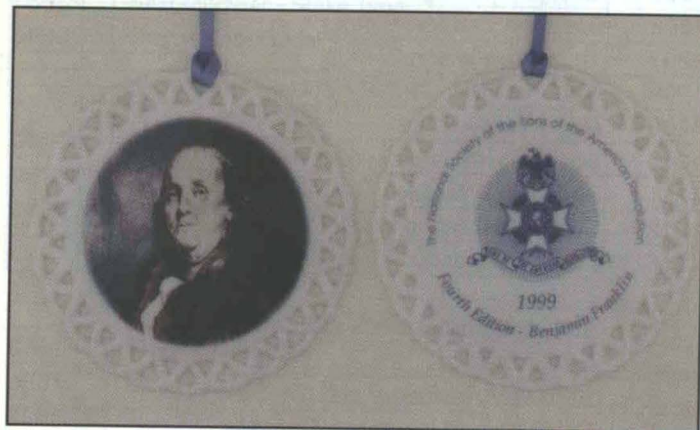


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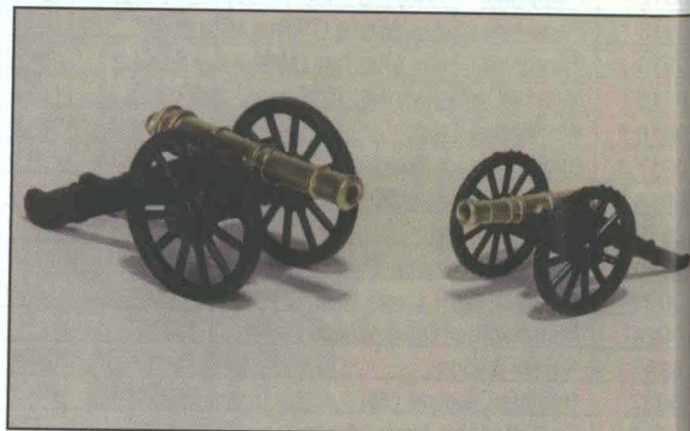


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The President General's Message



Dear Compatriots:

During Nancy's and my travels since I became President General, I have encountered several problems. They are very serious to the Compatriots concerned. I believe they can be resolved. To do so, will require a bit of work and cooperation from a number of us, however.

First: Several Compatriots have contacted me concerning the fact they have not received *The SAR Magazine*. Any Compatriot who has paid his dues should receive this very fine publication. Dues payment is intended to ensure that each Compatriot will in fact receive the magazine. It is an absolute shame if he does not because of some error. The several instances that have come to my attention involve Compatriots who paid their dues but who were reported to National Headquarters as dropped because the individual failed to pay his dues. After checking into the several cases reported directly to me, I found the Compatriots had cancelled checks clearly showing they had paid their State, National and Chapter dues. Somehow, a failure occurred and they were not shown as paid-up members. I urge all concerned with record keeping to make certain that no one is overlooked, dropped or caused to become disenchanted with our great Society because of a clerical error.

Another part of this is that several Compatriots have sent me the address from their SAR Magazine and have requested their address be changed. These Compatriots appeared to be somewhat exasperated. They indicated they had been trying to get their address changed for some time and had been unsuccessful. Again, this is a matter of record keeping. I urge us all to be alert to requests for change such as this.

Still another matter: Headquarters receives letters from widows of Compatriots stating that their husbands passed away and they are still receiving the magazine. There are other cases where the magazine is returned and Headquarters personnel learns that the Compatriot has passed away. I suggest that State Secretaries send in notices monthly to National Headquarters advising of the death of any Compatriots. The deceased Compatriot's names can then be dropped from the magazine list. It will also help the Annual Congress Memorial Service Committee members. It is embarrassing to the new President General to include names of deceased Compatriots on his National Committees. He has no way of knowing a Compatriot has passed away unless their names are sent to National Headquarters on a regular basis.

Second: Numerous Chapter officers have advised me that the names of their current Chapter officers were incorrectly reported in the 1999 Summer Issue of *The SAR Magazine*. I believe this, also, is a problem we can remedy. I would like to suggest each State Society send National Headquarters an up to date roster of officers who will serve their Chapters and State Society for the coming year by mid-April, 2000. I would like to further suggest that each Chapter President check his State Secretary to be certain that the up to date roster of Chapter officers' names is included in the State Society's annual report to National Headquarters. Headquarters personnel and *The SAR Magazine* Editor devote considerable time and effort in publishing Chapter and State Society officers. Everyone involved wants to get the information into the mag-



"George Washington" was a special guest at the September 26 banquet held in conjunction with the Fall Meeting of the National Trustees. Shown dining with the PG, Carl Closs of Kennett Square, Pennsylvania frequently assumes this role across the nation.

azine correctly. It is a waste of time, money and effort when an incorrect list of officers' names is published.

I assure each and every Compatriot that the members of the Headquarters staff and the Editor of our magazine want to include the current, correct roster of State Society and Chapter officers in the magazine. This is a source that is used by many, many Compatriots. Also, a correct roster of officers will enable Headquarters personnel to better carry out their respective duties on behalf of all SAR members.

Any Chapter whose officers were incorrectly reported in the Summer Issue of the magazine is encouraged to send an updated list of officers to Headquarters and the Editor will carry corrections in the Winter Issue.

The SAR HANDBOOK has been revised and will be available in November. I urge each State Society and Chapter to obtain a copy from Merchandising. Further, I recommend that the new edition be read - studied from cover to cover. It is important we all operate by the same ground rules.

Finally, the Executive Committee will meet in Louisville in mid-December. In addition to some items that lack of time prevented the Committee from taking up at the National Trustees meeting in September, there are a number of new items for the Committee to consider. Not the least of which is the matter of a new office building across Fifth Street from the present Headquarters. This will no doubt also be a matter for discussion at the Spring National Trustees meeting in March.

Sincerely,

Howard F. Horne, Jr.
President General

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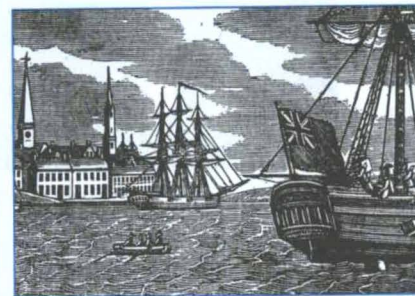
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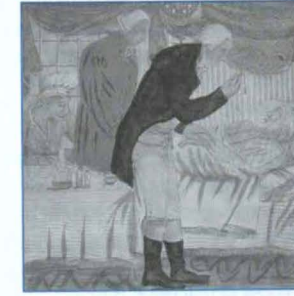
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Washington Bust Unveiled In Our Museum

Louisville Leaders Learn About NSSAR At Gala Reception

The dramatic George Washington Bicentennial Memorial Bust shown on the magazine cover is a generous gift of the Virginia Society as part of this year's nationwide commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the revered Patriot's death on December 14, 1799.

The bronze sculpture was unveiled twice in the Museum at National Headquarters. The first time was on Wednesday evening, September 22nd during a reception of well over 100 influential governmental, business, civic and other leaders from the Greater Louisville community – along with NSSAR General Officers and certain committee members.

The second unveiling took place the following Saturday morning during a break in the Fall Trustees Meeting, with the cover photo taken at that time. A report on this gathering is elsewhere in this issue of the magazine.

Over a period of several months members of the Louisville Liaison Committee, under the chairmanship of Kentucky Society Compatriot Jack J. Early, met at Headquarters to plan the gala reception. The group's basic objective was to stage a memorable event that would reveal to attendees the scope of our Society's presence in Louisville and give them a view of the future.



Participating in the bust unveiling ceremony were the three prominent Virginia Society Compatriots at the left; LTC John C. Evans (second from right), Director of Volunteers for the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association; and Museum Board Chairman William C. Gist. The Virginians were (from left): BG Michael J.L. Greene, Chairman of the Washington Bicentennial Task Force; Dr. David H. Harpole, Sr., Society President; and Col. Paul M. Frantz, Chairman of the Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee. The bust is a gift from their Society.

Formal Program With Presentations

Upon arrival, everyone was afforded an opportunity to casually tour the Museum and Library to view their extensive holdings. Spotlighting the reception, however, was a formal program, with Compatriot Early serving as Master of Ceremonies. Attendees were welcomed by President



A mock-up of what will be a bronze plaque honoring Patriot George Rogers Clark for a location in downtown Louisville was introduced to attendees at the reception. On hand for the ceremony were (from left): Jack J. Early, Chairman of the Louisville Liaison Committee; C.E. Thorp, Vice-President General for the Great Lakes District; Col. Charles B. Schweizer, Past VPG for the Great Lakes District; Dr. Charles F. Bragg, VPG for the Central District; and President General Howard F. Home, Jr. Several years ago Compatriot Schweizer launched a campaign to place plaques at various sites that were significant in Clark's life, as reported in past issues of *The SAR Magazine*.



Special music, a tune titled "Downfall of Paris", was provided by Compatriot Hayden K. Fuller and the Fife and Drum corps, which is a part of the Louisville-Thruston Chapter Color Guard.

General Howard F. Home, Jr., following which the Louisville-Thruston Chapter Color Guard posted the Colors. After the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, the Invocation was given by Chaplain General Rev. W. Ramsey Richardson. Next came three important presentations:

• Unveiling of a plaque honoring George Rogers Clark, the Founder of Louisville. A gift of the Great Lakes and Central Districts of the National Society, it will be installed in downtown Louisville at a later date. Within these Districts are those states that made up the Old Northwest Territory, which Clark helped establish. Accepting the plaque were the Hon. Katy Schneider, Deputy Mayor of Louisville, and the Hon. Rebecca Jackson, County Judge Executive, Jefferson County.

• Unveiling of the Memorial Bust by key members of the Virginia Society along with LTC John C. Evans, Director of Volunteers for the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association. The Association has spearheaded this year's Washington commemorative program. The bust was accepted by the President General, Museum Board Chairman William C. Gist and the Hon. John S. Palmore, Former Chief Justice, Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and a prospective SAR.



Jack J. Early, Chairman of the Louisville Liaison Committee, served as Master of Ceremonies. He is also President of the Louisville-Thruston Chapter.

• Remarks by Larry D. McClanahan, Treasurer General and Chairman of the National Headquarters Committee. Titled "The Blueprint for the New Millennium," his talk focused on the Society's plans to construct a new administrative office building across Fifth Street from Headquarters. He pointed out that the Society would become an even more valuable asset to the city by permitting a much needed expansion of the Library and Museum.

Photos With Washington's Seal Ring

The festivities concluded with guests having their photos taken with George



The Hon. John S. Palmore delivered a stirring address about George Washington, while observing was LTC. John C. Evans, Director of Volunteers, Mount Vernon Ladies' Association. He is Former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and since the reception has become a Kentucky Society Compatriot.



Accepting the George Rogers Clark commemorative plaque on behalf of their constituents were: (left) the Hon. Katy Schneider, Deputy Mayor of Louisville; and the Hon. Rebecca Jackson, County Judge Executive, Jefferson County. Each offered a Proclamation relative to the National Society.



Washington's Seal Ring, the Society's most valuable possession. In the background were "George and Martha Washington" as portrayed by Buddy and Connie Kline. A member of the Ohio Society's Richard Montgomery Chapter, he and his wife often assume these roles at various functions.

Guests were given a packet of remembrances, including a copy of *The SAR Magazine* and a colorful brochure about the bust. Also included was an illustrated brochure that related the

was cast by the Adonis Bronze Foundry of Alpine, Utah. This firm produced the original busts back in 1975 to mark the Bicentennial of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence. It is also displayed at George Washington University; the Scottish Rite Supreme Council Garden in Washington, DC; the Capitol Building in Olympia, Washington; Utah State University; the Civic Center in Peoria, Illinois; and aboard the *USS George Washington*, an aircraft carrier.

Standing 48 inches high, the bust was crafted by Avarad Tennyson Fairbanks, Ph.D. (1897-1987). A child prodigy who first exhibited at age 12, he later studied at the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art, in Paris, and in Florence, Italy. He worked in the spirit of Michelangelo and Leonardo DaVinci by basing his art on the sound foundation of human anatomy. Three of his bronze monuments stand in Statuary Hall of the United States Capitol, while his marble portraits of Abraham Lincoln can be viewed at historic Ford's theater.



A piper greeted Compatriots and guests as they arrived for the reception, in this case Secretary General and Mrs. Bruce B. Butler.

Society's progress since moving from Washington, DC in 1979. In it they were invited to participate in our future by becoming an "NSSAR Patron" through making contributions to the newly created George Rogers Clark Fund. Tax-deductible donations will be employed exclusively to renovate and maintain the original building that will continue to house the Museum and Library, as well as assist in construction of the new facility.

About The Bust

Over 50 Compatriots and three Chapters of the Virginia Society contributed to the purchase of the Memorial Bust, which



George and Martha Washington were portrayed by Buddy and Connie Kline. He is a member of the Ohio Society.



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**Plan Now To Be In Boston Next June
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When Compatriots and guests arrive in Boston next June for the 110th Annual Congress, they will be surrounded by an abundance of sites that played important roles in the Revolutionary War – from the Old North Church and Paul Revere's house to Faneuil Hall and the Old South Meeting House. And not too far to the west, everyone will want to visit Lexington and Concord to commemorate the 225th anniversary of the historic Patriot confrontation with the British that ignited the Revolution.

Two firsts set this meeting apart from the past. It will be a full day and night shorter, thus making the traditional agenda of events somewhat compact. Future Congresses will not be minus this day. Second, it is being hosted by a District rather than a single State Society – in this case the New England District consisting of Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut.

The Westin Copley Place, located at Two Huntington Avenue in downtown Boston, has been selected as the Headquarters Hotel. Virtually all events will take place there. Overlooking the historic brownstone homes of the Back Bay and Trinity Church in Copley Square, the facility offers splendid views of the Charles River and the Financial District. Connected by skybridge

or double – each subject to a 12.45% city and state tax. The hotel is also participating in a UNICEF donation program which will add one dollar to your rate; let their personnel know should you not want to contribute. Parking is \$26 per day. You may call the hotel at 617/262-9600 or try the



Those visiting Lexington will view this familiar Minuteman Statue. (Courtesy Greater Boston Convention & Visitors Bureau.)



Built in 1676 and 1680 the Paul Revere House is the oldest standing structure in Boston. It was from here that Revere left for his historic ride to Lexington and Concord. (Courtesy Greater Boston Convention & Visitors Bureau.)

are the 100 Shops at Copley Place, including Neiman-Marcus and Tiffany & Co., an 11-screen movie theater, and the Shops at Prudential Center. Featured are 800 beautifully appointed guest rooms and suites. The Executive Level offers private check-in, a personal concierge and a lounge with complimentary continental breakfast and evening hospitality.

Making Hotel Reservations

The hotel is now accepting reservations; the cut-off date is June 1, 2000 for the special Congress rates of \$149 for a regular room and and \$189 for a junior suite, single

Westin number at 800/228-3000. A reservation form will appear in the Winter Issue of the magazine.

The Congress commences on Saturday evening, June 24, with a festive reception hosted by the District and concludes with the formal Tuesday banquet, which will witness installation of the new President General. In between will be an array of activities, including the Sunday Memorial Service, Rumbaugh Oration Contest runoff, Recognition Night, business sessions, the Monday Youth Awards Luncheon, and the Monday banquet and Minuteman awards. An optional Saturday tour will take attendees to Lexington and Concord, while one on the following Wednesday will cover interesting locations about Boston.

Advance Registration Fee Lower

The Winter Issue of the magazine will also have a form to facilitate making advance registrations for the Congress. Offered will be a lower total fee than what will be charged after a certain cut-off date.

Chairing the Congress is Duane T. Sargisson, a Past President of the Massachusetts Society and Past Chancellor General. He is working closely on all details with Maryland Society Compatriot Barrett L. McKown, Chairman of the NSSAR Congress Planning Committee.

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Top Youth Contests Essays Reproduced

For the first time in our Society's history of contests for high school students, four young men and women were simultaneously saluted for coming out on top of each of four competitions: Eagle Scout Scholarship, Knight Essay, Rumbaugh Oration and Outstanding JROTC Cadet. Every winner was on hand for a Youth Awards Luncheon held during the 109th Annual Congress in San Diego, California last July – the initial such event planned to be staged every year during the Congress.

Since the Society has been actively commemorating the George Washington Bicentennial Year – to mark the 200th anniversary of the Patriot's death – the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association contributed special gifts to each winner who selected Washington as the subject of their writings. Each did just that and was presented a special award as shown in the photos that accompany their essay as reproduced here. Compatriots are encouraged to make these available to this year's participants as a guide to the high standards they must meet!



Following the Congress luncheon, the winners of each youth contest gathered on a stage to receive their awards. Serving as the Master of Ceremonies was Kansas Society Compatriot Kes Kesler (standing at left).

The Winning JROTC Program Essay

GEORGE WASHINGTON'S LEGACY: LEADERSHIP MODEL FOR THE JROTC PROGRAM

By Cadet Anthony B. Aguilar

General George Washington, commander of the American Continental army and the first president of the United States, is the most influential military leader of all time. His dedication, selflessness, discipline and overall ability to lead men were the characteristics that forged America into the greatest democracy on Earth. If it were not for the leadership of General Washington, America would not exist, therefore the Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps would not exist.

As the commander of the Continental army, Washington led an assembly of citizen soldiers that he often described as "sometimes half starved; always in rags, without pay and experiencing, at times, every species of distress which human nature is capable of undergoing". With his "ragtag" army and his political ability to appease civilian commanders and gain support from other countries, Washington defeated one of the world's foremost armies, Great Britain, and brought independence to the United States of America (Cunliffe 86).

Washington, now a national and world hero, became the first president of the United States of America in February of 1789. During two terms he presided over the formation and initial operations of a democratic government and established many of the procedures and traditions that prevail today. Refusing to run for a third term, Washington retired to Mount Vernon, where he died on December 14, 1799, at the age of sixty-seven (Freeman 27).



Cadet Aguilar received a prize of \$1,000 from the NSSAR and a book titled "The Maxims of George Washington" from the Mount Vernon Ladies Association. Making the presentation was Paul M. Frantz, Chairman of the Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee. Sponsored by the Texas Society's San Antonio Chapter, the lad has maintained his place among the top ten percent of his class academically at Robert E. Lee High School.

While his stature today results more from his role as a president than as a general, Washington was nevertheless an accomplished military leader. He simultaneously maintained an army in the field against a far superior force, kept a divisive Congress and American population, and solicited military support from other countries. George Washington's ability to maintain the role of the citizen as well as a soldier is an inspira-

tion and an example to all those who wish to be leaders. He constantly held the needs of others above his own and his generosity and selflessness were evident in all that he was engaged in. These characteristics are the very foundation upon which the Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps are based (Wall65).

Although other military leaders such as Napoleon, Alexander the Great, and Genghis Khan directly accomplished more on the battlefield, none left a legacy of influence equaling that of George Washington. Without Washington the Continental army would not have existed, therefore the United States would not have existed, along with the Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps. The fundamentals of the Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps, such as discipline, courage and dependability, were exemplified by George Washington. His ability to lead men and share their hardships is an excellent example to all those who wish to be leaders or those who wish to sharpen their leadership skills. Valor, patriotism, duty, honor, and country were the virtues Washington lived by, which can be found at the core of the Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps program (Wall 84).

Washington established the standard for an America that is today the world's longest-surviving democracy and is the single most influential and powerful nation. In addition, Washington's leadership and his characteristics are the foundation of the Junior Reserve

Officers Training Corps. For these reasons, and many more, is why George Washington

is an excellent model for the Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps program and why

he has earned the honored title of "Father of his Country".

The Winning Eagle Scout Program Essay

AN AMERICAN HERO: GEORGE WASHINGTON

By Clayton Tyler Gaddis

During the Revolutionary War General George Washington had a real appreciation for the importance of the ordinary soldier. General Washington was well known for rewarding outstanding valor and accomplishment through promotion and direct commission. This process made a positive impression on the troops but it made a negative one on the Continental Congress because they were running out of money to pay the soldiers.

Finally by 1782 the Continental Congress instructed General Washington to cease all promotions and new commissions. There was no more money. But General Washington believed in our troops just as he believed in our nation. He was determined to find another way to reward his troops. Toward that end, on August 7, 1782 George Washington issued at Newburgh, New York his General Order which established the first American award for heroism, and that award was restricted to the ordinary soldier. That award for valor and meritorious service was designed and created by General Washington just as he designed the strategy that won American freedom. He designated this award as the Purple Heart which is how it is still known today. And today it is the oldest military decoration in the world still in present use.

During the Revolutionary War there were only three Purple Hearts awarded,



The winner of the Arthur & Berdena King Eagle Scout Scholarship Award, Clayton T. Gaddis, received his awards from Robert E. Burt (left), Eagle Scout Co-Chairman, and President General Russell D. Page. Originally sponsored by the Tulsa Chapter of the Oklahoma Society, he was given a check from the NSSAR for \$5,000 and a volume titled "The Maxims of George Washington" from the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association. He was also presented his SAR Membership Certificate at the Congress.

and all of these were to volunteers from Connecticut. The first of these was awarded on May 3, 1783 to Sgt. Elijah Churchill of the Second Continental Light Dragoon Regiment, later known as the Second Legionary Corps. It was awarded for gallantry in action at Fort St. George at Coran,

New York in November 1781, and for gallantry at Tarrytown, New York in July 1781. The second was awarded to Sgt. William Brown of the Second Connecticut Regiment also on May 3, 1783. The third was awarded to Sgt. Daniel Bissell, Jr. also of the Second Connecticut on June 10, 1783.

Through the efforts and vision of General Washington, the tradition of rewarding the common soldier for uncommon valor was established. This represents something very important to our nation. It also represents something very important to my family and to me personally. For you see, Sgt. Elijah Churchill was not only the first recipient of the Purple Heart; he was not only the first American recipient of an award for heroism, he was also the first ordinary man anywhere so honored. And what makes this so personally meaningful to me is that Elijah Churchill was my Great, Great, Great, Great, Great, Great Uncle.

So thank you Uncle Elijah, thank you from this great American nation which you helped forge with your gallantry and service, and thank you from your nephew many times removed. Without you and without our other American Patriots of all generations our nation would not exist today. And without our rededication to the ideals for which you served, it will not exist tomorrow.

The Winning Rumbaugh Oration Contest Essay

WASHINGTON'S VIRTUES

By Jorgensen Erik Winslow

In 220 B.C. Socrates chose to sacrifice his life for freedom of education in Greece. In 33 A.D. Jesus gave his life on the cross so that mankind could be washed of sin. Two hundred years later Cincinnatus refused to be Caesar because it might hurt the citizens of Rome, and in 1780 our own George Washington repeatedly refused to be King of these United States, insisting that he must do what is in the best interest of the American people.

All these leaders are remembered long after their death because they all share one common virtue that every true leader must possess. This virtue is love for their people above all else, and I mean all else, above wealth, power, prosperity even above the sanctity of their own life.

One man that possessed this virtue and



Erik Jorgensen was awarded a check for \$3,000 from the NSSAR and a framed portrait of George Washington, which was contributed by the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association. Doing the honors was President General Russell D. Page. He was originally sponsored by the Redlands Chapter of the California Society.

country during our fight for freedom. He was often known to ride out to the front of the battlefield to urge on his fellow revolutionaries, putting his life at risk for this great country. This unselfish sacrifice to country shows that Washington possessed the true virtue of a leader.

But George demonstrated his love for this country not just in war but in peace as well. Not long after the American victory at Yorktown, a high ranking officer in the Revolutionary Army wrote to Washington requesting the colonies be united as a kingdom with Washington as its king. After reading the letter Washington asked the mail carrier to wait. He would give this letter an immediate response, from which I quote but a few lines, "If you have any regard for country, concern for yourself or posterity, or respect for me, to banish these thoughts from your mind, and never communicate as from yourself, or anyone else, a sentiment of the like nature." Here is a man being offered a kingdom, wealth, unlimited power and he doesn't even sleep on the idea. He doesn't let it roll around his

head during dinner. He doesn't even give it five minutes of contemplation. He knows immediately that a kingdom is not in the best interest of the American people. He acts out his love for country immediately, not a second's hesitation in his decision. He is a true leader a man of virtue.

George Washington lived well over a hundred years ago but the nation he helped to build still stands today. It is time that we as Americans look at Washington's virtue and make sure that this virtue lives on as well. How do we make sure that Washington's virtue lives in our society? To do this we need only to open the top left drawer of George's desk preserved at his Mount Vernon home. In this drawer are "110 Rules of Civility" written by a young George around the age of 13 while attending school in Lexington. These rules were so important to Washington that he consulted them and kept them near him.

Now, George sought to live by each of these Rules, from #1, "Every action in company ought be with some sign of respect to those present." to Rule #54, "Labor to

keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire called conscience." Every other rule in between provides us with a valuable moral virtue that Washington sought to live his life by.

Washington's life long effort to learn and live by these virtues made him the great leader that we honor and revere today. Today our schools teach "the 3 R's", reading, writing and arithmetic to all students. However we give them this education without the moral virtues and guidance to use them correctly. What good is an intelligent man if he doesn't have the compassion, caring and love for country to go along with his intelligence? If we want to have future leaders and citizens with Washington's virtues we need to teach these virtues today. If we want a leader who would turn down wealth and prosperity for the well being of others, ride to the front of the battlefield with only his love for country to protect him, a future leader that we would follow across a frozen Delaware river, we must teach our youth the virtues of our country's father and greatest leader, Mr. George Washington.

The Winning Knight Contest Essay

GEORGE WASHINGTON: STATESMAN IN THE MIDST OF TURMOIL

By Courtney Powell

George Washington served the colonies gallantly throughout the Revolutionary War as the leader of the army. He later presided over the Constitutional Convention to further define the nation he fought to create. However, it was as President and, more precisely, in his second term as President, that Washington made his greatest contributions to the United States. Washington responded to foreign affairs, domestic quarrels, and the rise of sectional and political factions with actions that set the precedent for years to come. His dedication to a successful United States forced him to make his decisions and sometimes suppress his personal emotions for the nation's best interests.

When his second term began in 1793, the United States faced extreme foreign hostilities. The most potentially dangerous situation was the war between Great Britain and France and the question of the United States' position should either nation request assistance. Washington's government was split between the Jeffersonians, who favored France, and the Hamiltonians, who favored Great Britain. Washington listened carefully to Jefferson's urgent appeals for America to assist the French democratic movement, but drew his own conclusions that the Revolution had little relevancy to the future of the United States.

However, when France declared war on Great Britain, Washington knew that American ships would be threatened as the superior British navy moved to blockade the French. Still, Washington realized that involvement in a European war would be costly for his young country; thus he set



Receiving an NSSAR prize of \$2,500 was Courtney Powell, who was also awarded by the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association a framed portrait of George Washington and an expense-paid overnight stay at Mount Vernon. She was first sponsored by the Virginia Society's Rockbridge Volunteers Chapter. Presenting prizes to her were Paul M. Frantz (left), Chairman of the Historic Sites and Celebrations Committee, and President General Russell D. Page.

aside his gratitude to France for her assistance in the American Revolution and declared the United States neutral. This unprecedented decision not only broke an American treaty with France but also fueled opposition toward Washington himself. Washington's attitudes towards France later plummeted because of the treasonous tactics of Edmond Genet whose actions bordered on interference in American politics. Washington's anti-French sentiment infuriated Jefferson, as did Washington's later acknowledgment of a necessary commercial peace with Great Britain.

However, that acknowledgment did not mean that Washington's policies were completely pro-British. The anti-British sentiment came mainly from the practice of impressing American sailors into the British navy and from Britain's refusal to vacate forts in the United States while assisting Indian upheavals. To settle the unresolved issues with Great Britain, Washington knew that he must select a competent negotiator to reach agreements beneficial to the United States. He, therefore, dispatched John Jay to Great Britain. Jay created a treaty that, in actuality, satisfied no one. It allowed for continued British fur trade in the United States, established commercial relations between the nations, but failed to address the issue of British interference in American shipping, though the British did agree to vacate their forts.

Washington was more concerned with keeping peace than with pleasing factions, so he accepted the treaty; he believed that Americans should look beyond their personal wants and toward the nation's best interests. However, he was disappointed when the American citizens failed to reach these expectations. In the end, the only way to ratify the treaty was to gain Southern votes by promising to adopt Pinckney's treaty with Spain which guaranteed American access to depositing rights in the port of New Orleans, Indian restraint, and a definite boundary between the United States and Spain. The necessity of using one treaty to ratify another greatly disturbed Washington as he realized the depth of sectional and political rifts in the United States.

These sectional and political struggles

created a domestic situation just as problematic as foreign affairs. The country was, as the treaty crisis showed, dividing into Northern and Southern factions. Washington, even in his first term, recognized these divisions and balanced Northerners with Southerners in his Cabinet even though having a split Cabinet was difficult. Another sign of domestic unrest was the 1794 Whiskey Rebellion in which citizens attacked a tax collector. The

Details of Contests On NSSAR Web Site

The National Society's Web Site features full information on our four youth competitions. This may be found on the Internet at: <http://www.sar.org>

Under the "Site Guide" on the left side of the screen, click on "Youth Contests". Here you will find a variety of data, such as the history of each, its purpose, how it is conducted, who is eligible to enter and pertinent rules.

Constitution forced Washington to carry out the 1791 Excise Act; thus he raised a militia to end a rebellion among his own people. Civil and foreign conflict worried Washington whose main goal was always to keep the nation at peace at home and abroad.

Washington considered the formation of political parties the most tragic event of his second term, and it was during his second term that he became the target of Democratic-Republican hostility. However, this was not because he favored the Federalists, but because he, like Hamilton, "focused on the powers of the government and the governors" instead of, like Jefferson, "emphasizing the rights and trustworthiness of the governed."

Washington's adoption of Hamilton's financial plan during his first term and his acceptance of a commercially pro-British stance fueled the opposition against him. When Washington left office he was the object of widespread criticism. However, always the statesman, Washington tried in the last paragraphs of his Farewell Address to warn the country of the dangers of internal and external splits to the liberty and government of the nation.

Washington guided the country he fought to create as it was torn apart by foreign and domestic events. He, however, never turned his back on his duty or his country. He faced the conflicts of his Presidency and maintained a peace that lasted through the following decade. Washington was a statesman in the midst of turmoil, and because of that statesmanship the United States survived those uncertain and challenging years.

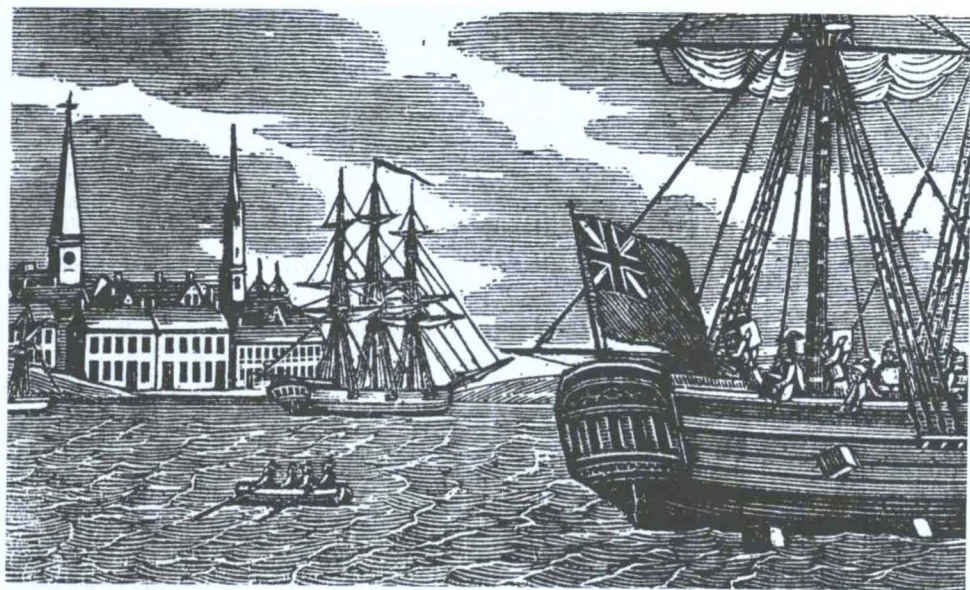
SAR HISTORIC CELEBRATIONS

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 Winter 2000 issue, which will be published in February, is December 1.

- December 5 - Annapolis, MD:**
12:00noon. John Paul Jones Memorial. Wreath laying at his crypt in the Chapel of the US Naval Academy; sponsored by MDSSAR.
- December 11 - Gunston Hall (near Alexandria, VA):**
12:00noon. Wreath laying commemorating George Mason's birthday. Sponsored by George Mason Chapter, VASSAR.
- December 19 - Valley Forge National Park, PA:**
6:00pm - Annual "Walk In" commemorates Washington's Army entry into Valley Forge. SAR participants.
- December 19 - Great Cane Break Battlefield (near Simpsonville, SC):**
2:00pm. Celebration of 1st Battle of Revolution in South. Sponsored by SCSSAR and DAR.
- December 25 - Washington Crossing, State Parks, PA/NJ:**
11:00am. Commemoration and re-enactment of Washington's Army crossing the Delaware. Sponsored by Washington Square Foundation. SAR participants.

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- January 15 - Cowpens National Battlefield, SC:**
11:00am. Morgan Statue. Spartanburg. Wreath laying sponsored by NPS.
2:00pm - 218th Anniversary Celebration. Wreath laying sponsored by the Daniel Morgan Chapter, SCSSAR.
- February 12 - Kettle Creek Battle Site, (near Washington, GA):**
Anniversary observance.
2:00pm. Wreath laying, Battlefield Monument. Sponsored by GASSAR.
- February 19 - Philadelphia, PA:**
Celebration of Washington's Birthday wreath laying sponsored by the Philadelphia-Continental Chapter, PASSAR.
11:00am. Independence Hall and Washington Square.
- February 21 - Mt. Vernon, VA:**
Celebration of Washington's Birthday. 11:00am. wreath laying at Washington family Tomb; Sponsored by SR; SAR participants.
- February 21 - Burbank, CA (Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Hollywood Hills):**
Celebration of Washington's Birthday. Wreath laying; musket firing; 50+ Color Guards. Sponsored by Sons of Liberty Chapter, CASSAR.
- March 2 - Burlington, NC:** Battle of Clapp's Mill, Alamance Battleground.
6:00pm. Alamance Patriot's Day. Ceremony and wreath laying. Sponsored by Alamance Battleground 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:**
Madison's Birthday Celebration
- 11:00am. National Commemorative Service. VASSAR participants.
- April 13 - Monticello, VA (near Charlottesville):**
Jefferson's Birthday Celebration.
10:00am. Wreath laying: VASSAR participants.
- April 13 - Jefferson Memorial, Washington, DC:**
11:00am. National Commemorative Service; Wreath laying. Sponsored by DCSSAR.
- April 15 - Concord, MA:**
Battle of Concord; MASSAR.
8:00am. Wreath laying at Col. Buttrick's grave.
9:00am. Parade and Ceremonies at The Bridge. MASSAR Color Guard participates.
- April 28 - Richmond (Hollywood Cemetery) VA:** Monroe's Birthday
11:00am. National Commemorative Service. Wreath laying. VASSAR participants.
- May 16 - Alamance Battleground State Park, NC (near Burlington, NC):**
6:00pm. 228th Anniversary Battle of Alamance. Wreath laying. Sponsored by Alamance Battleground Chapter, NCSSAR.
- May 28 - Allentown, PA:**
10:30am. Annual Lehigh County Declaration of Independence Celebration. Zion Reformed United Church of Christ. Sponsored by Valley Forge Chapter, PASSAR.
- May 29 - Philadelphia, PA:**
4:00pm. Washington Square. Tomb of the Unknown Soldier of the American Revolution. Memorial Day Commemorative Service. Sponsored by DAR. SAR Participants.
- May 29 - Austin, TX:** Memorial Day Service
10:00am. State Cemetery. Sponsored by Patrick Henry Chapter, TXSSAR.
- May 31 - Westwood, MA:** Memorial Day
9:30am. Parade and wreath laying. MASSAR Color Guard participates.
- June 28 - Baltimore, MD:**
9:00am. Old St. Paul's Cemetery. Commemorative service for Declaration Signer and Rev. War veterans. Color Guard, musket firing, wreath laying. Sponsored by MDSSAR.
- June 28 - Charleston, SC:**
3:00pm. Parade and Ceremony. Commemorating Battle of Sullivan's Island (1st Battle of Charleston). Wreath laying. SCSSAR participants.
- July 4 - Norwood, MA:**
5:00pm. Independence Day Parade. MASSAR Color Guard participates
- July 4 - Philadelphia, PA:** Independence National Historical Park.
1:30pm. 'Let Freedom Ring' bell ringing at Liberty Bell Pavilion.
2:00pm. Rededication of Washington Square to a National Park. PASSAR participants.
- July 4 - NATIONWIDE:**
'Let Freedom Ring' bell ringing
2:00pm EDT. 13 tolls on all church bells, courthouses, city halls, carillons, national monuments, university towers.
- July 4 - Litchfield, CT:** Wreath Laying
9:30am. East Cemetery.
Wreath laying at Wolcott/Talmadge graves. CTSSAR participants.
- July 4 - Boston, MA, Navy Yard:**
9:00am. Ceremonies at USS Constitution. MASSAR Color Guard participates.
- July 4 - Norwood, MA:**
5:00pm. Independence Day Parade. MASSAR Color Guard participates.



The Boston Tea Party was secret. No one talked about it; no one drew or painted it. So the illustrations we have were only done many years after the event. This old wood cut depicts the night of December 16, 1773 and "The Destruction of the Tea," as what it was called. "Tea Party," the name we use now, only came into usage around 1834. (Courtesy The Newberry Library, Chicago, Illinois.)

THE BOSTON TEA PARTY

On the evening of December 16, 1773 this Patriot protest against the British Crown became an important event in the long struggle for independence, as recounted by Compatriot Charles Chauncey Wells.

When SAR Compatriots gather in Boston for the 110th Annual Congress, June 24-28, 2000, they will be going right to the heart of the American Revolution. The seminal act, leading to the final break with Great Britain, was the Boston Tea Party - Dec. 16, 1773.

Events like the Stamp Act Protests of 1765 and the Boston Massacre of 1770 set the kettle to boiling. However, it was the "Destruction of the Tea in Boston Harbor," that was the final act that made it boil over.

The English responded by enacting the hated "Port Bill" closing Boston harbor and creating economic ruin for many. King George III dissolved the Massachusetts Assembly leaving the colony without popular voice in its affairs. Following earlier similar actions, he ordered troops into Boston. To save on expenses, he ordered them quartered in the homes of Boston citizens, a distasteful situation, especially if one had daughters. Relations with the mother country moved from bad to worse, all the time fomented by master political organizer Samuel Adams, one of the first to call for a total break with England.

BOSTON RIPE FOR REVOLUTION

Boston, was fertile ground for the seeds of the Revolution. "No taxation without representation" was the rallying cry, and Boston shouted it earlier and stronger than the other colonies. England wanted to be repaid the cost of the French and Indian War (1754-63) which drove the French out of America and secured the land

to the Great Lakes. Parliament in London began levying taxes and duties on the colonies without the colonists' consent. This violated a more than 150-year-old tradition of their levying their own taxes and making their own laws through their various colonial assemblies.

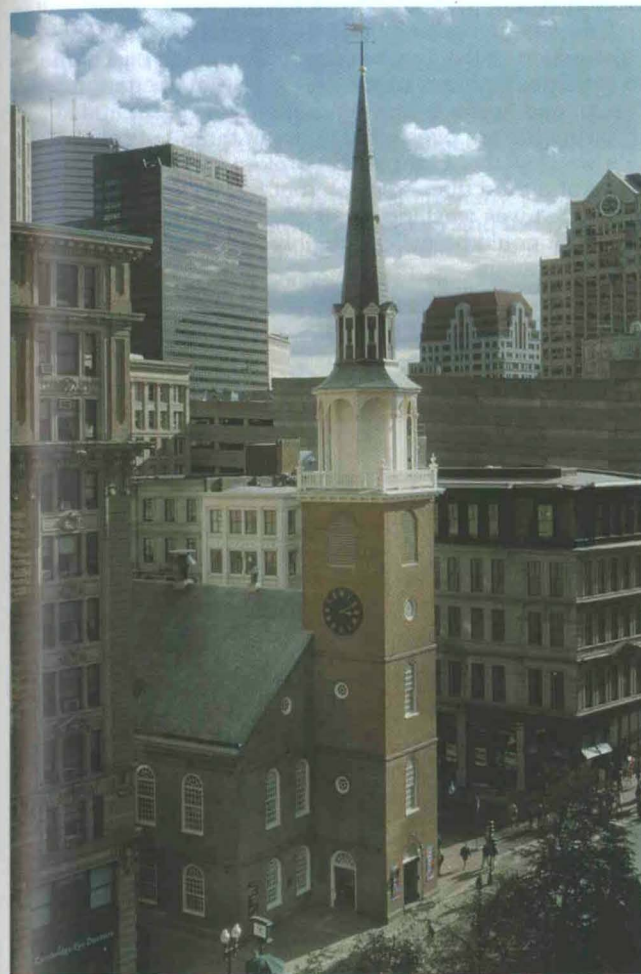
Parliament passed the Stamp Act on newspapers and legal documents in 1765. Boston responded with the Stamp Act riots and the act was repealed. Next were the Townshend Acts of 1767 taxing tea, glass, paper and painter's colors. Bostonians unified and responded by a general boycott of all British goods. In 1768, the Massachusetts Assembly sent a letter to assemblies in the other colonies calling for joint boycott action and British troops arrived from Nova Scotia to enforce customs laws. Mob action, demonstrations and boycotts kept the pot brewing and led up to the Boston Massacre on March 5, 1770, killing five. Parliament responded by repealing most of the Townshend Acts.

TEA BECOMES THE FOCAL POINT

Protest then turned to tea, England's fourth largest export to the colonies. Drinking tea was both prestigious and popular. Americans consumed 1.2 million pounds of tea a year. About 275,000 pounds came from England and the rest was smuggled in, much of it from Holland.

In May 1773, Parliament passed the Tea Act to help the British East India Company by making its agents exclusive tea sellers in America. Though it would reduce the cost of tea in the colonies by making it competitive

with the smuggled Dutch teas, it cut out American merchants from the tea trade. Colonists saw this as a sweetheart deal for handpicked men like Gov. Thomas Hutchinson's two sons and as a step toward monopolizing American imports among English sympathizers. Patriots refused to drink English tea and boycotted merchants who handled it. A town meeting of 5,000 in the fall of 1773 voted to have Hutchinson's sons resign as tea agents. They refused. The North End Caucus, a group of Patriots led by Paul Revere on Oct. 23, voted to oppose the sale of tea with their lives and their fortunes.



Like Faneuil Hall, Old South Meeting House was the scene of angry public protests during the Revolutionary Period. James Otis, Sam Adams and John Hancock all spoke from the pulpit. It was here that the signal to begin the Boston Tea Party was given. (Courtesy Stahl Associates/Sam Sweezy, photographer.)



A prominent member of the Illinois Society, Compatriot Charles Chauncey Wells is a Past President of the Fort Dearborn-Chicago Chapter, now serving as Registrar. He is first line signer of more than 60 SAR Membership Applications and is active with the Illinois State Color Guard. Often he takes on the persona of his Patriot ancestor, Thomas Wells of Boston Tea Party fame, for school and SAR/DAR groups. Holding a B.A. in journalism from Michigan State University, he worked as an editor with *The Chicago Tribune* and spent 20 years in mergers and acquisitions of TV, radio and newspaper businesses. He lives in Oak Park and is President of Chauncey Park Press and Wells Printing Company, Chicago printers/publishers. In 1998 he and his wife, Suzanne, produced *Boston's Copp's Hill Burying Ground Guide*, a 302-page book about this historic Burying Ground on Boston's North End where his ancestors are buried.



The *Beaver II* came to Boston Harbor to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the Tea Party in 1973. She sailed across the Atlantic from Weymouth, England, just as the three original ships did while laden with tea. Visitors are invited to explore the vessel's features. (Courtesy Boston Tea Party Ship & Museum.)

As with the other earlier protests, Boston Patriots coordinated with those in the other colonies like New York, Philadelphia, and Charleston, and Edenton, North Carolina, through Committees of Correspondence. Tea ships were turned back in these ports, but that plan failed in Boston.

CRISIS BUILDS IN NOVEMBER

In November, 1773, three tea ships arrived at Griffin's Wharf with British East India Company tea, much of it transhipped from Canton, China. Gov. Hutchinson

would not respond to colonists' protests and would not allow the ships to return without unloading the tea. If it stayed in port for 20 days after arrival and was not registered at the customs house, it could be seized by the Crown and sold.

Protest groups kept it from being unloaded, thinking that, once unloaded, it would be difficult to keep it from being sold. But they had to do something fast. On November 29, 1,200 aroused citizens attended a meeting at Faneuil Hall in protest. Moving to Old South Meeting House because it was larger, Patriots held two weeks of mass meetings trying to solve the crisis. Finally, on the afternoon of December 16, 1773, one last time, Gov. Hutchinson was requested to return the ships to England. His reply was not to answer the request.

As representatives returned to Old South and made their report to a crowd of 5,000, Samuel Adams is reported to have risen and said: "I can do nothing more to save the country..."

Someone else in the crowd responded: "Boston harbor, a teapot tonight." That was a signal for selected Patriots dressed as Mohawks to proceed to Griffin's Wharf, board the three ships and dump the 342 chests

of tea valued at 9,659 English pounds. As many as 150 men participated.

In his recent book, *The Shoemaker and the Tea Party* (1999 Boston, Beacon Press), Alfred F. Young divides Tea Party participants into three groups:

1. The *Invited*: 50 or so men in designated boarding parties, most dressed as Mohawk Indians.
2. The *Semi-Invited*: Volunteers who had been forewarned of the event and some of whom probably were members of St. Andrew's Masonic Lodge.
3. The *Self-Invited*: Many of them apprentices who blackened their faces, used whatever was at hand, and joined in the excitement.

DUMPING OF TEA DONE SILENTLY

This was no undisciplined wild mob, however. The Destruction of the Tea was done silently with no damage to the ships or harm to the crews. Patriots began about 6 p.m. and finished smashing open the chests and throwing the tea overboard in about three hours. The tide was low that night so the broken tea chests made more of a thud than a splash, but by daybreak the ruined tea was washing up on shore all along Boston harbor. It could be called a highly successful military-style operation.

Author's Ancestor Removed Tea Label As Souvenir

Old South Meeting House in downtown Boston may hold the most memorable artifact of the Boston Tea Party of 1773: A rice paper advertisement from Canton, China, telling the merits of the tea and dating to the time of the Tea Party.

Charles Chauncey Wells, the author of the accompanying article, and the Wells Family Assn., Midwest, donated the artifact in 1984 to Old South because it was the place of the tea debates and where the event is re-enacted each year on Dec. 16, 1773. Here is its story.

Thomas Wells, blacksmith (1746-1810), worked on Boston's wharves and participated in the Boston Tea Party. He was a member of St. Andrew's Masonic Lodge, many of whose members including Paul Revere were in the Tea Party. He lived on Ann Street near the Green Dragon Tavern, where the lodge met and within walking distance of Griffin's Wharf where Patriots dumped the tea. His brother, Cpt. John Wells, was a member of the Boston militia.



Tomb 18 in Copp's Hill Burying Ground is believed to hold the remains of Thomas Wells of the Boston Tea Party. Besides his wife, 10 or more other people are buried here. His remains may have been discarded to make room for other burials. That is typical of old New England burying grounds, a practice modern man thinks unbelievable.

Wells family history says he stuffed the tea label down his shirt as a souvenir. This was a fool-hearty and dangerous act for which he would have been severely punished by the English authorities. Patriot leaders heading the Tea Party also took a dim view of taking any souvenirs and severely punished one man who was seen taking tea away in his pockets. Thomas, however, probably had his reasons. Even at the time, the Tea Party was an important historical event. Many believed it would lead to a possible break with England. A memento from that would be something significant, a treasure of history, and a 26-year-old man will take risks older, wiser heads will avoid.

Label Passed Down Through Family

The label was passed to Thomas Wells' youngest son Jonathan, a ropemaker born in 1791, who fought in the War of 1812. He was wounded in the back and captured at the Battle of Chrysler's Farm near Cornwall, Ont., in 1813. He returned to Boston and received a pension, migrating to Cuyuga County in Central New York from 1818 - 1835, when the family moved to southwestern Michigan, near Niles. It went through several more generations before being passed to Compatriot Charles Chauncey Wells of Oak Park, IL. From his research into the family's origins in Boston, Wells authored *Boston Copp's Hill Burying Ground Guide* last year in time for the 225th anniversary of the Tea Party. The burying ground is Boston's largest and second oldest, dating back to 340 years with 11,000 burials. The 301-page book has the most complete list of Tea Party participants so far published.

His ancestor Thomas Wells is believed to be buried in Tomb 18 at Copp's Hill along with his wife Elizabeth White Wells, even though neither one's name is on the marker. Such incomplete information is unbelievable to us today, but the early Puritans of Boston were unconcerned about proper grave marking. We know definitely that she is buried there because the Boston Death Index of 1800 - 1850 lists her for Tomb 18. Thomas is listed in the index, but not his burial place. The tomb was built in 1811 and his death was late in 1810, so it is highly probable that is his

final resting-place. No other burials were made in the tomb until 1813.



This rice paper document in Chinese is believed to have been taken as a souvenir by Thomas Wells, blacksmith, who participated in the Tea Party. Coming from Canton, it says "All these years, this firm has purchased and selected good leaves from such well-known regions as Chengshan and Oo-loong and also teas of all kinds of fragrances for sale. When the honorable merchants of foreign countries patronize us, they are cordially requested to pay attention to the trade mark inside, so that there may not be any misunderstanding." Yuan Tien-fo, proprietor of Shih-mi-liao Chi Tea Company.

Participants swore themselves to secrecy. Some spoke of it only within their families, some never spoke of it, and others only revealed themselves after many years. Initially, the secrecy was because participation would have amounted to "treason" with severe punishment for anyone involved. Some kept it secret for fear of lawsuits that could possibly be brought by the British East India Company. Also, some of the families whose ancestors participated became upper class and did not want to be linked with "mob action," or associated with the mechanics or common tradesmen of the day.

When spoken of, it was always called "Destruction of the Tea." It wasn't until 50 years later that it came to be called "Boston Tea Party." At the same time, a shoemaker who had been active in the event, George Robert Twelves Hewes, surfaced as the "last survivor of the tea party" in 1834 and the people began to write about the Tea Party. Hewes wasn't the last survivor, but that designation did bring out others who participated and focused attention on it as an important Revolutionary event.

Because of the secrecy, it has taken many years for the participants to become fully known and the Boston Tea Party's true significance to be realized. Scholarship continues and the Tea Party is now being recognized as the seminal event that it is and what it contributed to the

advance of American independence.

After the Tea Party, it took more than a year before military action began on April 19, 1775, with the Battle of Lexington and Concord. Then war came right to the Boston area with the Battle of Bunker Hill June 17, 1775. Hostilities continued there until the Americans took Dorchester Heights on March 17, 1776. This forced the British to evacuate Boston and continue the war, moving to New York and ever southward, finally into the Carolinas and Lord Cornwallis' surrender at Yorktown on Oct. 19, 1781.

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While In Boston, Visit These Sites Related To Tea Party

Compatriots, when you visit Boston - particularly during the 110th Annual Congress to be held there next June - you will be surrounded by Revolutionary War history amidst towering skyscrapers. It can be an exciting experience to walk where the Patriots walked, enter the structures where they met, see where they held the famous Tea Party. Here Charles Chauncey Wells, the competent author of the accompanying article about the Party, points out some of those places you won't want to miss.

The Freedom Trail, a 2.5 mile walking route, will take you to 16 Boston historic sites including the Old State House, Faneuil Hall, Old North Church, Paul Revere House, the

ship *Constitution*, and three historic burying grounds. Some of these have admission charges and some are free. Website: www.thefreedomtrail.com

To experience the Boston Tea Party first hand, visit Old South Meeting House, 310 Washington St., downtown, where the tea debates took place before the Patriots went to Griffin's Wharf to dump the tea. Old South has a fine Tea Party exhibit with artifacts dating back 226 years and a 20-minute audio



Copp's Hill Burying Ground, dating back 340 years, features 10,000 to 11,000 graves - including that of Robert Newman, who hung two lanterns in the Old North Church steeple as described in Longfellow's eloquent poem.

presentation sure to stir your Revolutionary zeal. Show your SAR membership card for discount. Gift shop. Website: www.oldsouthmeetinghouse.com

The Boston Tea Party Ship and Museum at the Congress Street Bridge a few blocks away from Old South is well worth the walk. The *Beaver II* was reconstructed for the Tea Party's 200th anniversary and sailed over from Weymouth, England with 112 chests of tea; a photo of her appears elsewhere. Also a



The Boston Tea Party Ship and Museum gives visitors a genuine feel for those tempest-tossed times. The event is re-enacted each year in December. (Courtesy Boston Tea Party Ship & Museum, Boston.)

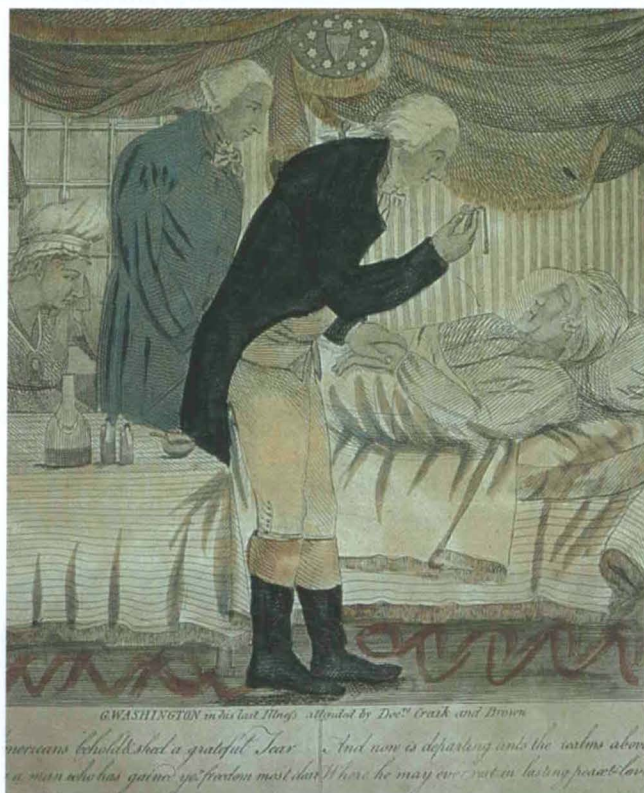
museum, exhibits, live productions. Open 9 to 6. Show your SAR card for discount. Gift shop. Website: www.historictours.com

Ancient & Honorable Artillery Museum on the 4th Floor of Faneuil Hall. This military organization remains active and dates back to 1637.

Grand Lodge of Freemasons of Massachusetts. Just off Boston Common at 186 Tremont, the Samuel Crocker Library will be of interest to SAR Freemasons. The building itself is worth the visit and still houses several active lodges like St. Andrew's and Lebanon that date back to Revolution.

Boston's Copp's Hill Burying Ground Guide has the most complete Tea Party List ever compiled; historical places you should see like the John Hancock Observatory; how to research in Boston; plus details on this largest and second oldest of Boston's Burying Grounds. Cost \$24 postage paid to Chauncey Park Press, 735 N. Grove Ave., Oak Park, IL 60302-1551. Know what to see before you go to Boston. Website: www.wells1.com

The Final Days Of George Washington



Mount Vernon owns this colored woodblock engraving of "Washington's Final Hours" showing him in bed at his Mansion attended by physicians, Drs. Craik and Brown, and his wife, Martha.



The "New Tomb" as ordered in Washington's will was not constructed until 1831. He had selected the site, but left no known design. Records indicate that Robert E. Lee, a young army engineer, was involved in the Tomb's construction. While George and Martha Washington rest peacefully in sarcophagi in the vestibule, 20 other members of the family are buried in the vault.

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After serving our fledgling country in many critical leadership roles, the greatest Patriot of all was called to eternal rest on December 14, 1799, as recounted by FPG Carl F. Bessent.

George Washington retired from the Presidency in 1797 and returned to Mount Vernon on Wednesday, March 15th after the seven-day journey by carriage from Philadelphia. Having fared the challenge of two terms in office, he was very pleased to return to the life of a plantation farmer.

During Washington's eight years absence, the Mount Vernon plantation had expanded by his purchasing adjoining properties as they became available. His property was extensive, covering nearly 8,000 acres which he divided into five farms. Every day except Sunday he mounted his horse and made a circuitous inspection of his property making notes of things that required attention.

According to his diary entry, on Thursday, December 12, 1799, it was snowing heavily; the snow changed to rain and then sleet. As Washington rode his property circuit, his clothing became very wet. He ate his dinner without changing his wet clothing.

By Saturday morning, December 14, the snow had accumulated to a three-inch depth and the temperature was below freezing. Washington remained in bed. His throat became extremely sore and he was hardly able to speak. He had the chills and was shivering. Martha stayed by his bedside to lend any assistance he needed.

PHYSICIANS CALLED TO THE MANSION

Three local physicians were summoned to Mount Vernon to attend him: Dr. Elisha Dick of Alexandria; Dr. Gustavus Brown of Port Tobacco; and Dr. James Craik of Alexandria, Washington's nearby neighbor and close friend from the Revolutionary War. They used all the medical treatments and procedures of that day. Washington was bled three times but continued to fail. He was bled a fourth time. Martha continued to stay at his bedside.

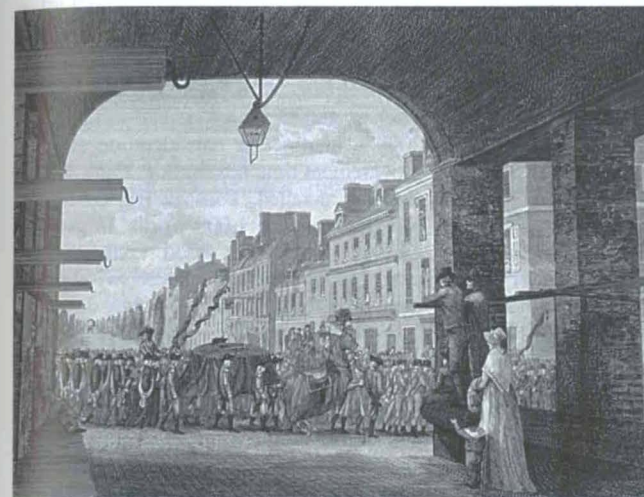
Dr. Craik was one of Washington's most intimate associates in life. Late on Saturday evening, December 14, Washington spoke softly to Dr. Craik, "Doctor, I die hard, but I am not afraid to go." George Washington remained conscious until the very last. There was not a struggle or a sigh. George Washington, "The First American," entered eternal life between ten and eleven P.M.

On Sunday evening the persons involved decided the funeral would be on Wednesday, December 18, to allow sufficient time for relatives to attend the service.

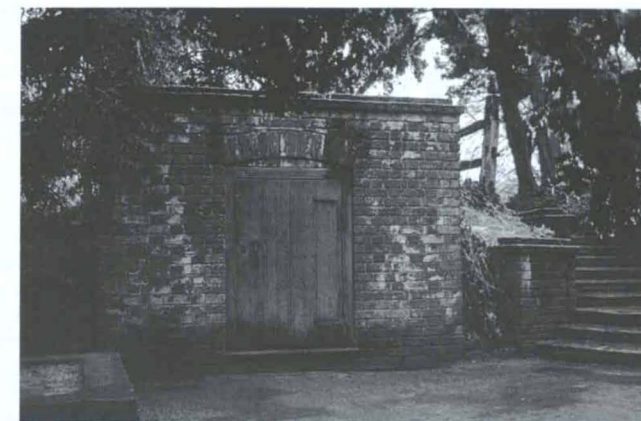
The militia, Alexandria's municipal authorities, and the Masons were informed. A mahogany lead-lined coffin was ordered. The head of the casket was adorned with the inscription, "Surge Ad Judicium"; halfway below were

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This engraving published in 1800, now owned by Mount Vernon, shows a "mock funeral" for Washington in Philadelphia that took place on December 26, 1799.



The original tomb in which Washington was buried, called the "Old Tomb," has been carefully restored. The simple structure served the Washington family for 80 years. Because it was not much more than an excavated hole in the side of a hill, Washington ordered the construction of a sturdier tomb when he wrote his last will and testament in 1799 - as shown elsewhere in this article.

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Reviewing Textbooks To Stop Distortion Of U.S. History

In 1992 the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Department of Education gave the National Center for History in the Schools at UCLA a total of \$2,200,000 to develop standards and lesson plans that would be used throughout the United States. The goal was to provide a standard curriculum and later to develop tests to measure the students' knowledge of basic information. With a common yardstick, parents and students would know how well their children and students were doing.

Unfortunately, the project was hijacked by politically-correct ideologues at UCLA. The ideologues said they simply wanted to broaden our understanding of the past by calling attention to the contribution of minority groups who had been neglected in the past – a commendable purpose. But under the camouflage of including minorities, the UCLA historians presented a left-wing version of American and world history.

In the past, previous textbooks had celebrated the growth of the United States from its beginnings as small colonies to its emergence as the world's dominant economic and military power. Men like George Washington and James Madison were acclaimed for winning independence and establishing a sound system of government. Men like Andrew Carnegie and Thomas Edison were celebrated for their contributions to industry and technology. The earlier textbooks mentioned problems: democracy had to be extended to poor whites (during the Age of Jackson), to blacks (thanks to Reconstruction and the Civil Rights Movement), and to women (with the Nineteenth Amendment); poverty was a problem, but one that receded slowly even as nagging inequalities persisted. In general, the earlier textbooks were "triumphalist." This was reflected in some of the titles: *The Great Republic*, *Triumph of the Nation*, and *Growth of the American Republic*.

New Standards Took New Tack

The new Standards, however, took a different tack. Instead of describing a triumph of American democracy, economics, and technology, the new Standards emphasized "resistance" and regarded mounting opposition to the rule of white men as the basic plot line of American history. According to the new Standards, the central story of American history dealt with people who were victims: victims of discrimination, exploitation, racism, and sexism. American history, in the words of Gary Nash, the principal author of the new Standards, was the story of outcast groups "struggl[ing] under difficult conditions and...in large and small ways, refus[ing] to submit to abuse discrimination, discrimination, and exploitation."

With this new theme, less space was devoted to statesmen, inventors, and industrialists. Instead, the Standards emphasized revolts against the established order, from important uprisings led by Daniel Shays and Nat Turner to less significant ones led by Jacob Leisler and the Paxton Boys. A declaration that emerged from a conference of feminists at Seneca Falls in 1848 received more emphasis than either the Declaration of Independence or the Gettysburg Address.

When Congress eventually recognized what was happening, the U.S. Senate, by a vote of 99 to 1, repudiated the Standards and cut off the federal funds. It is no small feat to inspire that sort of near-unanimity in the Senate. But the UCLA historians managed to achieve it.

However, the story did not end here. Sad to say, many teachers throughout the country share the priorities and prejudices of the UCLA historians. And many publishers wish above all to please teachers because teachers often choose the textbooks that will be used in their classes. Thus when the West Publishing Company came out with a new textbook in 1997 (*United States History: In the Course of Human Events*), the book was patterned consciously and closely on the Standards model.

What Delaware Is Doing

In response, groups throughout the country have been organized to review textbooks and to make recommendations to the publishers and to the people who pur-

chase books for the schools. In Delaware we have formed DETAC, the Delaware Textbook Assessment Committee, which has reviewed textbooks just as movie critics review films. The committee consists of six experienced secondary school teachers, one member of the Sons of the American Revolution, and one professor of history at the University of Delaware. With the aid of a grant from the Crystal Trust, DETAC has purchased eight copies of each of six textbooks (with the textbooks priced at as much as \$85 per book) and will publish the reviews as a pamphlet. We plan to distribute the pamphlet to the state's social studies teachers and to publishers early in the year 2000 – in time for consideration at book procurement time next spring. Each review contains detailed, constructive comments and runs to some 1,000 words. In general, DETAC found that good textbooks are available, if teachers choose wisely, but there are problems aplenty if they do not.

Here are just a few of the problems: *The American Journey*, by Joyce Appleby, Alan Brinkley, and James M. McPherson, contains so many pictures and so little text that it would not challenge even the weaker students in junior high school. Boyer's *American Nation*, seems lost in the 1930s when it portrays business in a negative light, ignores economists' emphasis on the importance of monetary policy in causing the Great Depression, and instead blames the crash on a maldistribution of wealth. And *World History: The Human Experience*, by Mounir A. Farah and

Andrea Karls, dwells on the "Red Scare" without mentioning the evidence of Communist espionage.

How Books Are Graded

Space does not permit publication of the reviews here, but we can conclude with the bottom line. DETAC graded each book on the familiar "A" through "F" scale. Here is a sneak preview of the findings:

Boyer's American Nation (Holt, Rinehart & Winston, 1998), by Paul Boyer C

The American Journey (Glencoe, 1998), by Joyce Appleby, Alan Brinkley, and James M. McPherson D

The Story of America (Holt, Rinehart & Winston, 1994), by John Garraty B+

World History: Connections to Today (Prentice Hall, 1997), by Elizabeth Ellis and Anthony Esler A-

World History: The Human Experience (Glencoe, 1999), by Mounir A. Farah and Andrea Berens Karls B-

A History of World Societies (Houghton Mifflin Company, 1996), by John P. McKay, Bennett D. Hill, and John Buckler A

Other SAR chapters may wish to do something along these lines. Here are some tips from Delaware. Form a committee of respected teachers, and it may help to have an advisor from a local university. The role of the SAR might be more as facilitator or secretary (as in Delaware) or as grantor. Make sure your reviews are constructive, and don't forget the private schools.

New England District Color Guard Formed

The first Color Guard composed of Compatriots from an entire District has been formed to represent the New England District, which consists of the Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut Societies. Identified as "The New England Contingent of SAR Color Guards/Living History Units," its purpose is to create, promote and participate in New England ceremonies and events commemorating our nation's Revolutionary War past

(such as Patriot's Day and Bunker Hill Day), act as recruiters for the SAR and to foster friendship and support between the District's State Societies.

On June 17th, Bunker Hill Day, the group participated in the 224th Anniversary Celebration of the Battle of Bunker Hill at the Bunker Hill Monument in Charleston, Massachusetts – as described in the accompanying photo. Plans are already well in work for marking the 225th celebration next year.



The entrance to the Bunker Hill Monument on Breed's Hill was the backdrop for a ceremony on Bunker Hill Day that saw participation by the new Color Guards/Living History Units. Highlights of the overall commemoration included a morning service at the Church of St. Francis de Sales, dedication speeches, a musket salute and wreath laying program. Standing in the foreground were Harry C. Orcutt (left), President of the New Hampshire Society, and Russell Wirtalla, President of the Connecticut Society.

Collaboration Makes Program Succeed

This illuminating article has been prepared by Delaware Society Compatriot Roland Downing, Ph.D., who is serving as Co-chairman of the NSSAR Task Force to Preserve Our Nation's Heritage, and Raymond Wolters, Keith Professor of History, University of Delaware.

Compatriot Downing points out that "when the obnoxious National History Standards were first issued in 1994-95, many SARs began searching for ways to defend our nation's heritage from the assault by the multiculturalists who have recently become dominant in most of our academic institutions of higher learning." In Delaware, he reports, the search led to Professor Wolters, who at the time was organizing a seminar for high school teachers to expose the distortions and the anti-Western bias contained in the newly issued Standards. "Since then we have been in continuous collabora-



Compatriot Roland Downing (left) is a Past President of the Delaware Society. Professor Raymond Wolters spoke a few years ago at a Spring meeting of the National Trustees on "Multiculturalism and the National History Standards."

tion, leading to the project discussed in this article.

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Battle Looms Over "Dumbing Down" Of Naturalization Tests and Oath

By B. Rice Aston, Co-Chairman Task Force to Preserve Our Nation's Heritage

The scene is a United States District Courtroom. A United States District judge, dressed in black judicial robes, enters the courtroom. A voice shouts: "All Rise. Hear ye, Hear ye, Hear ye, the Honorable United States District Court is now open pursuant to adjournment. God save these United States and this Honorable Court"

The judge takes his seat and the same voice says "All be seated." On the judge's right is an American flag, and in front of the bar are a Court Reporter, a United States Marshall, several dignitaries, three SAR members dressed in Revolutionary War uniforms, a representative from the INS, and 310 immigrants who are about to make the

The judge remarks "It's my privilege to have administered the oath of citizenship to you and I welcome you as American citizens. Congratulations!" One of the dignitaries makes a short speech welcoming the new Americans. The SAR members then hand out small American flags to everyone. A cheer emerges from the new citizens. The former solemn courtroom is now a place of celebration and fellowship. The new immigrants have experienced a one-on-one relationship with the United States and their fellow citizens, and the naturalization process has created a bond between the new citizen and the old.

Immigration Act Made Changes

The immigration Act of 1990 "streamlined" this process, and the historical and solemn process by which an alien becomes an American citizen is now optional. The result: where the option is followed, the process of becoming an American citizen is diminished and the one-on-one relationship between the United States and its new citizen is gone. Demands then followed that the citizenship test be shortened, made easier, more relevant, and available over the telephone and that the entire process be accomplished by mail. As immigration lawyer Mark Mancini put it wryly... "You might as well be at the Department of Motor Vehicles" (Americans No More, The Death of Citizenship, Georgie Ann Geyer, Atlantic Monthly Press, p. 5)

The immigration Act of 1990 went further: "...there is another provision by which, at one minute past midnight on Columbus Day, would-be immigrants and their lawyers can dump tens of thousands of applications into waiting bins in American post offices. The first 40,000 applications thus received will qualify automatically for the green card that signifies legal permanent residences in the United States. We were one step away from citizenship-as-lotto!" (id, p. 6).

More than 1 million immigrants will become U.S. citizens this year. To become American citizens, each must pay \$95, have lived in the United States for five years, or three married to a U.S. citizen, be of good moral character (no felony convictions), be of sound mind and speak and understand English, unless elderly or disabled, and must pass a quiz on the basics of U.S. history and government. The INS now proposes in the name of convenience and relevance making the test easier and more "up to date" and "modernizing" the oath.

The *New York Times* of May 5, 1999 carried a headline: "Pressed by Backlog, U.S. Rethinks Citizenship Test." The head of the INS stated "we intend to open this up on all fronts." The "on all fronts" is not lost upon the self-anointed; they spy a golden



transformation from alien to an American citizen. It is a very solemn occasion. The representative from the INS addresses the court: "Your honor you have before you today to be sworn in as American citizens, 310 persons. I affirm to you that they have passed all tests and have fulfilled all the requirements to become American citizens, and I recommend that they be administered the oath of citizenship."

The United States Judge says "raise your right hand and repeat after me. The aliens oblige."

"I hereby declare, on oath, that I absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty, of whom or which I have heretofore been a subject or citizen; that I will support and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States of America against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I will bear arms on behalf of the United States when required by the law; that I will perform noncombatant service in the armed forces of the United States when required by the law; that I will perform work of national importance under civilian direction when required by the law; and that I take this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; so help me God."

opportunity to make the test more acceptable to notions of political correctness, or to render it meaningless by dumbing it down. The reasons they give: the test is too hard, it makes the immigrant feel badly about himself and harms his self esteem. Next, they claim the oath of citizenship is out of date and must be changed. The requirement that the immigrant swear loyalty to only the United States is seen as conflicting with the belief in a dual/world citizenship, the promise to defend the United States is too militaristic, and the oath which ends in "so help me God" is too religious. In conflict is the self-anointed's vision of a postmodern, secularized, politically correct, and tribalized America, and the vision of Americans as diverse peoples of faith melded into one people. At risk is the process whereby

the bonds of citizenship between the new citizen, his country, and his fellow Americans are formed and strengthened and the understanding of a unique, transforming American identity. The outcome is not yet decided.

Dr. John Fonte of the Hudson Institute, who wrote so eloquently about the pernicious and politically correct National History standards, issues a warning. He strongly opposes any change in the oath, and promises to work to the end that "not one word of the oath is changed". He views changes to the test with apprehension and promises to closely follow proposed changes.

We have shared this information with many other patriotic organizations and will keep you advised as the battle unfolds.

Louisville SARs Welcome Citizens

In early October the Kentucky Society's Louisville-Thruston Chapter played a key role in welcoming new citizens during Naturalization Ceremonies in the United States District Court, Western District of Kentucky, at Louisville.

On hand for the impressive program were President Jack J. Early and members of the Color Guard: Commander Daniel N. Klinck and J. Dan Allen. Altogether, 44 persons from 19 countries were given the Oath of Allegiance and made to feel comfortable in their new home.

Compatriot Early spoke about the founding of our Republic and the challenge to keep freedom alive. He pointed out that freedom was not a license, but rather carried with it moral responsibility. During his remarks, Color Guardsmen removed their hats in a salute and held that pose until he was finished. Representatives from the local DAR John Marshall Chapter gave out American Flags.

The three SARs were also on hand at a similar ceremony in August. Plans call for continuing this new tradition in the future.



Welcoming a young man from China were (from left) Compatriots Daniel N. Klinck, J. Dan Allen and Chapter President Jack J. Early.



Every new citizen - in this case a woman from India - was given a package of educational and other materials. Welcoming her was Color Guard Commander Daniel N. Klinck and Guardsman J. Dan Allen.



New citizens strolled through a receiving line to be greeted by representatives of a variety of organizations, including the SAR and DAR.

National Archives Being Modernized

For more than 2000 years, America's Charters of Freedom - the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights - have embodied the guiding principles of our nation. As we approach the turn of a new century, the National Archives and Records Administration is seeking private-sector help for a major project to renovate the Charters' home on Pennsylvania Avenue. The Charters of Freedom Project will combine public and private funding to preserve the Charters, create exhibits to explain their meaning, and renovate the National Archives Building to enable more people to learn about them through research and educational programs.

On July 1, in the National Archives Rotunda, President and Mrs. Clinton announced a gift of \$1 million from AT&T to inaugurate the project. The First Lady commended the public-private partnerships that, by helping to save America's treasures, are our generation's gift to the future.

With the help of the Administration, the Congress, and private-sector partners, NARA plans to begin much-needed renovation of the Charters' home - not only the soaring Rotunda but the entire building. Within the Rotunda a new display area will allow visitors to view all the pages of the Constitution. The two huge murals (*The Declaration of Independence* and *The Constitution*) by Barry Faulkner that have adorned the Rotunda for more than 60 years are now showing the effects of age. These works of art will be repaired and restored so they may last well into the next century.

Also planned is a large new permanent exhibit area to tell the story of the evolution of our democratic form of government from its antecedents in the Magna Carta to our Charters of Freedom to the present day. Another new gallery will house temporary exhibits of documents from the holdings of the National Archives and the Presidential libraries.

A bigger, more conveniently located theater will showcase films and lectures, and a new conference center will host genealogical classes as well as programs on constitutional and other topics. This will facilitate improved service to school groups and large tour groups in the new education center, where original documents, facsimiles, films, and computers will enable visitors to learn more about our government and themselves.

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Oregon Society Continental Brigade Performs In Rose Festival Parade

At the request of the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association, which owns George Washington's beloved home in Virginia, the Oregon Continental Brigade accompanied the Association's float in the Portland Rose Festival's Floral Parade in June. The Brigade is an arm of the Oregon Society.

Dressed in authentic uniforms of a typical Continental Line regiment raised in Pennsylvania, the Brigade's Color Guard and Fife and Drum Corps provided a dra-



Here is how the Brigade appeared marching in front of the float entered in the parade by the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association. Black cocked hats, regimental uniform coats and white military overalls are worn by all members except the drummers, who don white "Riflemen's Coats", a garment which George Washington at one point in 1775 wanted to adopt as a distinctively American uniform for the entire army. Carrying the flag was Larry H. Mylnchuk, Past President of the Lewis & Clark Chapter now serving as Vice-President General for the Pacific District.

matic accompaniment to the prize-winning float, which recreated the famous painting of Washington crossing the Delaware. The parade, the nation's fifth largest, is the high point of the city's century-old Rose Festival and was watched by a half million spectators along its four-mile route. It was seen on television by an estimated 15 million viewers throughout the nation.

As Compatriots are aware, the Association has been engaged in a year-long effort to commemorate the bicentennial of George Washington's death on December 14, 1799. The guiding spirit for the parade entry was Mrs. Mabel Bishop of Portland, a member of the organization.

Brigade Roots Only Six Years Old

The Brigade had its genesis only six years ago when William Cannon Chapter President Robert Crane decided to try to generate public recognition for the SAR by providing a few members to march in a Veterans Day parade in Vancouver, Washington. Next year Compatriots Malcolm Boyd and Arlen Clark, joined by two prospective SARs, Bill Young and Duane Gesler - all black-powder shooters - decided to wear buckskins and carry their

long rifles and powder horns to the parade and even let off a few "volleys" en route.

From that small beginning grew the present Brigade, which this year added a seven-person fife and drum corps. And it should be emphasized that participation is not restricted to members of the Society. As Compatriot Boyd states it: "We started the Brigade as a means of publicizing the SAR and attracting new members, but it soon became obvious that many interested men were either not eligible for membership or were not all that keen on doing a lot of genealogical research."

The Brigade's Color Guard carries working replicas of the Brown Bess musket, which was the standard infantry weapon of both the British and American armies, along with equally authentic bayonets, cartridge boxes and canteens. The group's inventory of flags is equally authentic. For the Floral Parade, in addition to one of the 18th century variations of the Stars and Stripes, the Guard carried a replica of George Washington's own personal standard as Commander-in-Chief - a blue field with 13 six-pointed stars of unique design.

Also Participates In Encampments

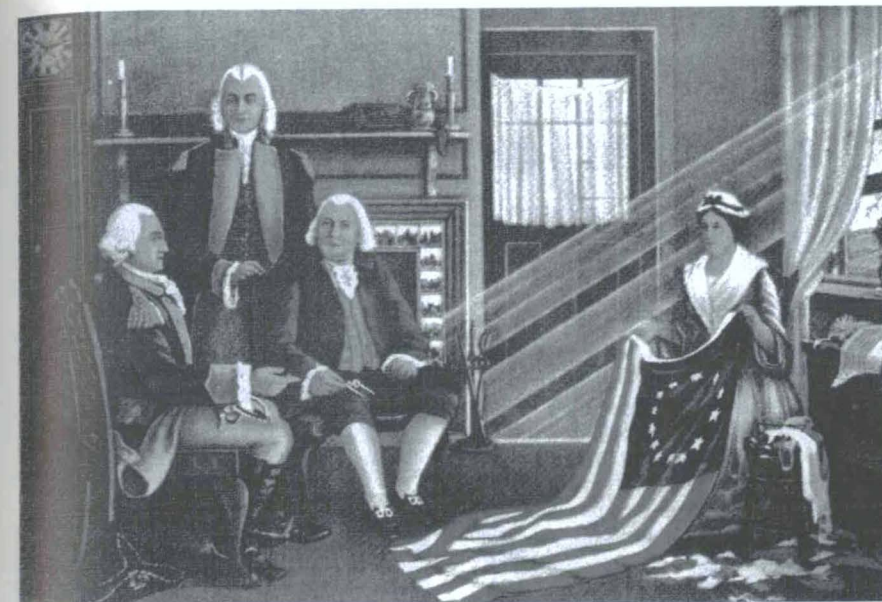
In addition to marching in parades, the Brigade stages encampments and attends those held by the Oregon Military Historical Society. Here they erect a replica of Washington's marquee tent, the original of which is in the Smithsonian, and display a panoply of reproductions of Revolutionary War artifacts inside. These range from



The Ladies' Association float depicted George Washington crossing the Delaware as depicted in the famous painting.

weapons and furniture to articles of clothing and personal items, all of which belong to individual Brigade members.

Editor's Note: Special thanks are extended to Compatriot Malcolm W. Boyd for the information he supplied for this news story. A Past President of the William Cannon Chapter, he now serves as Adjutant of the Brigade. Thanks also go to Vern Uetake for the accompanying photos.



"The Birth of Our Nation's Flag" painting depicts (from left): General George Washington, Hon. George Ross, Robert Morris and Betsy Ross. In 1952 it appeared on a United States stamp to commemorate the 200th anniversary of her birth.

Donations Needed To Restore Painting

"The Birth of Our Nation's Flag", a huge painting measuring 9' x 12' as rendered by Charles H. Weisberger in the 1890s, is in need of restoration prior to being placed on permanent display at the Betsy Ross House in Philadelphia.

According to information supplied to the magazine by Winchell S. Carroll, a member of the Philadelphia-Continental Chapter, the work is now owned by the artist's grandson, Charles II, a resident of Florida. He wants to donate the painting to the Betsy Ross House if some \$35,000 can be raised for its restoration and framing. He reports that his Chapter has pledged \$5,000 towards the project - and is asking SARs in general to donate to the cause. Details on how to do this are spelled out at the end of

this news story. "We expect to be able to unveil it on Flag Day next year," Compatriot Carroll states.

First Shown In 1893

The painting is a depiction of Betsy Ross displaying the original flag to George Washington and the Flag Committee. First exhibited at the 1893 Columbian Exposition in Chicago, this image was the stimulus that elevated Betsy to her position of national prominence as an historic figure.

This representation of the Betsy Ross story created such interest that in 1895 the painting was reproduced as a chromolithograph by the newly formed Betsy Ross Memorial Foundation and sold to over two million people for a ten-cent subscription fee. The money raised was used to purchase and preserve the American Flag House, the building at 239 Arch Street, Philadelphia, where Ross made that first flag.

Despite its initial popularity, the painting itself was lost to the public. It was returned to the artist's family when her popularity waned.

Compatriot Carroll emphasizes that his Chapter has a long relationship with the Betsy Ross House. "In 1937," he recalls, "Atwater Kent was President of our Chapter. He donated \$67,000 through the Chapter towards restoration of the building. There is an appropriate plaque at the house recognizing the generosity of the SAR."

Restoration Donations Welcome

Donations in support of the project should be sent to Historic Philadelphia, Inc., 510 Walnut Street, Suite 402, Philadelphia, PA 19106. Since this organization is designated a non-profit 501(c)(3) one, donations are tax deductible. Be sure to specify that your gift is for restoring the painting.

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South Central District Meeting Draws Record Attendance In Recent Years

By John C. Haughton, Secretary/Treasurer South Central District

Members of the South Central District answered the call to Muster for their Annual Meeting in a big way! All five State Societies comprising the District (Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas) were represented with the largest turn-out in many years. Altogether, nearly 60 delegates and ten visitors attended meetings and a workshop, with over 40 ladies participating in their program and joining SARs for meals. The event was staged at the Harvey House Hotel in Dallas on August 27 and 28.

The gathering was called to order on Friday evening by Oklahoma Compatriot Charles W. Britton, who is serving as Vice-President General for the District. This was



An accomplished musician, Texas Society President Frank Gibson entertained attendees with a "ditty" or two during a banquet.

followed by presentation of the Colors by the Color Guard, which utilized a full set of seven flags owned by the District. Adding drama were the flags of the 13 colonies provided by the Dallas Chapter, which acted admirably as host. As part of the opening festivities, Texas Society President Frank Gibson brought greetings by singing a song (or "ditty") specially written for the event—he also taught everyone to say "HOWDY" in true Texas spirit.

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The keynote speaker was President General Howard F. Horne, Jr. He stressed the need for SARs to work in the community, restoring patriotic awareness and public trust in all levels of government.

Saturday Business Session

The Saturday morning business session was filled with reports from the District's State Societies, the election of Past Texas Society President Robert Coker as the next Vice-President General, the endorsement of candidates for national offices, and an exchange of ideas and recommendations regarding the Headquarters Staff between attendees and the PG and other General Officers who were on hand.

A major highlight was a Workshop sponsored by the Oklahoma Society: "Reaching out! (to the community)...an opportunity for local chapters and state societies of the Sons of the American Revolution to further the ideals of our organization while also spotlighting and promoting SAR." Covering a wide variety of topics—such as use of the SAR Color Guard and recognition of work done by SAR members—the program focused on the importance and impact of the four National Youth Programs.

That morning the ladies also met, hosted by Mrs. Frank Gibson. Their program included entertainment by two speakers: Mrs. Henry Fife played the role of Martha Washington, as she visited with the ladies and talked about the life of her husband; and Dr. Rose-Mary Rumbly who spoke about "John Adams' Big Mistake", recounting how his interference with his daughter's marriage plans backfired.



Taking their places at the head table during the Saturday business session were (from left): Edward Gray (MOSSAR), Acting Parliamentarian; Howard F. Horne, Jr., President General; Charles W. Britton (OKSSAR), SCD Vice-President General; and Clovis H. Brakebill (TXSAR), Former President General.



Edward Gray, a member of the Missouri Society who is a Past Vice-President General for the South Central District, was offered a crystal eagle by President General Howard F. Horne, Jr.; he was recognized for his many years of continuous support of NSSAR programs.



Barkley Miller, President of the Texas Society's Plano Chapter, displayed a special certificate he received on behalf of his Chapter from President General Howard F. Horne, Jr. His unit was recognized for Outstanding Achievements in 1998-99.

Stalwart SARs Transport Big Cannon From West Virginia To Headquarters

Several months ago then President General Russell D. Page, his wife June, and then Vice-President General Raymond G. Musgrave and his wife Twila purchased a replica of a Revolutionary War 3-pounder cannon for display in our Museum at Louisville.

In early September the weapon was transported from Fort Randolph in West Virginia by five stalwart members of that state's Society to Louisville. They were Compatriots Musgrave, Roger Long, B. George Lamp, Sr., John Sauer and Finlay J. Coles. As shown in the accompanying

photos, maneuvering it around took some doing. On hand to help with the move was Museum Board Chairman William C. Gist. Quite a great example of what SARs will do for their Society!

The "Long Cannon", a similar replica manufactured by the same firm in Ohio and which had been on temporary display, was returned to its block house location at Fort Randolph. There it is used in ceremonial firings and during the Point Pleasant Battle Days Celebration held every October. Compatriot Musgrave is a Past President of the local Point Pleasant Chapter.



The 3-pounder was maneuvered for entry...



...then guided past the Liberty Bell



...then rolled through the Museum



...and placed in position and "tested."



After removing the cannon from a truck, these Compatriots found that no damage had occurred during transit (from left): John Sauer, Roger Long, Raymond Musgrave, Museum Chairman William C. Gist and George Lamp, Sr. Not present when this photo was taken was Finlay J. Coles. All except Gist are members of the Point Pleasant Chapter-West Virginia Society Color Guard.

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Married to Twila Blair Jordan of Houston, Texas
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HONORING OUR PATRIOT ANCESTORS

Georgia Compatriot Robert F. Galer, Chairman of the Revolutionary War Graves Committee, offers a diversity of tips on locating, marking and registering grave sites.

The objective of the National Society's Grave Marking Program is to place an approved SAR Patriot Marker at the grave site of every military veteran and civilian Patriot of the Revolutionary War, and to conduct a dedication ceremony. If a tombstone does not exist, the installation of a VA tombstone is considered a marker.

Interested in having your Patriot Ancestor's grave marked but are unable to do it because of the physical distance involved? Well, maybe there is a solution. How about YOU putting the package together and coordinating with a fellow Society or Chapter in another state to conduct the service for you! How would this work? First, you would contact the State Society President, or Chapter President to secure assistance. Equipped with all the necessary information and logistics, they would voluntarily provide a dignified dedication service to honor your Patriot Ancestor. Here's what it would take:

1. Secure the assistance of a sponsoring Chapter nearest the grave and provide proof that the Patriot qualifies under SAR guidelines.
2. Provide appropriate biographical information about the ancestor along with a

mailing list of known descendants. Indicate if you will attend the service once the date is established by the sponsoring Chapter.

3. Determine if the Patriot has a grave-stone. If not, you can order one free from the Veterans Affairs Administration using VA Form 40-1330 (obtained from your nearest VA cemetery or funeral director). Order either granite or marble markers which weigh 130 pounds. A normal VA headstone weighs 230 pounds, so special permission needs to be obtained in asking a Chapter to handle one this size.

4. If delivery is desired at another location than your own, VA Form 40-1330 must be first forwarded for signature (Block 22) of the person who will receive the drop shipment.

5. If a gravestone exists, order an SAR Patriot Marker, using the merchandise order form in *The SAR Magazine*.

The 5" bronze marker, or even the 8" bronze marker, is normally used. It's your responsibility to pay for the marker.

6. In either case of (3) or (4) above, have the marker shipped directly to a designated individual in the sponsoring Chapter.

7. Provide detailed information on the location of the cemetery and where the grave is located.

8. Write up a news item, with photos, for *The SAR Magazine* and your State and Chapter newsletters. Fill out a Grave Registry Form for SAR.

From start to finish, the entire process takes about five months. Depending on the location of the grave, the weather could also add to the time required to accomplish the task.

Once plans have been finalized and the dedication service conducted, both you and the sponsoring Chapter will feel a source of pride in bringing alive the memory of a Patriot too long forgotten.

Here's A Good Example

Out-of-state grave marking may take different forms, and can include individuals and organizations in alliance with SAR.

Last Spring, in ceremonies held in the Sugar Creek Baptist Cemetery, Centerville, Ohio, the grave of Revolutionary War soldier Felix Hoover was marked with a VA tombstone. The grave had previously been marked over 60 years before by the Richard Montgomery Chapter of OHSSAR of Dayton, but the marker had long since been lost and the exact location of the grave was in doubt until recently.

Present at the dedication were family members representing three generations of the Patriot's descendants. The Colors were posted by the local VFW Color Guard, and the Mayor of Centerville was the featured speaker. Felix Hoover lived in three Ohio counties, so Regents and members from four area DAR Chapters were in attendance. The grave dedication ceremony was conducted by the President of the Montgomery Chapter, Robert Keen, who spoke the eulogy for Private Hoover and all Revolutionary War Patriots. The grave was marked again. The President of the local Historical Society was the Master of Ceremonies. The dedication received extensive media coverage, being taped for broadcast by the local television outlet.

The placing of the new stone marker was the culmination of nearly eight years of research by Barbara J. Hodalski, a descendant of the soldier. She is the Regent of the Sara De Soto Chapter, FLSDAR of Sarasota

and spouse of FLSSAR Genealogist Frank X. Hodalski, Saramana Chapter, who participated in the ceremony in uniform.

Grave Marking Enhances Membership Renewals

Interested in involving your Chapter in grave marking? Well, the graves are hard to find and the cemeteries can be, too! But remember, there is a lot of community interest in this program and people are willing to help. Use these resources.

Chapter members can be involved in handling each part of the program. Other members will follow, so that over time all Chapter members are included in either speaking or non-speaking parts. The marking program provides a unique opportunity



As discussed in the accompanying news article, the grave site of Patriot Felix Hoover was appropriately marked in late May of this year. Among the numerous attendees were (from left): Frank Hodalski, his grandson Clayton and Robert R. Keen, President of the Ohio Society's Richard Montgomery Chapter. Compatriot Hodalski's wife, Carol, is a descendant of Hoover.

to include everyone whereas some other programs, such as ROTC awards, Scouting, etc. are limited to a few participants. The marking program enhances membership renewals. Other societies and community individuals can be involved.

Sending out press releases to interested media in search of descendants, inviting the community and interested special groups to attend, and tailoring the program to specific circumstances have been hallmarks of marking ceremonies by the Piedmont Chapter, GASSAR. This Chapter, in a series of ten grave marking dedications this year, have highlighted a unique aspect of the Patriot to be honored.

For instance, Patriot James Adams built a nearby log cabin that syndicated *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* columnist Celestine Sibley lived in. She was invited to the service and wrote an article about the grave marking which led to 70 attendees - to a lone grave off in the woods on a hilltop! On another occasion, the three Patriots being marked were all of Scottish descent. Three

Scottish Clans were contacted; some members attended and included a cover article in their newsletter. The Chapter was wise enough to tailor the service to the unique characteristics of the Scots, and the Adjutant General of the national Scottish-American Military Society (SAMS) drove 750 miles to participate in the service. This service received extensive coverage in the Sunday newspaper.

Another marker dedication was planned in a metropolitan area centered around 13 Middle and High Schools where the Chapter customarily presented ROTC leadership medals. Invitations went out to all 13 JROTC's to participate in the ceremony. This provided those who accepted with a part of history that is only taught through textbooks in the fifth grade; it provided the young people with an opportunity to see what the Sons of the American Revolution is all about.

Special features used by the Piedmont chapter are using a flag flown over the United States Capitol for use in the unveiling and wreath laying part of the service. Four members muster in uniform, one with a militia hunting shirt and musket. They have a bagpiper whose talents add considerably to the occasion. Patriotic music is supplied by a tape recorded especially for them by a U.S. Army Band. Drum and fife music supplements the posting and retiring of Colors, unveiling of the marker(s) and wreath laying.

What better way to honor a Patriot than to tailor the marking and dedication ceremony to his or her particular background!

Standard Procedures For Grave Marking

It is hoped that Grave Marking has caught your attention and will become a part of your State and Chapter programs. The SAR

Graves Committee has printed model, suggested operating procedures for the various aspects of Patriot grave marking:

- Grave Marking Service Planning Guide
- Grave Marking for SAR Ancestors in Another State
- Grave Marking Service Planning Guide
- Sample Invitation
- Sample Program
- Sample Press Release
- Sample Service Layout
- Sample Report to *The SAR Magazine*
- Grave Registry form

They can be obtained from any member of the NSSAR Revolutionary War Graves committee.

Your Help Is Vitaly Needed

Those who read this may have noticed by now the pending publication of the latest edition of the RWGR2 CD. But help is needed to accumulate graves sufficient for a third edition in 2002. Many additional graves and lists need to be found. We want to maintain in permanent form the last resting places of the men and women who won our liberty.

The Revolutionary War Graves committee asks you to help find the next batch of Patriot graves. Anyone who knows about graves or graves lists, contact the National Headquarters with the information, and hopefully a photo, of the grave site. The Grave Registry form is ideal for this purpose; it is available from Merchandise Direct, NSSAR or the web page at SAR.org.

Think of the excitement of finding one of our Patriots and possibly helping another to find the location of an ancestor! Or helping to pinpoint a location that will pique the interest of a Chapter Graves Chairman

Grave's Registry Forms On Microfilm

The National Society announced recently that Graves Registry Forms received from July 1993 through May, 1999 were microfilmed in June and July, 1999 by the Genealogical Society of Utah (LDS Church). Coordination was with the Revolutionary War Graves Committee.

The five rolls of over 5,000 exposures are available in the NSSAR Library in Louisville. They may be requested by catalog number at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah or through any Mormon Family History Center throughout the world.

As in the eight rolls of previous Grave Registry Forms that were microfilmed in 1996, the forms, with attachments, were filmed in order of ascending surname of the Patriot. In a library catalog, the 'author' will likely be the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the 'title' Revolutionary War Grave Registry Forms, although the title may vary.

The assigned LDS catalog numbers for the latest rolls of film are:

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The Grave Registry Forms will be returned, with attachments and/or photos, on or about March 2000 to the main reference room of the NSSAR Library for ready reference by the public.



In mid-April the Georgia Society's Atlanta and Piedmont Chapters gathered at the Old Decatur Cemetery for a ceremony that saw the marking of three Patriot grave sites: James McNeil, John Hays and John Moffett. **LEFT:** Edgar B. Sterrett, Jr. (at lectern) Society President and a Piedmont Chapter member, offered a dedication talk. At his right was Former President General James R. Westlake and a Georgia Compatriot; he served as Master of Ceremonies. **RIGHT:** The Colors were posted and retired by the Society's Color Guard. The bagpiper was Piedmont Compatriot John Mortison, while at his left was Mark Hughes, Acting Principal Trumpet of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra who sounded Taps at the conclusion of the service.



seeking to conduct a grave marking ceremony. This project is going to need a lot of helpers.

Many Grave Sites Yet Unmarked

Most graves will be east of the Mississippi River; hundreds, even thousands more, are waiting to be discovered and reported in Virginia, South Carolina, Louisiana and other states. Graves have been found in Oregon, Texas, and California. More are waiting in Quebec, New York, France and Spain. This is a job that should appeal to every Compatriot.

We need help. It is imperative that we find as many graves as possible before weather erases the tombstone, or a farm with a perishable grave on it is sold to an uncaring developer, or old cemeteries have deteriorated, unknown to municipal officials who are responsible. Already we have lost the ability to read some inscriptions.

New "Graves Register" Coming As CD

The "Millennium Edition" of the *Revolutionary War Graves Register*, as a CD, will be available March 31, 2000, according to Robert F. Galer, Chairman of the Revolutionary War Graves Committee. It will be priced at \$29.95, plus \$5 shipping.

The CD will be twice the size of the first edition, revealing the names and burial locations of 110,000 soldiers, sailors and civilian Patriots and 35,000 spouses.

The initial *Graves Register* was published in a 1993 book of 54,000 graves. The same data was published on compact disc in 1998 along with 15,000 spouse names.

Americans who lived in the 13 original colonies from New Hampshire to Georgia make up the bulk of the entries. They include 280 women Patriots and additional graves of the thousands of black soldiers and sailors who served the cause of independence. There are more Canadian graves and those of the French Allies who died on land or sea, or returned to their country.

Also included are 300 Louisiana Patriots, of half a dozen nationalities, who fought with Bernardo de Galvez, and are in the *Register* for the first time. There are 200 soldiers of New Spain who served in the Presidios and Missions of Alta California, Spain having declared war on England in 1779. It has been estimated that tens of thousands of their descendants are Americans today, with the males being potential SARs.

We need to borrow existing lists of cemeteries that include Revolutionary War graves sites; these lists often lie forgotten and unused on county library shelves or cemetery sexton's offices. Copies are needed before they are forgotten. The more specific the information the better, but any is valuable: name, birth, death, cemetery, town, county and state of burial and rank and state of service. Spouse names are helpful for genealogical purposes. The spouse is usually buried beside the Patriot.

State Societies and Chapters should establish and maintain a graves marking program. Patriotic organizations can be enlisted to help - the Daughters of the American Revolution, Sons of the Revolution, Children of the American Revolution and the American Legion. In the eastern United States, and in Quebec and the maritime provinces, genealogical and historical societies can help.

Patriot Soldiers Had A Rough Life

"Oh, for the Life of a Private in the Continental Army" was the provocative title of a presentation before the September meeting of New Jersey Society's Jockey Hollow Chapter by Eric P. Olsen, Park Ranger-Historian at Morristown National Historical Park. While dressed in the 18th century uniform of "Sergeant Martin", he attempted to enlist volunteers just as a recruiting sergeant might have done some 220 years ago.



Upon the completion of his enlightening presentation about Revolutionary War soldiers at the September meeting of the Jockey Hollow Chapter, Park Ranger-Historian Eric P. Olsen (left) was warmly thanked by President John Moller.

He noted that anyone enlisting in the Army in the 1770s, who accepted without question everything a recruiter promised, was convinced he would be "well uniformed, well equipped, well fed, well paid and well rewarded at the successful conclusion of the War of Independence. Unfortunately, the gap between what was promised and what was delivered often proved somewhat abysmal."

He pointed out that for poor men or recent immigrants such offers held great appeal. "Regrettably," he stated, "the Continental government frequently was unable to honor these commitments."

Mr. Olsen also discussed how rank-and-file soldiers faced the Army's winter encampments in Morristown; first, in 1777, following the Battle of Trenton, and then in what he described as the "worst winter of the century", 1779-80. "Historians have given the winter at Valley Forge much greater notice," he observed, "because upwards of 3,000 soldiers died there, while at Morristown only 100 suffered death through exposure. Most of the 13,000 troops who camped in this area were hardened veterans; they had learned how to cope in freezing weather."

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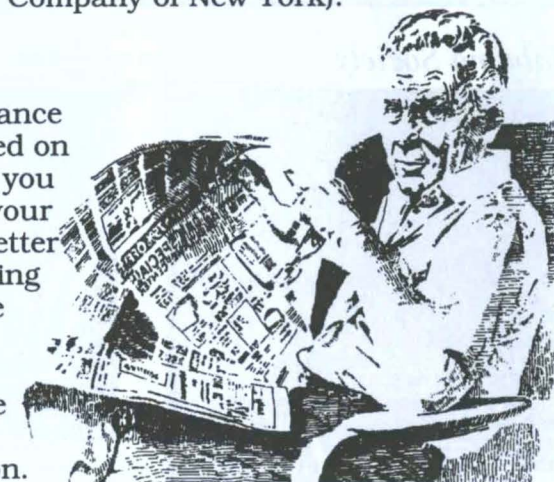
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Alabama Society



Frank A. Patten (left), a member of the **Tri State Chapter** and Chairman of the City of Ozark George Washington Bicentennial Committee, was on hand when Mayor Bob Bunting signed a Proclamation calling for an observance of the Bicentennial concurrent with Constitution Day, September 17. (Photo by R. Kemp.)

Arizona Society

A big project this year for the **Prescott Chapter** was staging of their Third Annual Ice Cream Social, which netted nearly \$600 that was donated to Meals on Wheels to feed 30 homebound people for a month. A key to success was the sale of advance tickets to local residents by a number of Compatriots, many of whom also pitched in the day of the event to help make it a success. The ideal setting was the beautiful activity room serving the Las Fuentes Resort Village.

This year's rodeo parade sponsored by Las Fuentes saw **Prescott Chapter** members supplying a Color Guard. Dave Blood carried the Betsy Ross Old Glory, while Jeff Barshay handled an SAR Flag. Rounding out the Guard was Bob Wixon, who fielded the George Washington Bicentennial Flag.

Arkansas Society



A recent meeting of the **DeSoto Trail Chapter** at Hot Springs witnessed the presentation of awards to three men by President Bobby G. Jolly (second from right): Gary Ashcraft (left), Hot Springs Chief of Police, Law Enforcement Commendation Medal; Kenneth Wheatley III (next to the Chief), Bronze Good Citizenship Medal; and LaRoy Cornett, a retired FBI agent now serving as Director of Security and Fire Protection for Hot Springs Village, Law Enforcement Commendation Medal. Mr. Wheatley was recognized for his extensive service for many years to the community, including with various boards and commissions.

California Society

About a dozen members of the **South Coast Chapter** were on hand to man their booth at the Orange County Fair in July. The event, designed for educational and recruitment purposes, was staffed daily from early morning until nightly closing over a period of several days.

Over 30 Compatriots and guests attending the May meeting of the **Thomas Jefferson Chapter** in Alameda were treated to an interesting talk by a decorated veteran of the Vietnam War, Sgt. Rios. He recounted stepping on a land mine, becoming a triple amputee. However, he later earned two Masters Degrees and is currently employed by the Department of Labor, Veterans Employment and Training Services. He is proud that his son, a graduate of the United States Naval Academy, is now a Marine Corps aviator.

All news stories about State and Chapter events appearing here and elsewhere in the magazine are prepared from materials submitted through a variety of means, including press releases and newsletters (which should be directed to the Editor at the address shown page 3). Please note the deadlines at the left.

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

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



Harbor Chapter Vice President Ben Oliver Millar was pleased to present the JROTC Medal to Cadet Omar Reyes of the Navy Unit at Woodrow Wilson High School in Long Beach. The ceremony took place in early June.

The full-color photo that appeared on the lower left of page 4 of the Summer 1999 issue of the magazine inadvertently identified California Compatriot Harold Worrell as Harold Morrell.



When Memorial Day Services were staged at the Civic Center in Santa Ana, the **Orange County Chapter** was represented by President Larry J. Magerkurth (left foreground) and Past President Jim Blauer. They are shown saluting after placement of a wreath at the base of the Korean War Memorial, which is located on the Walk of Honor Memorials.

Connecticut Society

In mid-June the **Captain Matthew Mead Branch** held a special program at Putnam College to celebrate and memorialize the lives of six Patriots buried in Christ



Church Cemetery. They were joined by members of the DAR Putnam Hill Chapter. Speakers included Society President Russell W. Wirtalla.

Members of the **Gen. Oliver Wolcott Branch** gathered in mid-August along with family members to hold a Memorial Service for the late Compatriot Robert H. Scribner at Noble Horizons in Salisbury. Among those participating was President James E. Newton. An SAR marker had already been placed at his grave site.



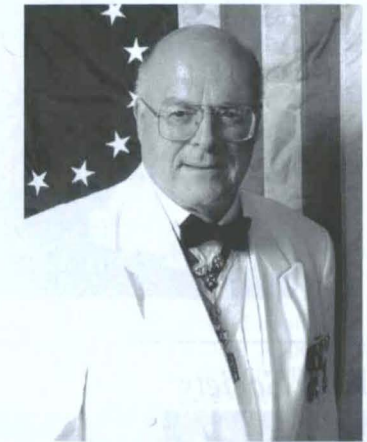
Over the Fourth of July weekend, members of the **Gen. Israel Putnam Branch** marched in the Independence Day Parade in Columbia and placed markers at the grave sites of seven Patriots buried in the Dobsonville Cemetery at Vernon. One of the Patriots served under Gen. Putnam. Shown as participants were (from left): George Modgett, Lee Gerlander and Randal Gerlander.

Colorado Society



A highlight of the Society's Annual Meeting in February was presentation of the Bronze Eagle Trophy to Eagle Scout Caleb Horn; he had been sponsored by the **Pikes Peak Chapter**. Doing the honors at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs was Eagle Scout Committee Chairman John Mott.

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During a recent meeting of the Society, the Spirit of '76 Unit from the DAR Namaqua Chapter related the story behind the famous painting after which the Chapter is named.

Dakota Society



The Society celebrated its 100th anniversary in April at Rapid City, South Dakota, with these Compatriots and guests joining in the festive event. The South Dakota Society was chartered in April of 1899, while the North Dakota Society received its charter in 1911. In 1980 the two merged to form the Dakota Society. Honored guests included North Central District Vice-President General and Mrs. Robert E. Millett.

District of Columbia Society

In late July the historic old Willard Hotel in Washington, DC was the delightful setting for the Annual Atlantic Middle States Conference, which combines the North Atlantic and Mid-Atlantic Districts (comprised of the New Jersey, New York, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and District of Columbia Societies). Among the distinguished guests were President General and Mrs. Howard F. Horne, Jr. In addition to business sessions and an interesting Smithsonian tour for the ladies, the program was highlighted by a formal banquet which featured an address by Virginia Congressman Tom Davis. Serving as Master of Ceremonies for the banquet was DC Society President J.P. London. The Conference was coordinated by DCSSAR Compatriot Charles Wickliffe Caldwell III, his committee and Executive Secretary Sunni Bond Winkler.



Among the numerous dignitaries on hand for the Conference were (from left): Congressman Tom Davis of Virginia, President General Howard F. Horne, Jr., and the President of the District of Columbia Society, Capt. J.P. London, USNR (Ret).

Florida Society



The Ft. Lauderdale Chapter participated in the Annual Flag Day Ceremony sponsored by the Broward County Chapter of the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge. Carrying the Betsy Ross Flag were Compatriot Harry Young (left), Past National Trustee, and Oscar Kraehenbuehl, Past Chapter President. The program was at Jack Kaye Memorial Park.



To help make sure that Boy Scouts had an opportunity to participate in Summer Camp, the Major John Devane Chapter gave a monetary donation to Troop 56. Making the presentation was Past President Jim Armitage.

Georgia Society

The newest unit of the Society is the **Burton Gwinnett Chapter**, which received its Charter from Past Society President Herbert B. Braselton, Sr. during a May gathering at the historic Female Seminary in Lawrenceville. The guest speaker was Former President General James R. Westlake, a member of the Society, while the gavel of office was given to President Hubert E. Tucker, Jr. by Past Society President T. Fisher Craft.

Idaho Society



The Society along with the **Old Fort Boise Chapter** presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal at its Annual George Washington's Birthday Banquet in Boise to State Patrol Officer Corporal Craig Bolls. Doing the honors was the Rev. Ralph Lawrence, Society President-elect, while Mrs. Bolls observed.

Illinois Society

"The Shoemaker and the Tea Party" was the title of a talk given before the September meeting of the **Fort Dearborn-Chicago Chapter** by Dr. Alfred F. Young, who has published a book with the same title. Held at the Union League Club of Chicago, the gathering drew as guests from Wisconsin, C.E. Thorp, Vice-President General for the Great Lakes District, and Winston C. Williams, Editor of *THE SAR MAGAZINE*. His lecture described the part that a Boston shoemaker, George Robert Twelve Hewes, played in the Boston Massacre and the Boston Tea Party; he then served in the militia and as a seaman. Presiding over the gathering was President A. Bingham Seibold.



Troy M. Huddle (center), President of the **Genl. George Rogers Clark Chapter**, appeared with Past Chapter Presidents before a State of Illinois Committee recently (from left): M. Joseph Hill, Harry K. Windland, Charles B. Schweizer and Charles A. James. Also attending but not in this photo was Lloyd F. Schwarz. The purpose of the appearance was to testify on the care of cemeteries and propose that family cemeteries – especially those where Patriots are buried – be protected from destruction by landowners and that interested persons have ready access to them.

Compatriot Richard Mills, United States District Judge for the Central District, was guest speaker in June at the 9th Dept. of Illinois Convention of the Korean War Veterans Association. A Major General in the Illinois State Militia and a retired Colonel in the United States Army Reserve, his military career spans 35 years. He chose



as his topic the Korean War, with comments on his particular duties over a 14-month period in Korea with the 3rd Infantry Division involved in military and counter intelligence affairs under the unit's G-2. His talk also traced the history of the conflict over several years.



The **Genl. George Rogers Clark Chapter** provided a Color Guard for Illinois Governor George Ryan (right) when he visited Woodland School in Edwardsville to announce his new annual budget which places increased emphasis on funding for education. Presenting the American Flag was Harry Windland. Not shown here was President Troy Huddle, who carried the SAR Flag.

At a recent **Springfield Chapter** ceremony in Springfield, Fred Vitter (center) was presented the Heroism Medal for saving the life of Compatriot William H. Diller, Jr. (right) during a fire at his home earlier this year. Offering the award was T. Kinahan Rule, Society South Central Vice President.

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Kentucky Society



The Annual Installation of Officers Dinner Meeting of the **Louisville-Thruston Chapter** witnessed installation of Jack J. Early (center) as President and presentation of the Martha Washington Medal to Evelyn Walter. Doing the pinning was Walter A. Chenault, Founding President of the Chapter who served from 1960 to 1963.

Two heroes of the War of 1812, Ensign William Early and Ensign Joseph Franklin Early, were honored in ceremonies in Whitley County in early June. Both men were sons of James Early, who served in the Washington County, North Carolina Militia during the Revolutionary War. Largely responsible for organizing the programs was Jack J. Early, at the time President of the SAR Kentucky Society. A memorial program was held at each man's grave site by Edna Early Thomas, Past President of the Zachary Taylor Chapter of the U.S.D. of 1812, and Compatriot Early, who serves as Vice President General-Public Relations of the General Society of the War of 1812; he is a direct descendant of William Early. Also participating were members of the VFW and DAV from Whitley County; they fired a 21-gun salute at both sites.



Unfurling the Flag of the War of 1812 at the grave site of Joseph Franklin Early were (from left): Compatriot LTC Joseph Derwood Early, also a member of 1812; Wilbert Early, Chairman of the Early Family Reunion; Compatriot Eldon Thomas; and Jack J. Early, President of the SAR Kentucky Society and Vice President General of 1812.

Louisiana Society



LTC William H. Forman, USAFR (Ret), who serves as Society First Vice President, was pleased to present the Outstanding JROTC Cadet Award to Silja E. Tolpi. She is a member of the Air Force JROTC Unit at St. Andrew Jackson High School in Chalmette. This was the first year that Louisiana participated in this National Society program.

Maryland Society



During the Annual Meeting of the **Sergeant Lawrence Everhart Chapter** in April at Frederick, Compatriot Henry P. Laughlin (foreground, right) and his wife Page were presented a special award recognizing their contributions for the Society's Color Guard, some of whose members are shown here. At Mrs. Laughlin's right was Edwin H. Dotter, Guard Commander.

Independence Day ceremonies at the Old St. Paul's Cemetery in Baltimore conducted by the **General John Eager Chapter** included tributes to several Patriots at their grave sites, including that of Samuel Chase, Signer of the Declaration of Independence; General Howard, military and civic leader;

and Daniel Bowley, a hero of the Battle of Monmouth, New Jersey. Among participants was the Society's Color Guard and Former President General Carl F. Bessent, who offered pertinent remarks; he helped organize the Chapter in 1972.

Michigan Society

The **Northern Michigan Chapter** honored four Grand Traverse County residents with Bronze Good Citizenship Medals during a special ceremony in late June at Whitewater Township Park. Included was an impressive program that featured raising of the American Flag by a

local Boy Scout Troop. President Terry Snowday offered the medals to Jim Arnold, Bruce Carpenter and Ken Soper for their efforts in saving Lowell Burns in a boating accident. Basil Shaw was recognized for her actions in averting a potential tragedy on Elk Lake.

Mississippi Society

The 90th Convention of the Society was held in mid-March at the Jackson Hilton Convention Center. Among important

actions taken was the election of Dr. Andrew Jones as President. The guest speaker at a banquet was Justice James

Roberts of the Mississippi Supreme Court and candidate for Governor in the Democratic Primary; he is a member of the **David Murphree Chapter**.



Since it was chartered in 1984, the **William Gray Chapter** has placed wreaths at the War Memorial Monument in Boonville on Memorial Day, Veterans Day and the Fourth of July. Honored are those from the county who gave their lives during our nation's wars and conflicts. Shown placing a wreath on the Fourth was Dr. Webster Cleveland, Jr., Organizing President.

At the April meeting of the **Gulf Coast Chapter** Ray Bellande, a noted local historian and writer, offered a program which included little known facts about coast history. One of the more interesting stories was that of a pirate raid on Pascagoula in September, 1805! The militia repelled the invaders without casualties on either side.

Missouri Society

The **Alexander Majors Chapter's** July meeting featured a talk on "The British Soldier's Experience in the Revolutionary War" by Dr. Sherry Schirmer, History Department Chair at Avila College. She focused on the perspective of the common soldier and the impact of the War on his social and personal experience.

Donald McMahon, Assistant Professor of Psychology at the College of the Ozarks and a member of the Missouri National Guard, was guest speaker at the June meeting of the **Ozark Mountain Chapter** at Point Lookout (where the institution is located). He discussed the five-fold mission of the school and specifically the aspects of that mission that promote patriotism and Christianity. (Editor's note: Up to a few years ago the school's President was Dr. M. Graham Clark, Jr., who served as our President General in 1974-75).

New Hampshire Society



In August these Compatriots participated in Muster Field Farm Days in Sutton (from left): Richard G. Wright, David Getchell, Hans Jackson and Thomas Kehr. Along with SARs from Connecticut and Massachusetts, they were involved in Revolutionary encampment, mustering of soldiers and various Revolutionary maneuvers. Farm Days features a wide variety of events, ranging from dedicated volunteers recapturing the farming skills of the forefathers to draft horse demonstrations.



On June 14th members of the New Hampshire SAR, DAR and the First New Market Militia took part in Flag Day exercises at the State House in Concord. Past Society President and Color Guard Commander Richard G. Wright (foreground) read a Proclamation from the Governor honoring Old Glory and dedicating this Flag Day to George Washington.

New Jersey Society

James M. Ferrell, a member of the **West Fields Chapter**, has successfully overseen installation of new markers from the Department of Veterans Affairs at the grave sites of his Patriot ancestor, Joseph A. Ferrell, and Joseph's son, James, a veteran of the War of 1812. The former

(shown here) is located in the Mahoning Presbyterian Cemetery at Lowellville, Ohio, while the latter is at the Baptist Cemetery in Hillsville, Pennsylvania. He had reported to the Department that the original headstones had badly deteriorated and needed replacement.

Ohio Society



At the Flag Day Luncheon staged by the **Cincinnati Chapter** in Blue Ash, the Flag Certificate was presented to Robert C. Kanter (right), Assistant Manager at Leugers Furniture Store for 30 years; a veteran of the Korean War, he installed a 20-foot flag pole five years ago and flies Old Glory 24 hours a day. Participating in the ceremony were Compatriot Harry Sjolun (left) and Flag Chairman Mike Page.



During the Annual Memorial Day Observance of the **Northeastern Ohio Chapter**, Compatriot Troy Bailey presented a Certificate naming Northeast Ohio/Astabula County as a "George Washington Bicentennial Community" in recognition of the community events promoted by the Chapter on behalf of the observance of the death of George Washington. Accepting the document was Julie Chelciu, Clerk of the Astabula County Commissioners.

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Under the leadership of Revolutionary War Graves Chairman Charles Edwards of the **Cincinnati Chapter**, this large headstone was solemnly dedicated in honor of Patriot Lawrence Monfort. The ceremony took place on July 3rd at Lebanon Cemetery in Warren County; participating were 23 descendants (mainly from California), as well as local SARs and DARs. Chapter President Ross Amos gave a talk on "Our Heritage", while descendant E. Riggs Monfort addressed attendees on "Tapestry of Courage."



Spurred by the "Let Freedom Ring" campaign to ring bells on the Fourth of July, sponsored by the SR Pennsylvania Society, these Compatriots of the **Western Reserve Society** struck a borrowed bell 13 times as part of ceremonies at the Cleveland suburb of Gates Mills (from left): Ralph Keller, Past President; John Franklin, Vice President and Color Guard Commander; Warren Gerber, bell ringer; Dr. Robert Battisti, Vice President; and Robert Shephard, a dual member who has served as President of the **Lafayette Chapter**. They and other Color Guardsmen also were in the community's big parade.

The Color Guard of the **Western Reserve Society** was a major participant in the June 24th gathering of the North Coast District of the Greater Cleveland Council BSA. Included were advancement and posting of the Colors, leading the Pledge of Allegiance and presenting the National Soujourners' "Toast to the Flag." John Whipple (right) explained the meanings behind the SAR emblem and Patriot grave marker.

Oregon Society

Medford was the site of the Society's Annual Meeting on late May, with the **Southern Oregon Chapter** serving as host. Honored guest for the occasion was Edward M. Anderson, Vice-President General for the Pacific District. These

Compatriots were presented awards: Larry Mylnechuk, Patriot Medal; Forrest Blodgett, Distinguished Service Medal; and Arlen Clark, Meritorious Service Medal. William E. Dunn was elected the new President.

Pennsylvania Society



On July 1st the **Philadelphia-Continental Chapter**, in cooperation with the Immigration and Naturalization Service, sponsored the largest new citizens naturalization ever held in Philadelphia. Over 1,000 people from 93 different nations were sworn in. A highlight of the program was presentation of the Gold Good Citizenship Medal to the Hon. Edward G. Rendell (left), Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, by Past Chapter President Winchell S. Carroll.



In May the **Philadelphia-Continental Chapter** dedicated a new American Flag at the Old Eagle School in Wayne. Hoisting the new banner was LTC Herbert Armstrong, while seen saluting was Howard Foster. This year the Chapter decorated more than 500 Patriot graves with small Betsy Ross Flags.

Tennessee Society



On Memorial Day these members of the **James Madison Chapter** placed a wreath near the eternal flame located on the lawn of the Madison County Courthouse to honor all veterans of military service (from left): Past President John E. McCutchen, Past President Bob Hughes and President Gilbert Swift. Also participating in the program were members of the Jackson Central-Merry High School Air Force JROTC Color Guard.



Visiting with a veteran on Memorial Day at the Alvin C. York Veterans Administration Hospital in Murfreesboro were **Stones River Chapter** Compatriots Tom Ridley and Max Ruff. Joining them to help distribute American Flags to vets throughout the Medical Ward was President Lynn Carr.

Texas Society

The Hon. Bill Archer, M.C., was presented the Gold Good Citizenship Medal by the **Houston Chapter** during an early September dinner program at the River Oaks Country Club. Presiding over the event was President Frank Parkerson, while Society President Frank Gibson brought greetings. The honoree was introduced by Former President General George H. Brandau, a Chapter member.



103-year-old Richard Pollard (center) was recently offered a Citizenship Medal by **East Fork-Trinity Chapter** President Delora Lewis (left) and Compatriot Bill Bellomy, who was dressed in the costume of his ancestor, William Pace, a member of Washington's Life Guards. Mr. Pollard was saluted as a World War I veteran who served in France. Compatriot and Mrs. Bellomy presented a skit about Pace.



Guest speaker at a recent meeting of the **Dallas Chapter** was Chapter Compatriot Lloyd D. Bockstruck. He is a noted genealogist and at one time was Librarian General.

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The Texas State Cemetery in Austin was the site of a Memorial Day Service that saw members of the **Patrick Henry Chapter** and a number of local DAR Chapters participating. The Chapter's Color Guard is shown flanking the guest speaker, LTC Mark Brown of Austin. Floral wreaths were laid at the grave sites of Patriots Robert Rankin and Stephen Williams.



When the **Brazos Valley Chapter** held their Annual Officer Installation Dinner in Granbury during late March, the honored guests were Society President and Mrs. Frank Gibson (left). Introducing them was Registrar Eugene Divine, while newly elected President Keith Hendricks observed.



The **East Fork-Trinity Chapter** located in Garland participated in the city's "Star-Spangled Fourth of July" Parade on July 3rd, with SARs and DARs riding on this handsome float which featured flags and the Liberty Bell. The float was sponsored by the Historic Garland Business Association, which has the largest Fourth of July Parade in all of Dallas County. The city had been declared an official "George Washington Bicentennial City" in a Proclamation issued by the Mayor. Those on hand were (from left): Bill Bellomy holding Washington's Headquarters Flag; Duane Deese; Martha Bellomy; Ray Burton; Bill Hurst; Delora Lewis; A.J. Bellomy and James Doty holding the "George Washington Bicentennial Banner, 1999." Standing behind the banner was Bill Hallmark and Jane Powers of the DAR on the float.

Virginia Society



Former President General Reon G. Hillegass, Jr. was very pleased recently to install the officers of the C.A.R. Virginia Society's Cavalier Society, including his granddaughter, Jean Peterson, as President.



Members and guests of the **Fincastle Resolutions Chapter** enjoyed the after-dinner remarks of Rep. Virgil H. Goode, Jr. (seated) at their Annual Ladies Night Dinner at Roanoke in May. Introducing him was President James R. Justice. A member of the House Agriculture and Banking Committees, the Congressman stated he opposes both federal control of local schools and appropriations bills that would undermine the Social Security Trust Fund.

Washington Society

After their regular April meeting, members of the **Cascade Centennial Chapter** gathered in their hiking clothes, clamped white hard hats on their heads and, under the guidance of Compatriot John Qualls, toured the electrical power plant at Snoqualmie Falls, about 30 miles east of Seattle. A hydroelectric plant built in 1898, it was among the first such facilities in the United States. The unique tour included a creaking elevator ride down 27 stories into the bowels of the falls where original equipment continues to produce electricity for thousands of residents and businesses.

West Virginia Society



The McFarland House in Martinsburg was the traditional meeting place for the Summer Dinner Meeting of the **Adam Stephen Chapter**. The guest speaker for the event was Dr. Walter Hanak (right), Professor of History at local Shepherd College. He was presented the Good Citizenship Award by President Charles F. Printz. Dr. Hanak is a student in Byzantine history, the Balkans and Russia.

Wisconsin Society



Elisha Raymond Chapter Compatriot Harold Baker (center) recently gave seven books on George Washington to the Simmons Research Library in Kenosha. Accepting them was Douglas Baker (left), Director of Kenosha Libraries, while President Guy Ewing observed. A number of the volumes are among those judged by members of the Organization of American Historians as the best available on the Patriot. Compatriot Baker has also given the same collection to the Racine City Library.

On Sunday, June 13th the Society's Color Guard again participated in the parade celebrating Flag Day in the tiny community of Waubeka (which fields more units than many parades about the country - over 100!). Waubeka is recognized as where the idea for Flag Day was created in 1885.

FALL 1999



CENTENARIAN-PLUS HONORED BY FRANCE - Florida Society Compatriot Howard Hill (seated), who has reached the young age of 104, recently was awarded France's Legion of Honor, the highest medal that may be given to any surviving veteran of World War I who served in France. One of only 1,500 such vets, he was in the 303rd Engineering Regiment and also played the saxophone in the unit band. The ceremony, held at St. Mark's retirement home in Palm Harbor and attended by a number of Clearwater Chapter members and friends, featured these SARs (from left): Charles Schaefer, Gen. Carlton Fisher, Barney Britton, Grant Wallin and Courtenay Crutcher. Presenting the medal was Deputy Consul Didier Samson of the Miami French Consulate. Compatriot Hill's National Number is 10487!

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The second place winner of the Poster Contest was Brooks Murphy, a student at Mulberry Creek Elementary School. Representing the Lyman Hall Chapter, he was given his award check by Tom Porter, Poster Coordinator, while his mother proudly observed.

Georgia Society Poster Contest Aimed At Fifth Grade Students

By Herman Tovey, Chairman Georgia Society Americanism Committee

The Georgia Society's Americanism Committee has had a busy year. In addition to its Annual Americanism Contest, the Committee introduced two new programs for the 1998-99 year: The first United States Flag Program as sponsored by the National Society, and a new Poster Contest, which is detailed in this news story.

Before transferring to the Georgia Society in 1994, I was an SAR in Texas. While President of the Mesquite Chapter there, we participated in the TXSSAR's successful Poster Contest, which is targeted at fifth grade students.

As Americanism Chairman here in Georgia, I was able to introduce the poster program. My fellow Compatriots in Texas were helpful in doing this, for they provided contest guidelines that were tailored a bit for our purposes.

The Coweta Falls Chapter serving Columbus and the Lyman Hall Chapter in Gainesville extensively promoted the Poster Contest in its initial year - with a great deal of cooperation from Coweta Falls President James Holman and Lyman Hall President Eddie Lee Jackson, a Committee member. Also offering solid support were Committee member Tom Porter and Society President Kit Braselton.

122 Posters Entered

A total of six elementary schools were contacted after initial meetings with their superintendents. This resulted in the creation of 122 posters, which were judged at the school, Chapter and State Society levels. All of the students were presented a specially designed certificate for the occasion. Those that had posters promoted at the Chapter level were given the Outstanding Citizenship Certificate and Pin, along with a cash prize for first and second place. The

first and second place winners at the state level were given cash prizes as well. Award presentations were made at the schools during specially called assemblies.

Contest Guidelines

- Here are the contest's guidelines:
- Must be on standard poster board (22" x 28")
 - Any media of drawing material may be used; students may paste unpublished material (not commercially produced/printed).
 - The subject must conform to the announced theme, showing evidence of research.
 - The student may include a short written explanation on the poster concerning symbols used.
 - No group project posters.
 - All entries must have the following information taped to the back of the poster (the front of the poster must not be signed or labeled):
 - a) Student data: Name, Social Security Number, Address, Home Phone Number
 - b) School data: Name of Teacher, Name of School
 - c) Sponsoring SAR Chapter
 - At least two entries per school is recommended, but no more than three. Chapters that have several schools competing in the contest may adjust the per school number.
 - All posters must be judged by the following criteria:
 - a) Does the poster express the annual theme?
 - b) Does the poster show originality by the student?
 - c) Does the poster show evidence of research?
 - d) Does the poster show artistic merit and creativity?
 - e) Is the poster neat?

Revolutionary War Fort Laurens Is Ohio Site Of Commemoration

Beginning in 1778 for about a year, the United States maintained a small military base at Fort Laurens near Bolivar. This was the only fort in the present area of Ohio during the Revolutionary War. It was intended both as a protection against the Indians and as a precaution against a possible British attack. An 81-acre state memorial marks the site.

It was there this past July when the Ohio Society and the SAR Western Reserve Society sponsored the first all-Ohio memorial ceremonies, followed by a luncheon and program at the Zoar Tavern restaurant. About 70 people were in attendance.

Serving as Master of Ceremonies was Western Reserve Society Compatriot H.T.S. Heckman. As he stood before the Tomb of the Unknown Patriot recounting the fort's



Several wreaths were placed at the Tomb of the Unknown Patriot.



Serving as Master of Ceremonies for the Fort Laurens program was H.T.S. Heckman, a member of the SAR Western Reserve Society.



This large stone marker on the grounds of Fort Laurens was originally placed by the SAR Western Reserve Society. Shown at the lectern just behind the Flag at the right, Compatriot George P. Carmer recounted the steps that were taken to make this possible.



Matthew and Aaron Bane, members of the C.A.R. John Carroll Society of Virginia, placed a wreath at the C.A.R. marker near where the main program took place.

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National Trustees Meet In September To Conduct Broad Range Of Business

When the National Trustees gathered on Saturday, September 25th in Louisville for their traditional Fall Meeting, they were soon given a full platter of business matters to attend to – in addition to hearing from scores of officers, committee chairmen and others. Highlights only are reported here. Those desiring copies of condensed Minutes may obtain them from Executive Director Wayne R. Wiedman.

The meeting was held in the city's Municipal Auditorium located across Kentucky Avenue from Headquarters. This spacious facility and Spaulding University have been serving as alternate sites to Headquarters to provide more expansive accommodations for what has been a steadily growing number of attendees.

Presiding was President General Howard F. Horne, Jr., his first time since being elected during the 109th Annual Congress in San Diego this past July. He announced the establishment of two ad hoc committees to handle affairs associated with the proposed construction of a new administrative office building across Fifth Street. One, headed by Larry D. McClanahan, Chairman of the National Headquarters Committee, is responsible for developing detailed plans for the structure. The other, chaired by Secretary General Bruce B. Butler, is to study and make recommendations for overall staffing that will be required as a result of the expansion program.

Actions Of The Executive Committee

Secretary General Butler reported on a variety of actions that had been taken by the Executive Committee. Key ones are reported here:

- That the Staff Registrar and Staff Genealogist be available to handle telephone

queries between 3 and 5pm ET (to minimize interferences at other times with their regular duties; Compatriots are urged to call only during this period).

- That Staff Genealogist Susan Acree become a Certified Genealogist and be compensated for any costs incurred in achieving this status.

- That the National Society become a member of the National Congress of Patriotic Organizations. (This recommendation was later voted upon favorably).



Reporting on behalf of the Executive Committee was Secretary General Bruce B. Butler. He was responsible for keeping meticulous Minutes of all proceedings.

- That a Charitable Giving Task Force be created to develop a planned giving program ready for presentation by the Spring 2000 Trustees Meeting.

- That the Long Range Planning Committee initiate a project to create and



The Executive Committee met twice at the time of the Trustees Meeting, with the following members on hand (seated, from left): Robert F. Galer, Chancellor General B. Rice Aston, FPG Russell D. Page, Treasurer General Larry D. McClanahan, President General Howard F. Horne, Jr., Executive Director Wayne R. Wiedman (guest), Secretary General Bruce B. Butler, Richard F. Locke, Jr., David J. Gray and Robert E. Burt. Also present to obtain an insight into how our Society works were representatives of the Young Members Committee (standing, from left): Jonathan E. Goebel, Chairman Garrett F. Jackson and Peter K. Goebel.



President General Howard F. Horne, Jr. paved the way for the accomplishment of a great deal of business matters during the Trustees Meeting.

publish a Revolutionary War Patriot Roster.

- That an invitation from the Illinois Society be accepted to host the Annual Congress in Chicago in 2003. (This was later voted upon favorably).

- That California Society Compatriot Donald N. Moran be appointed Assistant Editor of SAR publications. (He now serves



The Task Force to Preserve Our Nation's Heritage met on Friday, with Co-Chairman Roland G. Downing (seated, second from right) presiding. Until a few months ago this group was identified as the Task Force to Preserve United States History.

as Editor of the *Headquarters Dispatch*).

- That exhibitors be allowed at Annual Congresses, with this phase being a responsibility of the Congress Planning Committee and coordinated with the Host Society Planning Committee.

- That the Gold Good Citizenship Medal be awarded to N. Jan Davis, PRD, a NASA Astronaut, as proposed by the Alabama Society.

Selected Committee Reports

As of June 30, 1999 the Eagle Scout Trust Fund totalled \$408,147, according to Eagle Scout Scholarship Chairman Robert E. Burt. He also reported that Clayton T. Gaddis, the young lad from Oklahoma who was named the top Eagle Scout during the Annual



Getting together at each Trustees Meeting are members of the Vice-Presidents General Council as a means of making the VPG office more effective. Those on hand for their meeting on September 23rd were (from left): Marshall E. Lignian, Mid-Atlantic District; Russell D. Wirtalla, New England; T. Fisher Craft, South Atlantic; Charles W. Britton, South Central; Larry H. Mylnechuk, Pacific; C.E. Thorp, Great Lakes; Ralph D. Nelson, Jr., Chairman, Past VPG for Mid-Atlantic; Marston Watson, Western; Charles F. Bragg, Central; Oura L. Swart, Southern; John D. Peebles, Rocky Mountain; and Richard W. Sage, North Atlantic. The VPGs have a major responsibility for setting the tone of the Society and for guiding the efforts of State Society officers toward constructive paths.

Congress in San Diego, was inducted into the SAR at the Youth Awards Luncheon.

BG Michael J.L. Greene, Chairman of the George Washington Bicentennial Committee, gave a number of case histories of what various State Societies and Chapters have done to stage bicentennial celebrations. He suggested that reports of such activities be sent, with applicable photos, to *The SAR Magazine*.



Missouri Society Compatriot Charles M. Buckner, at the young age of 102, is a regular attendee at Trustees Meetings and Annual Congresses. Accompanying him at these events is son Marshall.

available from Headquarters. Thousands have been filed since this program was initiated a few years ago. He also reported that Volume III of the NSSAR History Book is now being completed under the direction of California Society Compatriot Robert F. Jackson, who is serving as Editor.

Museum Board Chairman William C. Gist stated that there are three new exhibit cases. One displays on a limited basis the Society's most valuable possession: George Washington's Seal Ring. The other two, gifts of Former President General George H. Brandau, house patriotic dolls crafted by his late wife, Nancy. (An accompanying photo shows one of the cases). He also reported that computerization of Museum records has been achieved, thanks to the efforts of Kentucky Society Compatriot Jesse Hagan, who serves the Society on a part-time basis as Administrative Assistant.

Garrett F. Jackson, Chairman of the Newsletters and Periodicals Committee, stated that the Committee judged over 300 newsletters in several categories last year to

SARs And Guests Sought For PG Trip To Paris In May

President General Howard F. Horne, Jr. has announced that the National Society will be conducting a 12-day tour to Paris, France May 18th-29th, 2000 to meet with our France Society Compatriots and honor French citizens who fought the cause of our Revolutionary War. The cost will be about \$2,800 per person.

The tour will depart from Dulles International Airport on a non-stop flight to Charles DeGaulle Airport. Besides trips to visit many of the famed sites of Paris and gatherings with the France Society, the tour will encompass treks to Normandy, Chartres, Versailles and Fontainebleau. Everyone will be housed in a fine hotel in central Paris near a METRO station.

Those interested in participating should contact the tour leader: Compatriot Richard S. Austin, 4848 North 27th Street, Arlington, VA 22207-2707. Or call him at 703/536-9616. His e-mail address is rsaustin@erols.com. He will be pleased to answer questions. Full details will be available at a later date.

arrive at the winners, which were recognized at the Annual Congress in San Diego. The Committee voted that starting with next year's contest, a single sheet newsletter will be considered an 8 1/2 inch x 11 inch piece of paper or smaller and printed on one or both sides. Anything larger will be considered a multiple-sheet entry.

Former President General King Saluted

As a token of appreciation for the tireless efforts that FPG Arthur M. King has given to our Society over a period of many years, Trustees and other Compatriots offered written entries in a "Book of Remembrances". It was delivered to him at



Assuming the role of George Washington as a Society guest at the Friday banquet was Carl Closs of Kennett Square, Pennsylvania. He often does this at various functions across the country and made a point of greeting attendees at their dining tables.



Former President General George H. Brandau proudly inspected one of two cases that he had made to house a unique collection of dolls created by his wife Nancy, who was called to eternal rest in 1997. The figures depict both American Indian and Colonial women at the time of the Revolutionary War – to demonstrate cooperation between the Colonists and Indians by face-to-face negotiations. Mrs. Brandau crafted 75 dolls showing women in service during various periods of our history. Those not in possession of the SAR will be placed in appropriate museums about the country.

his retirement home in Illinois by Robert E. Burt, who has known the FPG for a long time. Now past the age of 95, Compatriot King penned a letter to Executive Director Wayne R. Wiedman; following are excerpts:

"I recently received a booklet of remembrances from members attending the Trustees Meeting in Louisville, which warmed the cockles of an old man's heart.

"One of my principal goals in life was to make a contribution to our country. After a search many years ago, I determined that the SAR should be supported and nurtured." His letter then discussed problems at that time and how they were successfully solved. "I feel I have made a contribution to our country by having a strong, patriotic organization actively engaged in this effort.

"I would appreciate it if you could make mention in a publication my happiness with the great progress that SAR is making and my appreciation for the booklet of remembrances."



On behalf of the Georgia Society, T. Fisher Craft (right) presented the Martha Washington Medal to Staff Genealogist Susan Acree. Observing was Past Genealogist General Richard F. Locke, Jr., who often helps Susan with Membership Application problems.

Louisiana Society Compatriots Visit Members and Varied Sights In France

By John Francois, President, LASSAR Attapapas Chapter

From July 4th through 15th a resolute SAR delegation of 25 travelers (23 from Louisiana and two from Maryland) made the rounds of France – led by Louisiana Society 2nd Vice President Robert Dolese and Lynn Breaux, a member of the Society's Attapapas Chapter who served as coordinator for the trip.

Beginning in Paris on the Fourth at a memorial service by the grave site of the Marquis de Lafayette, the tour ended with

homage, then overnight in the Chateau de Canisy (1588), then to Rouen to lay a wreath at the birthplace of Robert Cavalier, sieur de LaSalle; at the mouth of the Mississippi River he audaciously claimed the vast territory of Louisiana for his King Louis in 1682. This ceremony was followed by viewing along the Rouen waterfront of the "tall ships" from 27 nations.

By the 14th, the intrepid trekkers were back in Paris for the Bastille Day Parade.



Included among the Louisiana and French Compatriots gathering in southwestern France were (from left): Viscount Gerard de Chaunac-Lanzac; John Francois, author of this news story; Will Joffrion; Bernard Oddo; the Mayor of Sarlat; Count Jean de Tinguy, President of the France Society; Lynn Breaux; and Martin Boyer. They are shown attending a reception.

the Bastille Day Parade on the Champs Elysées on the 14th. In between, it was non-stop receptions, ceremonies, sightseeing, luncheons and dinners. Everywhere they traveled the group was received graciously and warmly by their French Compatriots and their wives, most of them already well-known to some of their Louisiana Compatriots because of previous meetings at the 1995 twinning (Paris), and the 1997 reciprocal (Lafayette, LA).

In Paris they lunched at the exclusive Polo Club of Paris as guests of the France SAR. The next day they were given a special reception at the historic Hotel de Ville de Paris by the Deputy Mayor. Later, they entrained on a *train de grand vitess* (TGV) for the vineyards and wine chateaux of southwestern France.

From the wine cellars of St. Emilion (near Bordeaux) to the medieval city of Sarlat on the Dorgogne and historic Blois on the Loire, to the country estates for luncheon under the trees, and long, intimate dinners under sparkling chandeliers, the avid visitors slowly gained weight.

Next, it was off to the quiet beaches of Normandy to contemplate heroes and pay

Then the following day they boarded their plane for a flight back home.

The France SARs will continue to send their children and grandchildren to Louisiana for cultural exchanges and work-study programs. The Louisiana Society will continue to reciprocate.



These members of the General Philemon Thomas Chapter of Baton Rouge were among the delegation that visited France (from left): George Reech, Robert Dolese, Trig Wood and Wilbur Joffrion. All had a great trip!

New Societies Outside Of United States Taking Shape

Wisconsin Society Compatriot Jerry P. Hill takes seriously his job as NSSAR Ambassador - Overseas Units Membership.

Over the past several months, he has traveled extensively to a variety of nations with the objective of recruiting new SARs and establishing new Societies. Included here have been such distant lands as Mexico, Canada, Germany and the Far East. To date he reports a great deal of success in meeting these ambitious objectives.

As reported in the Spring 1999 Issue of the magazine, the Canadian Society has definitely bounced back from the doldrums and has new officers. Ambassador Hill has concentrated on building membership with the assistance of the DAR ladies there, and those affiliated with Mayflower Descendants and the United Empire Loyalists Association. He emphasizes that these organizations have been vital in reactivating our Society there.

Looking For Overseas Recruiters

An important key in the development of membership overseas has been locating one or more SARs in specific locations willing to cooperate in this effort. This means, for example, finding businessmen who travel the world and seeking their help. This strategy is paying off. Compatriots who would like to play a part in this program are encouraged to contact Compatriot Hill as follows: Jerry P. Hill, 5677 N. Consaul Place, Milwaukee, WI 53217-4818; Phone 414/332-9479; <jerry@execpc.com>.

Last February saw the Ambassador trek to Mexico to attend the 23rd Annual State Conference of the DAR Mexico State Society held in the Hotel Real de Chapala at Ajijic, Jalisco. He was asked to bring greetings and talk about plans for a Society in that country. He was given the names of 12 potential SARs! See accompanying photos for more details about this visit.

Then in March Compatriot Hill flew to the Far East, with a stop in Japan to work on enrolling the first member in that nation. Another stop was made in Singapore where he made contact with the United States



The unusual structure at the left houses the United States Embassy in Singapore. It was during his visit there that Ambassador Jerry P. Hill discovered the Paul Revere Bell at the right.



Embassy to leave off brochures about the SAR and inquire as to what it will take to establish a Society there (like filling out a multitude of forms detailing NSSAR activities). He also was interviewed by Sue Sismondo, Managing Editor of the *Singapore American*, a newspaper published for American residents. The resulting story was headlined: "Do you have an ancestor who served the cause of the American Revolution?"

Discovers A Paul Revere Bell

A fascinating sidelight to his Embassy visit was discovery of a large Paul Revere Bell on display. He soon learned that the bell was given to St. Andrew's church in Singapore back in 1843 by Mrs. Maria Revere Balestier, the daughter of Paul Revere and wife of the first American Consul, Joseph Balestier. It was cast in the foundry established by her distinguished father in Boston and was used by the church until 1889. The artifact is now in the collection of the National Museum, Singapore and currently on loan.

Maria stipulated that the bell would sound curfew for five minutes every evening at 8pm. The curfew was to remind sailors to return to their ships and residents to be watchful after dark, in view of the robberies, thefts and assaults which were not uncommon in those days.



While in Mexico, Ambassador Jerry P. Hill (left) presented the Medal of Appreciation to Mrs. Charles P. Michaloski, Regent of the DAR Mexico State Society, and an SAR Membership Certificate to Dr. Enrique Serrato, the first member of the fledgling SAR Mexico Society; he descends from Captain Jose Serrato who served under Bernardo de Galvez in Louisiana. Mrs. Michaloski was recognized for her efforts in helping to recruit potential SARs.

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When Ambassador Jerry P. Hill (left) visited Mexico, a special church service in English was held for him and these members of the DAR Mexico State Society. He brought the SAR Flag.



The aerial view at the left of Freedom's Foundation shows the beauty of the 105-acre campus. Faith of Our Fathers Chapel is at the lower left, while the Douglas MacArthur Building – which serves as an academic facility, residence hall and dining room – sits in the middle. The Franklin and Hamilton residence halls run perpendicular



to MacArthur. Between them is the Martha Washington Building, which is home to the administration and education offices. The Medal of Honor Grove is located behind the MacArthur Building. The photo on the right shows the Faith of Our Fathers Chapel, located just inside the front entrance.

Freedom's Foundation At Valley Forge *Celebrates 50th Anniversary*

Part of the hallowed ground in Pennsylvania where Washington's army spent the dreadful Winter of 1777-78 is home to this unique organization dedicated to citizenship education, as discussed by Daniel J. Brennan.

The scenic 105-acre campus of Freedom's Foundation at Valley Forge is often referred to as "hallowed ground," where Washington's army settled, fought the elements of nature and regrouped during our nation's battle for independence. It is also where past, present and future presidents have strolled alongside statesmen, foreign dignitaries, students, and others, united in the struggle for better citizenship education.

"Here Washington waged and won the greatest fight of a fighting career," said General Dwight D. Eisenhower in an address at the Foundation's inaugural awards presentation Nov. 21, 1949.

The author of this enlightening article is Daniel J. Brennan, Director of Communications for Freedom's Foundation at Valley Forge. A former journalist, he has more than 15 years of professional writing experience and has worked for The Cherson Group, an award-winning advertising and public relations agency. For more information, visit the Foundation's web site at www.FFVF.org or call 1-800/896-5488.

That fight, the future president said, was not the one against the British during the winter encampment of 1777-78, part of which took place on what is now Freedom's Foundation's sprawling campus.

"For, in war, it is not the clash and danger of the battle that demands the utmost from the soul of the soldier, or of his leader," Eisenhower continued, "It is the enduring of cold that all but freezes courage, of privation that paralyzes memory, of living midst mud and disease, of striving to understand a seemingly futile wastage that strikes down comrades and drains strength from the body."

Washington, Eisenhower said, conquered all those demons, as did the men who served under him and who later earned our nation's independence.

"The long winter of the Valley Forge encampment brought to his army the last ounce of enduring suffering, while Washington was called upon to bear the additional burden of discounting seeming collapse in his rear, desertion in his ranks, hostility in his associates," Eisenhower said, "In its one and three quarters centuries, the freedom of the American people here experienced its greatest danger of extinction, here met its sternest challenge!"

Here also it fell heir to its first example of courage and selflessness, of faith and conviction, of leadership and character."

Foundation Noted For Education Programs

Now, 222 years after the encampment and nearly 50 years after Eisenhower's remarks, the heritage and lessons continue through the education programs of Freedom's Foundation.

Eisenhower's words were uttered during an awards presentation that became the genesis of the Foundation. It took place in what was then a dairy barn, on a parcel of land that was once a munitions storage area for Washington's army and as housing for his lower ranking officers.

Today, the land has become a thriving campus where students and teachers, civic and veterans organizations, and individuals come to learn. Utilizing an experiential education approach, actors dressed in period attire step off the pages of history books to address students, relaying stories and anecdotes of history, in an inspirational educational program. Another component is the citizenship education where classroom instruction from a distinguished faculty challenges students to explore their rights and responsibilities as American citizens. The Foundation's three dormitories, one

instructional building, and historic setting all enhance the experience.

"It is truly history come to life," said Rear Admiral Richard C. Ustick, USN (Ret), President of Freedom's Foundation at Valley Forge, "In our 50 years of experience of educating America's youth, we have learned that nothing motivates students and teachers more than bringing the lessons to life, to actually see, hear and even feel the experience. It is amazing to watch."

Much of the success is owed to organizations such as Sons of American Revolution, Ustick said, whose chapters provide sponsorship for students to attend Freedom's Foundation programs. SAR organizations in California and Texas regularly sponsor teachers to attend Foundation programs.

Conceived In 1949

Dr. Kenneth D. Wells drafted the initial concept of Freedom's Foundation at Valley Forge in the spring of 1949. A prominent businessman, Dr. Wells enlisted Don Belding, a well-recognized advertising executive, and E.F. Hutton, Chairman of the Wall Street brokerage firm that bore his name. The lone woman was Ruth Van Allen Wells, the wife of Ken Wells, and a noted artist.

The purpose, Dr. Wells said, was to build an organization that alters the fabric of modern-day America, preserving its best components and fostering a sense of patriotism, activism and pride in the American ideal. Eisenhower became a co-founder, following the end of his military career and prior to joining the political arena. He went on to serve as Chairman and Honorary Chairman until his death in 1969.

With an organizational charter secured, Dr. Wells and friends set out to locate a physical presence for his dream. His search brought him to Valley Forge, the site of the historic encampment, where he located what he described as a "...55-acre farm with two unused, antique stone houses and one dilapidated farm house, two wooden barns...and a half-smashed hog barn." The asking price was \$55,000.

Today's Campus Over 100 Acres

From those humble beginnings the Foundation has continued to evolve and prosper while maintaining its mission to teach Americans about America and to educate future generations on what their rights and responsibilities are as citizens.

Today, the campus has grown to 105 acres – bordered on the north by the Schuylkill River, the east by Valley Forge National Historical Park, the south by a state road and the west by a private organization. A staff of 25 that relies heavily on private donations administers its education and awards program, as well as a national network of volunteer chapters.

But, prior to the advent of its



The George Washington at Prayer bronze statue was created by famed American sculptor Donald DeLue. At 4,000 pounds, it stands outside the Henry Knox Building.

respected educational programs, Freedom's Foundation used high profile figures like Eisenhower and Hutton to gain recognition for its mission. Success came early and as a result, rapid expansion continued through the mid-1960s and resulted in six prominent structures, including the Martha Washington Building, the Foundation's largest structure and home to its administrative and educational offices. The building was completed in 1963, and dedicated by Mamie Eisenhower on May 30, 1963, almost 185 years to the day that Martha Washington ended a three-month stay with her soldier-husband in Valley Forge.

That same day also saw the birth of a key ingredient of the Foundation's success – its volunteer chapters. The National Council of Trustees approved the original Charter of the Delaware Valley Ladies' Committee (today the Valley Forge Chapter), its first volunteer group. Today, 29 national chapters – 4,000 members strong – remain active by raising funds to send students to the Valley Forge campus to participate in educational activities, sponsoring local education programs, and nominating award recipients. Volunteer chapters also help conduct the continuing National Awards program by soliciting entries from schools, community groups and military organizations for judging by a prominent panel hosted by the national headquarters.

"Our volunteer network is active and excited about the mission of Freedom's Foundation and the need to continue to educate our youth about the individual's responsibilities in the context of society," Admiral Ustick said. "The success of the Foundation would not be accomplished without the dedicated national volunteer network."

1960s See Rapid Expansion

In 1965, the Foundation began its most widely recognized education program –

the Freedom and Leadership Youth Conference. The graduate student seminars were started the same year, with 60 teachers partaking in a three-week summer program. The Foundation's ability to expand its educational opportunities was aided with the building of residence halls, including the Alexander Hamilton Building (1966) and the Benjamin Franklin Building (1967).

Its renowned Medal of Honor Grove continues as envisioned when the idea was developed in the 1960s: a 52-acre natural site dedicated to the recipients of the nation's highest military honor. Each state plus Puerto Rico have a one-acre plot dedicated to their own Medal of Honor recipients with an obelisk similar in design to the Washington Monument engraved with the names of those recipients. It is an awe-inspiring, picturesque area that is perhaps the most visited of the Foundation's facilities. The nearby Henry Knox Building houses the archives detailing the recipients and the acts of courage and valor for which they earned the honor.

The Faith of Our Father's Chapel was added to the landscape in 1967 through donations from the Improved Order of Red Men, the Associated Degree of Pocahontas and Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Grace of New York City. The Chapel features stained glass windows with renderings of the signers of



While on campus, students participating in a Youth & Leadership Conference are offered amenities similar to a college living experience, including a dining facility that seats 120.

the Declaration of Independence that were a gift from the Schweiker family in memory of their son, Lt. Malcolm A. Schweiker. Also featured is a stained glass window of George Washington at Prayer, donated by Judson Studios of Los Angeles. Major renovations were made in the late 1980s through the generosity of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Educational Focus Developed

The change to an educational focus materialized in the mid-1970s when then-president Robert Miller realized the financial stability of the Foundation hinged on the improvement of the overall product. He expanded the curriculum to include more in-depth leadership conferences, graduate

How SARs Can Participate In Foundation Events

Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge encourages organizations to sponsor student and/or teacher trips to its Valley Forge campus to participate in educational programs and seminars.

The programs and seminars are intended to inspire students and teachers to learn more about the cost of earning and maintaining the nation's freedom and to become active in their own community.

For information on how Sons of the American Revolution State Societies, Chapters or members can sponsor individuals or groups of students and teachers, contact the Education Department at 1-800-896-5488. Or, if you're traveling to the Valley Forge area and would like to visit the campus, it is open to the public during regular business hours.

seminars, American history workshops, and faculty development programs.

In the years since, the educational programs have expanded, bringing total participation to more than 4,000 students from across the United States in 40 separate programs annually. Another 300 teachers participate in workshops and seminars, earning graduate credits in the process.

"Our intention is to create a learning environment where students and teachers become immersed in the program, so much so they don't realize how deeply involved they become," said Beth Specker, Assistant Vice President of Youth Programs. That environment often includes trips to Ellis Island, the Statue of Liberty, Boston, and Washington, D.C., to put history in perspective. Still, with Miller's vision, success for the Foundation did not rest solely with education. In fact, three other major developments catapulted the Foundation into the modern era during the 1980s.

First - in 1982 - the Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Foundation of Los Angeles permanently endowed the Foundation's free enterprise awards for teachers with a \$2 million gift and a change in name to the Leavey Awards for Excellence in Private Enterprise Education. Today, up to 19 deserving teachers are honored annually with individual cash awards for demonstrating innovative classroom projects, and for instilling a deeper understanding of the free enterprise system. Additionally, one meritorious award may be issued each year, with a \$15,000 cash prize.

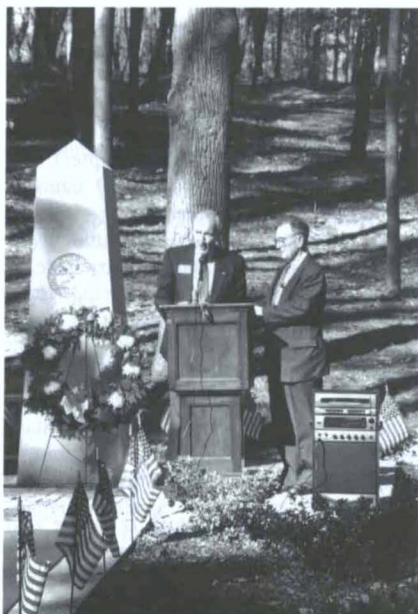
Bill Of Responsibilities Created

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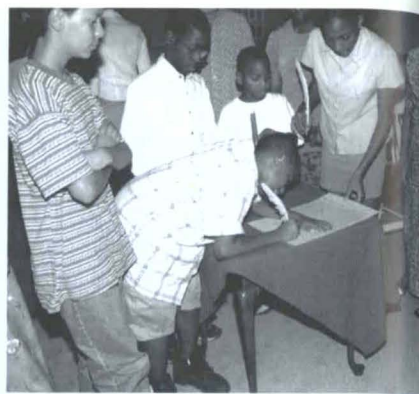
Bill of Responsibilities that would later become a cornerstone of the Foundation's education programs. The two-year effort resulted in 10 basic ideals the Foundation felt would secure our individual freedoms and liberties. A permanent monument to those 10 ideals - funded graciously by Milan Panic, one-time Prime Minister of the former Yugoslavia and current Foundation board member - stands near the main entrance to the Foundation's Valley Forge campus, as applicable today as it was 15 years ago.

Finally, in 1992 the R.B. Pamplin Corporation presented Freedoms Foundation with a \$1 million endowment for the Distinguished Awards, in honor of Dr. Robert B. Pamplin, Jr., and his father Robert B. Pamplin, Sr. The awards celebrate citizens and institutions and, in certain cases, foreign dignitaries, for accomplishments on behalf of the American people and the nation. The recipient list is a virtual who's who of late 20th century America. Honorees include H. Ross Perot, the Special Olympics, Julius Erving, American Legion and Auxiliary, Bob Hope, The Mormon Tabernacle Choir, Boy Scouts of America, Walt Disney, Kiwanis International, and in recent years, William R. Rehnquist, Bob and Elizabeth Dole, and Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf.

Since 1994, participation in the Foundation's programs grew nearly 40%, with the organization hosting 4,000 students during the 1998-99 academic year. Its Institutional Advancement efforts have



The 52-acre Medal of Honor Grove honors the more than 3,000 men and one woman recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor. Each state plus Puerto Rico has a one-acre site that features an obelisk patterned after the Washington Monument with the engraved names of its residents who have received the nation's highest award. As shown here the Tennessee Acre Dedication took place in October, 1998.



Student interaction is a key ingredient to the success of the education programs at Freedoms Foundation. Whether getting an opportunity to ask questions about Abraham Lincoln or signing the Declaration of Independence, students come away with a better understanding of the nation's history.

more than doubled to include an expanded professional staff, restructured communication effort, a revitalized awards program and continued development of its Volunteer Chapters.

Those improvements coincided with the arrival of Ustick as president. Under his tenure, the Foundation began to refurbish its historic campus and facilities with preliminary upgrades made to the three residence halls, Faith of our Father's Chapel, and the Martha Washington administration building. Renovations to the MacArthur Dining Room and improvements to the Washington Galleria, spearheaded by Mrs. Bernie Ustick, have also been undertaken.

Ustick's contribution will continue to impact the Foundation long after his November retirement. He has overseen the planning of a multi-million dollar capital campaign and the development of *America's School for Citizenship Education* that will integrate the Foundation's multiple programs into one educational entity. He also continues to pursue the creation of a substantial endowment that will enhance the Foundation's ability to continue its important mission.

Entering The Next Millennium

For 50 years, Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, supported by private donations and civic-minded organizations, has taught America's youth, to respect others and to value themselves.

Thomas Jefferson said, "The price of freedom is eternal vigilance." Americans have a birthright that protects and preserves their liberty and rights. Our ancestors, including those who camped at Valley Forge, have charged all of us with ensuring that these rights and recognized responsibilities are passed intact to future generations.

Freedoms Foundations and its new *America's School for Citizenship Education* is uniquely positioned to carry out that assignment well into the third millennium.

Magazine Features National Society

The July 1999 Issue of *Kentucky Monthly* carried an enlightening feature article about our National Society, thanks to the efforts of Former President General William C. Gist. He is a prominent resident of Louisville, where National Headquarters has been for over 20 years.

This publication is produced in Frankfort, the Capital of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Edited by Compatriot Stephen M. Vest, it offers a wide range of stories of interest to Kentuckians and others alike. In fact, at the age of 26, Vest was President of the Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter serving Owensboro. His father and brother are also SARs.

Some time back, FPG Gist was asked to prepare a bylined article on Patriotism for the July Issue. The final product, to the Editor's delight, was a piece that traced the dynamic history of our Society and dwelled on the multiplicity of programs that fulfill our patriotic, historical and educational objectives.

America owes its forefathers

Dr. William C. Gist

When we think of the American Revolution, we often think of the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. But the struggle for freedom was a long and arduous one, and it is one that we should never forget. The American Revolution was a struggle for the rights of the individual, and it is a struggle that we should never stop fighting. The American Revolution was a struggle for the rights of the individual, and it is a struggle that we should never stop fighting. The American Revolution was a struggle for the rights of the individual, and it is a struggle that we should never stop fighting.

Interestingly, the Governor of Kentucky is a Compatriot, as are two living former Governors.

Officer, Committee Changes Made

Since the Summer 1999 Issue of the magazine was published, changes and/or corrections in the Directory of Officers have been reported to National Headquarters, and the President General has announced appointments to National Committees, as follows:

Changes In Directory

ALABAMA SOCIETY

Tri-State Chapter, Pres: Harry W. Dunaway, 571 Nubbin Ridge Rd., Greenwood, FL 32443;
Sect: George J. Deane, Rt. 4, Box 369, Bonifay, FL 32425

ARIZONA SOCIETY

Palo Verde Chapter, Pres: Robert L. Miller, 903 S. Roslyn Pl., Mesa AZ 85208
Prescott Chapter, Pres: David W. Blood, Jr., 904 Jovian Dr., Prescott, AZ 86301;
Sect: Robert W. Wixon, 1810 Valley Ranch Cr., Prescott, AZ 86303

Saguaro Chapter, Pres: C. Richard Covault, 10247 Hutton Dr., Sun City, AZ 85351;
Sect: Russell A. Bales, 14236 Crimson Dr., Sun City, AZ 85351

Skyline Chapter, Pres: Michael J. Rich, 4911 Oakmont Dr., Tucson, AZ 85718;
Sect: Col. Richard Hudgins, 4750 E. Country Villa Dr., Tucson, AZ 85718

Tucson Chapter, Pres: Michael G.P. Pratt, 5586 LaCasita Dr., Tucson, AZ 85718

GEORGIA SOCIETY

John Milledge Chapter, Sect: Gordon B. Ragan, 330 Dole Blvd., Milledgeville, GA 31061

INDIANA SOCIETY

(NEW) David Benton Chapter, Pres: Richard Benton, 326 W. 7th St., Seymour, IN 47274

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KENTUCKY SOCIETY

Col. James Campen Chapter, Sect: Charles D. Armstrong, P.O. Box 7802, Paducah, KY

MISSOURI SOCIETY

Lewis and Clark Chapter, Pres: Dean Brookshier, Rt. 1, Box 136, Hale, MO 64643

EMPIRE STATE SOCIETY (NY)

Columbia Chapter, Pres: Herman W. Witthoft, Sr., 141 Hudson Ave., Chatham, NY 12037;
Sect: Allen D. Coon, 30 Mt. Rutten Rd., Rhinebeck, NY 12572

Additions To Committees

CHAPLAINS - Dr. Stan DeLong (CA); Dr. Jack J. Early (KY)

FIRE SAFETY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMENDATION - Edward F. Butler (TX); Robert B. Craig (LA)

FLAG - Martin A. Whetstone (OH)

GENEALOGY - Edward F. Butler (TX)

HISTORIC SITES AND CELEBRATIONS - Louis A. Beach, PhD (VA); Charles H. Boggs, MD (VA); Robert S. Coleman (VA); C. Dean Cullison (SC); Robert E. Burt (FL); Harry K. Goodman, NC; Richard D. Eiseman (NC); O. Donald Philen (VA); George Lamp (WV)

KNIGHT ESSAY - New Chairman Gareth H. Bond, 4630 Tapestry Dr., Fairfax, VA 22032; Darryl S. Jeffries (PA); Richard L. White (AK)

LEGAL ADVISORY - Hon. Charles E. McCarty (WV)

LIBRARY - Charles Bragg (IN); Stephen Seames (MA)

MUSEUM - FPG Reon G. Hillegass (VA)

YOUNG MEMBERS - James Thweat (IN)



A RARE EVENT - About a month before he attained his 103rd birthday in August, Pennsylvania Society Compatriot William G. Hintz (left) was presented his 50-Year Membership Certificate. Doing the honors was Dr. Thomas E. Shultz, President of the Governor Joseph Hiester Chapter serving the Reading area.

Stroke Tips Offered

Anyone can have a stroke - a cerebrovascular accident - states Surgeon General John Davis Jackson, Jr. In information supplied for this story, he emphasized that "most people do not know the danger of a stroke until they have it."

He offers these risk factors for stroke:

- Hypertension
- Cardiac disease
- High cholesterol level
- Age (incidence increases after 55 years)
- Smoking
- Alcohol and drug use (excessive or binge drinking; intravenous drug and cocaine use)
- Male (especially if African-American)
- Oral contraceptives

Warning Signs

Dr. Jackson, a practicing neurosurgeon in Louisiana, points out that these are important warning signs of stroke:

- Sudden onset of confusion, speech difficulty
- Sudden numbness or weakness of face, arm, leg or one side of body
- Visual difficulty with one or both eyes
- Severe headaches of no known cause, especially if associated with stiff neck
- Difficulty walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination

He stresses that if these signs occur, call 911 or go immediately to a hospital emergency room. The sooner medical attention is sought, the greater the chance of recovery.

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NSSAR membership October 1, 1999; 25,724. Numbers below equal total new members since last issue of the magazine. Patriot ancestors identified by name.

ALABAMA SOCIETY (9)

Dwight Austin Collier, 152349; John Gray Gregg, Sr. William Madison Fortenberry, Jr., 152351; Jacob Higginbotham Ronnie Eugene Glass, 152350; Zachariah Glass Scott Allen Martin, 151997; David Lindsey William Joseph Paul, 152197; Robert Paul, Sr. James Walter Smith, II, 152352; James Bell Edson Warren Worden, 152348; Eliphath Killam

ARIZONA SOCIETY (12)

DeWitt Harvey Aurand, 152444; Henry Aurand Robert Owen Beal, 152130; George Lenhart James Thomas Enochs, 151998; David Enochs Drew R. Forshee, 152126; Jonathan Leach Robert Leach Forshee, 152124; Jonathan Leach Todd C. Forshee, 152125; Jonathan Leach John Rolland Gibbons, 152356; John Fee Merle Raeburn Lackey, 152354; Charles Tracy Joseph Donald Rose, 152355; William Lane, Sr. Paul Jeffrey Rottas, 152129; Cleary Campbell Steven Henry Rottas, 152128; Cleary Campbell Delyle Laurence Seda, 152127; Elisha Dickinson Michael James Vorheese, 152449; James Alexander George Emory Vorheese, 152097; James Alexander

ARKANSAS SOCIETY (8)

Emil Moore Cross, Jr., 152058; Daniel Long, Sr. Malcolm Eldridge MacDonald, 152447; John Pendleton Raymond Russell Mahan, 152353; James Mahan George Holt McConnell, 152098; Thomas Atchley, I John Thomas Mills, 152445; Thomas Priddy Joel Mills, III, 152446; Thomas Priddy Hoyt T. Tillery, 152297; William O'Neal Carl Richard Vorheese, 152448; James Alexander

CALIFORNIA SOCIETY (37)

Alan Dale Buckley, 152270; James Buckley Earl Gage Cole, 152178; Thomas Welman Culberhouse Thomas Woodrow Cooper, 152220; Johannes Volk, Jr. Bruce Avona Davis, 152180; William Addington Paul Newton Eckles, 152100; Michael Messinger Richard Neal Faber, 152245; Gassaway Watkins Adam Glenn Fischer, 151670; William Green Sydney LaVerne Flint, 152099; Samuel Alley Ronald Stephen Gredell, 151999; John Pendleton Douglas Brian Holl, 152451; Thomas Rouse, Sr. Norman Ross Hollister, 152452; David Hollister Frederick Lorraine Hotes, 152300; Duncan McVicker Erik Michael Ish, 152219; Littleton Adams Mark Stephen Ish, 152218; Littleton Adams Boyd Russell Lawrence Keenan, 152179; Jesse Snow James Richard Locke, 152298; Josiah Locke David Rowland Lyon, 152454; Isaac Lockwood, Jr. Charles D. Martinez y Vigil, 152269; Francisco Martin Torres John Patrick McLaughlin, 152299; Adam Kuhn Gordon Vincent Palmer, 152066; Israel Stone Robert Vernon Peringer, 152486; Joseph Goddard John Philip Qualla, 152217; James King Rick Allison Sanders, 152063; John Outright Emmett Webster Smith, Jr., 152064; James Smith Duncan Michael Wagner, 152065; Perigo Downing James Daryl Warrick, 152067; Ebenezer Eaton Robert Elton Rugg, 152000; Daniel Rugg Walter Poole Scaff, 152271; John Yeates Kenneth Leon Snyder, 152357; Joseph Bidwell Edward Leroy Stephenson, 152450; James Stephenson, II Don Lee Stockett, 152002; Bryan Nowlin

James Lynn Wallace, 152453; Joshua Roberts W. Robert James Ware, III, 152134; John Porter, Jr. Bryan Tauno Wetter, 152132; Christopher Long John Kenneth Wetter, 152131; Christopher Long Thomas Lee Wheeler, 152001; John Wheeler Ralph Victor Whiteley, 152133; Robert Peebles

CANADIAN SOCIETY (2)

Dennis Wayne Ellis, 152301; John Ellis, Jr. John Otis Kaler, 152455; Hiram Thompson

COLORADO SOCIETY (7)

Charles Roger Addlesperger, 152359; William McFarland Jason Brian Addlesperger, 152360; William McFarland Christopher Michael Andolsek, 152159; Jonathan Mitchell Herbert Eugene Boyd, 152358; John Barber Craig Bowers Dillon, 152302; Anthony Daniel Trout James Eric Schreck, 152181; Philip Gatewood William Robert Tyburczy, 152182; Ebenezer Tolman

CONNECTICUT SOCIETY (13)

Robert Clark Bantle, 152361; William Foster Devereaux Andrew Clifford, 152303; Ebenezer Rich Robert Emerson Connor, Jr., 152362; Samuel Aborn, II Lee Allan Hall, 152101; Samuel Elmore David Lund Hopewell, 152272; John Hopewell Dale Alan Knofla, 152136; Aaron Sturges David Earl Knofla, 152137; Aaron Sturges Neal Cali Knofla, 152135; Aaron Sturges Michael Duncan Suttcliffe, 152004; John Suttcliffe III Ralph Clifton Thayer III, 152068; Hezekiah Thayer Thomas Kenneth Varney, 152304; Timothy Bliss Earl Ross Wohlert, 152003; Christian Lessig Brian Albert Wright, 152198; Ezekiel Wright

DELAWARE SOCIETY (4)

Alan Edward Dages, 152273; Peter Manning Thomas Branch Faison, Jr., 152306; Thomas Shores, Jr. Thomas Branch Faison, Sr., 152305; Thomas Shores, Jr. Spencer Steven Page, 152189; Nathan Munger

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SOCIETY (2)

Fred Gorham Folsom, Jr., 152005; John Folsom Gaylon Edward Wood, Jr., 152138; Richard Marshall

FLORIDA SOCIETY (31)

Robert Buck Attack, 152309; Moses Buck Austin Melvin Brokaw, 152310; George Brokaw Thomas Carroll Committee, 152367; Petrus Terwilliger Joseph Gerald Doherty, 152008; Benjamin Stone Meigs Robert Bernhard duMont, III, 152363; John Stagg, Jr. John Jerome Edwards, 152139; John Curtis James Elijah Fulghum, 152487; John Fulghum Edsal Middleton Hunt, 152366; James Middleton Brian Christopher Hunter, 152364; Meschack Michener Gregory Thomas King, 152457; Phineas Chedister Roger Rice Landers, 152009; Nehemiah Hopkins, Sr. Damon Matthew Larus, 152069; Aaron Beadon Norman Frederick LeFevre, Jr., 152307; Martin Adolphus Eberhart Daniel A. Lynch, Jr., 152221; Thomas Trent Walter Searight Mains, 152160; James Linn William Laurence Mays, Jr., 152308; John Ramey Philip Harrison Munger, 152365; Daniel Wade Richard Holland Owen IV, 152183; Thomas Watkins, Jr. Stanley Marshall Parmeter, 152161; Jonathan Shafter Skinner Eric Christopher Peterson, 152368; David Alderman James Robert Reesman, 152184; John Drummond James Edward Robison, Jr., 152456; William Speer

William Henry Roth, 152140; James Campbell Richard Clarence Rounds, Jr., 152163; John Atwater Jerry David Service, 152102; Bartholomew Carrol Roger Hale Smith, Jr., 152070; Samuel Hale Michael John Webb, 152274; John Pitts Stephen Robert Wenzel, 152162; Abiezer Perkins Roland Ralph West, 152007; Neil Colbraith Donald Eugene Williams, II, 152006; William Galloway Ice James Michael Wilson, 152458; Joshua Martin

FRANCE SOCIETY (2)

Lucien Charles Marie de Lardemelle, 152199; Claude Joseph deTürmel Bely Marc, 152200; Louis Alexandre Perthier

GEORGIA SOCIETY (48)

David Robert Allee, 152186; Nicholas Allee William Theodore Atkins, Jr., 152374; Anthony Storey Robert Eugene Biggers, 152072; Francis Webb James Lee Black, 152489; Joseph Deadwyler Michael Maxwell Black, 152490; Joseph Deadwyler Brent Anderson Boltwood, 152314; Reuben McLeroy Michael Herman Buffington, 152190; John Hurst Michael James Burngardner, 152492; Donald Bruce Clifford Douglas Collins, III, 152316; Joseph Sumner James Patrick Conery, 152488; Cullen Conery Murray Woodrow Craig, Jr., 152011; Josiah Layfield Ralph Edwin Davis, 152460; Jacob Hosch Roy Wendell Davis, Jr., 152459; Jacob Hosch William Lamar DeFoor, Jr., 152495; George Prickett Stephen Gregory DeGange, 152375; Joseph E. Singletary James Hershel Doster, Jr., 152461; Nathan Bowles Russell Cranford Dreyer, 152491; Daniel Russell Garnett Lane Ferguson, Jr., 152185; Frederick Selleck James Arthur Fisher, Jr., 152319; Henry Adams James Arthur Fisher, Jr., 152319; Henry Adams John Jarrett Fitzgerald, 152201; John Lent Thomas Morton Fort, Jr., 152104; Arthur Fort Lloyd Thomas Gamblin, 152369; Joseph Terrell Matthew Carl Gamblin, 152370; Joseph Terrell Robert Nicholas Halliday, 152010; Thomas Halliday James David Hunt, 152373; William Pearman, Sr. Clarence Douglas Johnston, 152103; Richard Lockhart David Lee Keen, 152014; John Keen Thomas Porter McIntosh, Jr., 152483; George Turnley Thomas Porter McIntosh, Sr., 152246; Charles McIntosh Charles Alfred McClure, 152071; Hugh McClure James David McLeroy, 152315; Reuben McLeroy Wilbur Harold Newman, 152462; Reuben Newman Peter Jacob Norris, 152371; John McMullan Eric Paul Osborne, 152247; Reuben Bramlette James Calvin Parker, 152015; Aaron Parker, Sr. Paul Samuel Parks, 152496; Benjamin Parks, Sr. Frank William Quinn, 152275; Moses Liddell Larry Norman Richardson, 152313; Amos Richardson Glenn Stanley Smith, 152012; George Pointer Joseph Gregory Taylor, 152013; Enoch Stone, Sr. Charles Gerald Tedford, 152493; John Tedford Henry Howell Terrell, 152317; Joseph Terrell Stuart Wesley Terrell, 152318; Joseph Terrell Charles Jayson Walker, 152016; Elisha Walker Leslie Lamar Wilkes, III, 152372; Peyton Wade Ronald Gene Wilson, 152494; William Wilson John Andrew Yearwood, 152312; Jacob Braselton, Sr. John Edwin Yearwood, 152311; Jacob Braselton, Sr.

LOUISIANA SOCIETY (17)

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HAWAII SOCIETY (1)

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ILLINOIS SOCIETY (14)

Brian Wade Binsfield, 152465; Frederick DeLong Matthew Craig Binsfield, 152466; Frederick DeLong Paul Jerome Bunce, 152378; Isaac Bancroft Timothy Eric Hayes, 152497; Bigger Head, V John Woodmansee LeLand, 152105; James Johnson Richard Alan Maryanski, 152059; Edward Black Jerry Jay Moore, 152464; Jesse Edwards, Jr. Aaron Snowden Rush, 152376; Martin Pruitt John Royal Spotts, 152202; Nicholas Ickes Bruce Earl Walker, 152377; James Walker Harold Erwin Welbel, Jr., 152165; Abraham Lichtenwalter Harold Erwin Welbel, Sr., 152164; Abraham Lichtenwalter Christian Nathan Wells, 152278; Thomas Wells Robert William Westerdale, 152106; Richard Olmsted

INDIANA SOCIETY (11)

Willard New Everhart, III, 152277; John Evans Philip Arthur Gurley, 152249; Daniel Gurley Dale Edward Hess, 152073; Peter Hess, Sr. Robert Dale Howell, Sr., 152468; Alexander Moffett William David Jones, 152268; Jacob Coleman

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Graham Denby Morey, 152187; Elisha Fitch Howard Walter Park, 152107; Jonathan Park Hal Everett Schimmelpennig, 152248; Joseph Vantresse James Howard Tomlinson, 152467; William Tomlinson Samuel Wilcoxon, 152074; William Colgan Harold Thomas Woodard, 152141; George Fuitts

IOWA SOCIETY (1)

Kent Alan Wood, 152276; Malachi Loveland

KANSAS SOCIETY (5)

Darold Ardale Dodge, 152250; Josiah Rogers Dodge James Lewis Speicher, 152108; Gideon Deming III Ralph Weeks Lucas, 152017; John Lucas Justin Lee Rogers, 152222; James Bruce Ryan Jeffrey Rogers, 152223; James Bruce

KENTUCKY SOCIETY (4)

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MEXICO SOCIETY (1)

Charles Lee Fogerson, 152322; James McElroy

MICHIGAN SOCIETY (6)

Donald Allerton Johnston, III, 152472; James Agens Ervin David Ladd, 152115; Ellab Ladd Earl William Modert, 152473; William Bullock Donald Duane Nutt, 152389; Samuel Nutt Ellis Norman Olson, 152390; Abijah Lee Donald Claude Ritter, Jr., 152471; Stephen Ramsburg

MINNESOTA SOCIETY (1)

Douglas Vail Orton, 152391; David Moor

MISSISSIPPI SOCIETY (5)

Perry Franklin Gibson, 152503; Anthony New William Robert Lamb, 152502; John Holladay David Martin Massey, 152504; William Massey Nelson Christian Smoot, Jr., 152474; Robert Miller, Jr. Paul Sharpe Walker, Jr., 152501; Thomas Cotton

MISSOURI SOCIETY (7)

Ralph Ervin Clary, 152475; James Cannon James Martin Evans, 152393; Thomas Evans Edwin Maxwell Frink, 152392; Thomas Frink Max Allison Greim, 152324; Philemon Saunders Bruce Donald Rahtjen, 152323; Samuel Fellows V John Leslie Ricks, 152143; John Cottle Richard Alan Wright, 152062; Nicholas Youngman

MONTANA SOCIETY (4)

Paul Bernard Alaback, 152254; Lewis Powell Roscoe George Montgomery, 152144; Francis Dodge William John Morris, 152022; John Truax Lonn Randall Sanders, 152079; Shadrack Barnes

NEW JERSEY SOCIETY (10)

Theodore Clark Alley, 152394; Henry Baker Gary John Denovich, 152204; Micajah Conover Robert Francis Eick, Jr., 152255; Sherebiah Evens Charles Henry James, 152476; John Johnson Frank Michael McGonigle, 152396; Samuel Blackford



Alabama Society President Hoyt O. Smith recently welcomed two of his grandsons into the Society's John Henry Lentz Chapter: Michael Dean Smith (second from right) and James Walter Smith II (left of Michael). Also on hand was his youngest grandson, Douglas Storm Hill, who received the Youth Registration Certificate. Interestingly, Michael is beginning his second year contract with the Japanese Board of Education teaching the English language to Japanese students in Aizuhongo, Fukushima. James is attending the University of North Alabama.

John Dewey Polt, 152325; Daniel Freeman John Douglass Rosenkrans, 152203; John Rosenkrans William Frederick Schmitz, 152398; Isaac Russell Ronald Saylor Tyson, 152395; William Sellen Tyson Robert Harold Wright, 152397; Gilbert Drew, Sr.

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Tennessee Valley Chapter meets second Monday each month at Porter's Restaurant, Huntsville Marriott Hotel at 11:00 am. Compatriots, wives and friends are welcome. Also, an informal meeting is held on the Friday after the second Monday at Redstone Arsenal Club at 5:00 pm for SAR members not able to attend Monday's meeting. For information phone Sec. Charles Bunnell (256-881-4944).

ARIZONA

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

Palo Verde Chapter meets in Mesa for breakfast at 8:30 a.m. 2nd Sat. monthly except Jul-Aug. Phone Thomas Jacks (602) 857-3391. SARs, wives & friends welcomed.

Phoenix Chapter luncheon meeting every Tuesday noon. Phone Secy Bob Richmond for information. (602) 224-6009.

Prescott Chapter meets in Prescott for lunch the 3rd Saturday of the month. (520) 445-2101 or 778-3229 for information.

Saguaro Chapter meets in the Sun City area; January, March, May, September and November. Call (602) 977-3596 or (602) 933-3738 for information.

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

ARKANSAS

General LaFayette Chapter. Luncheon meeting, 11:30 AM Second Saturday monthly, except June, July and August. Clarion Inn, Hwy 62 and 71 Bypass, Fayetteville, Arkansas. Compatriots, spouses and potential members always welcome.

CALIFORNIA

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

Kern Chapter #38 luncheon meeting at 11:45 on first Sat. of each month except July and August. Held at the Goodnite Inn. Sec. Eugene Ballow 805/324-0543, Bakersfield, CA.

Redlands Chapter. Meets 3rd Sat. each month, 8:30 a.m. at the University of Redlands, Hunseker Center, in the Irvine Commons, Room A&B. Address is 1259 E. Colton Ave., Redlands, CA 92374.

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

Sacramento Chapter meets 3rd Friday at 6:30 P.M. Dinner at Palomino Room, 3405 El Camino Ave. Visiting SARs welcome. Pres: Charles Highbaugh (916) 728-1776.

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

San Francisco Chapter. Luncheon meeting at noon, last Thursday monthly, third Thursday in November (none in July, August, December) at Fort Mason Officers Club, San Francisco, home of National Congress 1989.

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

CONNECTICUT

General David Humphreys Branch No. 1, New Haven, CT meets at 6:00 PM on the second Monday of September through June. For details, call Secretary, Marshall K. Robinson, at 203-271-2378.

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FLORIDA

Boca-Deerfield Chapter. Luncheon meetings 11:30 am 3rd Saturday monthly throughout the year except June, July and August. For reservations and location, call Jerry Tillman 561/362-7230.

Caloosa Chapter. Fort Myers. Luncheon meeting at noon 2nd Wed. monthly, except Jun, July, Aug. Phone Nevin E. Salot (941) 334-6840.

Central Florida - Disney Area. Luncheon meeting second Saturday monthly except June, July and August. Call Tom McElroy: 407/695-6274.

Flagler Chapter. Luncheon meetings 11 a.m. 3rd Tues. monthly. Call 904-445-2258 for location.

Ft. Lauderdale Chapter. Luncheon meetings 11:30am, 2nd Thursday each month. For information & reservations call 954-564-2813.

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 941-858-8856 or 941-533-3038. All welcome.

Miami Chapter. Luncheon meetings at noon the 4th Friday monthly, except July, Aug., Feb., 3rd Friday Nov. & Dec. at the Country Club of Coral Gables, 997 N. Greenway Drive, Coral Gables. Special observances Washington's Birthday, 4th of July, Constitution Week and Veterans Day. Visiting SARs and Ladies welcome. For reservations

Every Compatriot Is Welcome At March 3-4, 2000 Trustees Meeting

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

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

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

If you desire to attend the March 3-4, 2000 Trustees Meeting – and are not a General Officer, National Committee Chairman, State Society Trustee or President – just complete and return this form to receive registration and hotel reservation information.

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Naples Chapter meets at 11:30 a.m. the 2nd Thursday of each month except June - September at the Club House of the Naples Heritage Golf & Country Club, 8150 Heritage Club Way (off David Blvd., west of County Road 951, via I-75, Exit 15) Phone Sec James Applegate, 793-6629.

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. Augustine Chapter. Lunch meeting, 12 N. 3rd Sat. Sept-May. Info & Res: (904) 285-8145/797-2415.

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

Saramana Chapter: Bradenton, Sarasota and Venice. Meets Noon 2nd Friday, except July & August. Call (941) 966-6809.

GEORGIA

Piedmont Chapter meets at 8:15 a.m. 3rd Saturday each month, Hometown Grille, 29 S. Main Street, Alpharetta, GA. For info call George Thurmond: 770/475-1463.

ILLINOIS

CHICAGO Ft. Dearborn Chapter, Luncheon Meetings at noon, Union League Club - 3rd

Thursdays - Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep & Nov. (312) 337-0832.

MISSOURI

Ozark Mountain Chapter, Springfield, Noon, the 3rd Sat. monthly (except AUG), Old Country Buffet, 1536 S. Glenstone Ave., Springfield, MO. Wives & guests welcome. Call Pres. David Appleby 417-725-2727.

Harry S Truman Chapter meets for breakfast at 9:00 AM on the second Saturday of each month at the Sports Complex Holiday Inn at I-70 and Blue Ridge Cutoff. Call 816/229-4402 for information.

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 Chapter** meets the 1st Wed. each month (402) 786-3346. **Omaha Chapter** meets 2nd Tues. each month (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

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.

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

OREGON

Lewis & Clark Chapter: Meet the first Saturday of each month except July & August at 11:00am. Beaverton Elks Lodge #1987, 3500 SW 104th Ave., Beaverton, OR. Phone 629-8784.

PENNSYLVANIA

Philadelphia-Continental Chapter. Meetings, luncheons, dinners, and functions monthly except July and August. Tel: SAR Hdqrs. (610) 688-3886, George Mohr, Secretary, 131 Freedom Blvd., West Brandywine, PA 19320-1550; Telephone: (610) 380-1690.

TENNESSEE

Memphis, TN Chapter meets 3rd Tues. each month 7pm. Tel: 901-754-6383.

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

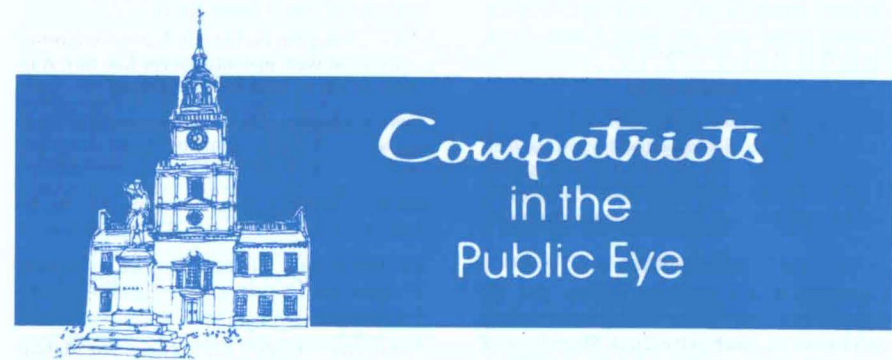
Fairfax Resolves Chapter, McLean, meets at 7:30 p.m. on 2nd Thursday, Sept.-Apr. at McLean Governmental Center, 1437 Balls Hill Road. Call W. Pless Lunger, Pres. (703)821-1840 or Richard E. Spurr, Sec./Treas. (703) 751-2829.

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

President of the National Congress of Patriotic Organizations.

PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY - Robert W. Murdoch has been named National Chairman for Tartan Day 1999-2000 by the Scottish Coalition. The Coalition is composed of national organizations serving the Scottish-American community through research, long-term planning and as a source of information and guidance. In 1998 the United States Senate passed a Resolution declaring each April 6th as National Tartan Day, thus honoring that date in 1320 when Scotland declared its independence from England through the signing of the Declaration of Arbroath.

TEXAS SOCIETY - Past Librarian General Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck was named the first recipient of the Filby Prize for Genealogical Librarianship at the National Genealogical Society's Annual Conference in Richmond, Virginia during May. The award is made in partnership with Scholarly Resources and carries a \$1,000 cash prize.



ALABAMA SOCIETY - Past President William C. Pittman, Jr. recently retired from the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command after 52 years of Federal service. His last assignment was as Program Manager, Missile Guidance Directorate, Missile Research Development and Engineering Center. In 1992 he received the Meritorious Civilian Service Medal for his leadership in developing plans for the Department of Defense Millimeter and Microwave Monolithic Integrated Circuit Program.

A. Cook Chapter serving Indianapolis, has been presented the Exceptional Meritorious Achievement Award by National Soujourners, Inc. (an organization of Masons who are or have been officers in a military arm of the United States). Among other activities, he was cited for appearing as George Washington before numerous school, Masonic and civic groups.

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