fiscal foundation. In his tenure as President General, Nolan spent much time at the National Society Headquarters establishing many of the efficient office procedures. He continually stressed membership, and when he completed his term as President General, the membership total was the highest to that date.

President General Carson is survived by his wife, Nancy, DAR; a daughter, Julia E. Brooks, DAR; a son, Nolan W. Carson, Jr., SAR.

**President General Carson held deep affection for the SAR. His wisdom and experience will be greatly missed. We are left with a grateful memory of his friendship and accomplishments for the National Society.**

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





## THREE YEARS LATER

In early 1995 the Task Force to Preserve United States History was established to oppose adoption of the just-released and controversial "National Standards for United States History." Great progress has been made in this important SAR effort. Here Task Force Chairman Rice Aston offers an enlightening update and some guidelines on how YOU can participate in the battle that must continue to be waged.

An activist core among us claim the Statue of Liberty holds no "lamp beside the golden door;" rather, America is viewed a hard land pillaged by white European males, and overflowing with racial conflict, corruption, and hypocrisy, uniquely mired in racism, sexism, and elitism, and that most degenerate of all states, capitalism. American history, as viewed through the Marxist lenses of the authors of the National Standards for United States History, is essentially the story of class conflict and oppression of women and minorities by Western Europeans, their economic system and institutions.

The Standards prompted Al Shanker, President of the American Federation of Teachers, to comment:

*"No other nation in the world teaches a national history that leaves its children feeling negative about their own country - this would be the first."*

These themes are not unique to Gary Nash, an editor of the National History Standards; they are found in many disciplines in our colleges and universities. Traditional English literature, history of Western Civilization, foreign languages, even science, math, and religion are seen as tools of the elite to maintain their dominant status, and the historical values of Western civilization looked down upon as arbitrary, inhibiting, and oppressive. The proponents of these views refer to themselves as *postmoderns* and their idea of a university as a *postmodern university*. Their objective is to restructure society, for the oppressed minorities and women to throw off their chains and end the hegemony of the West by deconstructing its history, literature, academics, and meritocracy and creating new ones closer to their vision of how the world ought to be. A brave new Orwellian world unencumbered with individualism and whose governing principles are politically correct notions of race, class, and gender. They were born with the Vietnam War and as it drew to a close, the *postmoderns* looked back to that time as the golden age - a time when patriotism became an ugly word, America lost her moral consensus, the lid to Pandora's Box flew open unleashing a host of negative influences, and creating a soil in which the *postmoderns* could flourish. One of the *postmoderns* writes:

*Multiculturalism has the happy potential ideologically to disunite the nation. As American students learn more about the virtues of other nations, they will be less and less likely to think this country deserves their special support. They will not respond to calls to use American force, and thus we will be delivered from the dark days of the 1990s, when President George Bush was able to unify the nation in support of the war against Iraq, and be able to return to the golden days of the late 1960s and early 1970s when no president was able to build support for Vietnam. (61)*

### WHAT THE POSTMODERNS BELIEVE

The four horsemen of the postmoderns are **multiculturalism**, **diversity**, and the doctrines of **deconstruction** and **deceit**. They are inextricably intertwined. Classical **multiculturalism** is quite positive; it requires first the study of your own history and civilization, then the study of other cultures, and a search for universal values, thus engendering understanding and appreciation of other cultures. What multiculturalism means in the peculiar vocabulary of the postmodern is something entirely different; it means resentment of the dominance of society by Western history and Western peoples. It is an agenda of separatism in language and culture, loyalty to one's own ethnic group, preservation of ethnic differences, and revisionist view of history as a collection of grievances to be kept alive. It supports a political agenda to use the educational system to legitimize and spread these ideas, beliefs, attitudes. In the 1980s the multiculturalists on the West Coast at Stanford chanted "Hey-hey, ho-ho. Western Culture's got to go", while those on the East Coast sought to do away with the Minuteman as Amherst's mascot because "it was a white man with a gun."

Proponents of **diversity** assert that Western tradition suppresses other traditions and the other traditions must be inserted in the curriculum in order to do political justice. They also join with multiculturalists in lambasting Western tradition and both join with Marxists in stressing the importance of the group over the individual. The doctrine of **Deconstruction** holds that an attack on Western civilization, Shakespeare, etc. should not point out fault among virtues, rather in the *interest of a higher virtue*, it should aim at total destruction. The National History Standards and the

Smithsonian's proposed Enola Gay Exhibit are prime examples of "deconstructed" history. In each case established facts are subordinated to the needs of various groups seeking victim status and self esteem. The **deceit doctrine**, sometimes called the *theory doctrine*, tells us that what we have been led to believe as true is actually fraudulent; the great plays, novels, and poems of the Western world are the false product of ruling-class ideology, and it is duty of the postmodern to disclose the mischief that has been played upon us.

### ATTITUDES OF THE POSTMODERNS IN SCHOOLS

The four horsemen of the postmoderns find life in our colleges and universities in these attitudes:

**HISTORY:** The so called "impartial" historians of the 1950s were mere cheer leaders for Western civilization, they protected their own class interest by distorting history in ways that suited their agenda. The melting pot theory of assimilation is no longer appropriate. The only sense of unity which America enjoys is that imposed by the ruling class, and if America comes apart because of stresses imposed by multiculturalism, so be it - the ruling class unity wasn't all that great to begin with.

**MATH AND ENGLISH:** The elite are better able than the poor and minorities to master math facts, syntax, grammar, spelling, and writing, and great literature. The answer to "the problem" is to make them "accessible" to all students; they should be made easy enough for everybody, i.e., dumbed down.

**FOREIGN LANGUAGES:** Foreign languages are elitist, therefore the study of Turkish guest workers in Germany replaces the study of Lessing, Schiller, and Goethe.

The postmodern multiculturalists are not to be dismissed lightly, for they are quick to brand all who disagree with them as "racists", much in the same manner as Sen. McCarthy intimidated his opponents by stigmatizing them as "communists". Richard Bernstein in his *Dictatorship of Virtue: Multiculturalism and the Battle for America's Future*, bluntly states:

*The multiculturalism rhetoric has the rest of us on the run, unable to respond for fear of being branded unicultural or racists.*

They are also a major force in our institutions of higher learning; having gained tenure, they set out to exclude intellectual diversity and stifle opposing ideas by acting as gatekeepers, requiring proof of politically correct views on race, class and gender of anyone connected with the university: students, teaching assistants, administrators, instructors and professors.

Not to be confused with the postmoderns are the thousands of Americans, many in our Society, pursuing the noble profession of historian and who pursue the historian's ideal of "wie es eigentlich gewesen", to "tell how it really was."



Compatriot Aston is serving as Chairman of both the Task Force to Preserve United States History and the Legal Advisory Committee - plus is President of the Texas Society. A graduate of Rice University and the University of Texas Law School, he is a practicing attorney in Houston. He has authored several books of a historical nature.

Thirty-three thousand Americans wrote their Congressman about the Enola Gay Exhibit. Thousands of Americans canceled their membership in the The Smithsonian. Scholars like Forrest McDonald, Wilcomb Washburn, Paul L. Maier, Burton W. Folsom, Jr, Lynne V. Cheney, John Fonte, John Patrick Diggins and others exposed the National History Standards for what they were. We can take some cheer in the U.S. Senate's rejection of the National History Standards and in the change in the Enola Gay Exhibit, but that is not the end of the matter. The ills expressed in the National History Standards run too deep across too many disciplines. These are only major skirmishes with the postmoderns and the success to date serves only to illustrate that preservation of our history is a struggle that requires the talents of each of us.

Dr. John Fonte describes the postmodern attack as a culture war in which a liberationist nation is attempting to impose its will, multiculturalism, radical gender feminism and radical diversity upon a traditional society. Roger Kimball, in *Tenured Radicals: How Politics Has Corrupted Our Higher Education*, Harper and Row, 1991 presents the problem this way:

*The choice today is not between a repressive Western culture and a multicultural paradise, but between culture and barbarism.*

It is a war that will go on - perhaps as long as the Soviet Empire's ill-fated attempt to force Marxism upon the world. A cultural war that in many ways is more difficult than the Cold War, since the attack is from within and the unifying effect of a foreign enemy is missing.

### HOW TO OBTAIN THE BEST TEXTBOOKS

The war continues on many fronts, and of particular interest to the SAR is the battle over content in public school textbooks. Textbook publishers have the same motives as any manufacturer: to tailor the product to the market and to make as large a profit as possible. Textbooks, therefore, can be expected to contain, advocate, or suppress whatever enhances salability.

Textbook publishers are keenly aware of the political makeup of the state education agencies, are not immune from the intimidation described by Bernstein, and have their own in house postmoderns. What can we do to see that our children and grandchildren get the best textbooks possible?

A few suggestions:

- Inform yourself. The weapons in this struggle are the ability to speak, write, and vote with knowledge. Your actions, letters, and quiet talks can illuminate the problem for all those around you. Be aware of what is in your children's and grandchildren's textbooks. If you find something egregious, have a quiet talk with them.
- Form a State Society Task Force to Preserve United States History. Share experiences and ideas with other Task Forces.
- Become familiar with the state standards which govern textbook content. Content requirements may be embodied in a statute such as the education code or in standards drafted by the state education agency, or both. These standards are used by the publishers to determine which facts, persons, events, and attitudes must be included in a textbook.

### WHAT TEXAS SOCIETY HAS DONE

The following is offered as an example of the path that has been followed by the Texas Society. The Delaware, Florida, California, Virginia and Colorado Societies have each forged their own successful paths, too.

Standards in Texas are embodied in a Texas Education Agency ("TEA") document for each discipline entitled *Texas Essential*



*Skills and Knowledge* ("TEKS"). The standards are revised from time to time and the public given the opportunity for comment.

The TEA issues a proclamation each year which lists those disciplines for which books will be adopted during that year. Publishers desiring to have their books considered must deposit two copies of each book in the 20 Regional Education Service Centers located throughout the state. These books may then be checked out for review. The Texas public has several opportunities to impact textbook content and selection. Each stage is governed by a different time table which must be carefully observed. A general outline of the opportunity to make an impact follows: (1) The Texas standards, or TEKS, are redrafted every few years and the public has the opportunity to make comments during the redrafting period. (2) The TEA, in the first quarter of each year, reviews textbooks then under consideration and sends its approved lists to the State Board of Education ("SBOE"). The SBOE allows written comments on the textbooks to be filed in June and permits public testimony on the textbooks in October. (3) The SBOE then issues lists of approved textbooks in November and the local school districts make their textbook selections from these lists during the next four months. An important opportunity exists during the first part of these four months to make your ideas known to local school board members.

Textbook objections to the SBOE should be crafted, if possible, in terms of violation of one or more of the content standards. If a textbook is clearly biased, has serious omissions, or pursues sociopolitical agenda at the expense of an education agenda, do not hesitate to object even if there are no applicable content standards or TEKS. An unchallenged textbook will never be changed, and enough hullabaloo in letters, newspapers, radio etc. will cause a textbook to be dropped, revised, or at the very least will alert others to the problems. Find out which newspapers, radio talk programs, and other organizations are interested in these problems. They can be of great help.

Don't overlook science, math, art, etc. books on the assumption they are free of propaganda, distorted history, and sociopolitical nonsense. Remember the postmoderns use the entire educational system to spread their ideas and beliefs. An algebra book recently adopted in Texas has more sociopolitical rubble than math content. Senator Byrd, (D-W. Va.) remarked on the floor of the Senate concerning this book:

*[I] call it wacko algebra...[the textbook] is a mush of multiculturalism, environmental and political correctness, and various disjointed discussions...It is not just nonsense, it is unfocused nonsense...This awful textbook fails to do in 812 pages what a comparable Japanese textbooks do in 200.*

### EXAMPLES OF DISTORTED HISTORY

Lastly, I offer, as a guideline some of the distorted history found to recur in textbooks:

1. America is not primarily the product of Western civilization, but the composite of three equally important cultures: West African Muslim, Amerindian, and Western Europe.
2. The Aztec Indians are glorified. A crude, propagandized picture



The National Society program to oppose the new "National Standards for United States History" began following a meeting in Washington, DC during January, 1995 at the offices of the American Enterprise Institute. It was called at the request of then President General Stewart Boone McCarty following publication of the "Standards" and subsequent news stories about their "politically correct" content. **SEATED**, from left: Col. Donald R. Perkins, Past Chairman of the NSSAR Government Relations Committee; John Fonte, Executive Director of the Committee to Review National Standards, an arm of the Institute; Mrs. Lynne V. Cheney, Chairman of the Review Committee; Howard F. Horne, Jr., Ph.D., who was later named Chairman of the new NSSAR Task Force to Preserve United States History. **STANDING**, from left: Tilman Sterling, Past President of the Virginia Society of the Cincinnati; James Thorington II, General President of the Sons of the Revolution; Carl F. Bessent, Chairman of the Magazine Advisory Committee; and Winston C. Williams, Editor of *The SAR Magazine*. Note the background story about the "Standards" appearing on the opposite page.

of Spanish brutality is presented. Overlooked will be the dark side of the Aztecs: slavery and human sacrifice on an enormous scale and the fact that the Spaniards who overthrew the Aztecs were aided by other Indians who hated the oppressive Aztecs.

3. Mansa Musa, Emperor of the West African Kingdom of Mali, is glorified. Mali is described as a learning center in glowing terms. Not found: Any reference to the contemporary universities of the Western world; the dark side of Mali and of Mansa Musa, a tyrant of the worst sort, his ownership of 500+ slaves, and his role in the African slave trade.

4. Slavery practiced in Africa was benign, i.e., a "romantic, happy-family, picture of slavery."<sup>(m2)</sup> Slavery in America is excessively dwelled upon. Not mentioned: West African complicity in the slave trade. More than 200 million people exist in slavery today in Africa, Asia, and South America, more than at any other time in the history of the world, yet those who dwell upon past slavery in America are AWOL when it comes to these modern day unfortunates.

5. The war against Japan was merely an expression of America's racist attitudes. Japan was the victim and America the aggressor in WW2.

6. The history of WW2 dwells upon mistreatment of minorities in the U.S. armed forces and women in the war factories. The major personalities and battles in Europe and Asia are treated lightly or ignored.

7. Pictures show the devastation to property and persons resulting from the atomic bombs, but the reason for the war or the bombs will be entirely or lightly passed over in order to produce the forgone conclusion that dropping the bomb was unnecessary and just another racist act.

8. The relocation of Japanese Americans from the West Coast in WW2 was solely motivated by racism and a desire to steal their property.

9. Not mentioned: Japanese belief that they were the master race and destined to rule Asia and the Pacific, if not the world. 17 million persons died at the hand of the Japanese in WW2. Japan's near development of the atom bomb (it came much closer than Germany). Japanese War Crimes: The Rape of Nanking. The whole world saw it in newsreels and concluded Japan had gone mad - babies tossed in the air and caught on the end of bayonets, nurses raped so many times they could not recall how many, patients killed on the operating table, pregnant Chinese women cut open with swords, 200,000 men, women, and children shot, maimed, frozen, strangled, killed and tortured in unimaginable ways. Japan's 18 germ warfare centers and its germ warfare against the Chinese. The forced prostitution of 200,000 women, the Bataan Death March, and the beheading, strangulation, drowning, burning alive, vivisection without anesthetic, germ warfare experiments, cannibalism, crucifixion, chloroforming, burying alive, and other intentional mistreatment of POWs and civilians which created a mortality rate seven times higher for persons in the hands of the Japanese than those in the hands of the Germans. Japan, unlike Germany, has failed to admit its guilt or pay compensation to victims.

10. American women in early United States are presented as oppressed. Not mentioned: status of American women in early U.S. compared with status of women at that time in the rest of the world was exceptionally high.

11. Civil war southern generals and white male inventors, like Thomas Alva Edison, are ignored.

12. Positive, but no negative effects of unions will be covered.

13. The Cold War was swordplay between moral equals, which the rest of the world had to endure. Unmentioned: Stalin's famine of the 1930s, the Russian Gulag system, and the tens of millions of Chinese who died during the Great Leap Forward in the 1950s.

14. An inordinate amount of space is devoted to pop culture figures such as Madonna, Oprah, etc.

15. A strong bias toward a strong central government, but no explanation that an expanding government means higher taxes and less money in the private sector.

16. The Great Depression. Private enterprise pushed us in. Government pulled us out.

18. Space devoted to non-Christian and non-Jewish religions is disproportionate to the space devoted to Christianity and Judaism, and is greatly disproportionate to their influence upon American history.

19. The War of 1846 with Mexico was the sole fault of the United States. Mexico's leaders were blameless innocents.

20. Fidel Castro is praised for ending corruption in Cuba. Not mentioned: Cuba's desperate straits nor its unsuccessful attempt to export Marxist revolution throughout Central and South America. Ronald Reagan gets no credit for ending the Evil Empire.

### SOME HELPFUL TEXTBOOK DATA ON INTERNET

Helpful textbook reviews can be found at these web sites:

### HOW THE "STANDARDS" EVOLVED IN THE 1980s AND 90s

- Throughout the 1980s evidence shows that American students are not learning basic academic subjects very well.
- 1989: President Bush meets with all 50 Governors. Agreement is reached to set national educational goals for history and other subjects and national standards to reach the goals.
- The National Endowment for the Humanities, chaired by Mrs. Lynne V. Cheney and having responsibility for developing the history standards, holds competition to select the institution that will handle this project under a grant. The winner is the National Center for History at U.C.L.A. The standards are to be based on "Lessons From History", a widely accepted and acclaimed document.
- After the 1982 election, in which President Bush lost and Mrs. Cheney left the National Endowment for the Humanities, "Lessons" are abandoned and a "politically correct" framework for the standards is developed. They are released in October, 1994 as "National Standards for United States History" and generate heavy criticism - especially by Mrs. Cheney. Thousands of copies are already distributed.
- Following the widespread attack on the 270-page "Standards", they are revised to a minor extent. They are now under heavy assault.

Arizona Parents for Traditional Education: [http://www.theriver.com/Public/tucson\\_parents\\_edu\\_forum/](http://www.theriver.com/Public/tucson_parents_edu_forum/)

Mathematically Correct: <http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/mathman/index.htm>

Textbook League: <http://www.csulb.edu/~ttl/index.htm>

Where's the Math: <http://www.intres.com/math/byrd.htm>

It is important that objections to a textbook be based upon sound historical research and if you need assistance, send the textbook to the NSSAR Task Force to Preserve United States history for comment and review. We have many outstanding people to call upon.

### FOOTNOTES

<sup>m1</sup> Statement by Betty Jean Craig, U of Georgia, quoted in **Declining Standards at Michigan Public Universities**, at p. 78, Bertonneau, Thomas F. Mackinac Center for Public Policy, Midland, Michigan, quoting Lynn Cheney, **Telling the Truth: Why Our Culture and our Country Have Stopped Making Sense - and What We Can Do About It**, New York: Simon and Schuster, 1995.

<sup>m2</sup> **How Textbooks Obscure and Distort the History of Slavery**, Burack, Jonathan in the Textbook Letter, November-December 1992.

### TASK FORCE MEETS REGULARLY

The National Society's Task Force to Preserve United States History, chaired by Compatriot Rice Aston, author of the accompanying article, has the following members: FPG Carl F. Bessent, MD; Carroll J. Collins, MD; T. Fisher Craft, GA; Albert B. Crownover, LA; Jackson B. Davis, LA; Roland G. Downing, DE; William Eells, OH; William N. Floyd, M.D., TX; Leroy Grossman, Jr., WI; Louis Haley, TX; James M. Head, TX; Howard F. Horne, Jr., DE; Ronald J. Horton, SC; Willard A. Israel, AL; John A. Kesler, IN; FPG Stewart B. McCarty, DC; Donald N. Moran, CA; B. Hume Morris, KY; Raymond G. Musgrave, WV; Donald R. Perkins, DC; Norb Rawert, KY; Thomas L. Riley, KY; Frederick Robertson, CO; Richard G. Sauner, VA; Burton L. Showers, IL; FPG James R. Westlake, GA; Winston C. Williams, WI; T. David Yielding, Ph.D., TX.

The Task Force meets regularly in conjunction with the Spring and Fall Meetings of the National Trustees at Headquarters in Louisville, Kentucky. The group also occasionally gathers at the time of an Annual Congress. Any Compatriot interested in the group's work is welcome to sit in.



## Chapter Participates In School Program About Revolutionary War

By Pandelton Woods, Past President Oklahoma Society

No revisionist history or "National Standards" were involved when Cimarron High School of Lahoma, Oklahoma held a Sunday afternoon festival commemorating the Revolutionary War.

The gymnasium was cleared, with the exception of display tables and vertical dividers that provided areas for displays commemorating various periods and



Dramatically portraying Molly Pitcher and a servant of Thomas Jefferson were costumed students.

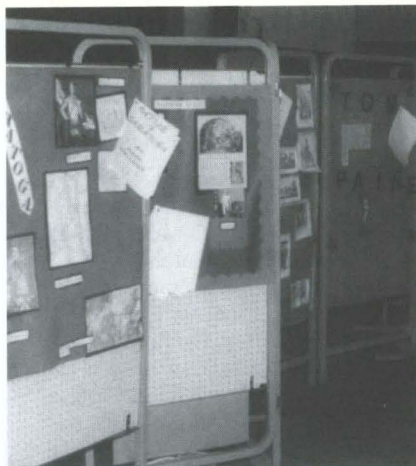
events of the Revolution. The event, to which parents and the public were invited, climaxed a period of instruction and student projects on the Colonial and Revolutionary Periods.

Each student in the participating class was required to write an essay featuring an event or personality of the Revolution period. The top essays were chosen to be entered in the Oklahoma Society's competition.

One of the essays, written by Corey Crow, was chosen by the SAR judges as the first place winner. The plaque and Savings Bond offered by the state organization as the top prize, presented earlier at the Society's Convention, was re-presented before the local audience at the festival.

In addition to writing an essay, each student was required to prepare a visual exhibit on the subject chosen for the essay. The exhibits and essays were displayed on the vertical dividers at the festival.

Adults attending were given a guided tour through a winding hallway adjacent to the gymnasium, where they met and heard recitations by a servant in the Jefferson home, Molly Pitcher of the Battle of Monmouth, Betsy Ross with the flag, and



Students exhibits were displayed on vertical dividers in the cafeteria.

several others, all dressed in Revolutionary period costumes.

The Oklahoma City Chapter furnished the Color Guard - Richard Sidwell and Pendleton Woods - in Revolutionary uniform. Greetings were brought by National Trustee Charles Britton.

Compatriot Woods presented the program - a slide talk on postage stamps commemorating the American Revolution and the stories behind the events commemorated.

The school project was directed by Christy Sheffield, a teacher at Cimarron High School.

## Color Guard Involved In Louisville Community

The Color Guard fielded by the Kentucky Society's Louisville-Thruston Chapter has a busy schedule of involvement in the local Louisville community.

An especially noteworthy example was staged in late December at The de Paul School, which is dedicated to teaching the dyslexic student how to learn. At the invitation of English Teacher Sharron Hilbrecht, the Guard presented a 1-1/2 hour program to the delight of scores of youngsters - ranging from a description of



Students were delighted to actually hold the Brown Bess musket, in turn learning quickly how life was like in the Revolutionary War.

their uniforms, accoutrements and arms to the relating of stories about actual Revolutionary War events.

One of the highlights took place when Color Guard Commander Daniel N. Klincke passed around an ancestor's pension application in which he described watching the "Augusta blow up." He also showed a painting of the event - so that the students could visualize over 200 years later what happened to the 64-gunship. Joining him in the program were Compatriots J. Dan Allen and Hayden Fuller.

"They wanted to know all about the uniforms and why militia ones were different," comments Compatriot Klincke. "We showed them what a real musket looked like and how it worked. Also covered was how a drum was used as a form of communication to the soldiers in the line."

In a thank you letter to the Guard, Ms. Hilbrecht commented that "the weaponry was fantastic. My class had talked about the 'Brown Bess' and bayonets and swords while reading *Johnny Tremain*, but to actually see a musket and hold it in their hands really helped the book to hit home. Many marveled at how heavy Mr. Allen's gun was and wondered how a person could carry it all day and fire it with any accuracy.

"Mr. Fuller's drumming was awesome.



Compatriot J. Dan Allen (right) performed as a soldier in his Virginia Continental uniform and explained the operation of a 1762 Brown Bess musket. Hayden Fuller demonstrated how a drum was used during the Revolution as a means of communication.

He roused us with "First Sergeant's Call" and "The Call to Mess." He stirred our blood with "Attack." He opened our eyes with the notion that boys of the same age as the ones in my class would have been the ones drumming during the Revolution and would have been quickly singled out as targets for the enemy to take down...My students are all talking about your visit."

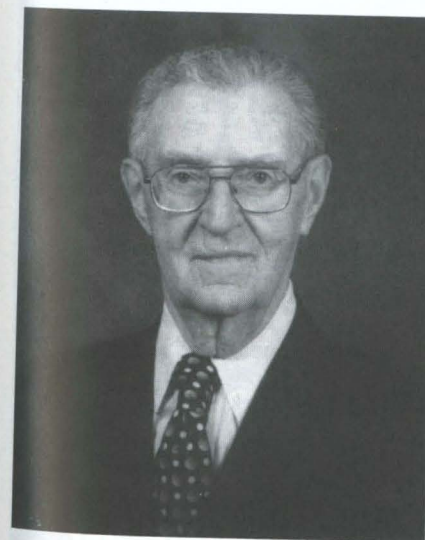
## Compatriots Boast 70+ Years Of SAR Membership

Over the years Former President General Carl F. Bessent has prepared an array of articles for our magazine that have highlighted interesting reports about the Society's history and its members. As tabulated here, he has researched those who have been members for over 70 years. Stories on their lives begin with this issue.

NATIONAL #	NAME	STATE SOCIETY	ENROLLED	YRS MEMBERSHIP
35479	Albert Westcott Driver	Connecticut	7-7-1921	76
39458	Theodore F. Tuttle	Connecticut	2-28-1924	74
39803	Albion Duffy	Rhode Island	2-28-1924	74
39894	Lowell H. Orebaugh	Michigan	6-18-1924	73
40073	Melvorn H. Omahundra	Virginia	11-5-1924	73
42728	C. Harbaugh Miller	Pennsylvania	3-24-1925	71
43531	John Hervey Brooks	Connecticut	12-11-1926	71
44111	Clarence Lunt, Jr.	New York	2-17-1927	71
44167	Charles Y. Chittick	New Hampshire	3-3-1927	70
44539	Marshall Eldred	Kentucky	5-3-1927	70
44674	Thomas P. Dickinson	Michigan	6-25-1927	70
46082	Richard G. DeMarest	Connecticut	1-19-1928	70
46090	Powell Riger Lincoln	Connecticut	1-19-1928	70
46098	Henry W. Parrot	Connecticut	1-19-1928	70

### Harbaugh Miller

Compatriot Harbaugh Miller of the Pennsylvania Society was born on July 23, 1902 and spent his early years in Wilkinson, Pennsylvania. He enrolled in the University of Pittsburgh and graduated in Business Administration in 1922. Harbaugh graduated from the University of Pittsburgh Law School and was admitted to the Bar in 1925. His entire professional career has been in the practice of law in Pittsburgh. He has served as President of the Allegheny County Bar Association.



Compatriot Miller's mother was an active member of the Pittsburgh Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, and encouraged him to enroll in the Sons of the American Revolution. He became a member of the Pittsburgh Chapter on March 24, 1926 when he was 22 years of age, serving as President in 1940.

Compatriot Miller served as a Lieutenant in the Navy in World War II. He

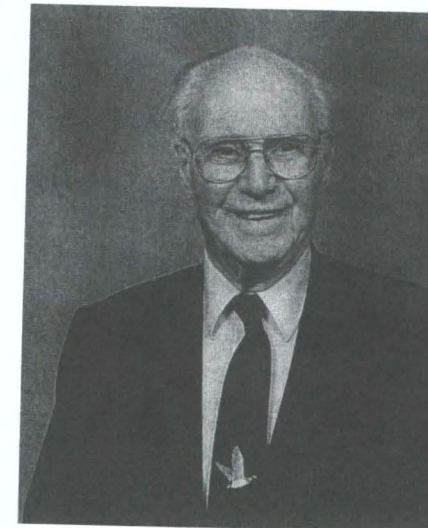
has been an active and notable Pittsburgh citizen for many years, having served as President of the Y.M.C.A., Goodwill Industries, Council of Churches, and the West Pennsylvania Motor Club. He served as Director of the Pittsburgh Community Chest for 16 years and presently is Trustee Emeritus for the University of Pittsburgh.

### Clarence S. Lunt

Compatriot Clarence S. Lunt, Junior, SAR #44111, of the Empire State Society, Eighth Senior Member of the SAR, was born in Rochester, New York, on October 28, 1902. He received his education at Phillips Andover Academy, Class of 1920, and Yale University, Class of 1924.

His mother was a very active member of the DAR Chapter in Rochester. After he graduated from Yale, she encouraged him to join the SAR. He enrolled on February 17, 1927. Unfortunately a busy career and an active family of five daughters limited his society activities.

Compatriot Lunt was in the brokerage business from 1924 until he retired in



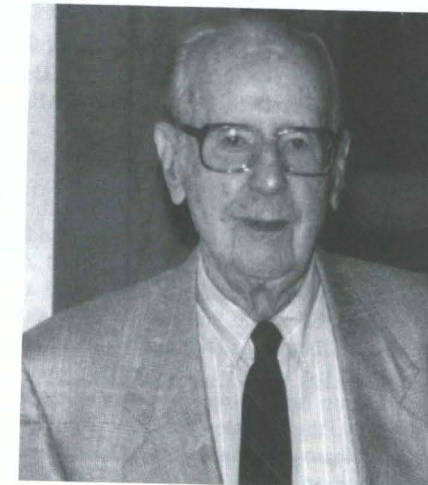
1982, except for the three years when he was with the War Department in Rochester during World War II. After the war, he joined the New York Stock Exchange House, Tucher Anthony, and remained a member of the firm until he retired.

Compatriot Lunt relates he has been fascinated and amazed at the evolution of the stock market in his time as a broker. He began his career in the Roaring 20s when Americans discovered Wall Street. Following the 1929 market crash and the resulting depression, he states the public lost interest in the stock market. However, the preparation for World War II stimulated the economy, and the stock market revived. After the war, the public slowly regained confidence in the market and except for some short down periods, the public still considers it the best return for long investments. He is pleased that he was a part of the Wall Street scene. Equally, he is proud to be a 71-Year-SAR Member.

### Richard G. Demarest

Compatriot Richard G. Demarest, Junior, Connecticut Society, National #46082, was born on December 13, 1909, in Bridgeport, Connecticut. His mother was a faithful member of the DAR and enrolled young Richard in the C.A.R. at a tender age.

On January 19, 1928 at the age of 19 Compatriot Richard became a member of



the General Gold Sellick Branch, SAR, and served thirty years as its Treasurer. As a boy he was a diligent Boy Scout, achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. The economic depression interfered with his attending college, and an uncle offered him the opportunity for employment in his real estate and insurance firm, where he spent his professional career.

Compatriot Demarest married Carolyn Ruth Lee in 1936. They have two sons, two daughters, seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. During World War II he served in the Coast Guard Reserve as Deputy Controller of the Bridgeport Waring Center.



## Illinois Society Genealogy Course Worth Copying To Help Gain Members

By Charles B. Schweizer, State Genealogist

Membership is a favorite topic when Compatriots gather – but the national membership continues to hover about 26,000. One reason for this is that the SAR is generally unknown to the American public. The Illinois Society has a program which has been very successful in advertising the SAR and securing new members. It is known as **THE LOVELY COURSE IN BASIC GENEALOGY**. Teaching it is a natural for a Chapter. Anyone who has completed his membership application can teach the course.

Briefly, the course is a four-hour one given in two two-hour sessions usually two weeks apart. Unlike most genealogy courses which assume the student knows the rudiments of family group sheets, ancestor charts and sources of information, this course is for the true beginner. In the first session the student is taught the proper manner to complete a family group sheet for the student and parents and then to fill out an ancestor chart using the family group sheet for the first two generations. In the second session the student completes an SAR Membership Worksheet Application form to trace a definite ancestor line and is taught where to search for information for each successive generation.

The course is advertised as a Sons of the American Revolution **SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY**, so the SAR receives some local publicity. It is not a device to secure members for the SAR or DAR – but the fall-out does produce prospective members. It is free except for a \$3.00 charge for course materials and mailing. The course is usually given in a local library and because it is free and a service to the public, the library does not charge for the room. The library often has a mailing list and will mention it in their publication and issue a new release. Naturally, the Chapter will also issue a news release to include newspapers and local radio stations.

### Administrator Oversees Program

The course requires an administrator to prepare and send a news release to local media, receive applications, and list the students with name, address and telephone number. The administrator delivers the course materials and is responsible for the set-up in the classroom. The instruction is given by a member of the Chapter. Other Chapter members serve as assistants and during the practice session work with the students as they complete the forms.

This is a **SELF SERVICE** course; its object is to teach the student by doing, not



One of the several successful genealogy courses staged by the General George Rogers Clark Chapter at the Troy Library in Troy, Illinois was recently conducted by Chapter President Harry K. Windland (right).

by lecture. The instructor briefly tells the student what to do and the student does it under the supervision of the assistants. The course materials include all the necessary information for the student; the instructor primarily elaborates on the course materials. He can add to the course as he wishes. Experience has proven each instructor using the same material teaches in his special style.

### What Experience Shows

M. Joseph Hill, President of the Illinois Society, said this about the course at the last Board of Managers Meeting:

- Experience shows that many of the people who attend the classes have never heard of the SAR but are interested in genealogy and need some help on fundamentals and how to get started.
- Experience shows that many of these people, because of their interest in genealogy, are prime candidates for SAR membership.
- Experience shows that candidates from the general population make superior ones because they view their SAR experience as a new adventure.
- Experience shows that "basic classes" work best in suburban or urban areas where there is a fairly large population base.

- Experience shows that a class of 15-25 persons can be generated from a population base of 3,000 to 5,000 homes if the base is served by newspapers that will accept community announcements.

- Experience shows that various organizations (libraries, banks, fraternal, civic) will allow SAR to conduct classes in their meeting rooms at no charge as long as there is no admission charge for the classes and the public at large is invited. It is OK to charge for materials.

- Experience shows that the classes are about one-half men and one-half women.

- Experience shows that each class of twenty-five members will generate 3-6 potential members and 1-2 members.

- Experience shows that a class can be presented with one person as the primary spokesman and with one helper for each five class members so as to provide close individual support.

- Experience shows that SAR should be the lone entity to conduct the classes so that SAR achieves maximum exposure.

For a copy of the **LOVELY COURSE** which you can use to reproduce the copies you require, write the Chairman of the **NSSAR Lineage Research Workshop Committee: Compatriot Charles T. Galbraith, 247 West 15th St. Apt. 1-d, New York, NY 10011.**

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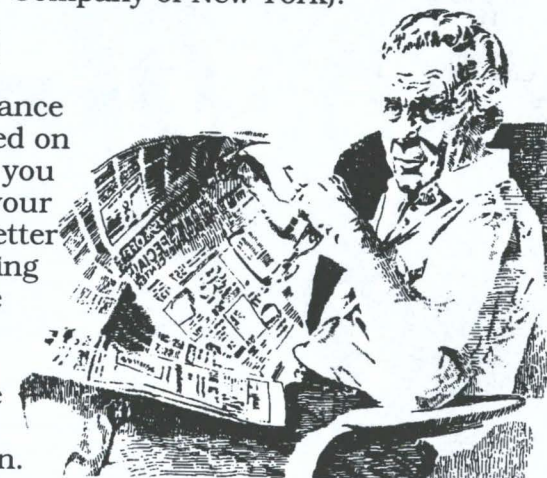
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This old illustration depicts Patriots tearing down the statue of King George III that was standing on Bowling Green in New York City. This took place on July 9, 1776

# Where Is King George's Head ???

Before July 9, 1776 an equestrian statue of King George III stood menacingly on Bowling Green in New York City. On that date Patriots toppled the structure and cut it into pieces, many of which were melted down and cast into bullets for firing against British soldiers. As told in this enlightening story, all known original pieces have surfaced in a variety of locations – and the search for others continues.

In 1766, New York City decided to erect statues of William Pitt and King George III. Both statues were commissioned to Joseph Wilton (1722-1803), a prominent sculptor in London. The King George statue was cast in lead and gilded, shipped to America, and erected at Bowling Green, near the tip of Manhattan on Aug. 21 1770. This was the birth date of the king's late father, Prince Frederick. The statue was massive – estimated at 4,000 pounds. The king was depicted on horseback, in Roman garb, after the style of the equestrian statue of Marcus Aurelius in Rome.

The statue quickly became unpopular with the public, and in 1773 an anti-graffiti, anti-desecration law was enacted to discourage vandalism.

After the early battles of the Revolution, the Americans began to covet the 4,000 pounds of lead towering above

them. On the night of July 9, 1776 – when the Declaration of Independence was received and read in New York City – the statue met its demise. In a burst of patriotic fervor, a number of soldiers, sailors and citizens decided to act. They threw ropes around it, succeeded in pulling it down, and cut it into pieces of manageable size.

Capt. Oliver Brown of Wellsburg, West Virginia, in a statement made in 1845 said that he was in command of the soldiers and sailors at the destruction of the statue. There were 40 of them. On the first attempt the ropes broke, but on the second they were successful.

### Washington Expresses Disapproval

A group called the Sons of Liberty also claimed responsibility for the act. They were led either by Col. Peter Cortenjus or by Isaac Sears, both of whom took credit. George Washington, in his orderly book on

July 10 expressed his disapproval of this sort of mob action and his hope that in the future the military would leave this kind of work "to the proper authorities."

They kept the head of the king aside, intending to impale it upon a stake, but by the next morning it had been stolen by Tories, who smuggled it to England. It showed up there, a year later, in the home of Lord and Lady Townshend (of the hated Townshend Acts) and was seen there by Thomas Hutchinson, who noted it in his diary. It has not been seen since.

### Making Bullets Commences

The balance of the statue was shipped to Norwalk, Connecticut from whence it would be carted to Litchfield, the home of Gen. Oliver Wolcott.

The statue reached the dock in Norwalk and was loaded onto oxcarts in the charge of Henry Chichester of Wilton. When they reached Wilton, they stopped overnight at

the Clapp Raymond Tavern (now owned by the Wilton Historical Society) and presumably continued northward the next day.

At Litchfield, Gen Oliver Wolcott erected a shed in his orchard and supervised a group of family members and neighbors in casting 42,088 bullets. This count was meticulously recorded in a document which has survived. Gen. Wolcott's young son Frederick was credited with casting 936 bullets. Many years later Judge Frederick Wolcott read details of the event for Rev. George Woodruff's History of Litchfield, published in 1845: "My father chopped it up with his ax and the girls had a frolic in running it into bullets." No one in Litchfield noticed at the time that a statue of 4,000 pounds, at 20 bullets to the pound, should have yielded almost twice as many bullets as the 42,088 produced. Henry Chichester, however, made note of the loss in a letter kept by his family until it was destroyed in a fire in 1830.

### Missing Pieces Begin To Show Up

This might have been the end of the story, but fifty years later, in Wilton, the missing pieces began to surface. About 1822, young William Comstock, whose grandfather had lived in the Raymond Tavern from 1799-1814, was digging in a field on the hill across the street, near the pond now known as the Davis Swamp. He came upon a 75 lb. piece of lead in the shape of a saddle. It was identified by an aged veteran as a part of the King George statue. The Comstocks sold it to a New



This article is based on a talk that was presented at a November, 1997 meeting of the Connecticut Society's Roger Sherman Branch by Robert Russell (center), First Selectman of Wilton and potential SAR. The setting was the Wilton Historical Heritage Museum. Working closely with him in the preparation of the article's manuscript were two members of the Branch: Michael R. Harke (left) and Paul Caravatt. Here they are shown in the Museum examining a gilded piece of the George III statue – believed to be from the royal drapery (see drawing reproduced elsewhere).

York City resident who sold it to Riley's Fifth Ward Museum Hotel in New York City. After Riley's death in 1864, it disappeared.

Also in the 1820s a piece of the lead coat skirt was found by Moses Olmstead under the milk room on the property of his aunt Abigail Sloan, a half mile up the road. Aunt Nabby said that her late husband David (known to be a Tory) had taken some pieces in 1776 and hidden them. (Source: article by Samuel Main, dated Jan 21,

1881.) This piece was shown by Moses Olmstead in 1829, but has not been seen since.

The destruction of the statue with the intent to melt it down for bullets was widely known at the time. It is likely that David Sloan and other local Tories determined to interfere with these plans. A neighbor of Sloan was Job Burlock, who was known to have shielded British agents. Burlock escaped to Long Island in 1778 and his house was confiscated. When he returned

Lou Miller 1972 piece not shown

The three pieces below were purchased from the Sloan family by Samuel Lambert in 1837 and subsequently given by the Lamberts to family relatives:

Shoulder of the royal cloak, owned by F. Clerc Ogden, Wilton, Connecticut  
Since given to Connecticut State Library

Head, imperial Roman style, last seen in London in 1777, under Lady Townshend's "sopha"

A sceptre in King's right hand (not visible), thought to have been taken to Toronto, Canada, by a Mrs. Cruikshank some sixty years ago; cannot be traced

Small gilded piece, probably royal drapery, now owned by John Davenport, Wilton, Connecticut  
Since given to Wilton Historical Society

Part of foreleg of the royal charger, almost used in plumbing work, now property of Charles Weitzel, Wilton, Connecticut

Given to Weitzel by Sherwood Chichester, a Lambert relative

Parts incognita, a small lump of lead owned by the New-York Historical Society  
Acquired from E B Coley in 1875

Part of the saddle, a full tail and two pieces of flank, now on view at the New-York Historical Society  
Found by Peter Coley in 1874

Part of saddle and saddle cloth, last seen in 1864 at Riley's Fifth Ward Museum Hotel in New York; vanished without trace  
Found by William Comstock in 1822

As described in the accompanying article, a number of pieces of the original George III statue have been recovered – as indicated here in black sections. This is courtesy of Robert Russell, First Selectman of Wilton, whose talk at a Roger Sherman Branch meeting stimulated preparation of the manuscript.





**LEFT:** Bowling Green in New York City was the site of the George III statue. The original iron fence still encompasses the area. **RIGHT:** The fence features a number of supporting posts. The crowns were cut off at the same time the statue was taken down in 1776. (Photos courtesy Dr. Laurence Simpson, a resident of New York City who is working on a



book about Revolutionary War markers. A member of the Board of Managers of the Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York, he also serves as Chairman of that group's Color Guard – along with Compatriot Edward Franklin Romig II, Color Guard Vice Chairman and President of the Connecticut Society's Roger Sherman Branch.

in 1783 he was shot dead on his doorstep. The closest Tory neighbor of all was Samuel Belden, who kept a store right across the street, and conveniently had a large pond nearby (Davis Swamp).

#### More Pieces Discovered

Three more pieces were found either in the Davis Swamp or on the Sloan property before 1830: the left arm, a part of the thigh, and a piece of the saddle mountings, totaling 65 lb. According to D.H. VanHoosear, Mr. Samuel Lambert (a prominent Wilton citizen who lived a mile south in another homestead now owned by the Wilton Historical Society) purchased these in 1837 from the Sloans. Mr. Lambert wrote of this in 1847 but was unclear as to the location of the discovery. He gave the arm piece to his brother-in-law, Mr. Crookshank of Canada. It has since been lost. As of 1894, when VanHoosear wrote his summary, the other two pieces were still in the Lambert family (Source: David VanHoosear, 1844-1921, Wilton historian).

A 25 lb. section was given in 1908 to Henry Chichester by Mrs. Eva Ogden Lambert, his sister-in-law and the widow of the last Lambert to live in the Wilton homestead. Henry Chichester was Wilton Town Clerk for many years and kept the piece on display in his office. He was also the grandson of the Henry Chichester who drove the oxcarts in 1776. His son Sherwood Chichester inherited the piece and later gave it to Charles Weitzel, a plumber, who almost melted it down before discovering its history. His granddaughter, Mrs. Mary Jane Weitzel Glanz of Ridgefield, owned it in 1975. This piece was described as a part of the saddle by Henry Chichester's widow in a letter to Clerc Ogden, but is described as a piece of the foreleg by other writers.

#### And Even More Pieces

Mrs. Eva Ogden Lambert gave her

brother George Ogden another piece, weighing about 20 lb. and said to be either part of the royal cape or the horse's mane. George's son Clerc Ogden, (1888-1972), who was also a Wilton historian and Wilton Registrar of Voters from 1915-1960, gave this piece to the Connecticut State Library in 1960 when he retired and moved to Florida.

Another small piece of gilded royal cloak, said to have come from the Davis Swamp, was owned by Dr. Andrew Gorham, (1851-1907). His widow Deborah, (1855-1937), gave it to a friend John Davenport, (1910-91), who in turn gave it to the Wilton Historical Society in 1965.

The largest find to date was in 1874, by Peter Coley, who by then owned the Sloan place. He plowed up some 200 lbs. of tail, flank, and saddle, which he sold for \$100 to the New York Historical Society. Another Coley had donated a small fragment to the same society in 1875. Mr. VanHoosear placed a wooden marker in front of the former Sloan place in about 1900 to commemorate the 1874 discovery.

Almost 100 years lapsed before the next find in 1972. Wilton resident Lou Miller, with the advantage of a modern metal detector, discovered a 20 lb. piece in Davis Swamp; unfortunately, without per-



This tail was part of the original horse depicted in the George III statue. It still shows traces of gilding. (Courtesy of the New-York Historical Society.)

mission of the property owners. He sold the piece to the Museum of the City of New York for \$5,500. The property owners sued and won after a six year court fight, and then agreed to go through with the sale to the museum for the same price.

So the scorecard is 2,100 lbs. made into bullets, about 50 lbs. in the head, which went to London, 420 lb. found in Wilton, and about 1,400 lb. unaccounted for.

#### Now A Race Against Time

But this is still not the end of the story.

The Davis Swamp property is about to be developed into a 26-house subdivision. Connecticut State Archaeologist, Dr. Nicholas F. Bellantoni, was contacted by Compatriot Michael Harke, and permission was received from the current owners to search the property for additional pieces of the statue.

As a result of the article that appeared in the *Wilton Bulletin*, after Robert Russell's presentation to the Roger Sherman Branch in November, another Wilton resident has come forward with an as yet unconfirmed piece of the statue.

On November 29, 1997, Dr. Bellantoni and a group of individuals with metal detectors began the process of combing the 27-acre site. Although nothing has been found yet, the search will continue.



When the Archibald Willard Post Color Guard visited Wellington, Ohio last July, they formed in front of the museum named for Willard's well-known painting.

## Color Guard Named For Famed Painter

The Archibald Willard Post Color Guard, fielded by the Ohio Society's Western Reserve Society serving the Cleveland area, is undoubtedly one of the busiest throughout the SAR.

According to Warren W. Gerber, who founded the unit back in 1996, the late Compatriot Archibald Willard rendered the famed painting that is now entitled "The Spirit of '76". It dramatically depicts two drummers and fife player leading Patriot troops during the Revolutionary War. The work was first exhibited at our nation's Centennial celebration held at Philadelphia in 1876. Being well received, it was placed on a tour of major art galleries.

The Color Guard now boasts over a dozen stalwart members garbed in period uniforms. They have performed in a number of widely diverse events, including parades and ceremonies.



Note the Spirit of '76 emblem now being worn by members of the Archibald Willard Post Color Guard, shown here attached to the tricorne hat cockade being worn by Compatriot John H. Franklin.



A lithograph of Willard's painting is shown at the upper left on display in the Spirit of '76 Museum in Wellington, Ohio. While members of the Color Guard were touring the facility, Compatriot Robert J. Karrick inspected the actual model of the drum that Willard copied for his painting.

of the painting, and interesting items of Americana. These activities were followed by a visit to Willard's grave site to offer a commemorative wreath.

It is interesting to note that Guardsman Malcolm J. Moshier believes that he is a descendant of Hugh Mosher who was the fifer in Willard's painting. He owns two fifes played by the Patriot.

## JROTC Program Deadline May 1

As was announced in the Fall 1997 Issue of the magazine, the first "Outstanding JROTC Cadet Award" will be presented to a youngster during the 108th Annual Congress set for Orlando, Florida this coming June. He/she will be presented a check for \$1,000 and be a guest of the National Society.

The process for selecting the ultimate winner is designed to begin at the Chapter level, followed by recognition at the State Society and National Society levels. Nominees chosen by State Societies must be in the hands of the NSSAR Executive Director by the deadline of May 1st. The JROTC Sub-Committee of the NSSAR Americanism Committee is responsible for selecting the final winner. This group is chaired by Texas Society Compatriot John C. Haughton. A packet of information about this new program is available from him by writing to 1900 Preston Road, Suite 267-240, Plano, TX 75093-5138. His e-mail address is: JCHMGH@msn.com or phone him at 972/867-8517.

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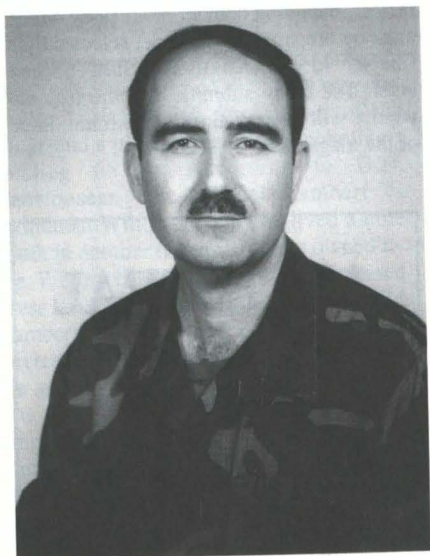
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**ALABAMA SOCIETY** – Daniel L. Coberly, an Army Sergeant Major stationed in Europe at the time, recently became the first active duty, non-commissioned officer to receive the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award. He thus joined an elite group of men so honored that includes President Gerald R. Ford, Ross Perot and Steven Spielberg. Making the presentation was Secretary of the Army Togo D. West, also a recipient. Compatriot Coberly has served the Boy Scouts of America for over 30 years, while his military career spans 24 years.



Compatriot Coberly started attending Scout meetings while his family was stationed in Panama in 1965. When he received the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award, he was serving as Public Affairs Sergeant Major for the 21st Theater Army Area Command.

**CALIFORNIA SOCIETY** – Charles H. Terhune, a Lieutenant General USAF (Ret), has been inducted into the Air Force and Missile Hall of Fame at Peterson Air Force Base in Colorado. Over a period of many years in the military, he was deeply involved in the development of ballistic missiles, including the Thor and Titan. He also championed the Minuteman program and is credited with getting this all-important project launched. After retiring from the Air Force in 1969, he became Deputy Director of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SOCIETY** – Scott W. Stucky has become General Counsel of the Committee on Armed Services of the United States Senate. He was formerly Chief of the Legislative Branch, General Law Office, Office of the Judge Advocate General, HQ U.S. Air Force.



Compatriot Stucky is a Colonel in the Air Force Reserve and a Past National Commander-in-Chief of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States.

**FLORIDA SOCIETY** – A recent story in a local newspaper described the experiences of St. Petersburg Chapter Compatriot George Morris, age 91, during World War II. He was captured in the early days of the conflict and spent 3 1/2 years in Japanese prison camps in the Philippines, Japan and Korea. Currently, he is a volunteer at the Bay Pines Veterans Administration Medical Center – eight hours a day Monday through Friday... Charles Eugene Claghorn III, Past President of the Brevard Chapter, has completed a set of nine paperback books on the travels of George Washington. Each deals with one or more states, ranging from Connecticut and New York to Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Virginia and the Carolinas. Information about them may be obtained by writing to him at 545 Garfield Avenue 682, Cocoa Beach, FL 32931-4094. Other titles he has published in the past are *Naval Officers of the American Revolution* and *Women Patriots of the American Revolution*.

**GEORGIA SOCIETY** – Boyd L. Austin, the Mayor of Dallas and a member of the Etowah Valley Chapter, has been recognized as Pauling County Chamber of Commerce's Citizen of the Year.

**NEW MEXICO SOCIETY** – Albuquerque Chapter Compatriot Craig L. Springer, a Fishery Scientist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, has been assigned to write a department for *North American Fisherman Magazine*. Named "Species Highlights", the department will detail the biology, distribution, feeding habits and fishing techniques for game fishes found in North America. The publication has a circulation of 600,000.

**PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY** – The 150th Anniversary of Blair County, Pennsylvania is the title of a new 926-page book by Larry Smith, a member of the Blair County Chapter. It is available from Closson Press, Apollo, Pennsylvania... Richard L. Mix, Past President of the Tiadaghton Chapter, recently received the prestigious Cultural Enrichment Award from the Williamsport-Lycoming Foundation. An educator, historian, genealogist and library booster, he was recognized for improving knowledge of his community's rich history over a period of years.

**TEXAS SOCIETY** – Steven Polk, a member of the Cradle of Texas Chapter, has been promoted to the rank of Major General. His father, a Charter Chapter Member, was a Corporal in the Marine Corps during World War II.

**UTAH SOCIETY** – The City of Provo's Annual Freedom Festival had as keynote speaker for the traditional Patriotic Service, Gordon B. Hinckley, who serves as President of The Church of Latter-Day Saints. His work with the church dates back to the 1930s. Among those in the audience were Attorney General Janet Reno, Compatriot Orrin Hatch (a United States Senator) and Senator Robert Bennett.

**VIRGINIA SOCIETY** – A November issue of *The Washington Post* carried a feature story about George Washington Chapter Compatriot Gary Scott, Chief Historian for the National Park Service's Washington Region. It related how he discovered many boxes of records that had been assembled by Clara Barton, famed nurse of the Civil War and founder of the Red Cross, concerning the federal government's attempt to close out files of Union soldiers who were not accounted for at the war's end. At the time she was on the government's payroll.

## Chapters Mark Battle of Musgrove Mill, SC

During the Revolutionary War, more than 200 battles and skirmishes took place throughout South Carolina between the Patriots and their foes. One of those that saw the Patriots victorious took place at Musgrove Mill, located on the Enoree River between Laurens and Union Counties. The date: August 18, 1780.

To mark the 217th anniversary of the engagement, members of the Col. Richard Anderson and Col. Daniel Morgan Chapters held a joint Memorial Service at the site on August 16 of last year. Serving as Master of Ceremonies for the event was

Anderson President Thomas Weidner, while Morgan President Dr. Lynwood D. Jordan, Sr. offered an address honoring those who fought there.

Compatriot Jordan stated that the Battle of Musgrove Mill was "unique in the fact that history reveals that most of the participants were Americans – American Patriots and American Loyalists." He pointed out that in the summer of 1780 there were two Loyalist encampments in the area, one at Ninety Six and the other at Musgrove Mill.

The Musgrove Mill encampment had some 500 Tories under the command of



The program commemorating the Battle of Musgrove Mill featured an address by Dr. Lynwood D. Jordan, Sr., President of the Col. Daniel Morgan Chapter

Major Patrick Ferguson. At daybreak on the 18th about 200 Patriots approached the area under Col. Isaac Shelby, Lt. Col. Elijah Clark and Lt. Col. James Williams. Shots rang out from both sides. The Patriots fought on even though outnumbered, causing the Loyalists to become confused and fall back towards Ninety Six where other Loyalists camped. The victorious Patriots, hearing that the Loyalists had won at Camden two days before, decided to take prisoners and head to the Charlotte, North Carolina area.

Sixty-three Tories were killed, while 90 were wounded and 70 taken prisoner. The Patriots had 4 killed and 8 wounded.



At the site of the Battle of Musgrove Grove is this monument dedicated to Mary Musgrove, a true heroine of the time after whom the bridge over the Enoree River is named. Displaying the same courage and determination as the fighting men, she rendered outstanding service to the Patriots. In his remarks at the commemorative program, Col. Daniel Morgan Chapter President Dr. Lynwood D. Jordan said that "the CIA would be delighted to have her on the payroll!"

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# State Society and Chapter EVENTS



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

## Alaska Society

The Summer Issue of the magazine carried a story reporting that the second-place winner of the Knight Essay Contest

was Alyssa Dragnich sponsored by the Arkansas Society. She actually was sponsored by the Alaska Society.

## Arizona Society



During September, **Palo Verde Chapter** Vice President J. Michael Jones (left) was pleased to join his DAR wife on the "European Trails of the American Revolution" tour. Included was a dinner at Lincoln's Inn in London where the group was honored to be greeted by Donald Stearns (next to Compatriot Jones), President of the United Kingdom Society. Shown with the pair were Mrs. Charles K. Kemper, DAR President General, and her husband, a member of the California Society.

## California Society



This Committee of Society members is already hard at work making plans for the 109th Annual Congress which will be held in San Diego July 3-7, 1999 (from left): Robert Gordon, Ad Hoc Consultant; Clarence J.B.E. Lucas, Credentials; Carl Lamb, Assistant Chairman; George Ish, Chairman; Garrett Jackson, Reservations; Nelson Price, President of the **San Diego Chapter**; Travis Spears, Hospitality; and Robert Jackson, Past Society President. Many other Compatriots will also be involved as the date draws near.

The November meeting of the **Sacramento Chapter** featured an interesting talk by Dieter Dahmen, who grew up in Germany during World War II under

Allied bombing. He and his father escaped from the Russians by crossing the Elbe River in a boat.



These four lads were recently saluted for their honesty by the **Sons of Liberty Chapter** (from left): Beau Laninovich, Michael and Steve Lange and Chris McKibbon. Presenting each with a Good Citizenship Medal were Donald N. Moran (left), Past Chapter President, and Officer Bill Newton of the Stallion Springs Police Department. The youths had successfully sought the owner of a money clip that they found.



Highlighting the Constitution Day Luncheon staged by the **South Coast Chapter** in September were portrayals of Patrick Henry by Gene Collins (left) and James Madison by Jim Fassett (center). They were presented a Certificate of Appreciation by President Walter Davis.



**Gen. George Patton Chapter** Compatriot John J. Bayles (center) was recently presented the Liberty Medal for enrolling 16 new members. Doing the honors were Treasurer Ronald D. Risley (left) and President Frank J. Budroe.

"Understanding and Misunderstandings on the U.S. Constitution" was the topic of a talk delivered by Professor James H. Kettner of the University of California, Berkley, at the September meeting of the **Thomas Jefferson Chapter**, which was sponsored jointly with several DAR Chapters. He pointed out that the Founders established

a republic with a mixed government, consisting of the best aspects of the different types of government: the President derives from the King in a monarchy; the Senate derives from the House of Lords in an aristocracy; and the House of Representatives derives from the House of Commons in a democracy.

## Connecticut Society



The Old State House in Hartford now has a new United States Flag, thanks to the generosity of the **Gov. Oliver Wolcott, Sr. Branch**. Presentation of the banner was made in October as the result of a discovery that the museum there did not have a Flag. In accepting the gift, Wilson H. Faudi, Executive Director of the Old State House, stated that Wolcott was the first governor of the state to use the building as his headquarters - and in receiving the Flag from the SAR Chapter named in his honor that circumstances had "come full circle."



Each year in September the Color Guard of the **General Israel Putnam Branch** places a flag and wreath at memorials honoring Nathan Hale, the state's official State Hero, and LTC Thomas Knowlton, Commander of "Knowlton's Rangers". Shown here at the Nathan Hale Monument in Coventry were Chapter Compatriots (from left) Randal Gerlander, President Lee Gerlander, Ross Dent and Todd Gerlander. Both Hale and Knowlton gave their lives in the Revolution; Hale was hung by the British as a spy on September 22, 1776.

## District of Columbia Society

Last year the Society awarded the Fire Safety Commendation Medal to Robert F. Dyer, Jr., M.D., a Past Surgeon General who maintains membership in the Maryland Society's **General William Smallwood Chapter**. He was cited for his research, while serving as the District's Chief Fire Surgeon, into what happens to fire fighters and other humans when exposed to fumes from plastic on fire. This led to the saving of thousands of lives in our country as well as during the Falkland Islands War and Desert Storm. Excerpts from his book on the subject are placed in hotels throughout the world to warn occupants about such fumes and what to do to prevent death.

## Florida Society

The traditional Constitution Week Luncheon was staged jointly by the **Gainesville Chapter** and the local DAR Gainesville Chapter, with the guest speaker being Brig. Gen. Marianne Mathewson-Chapman, AUS. The first distaff general officer of the Florida National Guard, she spoke on the roles of women in the military.



A feature of the joint celebration of the signing of the U.S. Constitution held by the **DeLand Chapter** and the DAR Col. Arthur Erwin Chapter was recognition of two 25-year members: Heath Wilbanks (left) and Charles Potter (right). Awarding of pins was performed by John Tinny and Zack Williams.

## Georgia Society

When members and guests of the **George Walton** and **William Few Chapters** gathered in Augusta for a luncheon and local tours, they were treated to a talk by **Few Chapter** President Robert R. Turbyfill about President George Washington's visit to the area in 1791. He brought out that George Walton was Chairman of the Visitation Committee and that Governor Telfair held a State Banquet for the President and other prominent dignitaries. Washington also participated in a parade down Broad Street and attended a ball.



In late September the **William Few Chapter** dedicated a marker located on the site of Indian Springs in Augusta. It was here that in May 1781 Patriot forces under the command of Andrew Pickens, Elijah Clark and Light-Horse Harry Lee gathered to launch the attack on the British-held Ft. Cornwallis which led to its surrender and the liberation of Augusta on June 5, 1781. Donated by the Chapter, the marker was placed near where the Richmond County Board of Education building is now situated.



**William Few Chapter** President Robert E. Turbyfill served as Master of Ceremonies for the program dedicating the Indian Springs marker in Augusta.

### Illinois Society

In early November the Society hosted the Annual Meeting of the Great Lakes District at the Chicago suburb of Lisle, with Vice-President General David C. Bailey, Sr. pre-



Presiding over the Annual Meeting of the Great Lakes District was Vice-President General David C. Bailey, Sr.

siding. Included among the dignitaries present were President General and Mrs. Carl K. Hoffmann, Secretary General and Mrs. Russell D. Page, Registrar General and Mrs. Bruce B. Butler, NSSAR Executive Committee Member William N. Floyd, Jr. and Bert E. Sells, Past VPG of the Central District. The three State Societies making up the District were represented by their Presidents: M. Joseph Hill, Illinois; Dr. Bruce Walters, Wisconsin; and William M. Bristor, Michigan. Each offered remarks concerning his Society's activities.



Societies making up the Great Lakes District were represented by their President (from left): M. Joseph Hill, Illinois; William M. Bristor, Michigan; and Dr. Bruce Walter, Wisconsin.

The meeting began with a formal banquet on Friday evening; the PG was guest speaker. The traditional business session was on Saturday morning followed by a luncheon. VPG Bailey reminded attendees of the ceremony next May in Vincennes, Indiana where a plaque will be dedicated commemorating George Rogers Clark, his men and the importance to that area. This is a project of the five State Societies making up the Old Northwest Territory.



The September meeting of the **General Joseph Bartholomew Chapter**, held jointly with the DAR Letitia Green Stevenson Chapter to mark Constitution Week, saw awarding of the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Lexington Police Chief Spencer Johansen. Doing the pinning was his wife, while Vice President Donald Evans observed. The officer was recognized for establishing a "Cops and Kids Camp" to promote a positive relationship between youth and police. Since 1990 some 250 kids ages 10 to 14 years have attended the weekend camp, resulting in a 37 percent decrease in the community's juvenile crime rate.



Illinois State Trooper Mark Sprinkle of Glen Carbon was honored at a recent meeting of the **General George Rogers Clark Chapter** by being presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal by President Harry Windland. The officer was recognized for heroic actions while overpowering an armed man.

In keeping with its tradition of engaging enlightening speakers for its monthly luncheons, the **Fort Dearborn-Chicago Chapter** welcomed for the September get-together in Chicago, David S. Ruder, former Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission and Professor of Law. Starting with the SEC system of corporate disclosure, he examined five principal areas of agency oversight, including enforcement of anti-fraud laws prohibiting misrepresentation, insider trading and market manipulation; tender-offer regulation; the role of institutions in the securities market; and protecting against a market crash.

### Indiana Society



The Society now boasts the new **Hoosier Pioneer Patriots Chapter** to serve the Jeffersonville community. At the Chapter's first official meeting in November, it was presented a Charter by Dr. Chuck Bragg (second from right), Society Vice President. Accepting the document were (from left): VP Don Coats, Jr., President Roger Vaughn and Secretary/Treasurer Stephen Franklin.

Phil Wills, who served in the Navy and was a victim of "Agent Orange", was guest speaker for the Veterans Day Meeting of the **Continental Chapter**. He is currently Assistant Director of Physical Facilities at Indiana University East, in Richmond.

### Louisiana Society

The **Alexandria Chapter**, which serves the community of Alexandria, reports that its name has been changed to the **Enemund Meullion Chapter**. President Philip D. Eisenwinter states that Patriot Meullion's grave site with a DAR marker was recently located in the Rapides Cemetery. Research revealed that he participated in the Revolutionary War as a member of Galvez's expedition against the British. On Veterans

Day an SAR marker was placed at his grave. When the **Attakapas Chapter** held its traditional Constitution Week Celebration during September in Lafayette, members and guests were treated to a talk entitled "The Legacy of Revolutions" by Dr. Amos Simpson. A retired Professor of European History, he contrasted the French and American Revolutions with emphasis on violence in the two conflicts.



The **John Hanson Chapter** recently awarded the Flag Certificate to Roy N. Morauer (center), who owns two area car washes, in recognition of his prominent display of U.S. Flags. On hand were Compatriot Douglas B. Stuart (left), also Society President, and James F. King, Awards Chairman.

### Maryland Society



Every year the Maryland Society joins with a variety of other hereditary and patriotic organizations on the grounds of St. John's College in Annapolis to salute the soldiers and sailors of France buried there who fought in the Revolutionary War. The tribute always takes place at a monument dedicated to the French Patriots, this time last October. Compatriots participating, including members of the Society's Color Guard, were (from left): Edwin H. Dotter; President Raymond D. Zimmerman; Robert Seay, Guard Commander; Vice-President General from the Mid-Atlantic District Lester A. Foster (also a Maryland SAR); John B. Watkins; James R. Dearworth; Past President James A. McCafferty; and Barrett L. McKown, who also serves as Chairman of the NSSAR Congress Planning Committee.



With Andrews Air Force Base Officers Club as the setting, the **John Hanson Chapter** held its Annual Meeting that featured awarding of the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to three deserving men. Participating in the ceremony were (standing, from left): President Douglas B. Stuart; Corporal Morris J. Ephrain, Prince Georges County Sheriff's Department, recipient; LTC Gerry R. Powers, also of the Sheriff's Department who presented the award to the Corporal; Officer Mark V. Kemp, Maryland Park Police, recipient; Officer Marshall Booze, Prince George County Police Department, recipient; Cpt. Roger Staniford, also of the Police Department who presented the award; and Society President Raymond N. Zimmerman. Seated were wives of the winners. Also saluted were two Chapter Compatriots who retired from the Federal Bureau of Investigation: Carroll T. Allen and William W. Warren.

### Massachusetts Society



The Massachusetts National Guard Armory Military Museum in Worcester was the setting of the Semi-Annual Meeting of the New England District Council in October, with nearly 70 Compatriots and guests in attendance. Museum Director Stephen Seames (left) greeted these prominent SARs (from his left): Vice-President General Norris G. Abbott III; Past VPG Charles T. Galbraith; Massachusetts Society President Crawford Lincoln; New Hampshire Society President Richard Wright (also Council Treasurer); and Secretary Ronald E. Newton (a Past President of the Empire State Society).

### Mississippi Society



When the **Gulf Coast Chapter** met in Biloxi during October, the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal was awarded to George County Sheriff George Miller. His wife was proud to do the pinning, with Richard Brown assisting.



## Missouri Society



The Annual Conference of the South Central District drew quite an aggregation of dignitaries from across the country to St. Louis. **FRONT**, from left: Registrar General Bruce B. Butler, Secretary General Russell D. Page, President General Carl K. Hoffmann, Vice-President General Kes Kesler, Historian General Larry D. McClanahan and Librarian General Lawrence L. Loker. **REAR**: The President of each State Society making up the District (from left) Mark Schreiber, Missouri; Joseph Hill, Illinois (guest from the Great Lakes District); Robert Slemmons, Kansas; William Cox, Arkansas; and Frank Appl, Oklahoma.

## New Jersey Society

Wallace Shelby, a collector of Kentucky/Pennsylvania Long Rifles, lectured on their role in the Revolutionary War at a September meeting of the reactivated **Jockey Hollow Chapter** in Florham Park. This was the Chapter's second meeting after having been dormant for some eight years. Another feature of the gathering was the installation of newly elected officers by Society President Kendall C. Peterson. Utilizing a display of several rifles, Mr. Shelby stressed the weapon's importance in the Battles of Saratoga and Kings Mountain, where their pinpoint accuracy at great

distances (up to 100 yards) made them much more effective against mass concentrations of enemy troops than the traditional long-caliber musket. He said that the rifle was carried mostly by frontiersmen who volunteered to serve in the state militias of Pennsylvania, Maryland, the Carolinas and Virginia. He brought out that development of this rifle (having evolved about 50 years before the Revolution) is credited with such contributions to the American lexicon as "ramrod straight", "hair-trigger", "flash in the pan", and "lock, stock and barrel."

## Empire State Society (NY)



Major Pedro J. Perez (right), Troop A Commander of the New York State Police, was doubly honored when awarded both the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and the Heroism Medal at the Annual Law Enforcement Dinner sponsored by the **Buffalo Chapter** last October. Shown here is presentation of the Heroism Medal by Society President Stephen A. Arter. Officer Perez was recognized for his bravery and self-sacrifice while negotiating with any demonstrators who were blocking the flow of traffic on the New York State Thruway south of Buffalo. The demonstrators, approximately 1,000 American Indians, were protesting a court decision rescinding the tax-exempt status of sales of cigarettes and gasoline on their nearby reservation.

## Ohio Society

In early October the **John Stark Chapter** assisted in the dedication of markers at the grave sites of two Patriots interred in the area, with President Karl Tallman and Secretary John Richardson serving as hosts. One ceremony took place in memory of Jacob Lash who is in the Farmington Cemetery in Belmont County; in attendance was Empire State Society Compatriot Eugene Sheldon Shreve II and other family members. He also participated in the program for another ancestor, John Shreve, who is buried in Mt. Union Cemetery at Stark.



During the **Cincinnati Chapter's** Annual Meeting in early December, the gavel of office was passed to incoming President Charles Crawfis (right) by retiring President Price Gaines.

Past Chaplain General Carl A. Nissen, Jr., a member of the **Richard Montgomery Chapter**, has been appointed a Chaplain in the Civil Air Patrol, United States Air Force Auxiliary.

## Oregon Society

The September meeting of the **Republic Chapter** in Portland witnessed an address by Compatriot Forest Blodgett on the labor movement in America. He described labor organizations existing in colonial times and the 19th century, including the glovers and printers in colonial Philadelphia, the Knights of Labor and the American Federation of Labor. The only survivor is the AFL.

## Pennsylvania Society

The **Centre County Chapter** has instituted two outreach programs. One is erecting a display of Colonial and Revolutionary Period Flags at the birthplace of Memorial Day at Boalsburg. Compatriots set up the display early in the morning of each federal holiday and then remove them at dusk. This is done in the Boalsburg Cemetery near the newly restored 28th Division Shrine. The other project involves the maintenance of the grounds surrounding the iron furnace stack at the Centre County Historical Society Headquarters.



Highlighting the Constitution Day Meeting of the **Valley Forge Chapter** in Allentown was an address by Richard Mix, Past Pennsylvania Society Historian. He offered information and an animated talk about the Liberty Bell. It was especially timely since the Chapter is supporting the Quakertown (Bucks County) Historical Society in the purchase and dedication of a Liberty Bell replica. On September 23, 1777 the original Liberty Bell was hidden in Quakertown while enroute to Allentown for safekeeping from a possible British invasion of Philadelphia.

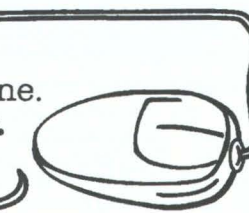
## Rhode Island Society



The Larchmont Inn in Wakefield was the site of the Society's Annual Veterans Day Banquet in November, which attracted 40 members and guests to hear Dennis Conrad of the Rhode Island Historical Society deliver an enlightening talk. Some of the dignitaries on hand included: (FRONT, seated) Mr. Conrad and President Eugene S. Clauss; (BACK, standing) Alden C. Saunders, Robert F. Poyton, Robert Allen Greene (a Past Vice-President General for the New England District Council) and Norris G. Abbott III (current VPG).

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## Texas Society

The United States Constitution was the subject of an address before the September meeting of the **Captain William Barron Chapter** by Compatriot John Marshall, a Judge who maintains membership in the **Dallas Chapter**. He descends from former Supreme Court Justice John Marshall.

**Blaine C. Wilhoutte, Sr. Chapter** Compatriot John Edens was guest speaker at the October gathering of the **Denton Chapter** in Denton. He discussed the wide variety of weapons used during the Revolutionary War, including fusils (muskets), small swords and pikes. He pointed out that muskets were not rifled and the bullets were balls, stating that it is difficult by today's standards to realize that so many men could be killed by weapons that appear primitive to us. For example, when the trigger was pulled, the flint struck the pan (which was filled with firing powder) which when ignited, passed through a small hole in the barrel to ignite the black powder that propelled the ball to its target.



Three generations of the Motz family are now members of the **William Hightower Chapter** in New Braunfels (from left): grandson Charles V (recently inducted), father Charles and son Charles IV.



The **Patrick Henry Chapter** Color Guard was proud to present the Colors at the Chapter's Constitution Week Luncheon the Chapter jointly sponsored in Austin with fave DAR Chapters (from left): Joe Bunch, Don Morgan and Pat Lockett. The guest speaker was retired Judge Stephen B. Derouian.





The Harvey Hotel in Plano was the site of the Society's Constitution Week Banquet that witnessed awarding of the Gold Good Citizenship Medal to the Hon. Sam Johnson (center), Congressman for the 3rd District of Texas, U.S. House of Representatives, making the presentation were President B. Rice Aston (right) and Corresponding Secretary John C. Haughton. Congressman Johnson boasts a 29-year career in the U.S. Airforce, which included being shot down over Vietnam and spending seven years as a Prisoner of War (three of these in solitary confinement). Prior to being elected to his present post in 1991, he had been a seven-year member of the Texas House of Representatives.



The August meeting of the Dallas Chapter featured awarding of the Certificate of Appreciation to Eagle Scout Brooks Wilson by 1st Vice President Ralph McDowell. The lad was recognized for his involvement in teaching how United States Flags should be retired.

### Utah Society



Members and guests attending the Society's Annual Constitution Week Banquet in September at Salt Lake City were honored to have as guest speaker Utah 2nd District Congressman Merrill Cook. Posing here with him were his wife and several SARs and DARs. REAR, from left: Past President William Ward, President Bernard L. Allen, Congressman Cook, DAR Jolene Bushman and Secretary Eric D. Richhart. FRONT, from left: Past DAR State Regent Mrs. Janis McCord, Mrs. Camile Cook and Mrs. Sue Anderson, State Vice Regent.

### Virginia Society

The guest speaker for the September meeting of the **George Washington Chapter** in Alexandria was Dr. Virginia DeMarce, Historian, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior. She discussed Indian tribes of the eastern seaboard at the time of the Revolutionary War, their customs, military service with the colonists and the British, and their trading and treaty arrangements.

When the Annual Awards Luncheon was staged by the **Fincastle Resolutions Chapter** during September in Roanoke, a variety of men were honored: Judge Jack B. Coulter, Good Citizenship Medal, for his efforts in preserving and restoring the graveyard of the McClanahan Family, a founding entity of Roanoke; Bedford County Sheriff's Deputy Sgt. Gary Babb, Heroism Medal; Salem Fire Department Lt. Sterling Hite,



Judge Jack Coulter (left) was awarded the Good Citizenship Medal at the Awards Luncheon of the **Fincastle Resolutions Chapter**.

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Medal; and Roanoke County Police Department Detective David J. Herrick, Law Enforcement Commendation Medal.



**Thomas Nelson Jr. Chapter** Past President John 'Jack' K. Cabaniss (standing, center) was proud to be among a select group of participants to 'light a candle' during the November 9 Memorial Service held in the Veterans Administration Medical Center Chapel at Hampton. Each candle was in memory of a deceased veteran. Also featured was a musical program of religious and patriotic songs provided by patients in the Center known as The New Horizon performing arts group. This service was followed by one at the small Spanish-American War Cemetery located on the grounds. A highlight was the playing of "Taps" by a lone bugler.

### West Virginia Society



Over 60 Compatriots and guests were on hand when the **General Adam Stephen Chapter** held its traditional Fall Meeting at the McFarland House in Martinsburg, with President Charles F. Printz (second from right) presiding. Posing with him were (from left): Sgt. Sid L. Sponagle, Commander of the Charles Town Detachment of the West Virginia State Police, who was awarded the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal; Compatriot Robert Weiler, M.D., a member of the Society who was guest speaker; and Archibald R. Hoxton IV, a resident of nearby Shepherdstown who was received as a new SAR.

### Wisconsin Society

The Milwaukee suburb of Brookfield was the locale for the Society's 20th Annual Law Enforcement Awards Program in November, with President Bruce Walters presiding. The following officials were awarded the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal: Hon. James Daley, Rock County Circuit Court Judge; Richard F. Raemisch, former Dane County Sheriff; Hon. Rudolph T. Randa, United States Court Judge, Eastern District of Wisconsin; and

Maurice A. Straub, Ozaukee County Sheriff. Each recipient was sponsored by a local Chapter.

The traditional Eve of July Fourth Meeting of the **Eleazor Slauson Chapter** was held on July 3rd in Madison. Nearly 40 members and guests were on hand, including DARs and C.A.R.s, to hear an address by University of Wisconsin Professor John Kaminski. He spoke about the profound influence that George Washington had on the development of democracy in America.

### Funds Sought For "Old Ironsides"

The 200th anniversary of the launching of the *USS Constitution* - "Old Ironsides" - in Boston Harbor was celebrated on October 21 of last year at the USS Constitution Museum in Boston and on board the ship itself.

The world's oldest commissioned warship afloat, the vessel commemorated this historic landmark in July when she set her sails and caught the wind for the first time in 116 years - traveling to Marblehead on the North Shore of Massachusetts.



The New Hampshire SAR, DAR and C.A.R. Societies all have participated in the fund raising campaign for the *USS Constitution*. Representatives of each recently presented a check to Cdr. Robert L. Gillen (second from left), 59th Commander to the ship (from left): Mrs. Bea Dalton, DAR State Regent; Miss Colleen M. Wright, C.A.R.; and Richard C. Wright, Society President.

The *Constitution* was authorized for construction by President George Washington in 1794, one of six frigates making up the U.S. Navy. They were commissioned to fight North African privateers who were preying on U.S. merchant ships. She gained her celebrated international reputation because of daring battles against the British during the War of 1812. She never lost a battle in her career and no record exists of an enemy ever penetrating her wooden hull - up to 25 inches thick in places - a fact that earned the name of "Old Ironsides."

The ship underwent a U.S. Navy-funded \$12-million, 44-month restoration and rehabilitation program in 1996. A nationwide fund raising drive is still underway to support the purchase of additional sails and other necessities not included in the Navy's program. The "Old Ironsides" Pennies Campaign is modeled after the original "Penny Campaign" to seek funds for the ship's 1927-31 restoration. The Museum has declared that 100% of all funds collected will go to the project. Mail contributions to: "Old Ironsides" Pennies Campaign, Charlestown Cooperative Bank, 201 Main Street, Charlestown, MA 02129.





# New Members

NSSAR membership January 1, 1998: 26,716. Numbers below equal total new members since last issue of the magazine. Patriot ancestors identified by name.

## ALABAMA SOCIETY (13)

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## ALASKA SOCIETY (1)

STEPHEN ALAN KOENIGER, 149319; EZRA MCINTIRE

## ARIZONA SOCIETY (11)

LOUIS CRAIG BOCK, 149215; THOMAS CALLAWAY, JR. ALLEN LYLE BOND, 149026; JEREMIAH KINGSLY DONALD WILLIAM BRADDOCK, 149136; WILLIAM MATHEWS DONALD DUNHAM, 149117; AZARIAH DUNHAM JAMES WARD FRAZEE SR, 149216; JAMES CHRISTIE, SR. CHRISTOPHER EARL GENTIS, 149027; ROBERT MORGAN ROBERTS WALLACE MURDOCK HANES, 149135; JOHANN MICHAEL KILLIAN CALVIN MEHNERT HENRY, 149361; JOHANN HENRICH ORTH THOMAS GREGORY ROBERTS JR, 149028; ENOS BARNES, SR. HARRY LESLIE TALLEY, 149196; THOMAS HAYTH/HEATH STEPHEN JAMES WATT, 149176; SAMUEL WATT

## ARKANSAS SOCIETY (2)

JOHN LOUIS CRESSMAN SR, 149299; JESSE POPE JAMES BRISCOE HANKS, 149046; ABRAHAM BROWN

## CALIFORNIA SOCIETY (36)

PAUL MORGAN ADAMS, 149364; THOMAS HUNTLEY SR CHARLES BRYAN BOYDSTUN, 149217; JAMES BOYDSTUN, SR. AARON MEIR BUKOFZER, 149162; HENDRICUS GOETSCHUIS DOUGLAS BRADWELL CONNOR, 149363; LITTLETON ADAMS ELBERT CORDELL COZART JR, 149099; ANTHONY COZZART, III MARK JAMES DINGER, 149102; JACOB BUZBEE JACK EVERETT DOTSON, 149079; RICHARD DODSON/DOTSON OLIVER GIOVANNI EVERETT, 149300; SAMUEL GORE THOMAS EUGENE ALEXANDER FOWLER, 149323; JOHN HENDERSON TERRY LEIGH GRAAP, 149177; JOSEPH SYDNOR THOMAS HUGHES HARDING III, 149100; WILLIAM HARDING FLOYD STANLEY HICKS, 149321; BELA ARMSTRONG ZAN BRODIE HULING, 149220; ELISHA MACK PHILIP SCOTT INGLEE, 149098; EBENEZER INGLEE MARK CHRISTOPHER JACKSON, 149061; CALEB JOHNSON SEAN RICHARD JONES, 149362; LEONARD BAKER GARRET JOHN KESSLER, 149159; HENDRICUS GOETSCHUIS GREGORY WILSON KESSLER, 149158; HENDRICUS GOETSCHUIS RICHARD DON KILLILEA, 149322; JOHN LAMPREY TREVOR ROB MCINN, 148986; THOMAS WELLINGTON, JR. JOHN KELLOGG MEYER, 149137; JONATHAN WILLARD JOSEPH MOHAMED SR, 149279; THOMAS LIVESAY PAUL JAMES NELSON, 149178; ABRAHAM NEWKIRK DANIEL LAWRENCE NEWCOMB, 149218; WILLIAM BICKETT JOHN PERRY PATCHIN, 149047; EBENEZER PATCHIN RYAN MILOS POLIVKA, 149163; JOHN JUSTICE LOREN GILBERT RANSIER, 149101; ABIJAH PERRY JAMES WILBUR REAL, 149010; THOMAS HILL DALE DIMITRI RIGHTER, 149161; JOHN RIGHTER JOSEPH RICHARD SCHMIDT, 149009; THOMAS COWDIN ROBERT LOUIS SEXTON, 149160; EZRA SEXTON STEVEN LOWELL SHADWICK, 149012; LABAN SMART

OWEN THOMAS SMITH, 149253; BENJAMIN KEMP KEVIN SCOTT STIEWIG, 149320; THOMAS ANDROS JAMES DAVID VANDERMARK, 149219; BENJAMIN VANDERMARK JAMES CHATTERTON WHITE, 149011; EDWARD KINNAN

## COLORADO SOCIETY (6)

MICHAEL KEITH DORFFLER, 149340; COMFORT BULLOCK RICHARD LARRY EVERSOLE, 149118; JACOB EVERSOLE EDWARD DALE HICKS, 148967; JOHN HICKS, SR. BARRY CHRISTOPHER HOWARD, 149343; SAMUEL BOND ROBERT GORDON REED, 149341; AMOS C. REED CHRISTOPHER ANDREW SPRINGER, 149342; RICHARD HANKS, SR.

## CONNECTICUT SOCIETY (8)

DWIGHT NYE EMMONS, 149222; NATHAN NYE MARK RICHARD EMMONS, 149221; NATHAN NYE WAYNE BRIAN SAKAL, 149029; NATHAN FRENCH JAMES JUDE SCHRIEBER, 149103; THOMAS BIDWELL ROGER WELLES SMITH, 149013; ELISHA WOLCOTT JAMES PAIGE STREETER, 149164; JAMES STREETER JOHN WELLS SUTLIFF, 149049; JOHN SUTLIFF, III THOMAS ARTHUR SUTLIFF, 149048; JOHN SUTLIFF, III

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## DELAWARE SOCIETY (5)

LAWRENCE ALFRED DONAHOE, 149344; THOMAS WEBSTER LARRY MARTIN MAURER, 149324; CASPER ADAMS MARK CHRISTY OLIPHANT, 149365; WILLIAM TALLEY, SR. MARK DARRYL SMITH, 149345; THOMAS WEST, JR. WAYNE ALAN SMITH, 149346; THOMAS WEST, JR.

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (3)

WILLIAM JAMES ALLEN, 149301; EPHRAIM ALLEN SAMUEL EVERETT BRUCE JR, 149197; JAMES BRUCE, JR. CHRISTOPHER ALLEN HAMMER, 149302; JOHN HORNER, JR.

## FLORIDA SOCIETY (18)

ROGER CORNELIUS CHAMPION, 149381; JACOB SHADRACH CHAMPION OWEN EUGENE COOK, 149366; VALENTINE COOK, SR. RAYMOND MORRIS DAVIS JR, 149383; WILLIAM DAVIS GEORGE ROBERT DENNIS, 149030; JAMES DENNIS RICHARD ALLEN DUTTON, 149223; AMOS DUTTON FELIX DAVENPORT FUDGE, 149080; DREWRY HEARNE WILLIAM BREDSVOLD GARVEY, 149139; GIDEON AUSTIN JAMES MASTON GLADDEN, 149033; ADAM LINN RALPH CORNELIUS HASSARD, 148969; ELIJAH GARDNER RAYMOND WILLARD HILL, 149119; JEDEDIAH HILL ANDREW LEE LEWIS, 149138; JOHN DIXON BILLIE WEST LOWE, 149367; PETER BURGNER ALLEN CLYDE MANNING, 149031; JOSEPH GREEN EARL DOUGLAS MCAFEE, 149032; JAMES MCAFEE TYRE HARRISON RIMES, 149034; JOHN DeLOACH DAVID LYTER STOUT, 149254; GODFREY DANIEL STOUT KENNETH EUGENE TRAVIS, 149382; JACOB NUCE/NOSS RALPH ODELL WARD, 149303; PHILLIP TIPPINS

## GEORGIA SOCIETY (11)

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STANLEY SMITH, 149281; GEORGE POINTER ROBERT JACK WATKINS, 149282; JOHN WATKINS

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## IDAHO SOCIETY (2)

GARY BRUCE BEACOM, 149384; JOHN HUNTINGTON GEOFFREY LAWTON THORPE, 149233; PATRICK HENRY

## ILLINOIS SOCIETY (12)

DAVID SQUIRE BELDING, 149307; JOHN BELDING WILLIAM ANDREW BRATNEY, 149063; FIELDING LEWIS PAUL DAVID FRAZIER, 149304; PETER SHIELDS WILLIAM KRAMER GROS, 149306; ADAM KRAMER MICHAEL PATRICK GUGGEMOS, 149310; ALEXANDER FERRIOLE DONALD JEAN HOOVER, 149144; JAMES CANNON THOMAS HOBART HOYE JR, 149143; JUDAH WATERS ERIC RICHARD LOSBY, 149308; JAMES LAWLER, SR. DANIEL CHESTER McCULLOUGH, 149305; CALEB JEWETT GEORGE HOTTEL KENNETH MELLOTT, 149051; JOHN JACOB HOTTEL RICHARD ALSTON PARMELEE, 149309; THEODORE PARMELEE CHARLES WESLEY RUBLE, 149052; JOHN RUBLE

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**13 CAN BE A LUCKY NUMBER!** – The Louisiana Society's Attakapas Chapter, which serves the Lafayette area, recently inducted 13 new members at its first meeting after the summer break. The Chapter reports that as many again are waiting on the "proposed list." All of this activity is due in part to the momentum gained last April in the "twinning" of the Louisiana and France Societies along with an aggressive recruitment program. Some of the inductees with various other Compatriots were (from left): Robert Allain, Russell Berard; President Stan Hardee; Charles Broussard; Bill Wallis, Membership Committee; Dr. Terry Cronwell; Phil Allin, Membership Committee Chairman; John Irion; Henry Mayer III; Dr. David Marist; Joseph E. Richard; Art Schafer, standing in for son John, a new member; and Dr. Lionel Wofford. Not present when this photo was taken were three inductees: Dr. John Rainey, Bernard Ryan and John P. Roy.

## MARYLAND SOCIETY (11)

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JOHN PAUL CONWAY, 149288; JOHN CESSNA LaFAYETTE WILLARD GROVER, 149332; JOHN GROVER SHAWN WESLEY HAYES, 149166; JONATHAN YERKES MARK OWEN LANDRAM, 149331; REUBEN LANDRAM JOHN HOUCK McHENRY, 149055; JOSEPH MOTLEY ROBERT JOSEPH MOTLEY, 149053; DAVID JAMES MOTLEY ARTHUR EMBREE NICHOLS, 149289; WILLIAM McHARGUE ROBERT JAMES NICHOLS, 149290; WILLIAM McHARGUE BILLY JOE SHELBY, 149291; THOMAS SHELBY CRISTAFAER LEE STRANNIGAN, 149054; ABRAHAM NEWMAN JAMES FRANCIS WATKINS III, 149185; HENRY WATKINS NORMAN EDWARD WILLIAMSON, 149292; JOHN CESSNA RANDALL ZEAL WRIGHT, 149294; PATRICK HENRY ZEAL STILLWELL WRIGHT, 149293; PATRICK HENRY

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JARED DANIEL RICHART, 149131; CHRISTIAN RITCHHART

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**Charlotte Chapter.** Meets at Victoria Estates 2400 Rampart Blvd., Punta Gorda. (941) 743-5579. Lunch 12 noon 2nd Thurs. Sept-May. SARs/Ladies.

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

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

**Gainesville Chapter,** 12:00 Noon, 3rd Monday meets every, Month, Holiday Inn West. Info call (352) 373-7300 or (352) 377-4164.

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

**Lakeland Chapter.** Lunch mtgs, 11:30 a.m. 3rd Sat. monthly except Jun, Jul, & Aug. Holiday Inn South. Info call 858-8856 or 533-3038. All welcome.

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

**Naples Chapter** meets at 11:30 a.m., the 1st Thursday of each month, except June, July, August & September at the Elks Lodge, Airport-Pulling Road and Westview Drive (opposite the airport). Phone Sec. W. Earl Marlin 775-7801.

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

**Pensacola Chapter** meets 11:15 a.m. 3rd Sat. Hall's Rest., 920 E. Gregory. (904) 492-0921.

**St. Lucie River Chapter.** Luncheon mtgs. noon 2nd Sat. monthly, except Jun., Jul., Aug. Call (561) 225-1136 for more information.

**St. Petersburg Chapter.** Luncheon meetings 12 noon 2nd Sat. monthly except June, July & Aug. Special observance Washington's Birthday & Constitution Day. SAR's welcome. Phone 526-5758 or 526-3356.

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I contacted the government and they have supplied a granite tombstone. A marker was ordered from the SAR and has been delivered. Also another marker was ordered from the state and this has been delivered. Arrangements have been made to affix the markers to the headstone and install the headstone at the grave site when the weather has improved.

The American Legion has been contacted and has agreed to provide a service when we dedicate the stone. Do you have any suggestions as to the dedication?

Sincerely,

A Pennsylvania Compatriot

Before citing a response of the committee to the member's request for dedication suggestions, it must be said that he has done all of the right things. First he has demonstrated the necessary initiative and independence. He obtained from the Veterans Administration a tombstone that is furnished and shipped free for veteran's graves (VA Form 40-1330, Application for Standard Government Headstone or Marker). He knew that the ordering and payment for a Bronze Patriot Marker from NSSAR Merchandise Direct at

Headquarters was his responsibility. (Patriot Lug-Type Markers are \$55.00 and Patriot Stake-Type Markers are \$60.00 plus \$4.50 s&h.) And he personally acted on the information that New Hampshire supplied markers for eligible veterans graves. He found local help to affix the markers on the headstone and to install the headstone. And he asked for local help and found a veterans organization that would provide a service.

A response to this letter may include a copy of a sample dedication ceremony used by others. The writer may be told that the ceremony usually includes an Invocation; Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag; Welcome and Recognition of Guests; Biography of the Patriot; Dedication of the Marker; Laying of a Wreath; Hymn; and a Benediction. It may also include the Posting and Retirement of Colors; a Gun Salute; Echo Taps; Music; and a Speech. The writer is reminded to submit a description of the event, giving names, date, location and enclosing a photo, to the Editor, *SAR Magazine*, P.O. Box 26595, Milwaukee, WI 53226

Folks acquainted with the restrictions placed on grave marking and dedication by others are surprised that approval for grave marking or dedication need not be obtained from the SAR. No restrictions are placed

on the process. Approval is vested in the proponent.

All the software and volunteer hours will not help the SAR grave project to reach organization goals without the active support of its members. Thanks is gratefully extended to the thousands who have located, reported and marked Patriot Graves and to those who have sought out an obscure and little-read list and forwarded a copy for the register.

The acquisition and recording of Patriot Graves are continuing and important tasks. Help the organization to preserve a disappearing segment of American history. Send in the form and list. They are earnestly solicited.

### Graves Committee Members

Members of the SAR Revolutionary War Graves Committee for 1997-1998 are: H. Ross Arnold, Jr., GA; George H. Brandau, TX; Wilbur R. Branthoover, OH; George A. Burns, FL; Charles M. Culbertson II, SC; Stanley A. Evans, FL; Paul M. Frantz, VA; Robert F. Galer, GA; Richard H. Hofer, Sr., MO; W. Douglas Little, FL; Richard F. Locke, Jr., CA; Robert E. Millett, IA; Ralph D. Nelson, Jr., DE; and John G. Saylor, KS. Robert F. Galer, the author of this article, is Chairman.



**Saramana Chapter:** Bradenton, Sarasota and Venice. Meets Noon 2nd Friday, except July & August. Call (813) 966-6809.

**Tampa Chapter:** Lunch meeting 3rd Sat. monthly. Call 813/249-8747 for time and place.

**GEORGIA**

**Piedmont Chapter** meets at 8:15 a.m. 3rd Saturday each month, Hometown Grille, 29 S. Main Street, Alpharetta, GA. For info call Bill Winn, 770-475-2545.

**ILLINOIS**

**CHICAGO Ft. Dearborn Chapter,** Luncheon Meetings at noon, Union League Club - 3rd Thursdays - Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep & Nov. (312) 337-0832.

**Gen. G.R. Clark Chapter,** Edwardsville. Luncheon Meeting Noon 3rd Wed. All Year. Rusty's Restaurant.

**LOUISIANA**

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

**MISSOURI**

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

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

**Independence Patriots Chapter,** Independence, meets 9 a.m. 3rd Sat. each month except July & August. Call Pres. Kenneth F. Crabtree: 816-353-3835.

**Spirit of '76,** Harrisonville. Breakfast mtg. at Golden Corral at 8:00, 4th Sat. ea. mo. except July and Aug. Pres. Phillip Kelley (816) 430-5605. Wives & friends welcome.

**NEBRASKA**

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

**NEVADA**

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

**OHIO**

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

**Western Reserve Society,** noon luncheon, 2nd Wed., Cleveland Playhouse Club, 8501 Carnegie

Ave., Sept through June, except Oct. evening. For info call Burton Printz, (216) 932-2819.

**PENNSYLVANIA**

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

**TEXAS**

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

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

**VIRGINIA**

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

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

**Walloomsac Chapter Had Role In Patriot Memorial**

The names of 114 Revolutionary War Patriots and 10 War of 1812 Veterans buried in the Cambridge, New York area are now inscribed on a handsome bronze plaque that was unveiled on August 16 of last year - thanks to a significant extent to the efforts of the Empire State Society's local Walloomsac Battle Chapter. The program took place on the exact date of the 220th anniversary of the Battle of Bennington.

As was brought out in a feature article appearing in the Summer 1997 Issue of *The SAR Magazine*, the battle actually was fought in a place now called Walloomsac - not in Bennington, which is just across the border of New York in Vermont. The engagement prevented British forces from reaching American supplies stored in Bennington.

For an extended period of time, Chapter members worked with "The Committee to Raise a Permanent Honor Roll in Old Cambridge" (COMPHROC) to salute those in the Revolution and 1812. Modern-day veterans had already been honored with plaques erected in 1995 and 1996. Those in the Civil War will be similarly saluted in 1999. During this time, Chapter members continued their program of restoring an array of markers that had been installed over the years to identify Revolutionary War sites.

Plaque unveiling day began with a parade in which Chapter members marched with their new parade banner and pulled a float showing a restored roadside

historical marker. A memorial service was performed by the local DAR Chapter, followed by dedication of the plaque. The program also included a skit depicting the heroic experiences of Sgt. John Weir, the "Paul Revere" of the Cambridge Valley from which four Compatriots descend. He left his wife and newborn child to ride to Bennington to warn General John Stark of

approaching British and Hessian troops.

During the afternoon, ceremonies were staged on the Bennington Battlefield. Encompassed were remarks by Chapter President John Sheaff and other dignitaries - with the parade float and banner as a backdrop. Following the presentation of a wreath, a tour of the area was conducted by Philip Lord, an expert on the battle site.



Several members of the Walloomsac Battle Chapter participated in the parade that preceded a day of events honoring Revolutionary War and War of 1812 Veterans.

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