

*President General  
& Mrs. Henry N. McCarl*



# The President General's Message

## Dear Compatriots:

As I write this message, it has been a while since you gave me the opportunity to serve you as the 101st President General of our National Society. My endeavor will be throughout this year, to work together with the other Compatriots on our leadership team, to support our programs, our principles, our ideals and our great Nation.

The 114th Annual Congress in Pittsburgh was one of the best attended events in our recent history. It proved to me that our members are sincerely concerned about the future of our Society. They were willing to be there to assure that the business of the SAR was conducted in a proper and open manner. I can pledge to you that your President General and all of our National Leaders will work together, in unity, without rancor, to further the goals of honoring our forefathers while promoting the patriotic spirit of America. As Benjamin Franklin said "We must all hang together, or we will surely hang separately."

In addition to the coordination of all endowment fund raising under the direction of our new Treasurer General, Nathan E. White, Jr., Secretary General Roland G. Downing will be organizing the archives and records of NSSAR to improve recovery of our historical records. The Secretary General will also be the Chairman of the NSSAR Strategic Planning Committee, developing new approaches to communications within our Society and new educational outreach programs that will utilize our Center for Advancing America's Heritage to increase our impact on patriotic education and public understanding of American History.

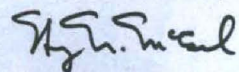
I would like to offer the opportunity to any interested Compatriot to participate in the efforts of our NSSAR Committees and working groups. Leadership and membership of our NSSAR Committees are listed elsewhere in this issue of *The SAR Magazine*. This will be a starting point for activities at our Trustees meeting in September. Additions and changes to these listings may be found on the NSSAR Web site at [www.sar.org](http://www.sar.org) where we will try to maintain the most current listings as members are added to our Committees and leadership responsibilities are shifted during the year.

Mary and I had a wonderful experience in New York and New Jersey immediately following the Pittsburgh Congress. We attended the 200th Anniversary Commemoration of the death of Alexander Hamilton, one of our most important and often under appreciated Founders. Hamilton was, in the words of Ron Chernow, the author of the current best selling biography, "the principle designer of the federal government, the catalyst for the emergence of the two-party political system, the patron saint of Wall Street, founder of the US Coast Guard, and pioneer of our modern banking and financial systems...He was arguably the most important figure in American history who never attained the presidency, but he has a far more lasting impact than

many who did." I was honored to be an invited guest at the Hamilton Family Reunion, Burr/Hamilton Duel re-enactment, and Memorial Service for Alexander Hamilton at Trinity Church in Manhattan. I represented the NSSAR as a speaker at the Memorial Service on Monday, July 12. An honor guard from the U.S. Coast Guard laid the memorial wreath on the grave of our Patriot Ancestor, and my wife Mary, great-great-great granddaughter of Hamilton, laid the memorial wreath on the grave of his wife, Eliza Schuyler Hamilton. We have been invited to return to New York on September 9, 2004, for a pre-opening reception for the six-month exhibition at the New-York Historical Society honoring Hamilton: soldier, patriot, statesman, and in the opinion of many, the founder of Modern America. The building in Manhattan that houses the N-YHS will be sheathed in a large replica of the \$10 bill in time for the 2004 Republican National Convention.

Please accept my gratitude for entrusting me with the top position in our National Society. I have always given my best efforts to the missions that have undertaken. You may expect no less during this next year as I coordinate the best teamwork with the best leadership that we have elected and appointed for the coming year.

In Patriotic Service,



Henry N. McCarl  
President General



On June 17th the 229th anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill was marked at the monument in Charlestown, Massachusetts. Participating were then Secretary General McCarl (center), Geoff Colby (left), MASSAR Color Guard Commander, and Hans Jackson of the SAR New England Contingent.



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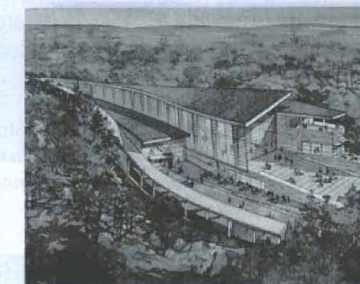
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**LEFT:** The concluding banquet of the Annual Congress saw the installation of Massachusetts Compatriot Henry N. McCarl as President General for 2004-2005. His wife, Mary, held a Bible as he received the oath of office from Chancellor General David N. Appleby. **CENTER:** A tradition during the installation ceremony is placement on the new PG's finger of the National Society's most valuable possession, George Washington's Seal Ring. This ritual was conducted by retiring PG Raymond G. Musgrave. **RIGHT:** Compatriot Musgrave was presented the Gold Good Citizenship Medal in recognition of his successful year of service as our Society's top leader.

## Successful Congress Held In Pittsburgh

When the final gavel came down to close the 114th Annual Congress, held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania July 3rd through July 7th, attendees and guests alike agreed that it had been a highly productive gathering – liberally sprinkled with an abundance of stimulating business and social activities. On hand were 283 delegates and 166 guests – all duly registered.

Serving as Congress Headquarters was the elegant Hilton Hotel, located conveniently to fine shopping and dining experiences.

Reported in this wrap-up news story are highlights of actions taken by the delegates, reports made by various segments of our Society's leadership and capsules of other

events of broad interest. This issue of the magazine also features an up-to-date listing of key National Society, State Society and Chapter Officers and a summation of appointments made by the President General to National Committees. Since at press time the appointments were still being changed, readers are advised to check the National Society web site for current listings.

### New General Officers

The election of officers was held on Tuesday morning following the report of the Nominating Committee and nominations from the floor for certain positions. Serving as Chairman of the Committee was former President General B. Rice Aston. In those cases where more than one candidate was nominated, a secret ballot was held. Here is the officer slate for the 2004-2005 term: President General, Henry N. McCarl, MASSAR; Secretary General, Roland G. Downing, DESSAR; Treasurer General, Nathan E. White, Jr., TXSSAR; Registrar General, Bruce A. Wilcox, VASSAR; Historian General, Richard W. Sage, ESSAR; Chancellor General, David N. Appleby, MOSSAR; Chaplain General, H. Leroy Stewart, SCSSAR; Genealogist General, Edward F. Butler, TXSSAR; Librarian General, Richard S. Austin, VASSAR; and Surgeon General, Dan Heller, M.D., AZSSAR. PG McCarl announced that he had appointed the following Compatriots to the Executive Committee, as spelled out in the NSSAR Bylaws: Walter F. Baker, NMSSAR; J. Philip London, DCSSAR; Ralph D. Nelson, DESSAR; Larry J. Magerkurth, CASSAR; and Raymond G. Musgrave, WVSSAR. As representatives of the Board of Trustees, he appointed the following to the Executive Committee as non-voting participants: Stephen M. Baldwin, MOSSAR; Frank X. Hodalski, FLSSAR; Rev. David A. Hockensmith, VTSSAR; and Robert L. Robinett, TXSSAR. This is the first time that Trustees were invited to be

members. After the PG made known all of his appointments, the delegates approved his action.

### Activities Begin on Friday

Some attendees arrived as early as Thursday afternoon in order to be on hand for the Executive Committee meeting all day on Friday and/or partake in a delightful dinner cruise that evening aboard a ship that plied the rivers serving Pittsburgh. Saturday offered a tour to visit two homes designed by architect Frank Lloyd Wright and Fort Necessity, where a young George Washington had a historic encounter with French forces while leading a band of



A highlight of the Tuesday evening banquet was the transfer of leadership from the retiring Commander of the National Society Color Guard from Missouri Compatriot Robert L. Grover (left) to Empire State Society Compatriot Peter K. Goebel (right). Participating in the ceremony was President General Raymond G. Musgrave.



On Sunday morning a contingent of SARs, including members of the Color Guard, marched from the Congress headquarters hotel a short distance to visit the Blockhouse, the only remaining structure from Fort Pitt. The five-sided fort was begun in 1759 and completed two years later. President General Raymond G. Musgrave placed a memorial wreath there.

Virginia militiamen in 1754. That evening the Pennsylvania Society hosted the traditional reception – and some 80 Compatriots and guests left there to attend a performance of the musical "1776".

On Sunday morning the 2003-2004 National Trustees held their last meeting of the year to wrap up any unfinished business. That afternoon virtually everyone took buses to the Heinz Memorial Chapel on the campus of the University of Pittsburgh for the solemn memorial service designed to honor those Compatriots who had passed away during the year. That night was the final run-off of the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical



Presiding very capably over the Congress was President General Raymond G. Musgrave. He managed to keep a myriad of details under control!

Oration Contest. Both the Memorial Service and the Oration Contest are covered in individual news stories.

### Business Sessions Begin

The Congress officially opened on Monday morning with the first business session. This was preceded by a grand march-in parade led by the National Society Color Guard consisting of over 70 Compatriots from across the country dressed in Revolutionary War uniforms. They were fol-



Among the dignitaries who brought greetings from their organizations were (from left): Mrs. Paul M. Niebell, Honorary VPG of the DAR, representing President General Mrs. Robert W. Watkins; Mrs. John W. Smith, Senior National President, C.A.R.; and Compatriot Patrick Ryan Reidy, Senior President, C.A.R.



Overseeing every detail of the Congress were Barrett L. McKown (left), Chairman of the NSSAR Congress Planning Committee; and Henry P. Hoffstot, Jr., Chairman of the Pennsylvania Society Congress Planning Committee.



lowed by National Society and certain State Society officers and several distinguished guests. Those guests who brought addresses of welcome were: J. Fenwick Shugrue, President of the Pennsylvania Society; The Hon. Tom Murphy, Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh; and Mrs. Eloise C. Clark, State Regent of the DAR Pennsylvania Society. Bringing greetings were: Mrs. Paul M. Niebell, Sr., Honorary Vice President General, DAR, who represented President General Mrs. Robert W. Watkins; Col. M. Hall Worthington, General President of the Sons of the Revolution; Mrs. John W. Smith, Senior National President of the Children of the American Revolution; Patrick Ryan Reidy, National President, C.A.R.; Ms. Rosemary T. Hogan, Senior President, Pennsylvania C.A.R.; Mrs. Rebecca Shaw, President, Pennsylvania Society C.A.R.; and Mrs. Linda Rae Moran, President, SAR National Ladies Auxiliary.

### Varied Reports Offered

Formal business got underway with reports from the General Officers and the Chairmen of National Committees. They continued until it became time for the popular Youth Recognition Luncheon, which ran for about two hours and is reported in a separate news story, and resumed after that. Highlights of some of the reports are covered here.



As reported in the accompanying news story, Chancellor General Nathan E. White, Jr. discussed the SAR Foundation and sought ratification of revised bylaws and the transfer of certain funds to the Foundation. The delegates gave unanimous approval.

taken at the 112th and 113th Annual Congresses be ratified by the delegates to this Congress. The motion, which was seconded and passed, authorized formation of the Foundation; approved revised bylaws; authorized the transfer of endowment funds



from the National Society to the Foundation (except the George Washington Endowment Fund); and approved the selection of directors. The delegates also elected two new directors to the Foundation Board to fill vacancies: former President General B. Rice Aston, TXSSAR; and Lester A. Foster, MDSSAR.

In his report Treasurer General Roland G. Downing stated that our Society is in good financial condition and resources are adequate to support current programs with the exception of several committees (notably the Knight Essay Contest) which rely on earnings from their own Special Purpose Funds. He asked delegates to consider these programs whose awards are not covered by the George Washington Endowment Fund when preparing charitable giving. In reporting as Treasurer of the SAR Foundation, he pointed out that this entity



Historian General Bruce A. Wilcox, a graduate of the United States Naval Academy, stated that the National Society's Award to an outstanding Academy Midshipman is now fully funded – thanks to the generosity of other Compatriot graduates and friends of the Society.

boasts a diversified portfolio of stock and bonds that had a face value of \$3,403,525.04 on April 30, 2004. The portfolio is managed by Fifth Third Bank of Louisville, the Society's investment advisor. "This year we anticipate the endowments will perform similar to 2003 when approximately



\$150,000 was distributed to NSSAR for general operations and committee work. Not included above, the major portion of the building fund valued at \$720,898.99 was deposited in cash equivalents ready for use in the library project."

Librarian General Richard S. Austin reported that John Mertz, a well-known Hessian scholar, is in the process of donating his unique collection of Hessian data concerning the American Revolution to the SAR Library. He also stated that discussions with Bruce Burgoyne are underway relative to donation of his Revolutionary War collection. "This is the beginning of the one-of-a-kind resource, which will make the SAR a premier Revolutionary War research center."

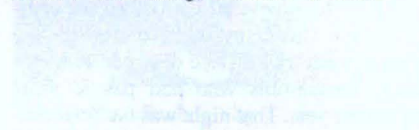
Historian General Bruce A. Wilcox revealed that in April he attended a meeting of the National Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route Association in Washington, DC. This is a nine-state partnership to designate the Route (W3R) as a National Historic Trail and to educate the public on the major features of the 1778 treaty between France and the United States, including: (1) The three-year presence of the French Expeditionary Force in the U.S.; (2) The march south by the allied armies to the climactic battle at Yorktown under the joint leadership of Generals Washington and Rochambeau; and (3) Their triumphant return north. Compatriot Wilcox continues to be on the Governing Board for the Association.

#### Committee Activities Reported

Bylaws Committee Chairman Edward Overton Cailleateau introduced proposals to change the National Society Constitution

It was a proud moment for the National Ladies Auxiliary when President Linda Moran presented a check for \$3,500 to President General Raymond G. Musgrave during the Tuesday evening banquet. As detailed in a special news report about the Auxiliary elsewhere in this issue of the magazine, the contribution will be employed to purchase chairs for the Library portion of the proposed Center for Advancing America's Heritage.

Reporting on the financial condition of our Society were (from left): Craig Johnson, Director of Finance; Floyd L. Jernigan, Chairman of the Finance Committee; and Roland G. Downing, Treasurer General.



and Bylaws. These had been approved by the National Trustees at their Spring 2004 meeting and voted that they be sent to the Annual Congress for consideration. Those adopted are included below:



James A. McCafferty, Chairman of the NSSAR W3R Committee, reminded delegates of the plans being made to commemorate the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route along the East Coast. He encouraged Compatriots to find details on this important project in the NSSAR web site. Merely enter the term w3r in the Google search engine.

- After Article V of the Constitution, insert a new Article VI (re-numbering the succeeding Articles) which shall read as follows: "The SAR Foundation may be formed for the sole purposes of supporting and perpetuating the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution."

- Amend Article III, Paragraph 2, Sub-paragraph (4) by deleting the phrase "... which application shall have been approved, ..."

- Amend Bylaw No. 18, Section 1 (b), by deleting paragraphs 3,5 and 6 in their entirety.

- Amend Bylaw No. 18, Section 1 (b), Paragraph 2 by deleting the last sentence thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Such annual budget shall be for the fiscal year immediately following the meeting of the Board of Trustees at which it is approved."

- Amend Bylaw No. 18, Section 7 by deleting the Section in its entirety (re-numbering the succeeding Sections).



Thirteen young men and women from across the nation competed in the Congress run-off of the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest. This photo was taken on Sunday morning when the field was narrowed to six students, who then went on to offer their orations that evening before several hundred Congress attendees. **SEATED:** Michelle Nguyen, Texas; Rhea Muchalla, Kansas; P. Rod Hildreth, Chairman of the Oration Committee; Colleen Kelly, Illinois; and Yvonne Chasser, Ohio; **STANDING:** Jesse Bastin, Alabama; Logan Dean, Virginia; Jacob Gower, Louisiana; Chris Hughes, Maryland, 1st Place Winner; Ben Holden, Arkansas; Kris Petrie, Indiana, 3rd Place Winner; Ken Barnett, Tennessee, 2nd Place Winner; Kirk Laughlin, Kentucky; Raymond Davis, Florida; and President General Raymond G. Musgrave. Their oration topics ranged from George Washington to Lexington and Concord.

Former President General B. Rice Aston, Chairman of the Patriotic Education Committee, reported that over 20,000 CDs containing the American Heritage lesson plans are in use in public, private, parochial and home schools throughout the United States. Contributing to the success of this program has been funding from the George Washington Endowment Fund Distribution Committee chaired by Georgia Compatriot T. Fisher Craft. He enumerated many of those Compatriots across the country who have been especially helpful in distribution of the CDs, with special attention given to Virginia Society President James R. Justice. Justice presented a CD to his local Chapter President, referred to it in every speech he made, established a Patriotic Education Committee in his state, and formed a Patriotic Alliance of 10 lineage organizations and two military groups in Virginia. One of the VASSAR Chapter Presidents, a



During a Congress business session, David G. Boring (center), President of the Michigan Society's Detroit Metropolitan Chapter, presented a World War II Proclamation from the Mayor of Detroit as a tribute to that conflict's veterans. Accepting were President General Raymond G. Musgrave (left) and Robert L. Bowen, Chairman of the Partners in Patriotism Committee. A major news story on the Partners program begins on page 16 of this issue of the magazine.



Winston C. Williams (center) was surprised to be presented with an authentic naval officer's sword of World War II vintage by the Color Guard of the California Society's Sons of Liberty Chapter. Two of those guardsmen are shown here in this photo that was posed following the Tuesday evening banquet: Donald N. Moran (left) and Charles R. Lampman. The actual presentation took place as part of the evening's program. A graduate of the United States Naval Academy and now serving as Editor of *The SAR Magazine*, he never received the traditional sword because of wartime customs.



#### Valley Forge Society of the Descendants

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

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

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## Compatriots, Societies, Chapters Receive Awards At Annual Congress

State Societies, Chapters and individual Compatriots are active throughout the year competing for a wide range of awards that traditionally are presented during Recognition Night at each Annual Congress. Here are those saluted in Pittsburgh in the evening of July 5th.

**The President General's Cup** (To the Chapter which presents evidence of the most complete program of activities): *Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, GASSAR.*

**The Carl F. Bessent Award** (To the Editor of the most outstanding Chapter newsletter; Cash Award): Single Sheet: *Alamance Battleground Chapter, NCSSAR, Editor Sam Powell*; Honorable Mention: *General Andrew Lewis Chapter,*



The Maryland Society's Col. John Eager Howard Chapter won the Carl F. Bessent Award in the multiple-sheet category. Accepting from PG Musgrave was Editor Christos Christou, Jr.

*WYSSAR, Editor Edwin C. Wade.* Multiple Sheet: *Col. John Eager Howard Chapter, MDSSAR, Editor Christos Christou, Jr.*; Honorary Mention: *Piedmont Chapter, GASSAR, Editor Scott A. Ray.*

**The Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr. Award** (To the State Society of 500 or more members with the best news publication; Cash Award). With more than 10 pages: *Empire State Society, Editor Henry W. Croteau, Jr.*; Honorable Mention: *Virginia Society, Editor Robert L. "Bob" Bowen.* With fewer than 10 pages: *Connecticut Society, Editor Stephen Shaw.*

**The Paul M. Niebell, Sr. Award** (To the State Society of 100 or more members with the best news publication of less than 10 pages; Cash Award): *Kansas Society, Editor Herrick H. "Kes" Kesler*; Honorable Mention: *North Carolina Society, Editor John O. Thornhill.*

**The Eleanor Smallwood Niebell Award** (To the C.A.R. State Society and the local C.A.R. Society who have been judged to have the best newsletter by the guidelines



National Trustee Richard E. Anderson, Jr. accepted on behalf of the Connecticut Society the Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr. Award for the best news publication in the fewer than 10 pages category for the Society of 500 or more members. Honored was the Editor, Stephen Shaw. Making the presentation was the PG.

set up by the N.S.C.A.R.; Cash Award). State Society: *District of Columbia Society.* Local Society: *Princess Malee Society, FL.C.A.R.*; and *Old Stage Road, TN.C.A.R.*

**The Jennings H. Flathers Award** (To the State Society with fewer than 500 members with the best news publication; Cash Award): *Washington Society, Editor Robert F. Doughty*; Honorable Mention: *Arizona Society, Editor J. Michael Jones.*

**The Allene Wilson Groves Award and Streamer** (To the State Society, based upon size, which presents evidence of best



Editor J. Michael Jones of the Arizona Society (right) won Honorable Mention in the Jennings Flathers Award for producing the best newsletter in the fewer than 500 members category. Making the presentation was PG Musgrave.



President Larry Perkins (right) accepted the Allene Wilson Groves Award and Streamer from the President General on behalf of the Ohio Society.

implementing S.A.R. resolutions and principles): *Ohio Society*; Honorable Mention: *Texas Society.*

**The Edwin B. Graham Plaque** (To the State Society sponsoring the first place winner of the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest): *Maryland Society.*

**The George E. Tarbox Award** (To the State Society, exclusive of the host State Society, having the largest percentage of eligible delegates at the Annual Congress): *Wisconsin Society.*

**The Texas Award** (To the State Society with the highest percentage of increase in membership among states with fewer than 100 members): *Utah Society* (24.36%).



Accepting the Texas Award from PG Musgrave was Utah Compatriot Eric D. Richhart, Alternate Trustee.

**The Colorado Award** (To the State Society with the highest percentage increase in membership among states with greater than 100 members): *West Virginia Society* (34.14%).

**The Ohio Award** (To the State Society which enrolled the highest percentage of new members under 30 years of age): *District of Columbia Society* (44.44%).

**The Len Young Smith Award** (To the State Society which enrolled the largest number of new members under 40 years of age): *Georgia Society* (60).



The Colorado Award was captured by the West Virginia Society. Accepting from PG Musgrave was John H. Sauer.

**The Walter G. Sterling Award** (To the State Society which enrolled the largest number of new members transferred from the C.A.R.): *Illinois, New Hampshire and Virginia Societies* (2).

### Minuteman Medal Given To Three Compatriots

In 1951 the Minuteman Award was created to honor Compatriots who have given outstanding service of an exceptional nature to the **National Society**. A maximum of six winners may be selected by the Minuteman Committee from those who have been nominated by their State Societies. Medals are bestowed at the Annual Congress during Recognition Night.

The first awards were presented at the Congress in 1952, with former President General Benjamin H. Powell receiving the initial one. A total of 315 Compatriots have been so recognized. In addition to a handsome certificate, the award consists of a sterling silver medal bearing the likeness of a Revolutionary War Minuteman.

Here are those who were saluted at the 114th Annual Congress held in Pittsburgh in July. The positions indicated were held as of or previous to the Congress.

**RICHARD S. AUSTIN - Virginia Society.** Admitted to our Society in 1966, Compatriot Austin is currently serving a second term as Librarian General. He previously has served as Virginia Society National Trustee and as an Ambassador to the United Kingdom for the National Society. He has been a member of numerous Committees, including some as Chairman; these have ranged from Handbook, Congress Planning and History to Information Technology and Medals and Awards. He is active in the Mid-Atlantic District, helped establish two Chapters in Virginia, has been Secretary-Treasurer of the Council of State Presidents, and is a George Washington Fellow.

**ROBERT W. COKER - Texas Society.** Becoming a member of the SAR in 1983, Compatriot Coker is currently Alternate National Trustee of the Texas Society and has also served in that capacity for the Mexico Society.

**The Robert L. Sonfield Award** (To the State Society with the largest numerical increase of members at the end of the membership year): *West Virginia Society* (85).

**The Houston Chapter Award** (To The State Society which enrolled the largest percentage of new members transferred from the C.A.R.): *United Kingdom Society* (100%).

**The SAR Magazine Award** (To the State Society which was the most cooperative in supplying usable magazine material): *Virginia Society.*

**The Harold L. Putnam Award** (To the State Society and Chapter Chairman responsible for the winner of the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest): *Raymond Jackson, Maryland Society.*

**The Senator Robert A. Taft Award** (To the State Society enrolling the largest number of new members): *Georgia Society* (213).



These Compatriots were the proud recipients of the coveted Minuteman Award. **Seated:** Robert W. Coker (left) and Edward E. Grover. **Standing:** Richard S. Austin.

His background includes being Vice-President General for the South Central District and membership on such Committees as Book Estate, Genealogy (Chairman), Law Enforcement Commendation (Chairman), Membership, Nominating and Medals and Awards. He is a George Washington Fellow and assisted in forming three Chapters in Texas.

**EDWARD E. GROVER - Kansas Society.** Admitted to the SAR in 1989, Compatriot Grover currently serves as Commander of the National Society Color Guard; in 1999 he was named Color Guardsman of the Year. A Past National Trustee of the Kansas Society, his experience at the national level has also included serving on a variety of Committees, ranging from Participation Forum, Color Guard (also Chairman) and Americanism to Knight Essay, Membership and Living History. He is a Washington Fellow and has served as Vice-President General for the South Central District.

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**The William Y. Pryor Award** (To the State Society with the largest number of registered delegates and guests at the Congress, considering the distance factor): *California Society*.



Accepting the Len Young Smith Award on behalf of the Georgia Society was President George E. Thurmond (right). Doing the honors was PG Musgrave. Georgia also won the Senator Robert A. Taft Award.

**The Syracuse Award** (To the State Society with the most new Chapters): *Alabama, Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia Societies*.

**The Arthur J. Tremble Award – 1776 Trophy** (To the State Society which reinstated the largest number of dropped and resigned members): *South Carolina Society* (162).

**The Eugene C. McGuire Award** (To the State Society enrolling the largest number of sons, grandsons and nephews of SARs and DARs): *Texas Society* (82).

**The Kentucky Cup** (To the Membership Chairman of the State Society which enrolled the largest percentage of new members): *Canada Society* (26.32%).

**The Admiral William R. Furlong Memorial Award and Streamers** (To the State Society which has fulfilled the quali-



The Texas Society walked off with a number of awards, which were accepted by National Trustee Robert L. Robinett (left) and President William R. Adams (right). Making the presentations was President General Musgrave.

fications during the previous year. Qualification: Number of NSSAR Flag Certificate Presentations made): *Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Kansas, Maryland, New Mexico, Ohio, Texas, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin Societies*.

**The Minnesota Society Stephen Taylor Award** (To the Compatriot, who by his research and writings, has made a distinguished contribution to the preservation of the American Revolutionary Era and its Patriots): *David Cole, Pennsylvania Society*.

**The George S. & Stella M. Knight Award** (To the State Society sponsoring the winner of the Knight Essay Contest): *Empire State Society*.

**The William M. Melone Award** (To the State Society which has the largest number of new and approved supplemental memberships): *Texas Society* (58).

**The Richard H. Thompson, Jr. Award** (To the State Society, which at year's end, has the smallest number of members dropped from the rolls for non-payment of dues): *Maine, Nevada and United Kingdom Societies* (0).

**The USS Stark Memorial Award** (To the Chapters and State Society with the best record of service to veterans during the past year). Chapters: (10-49 members) *Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, GASSAR*; (50-99) *Alexander Hodge Chapter, TXSSAR*; Honorable Mention: *Piedmont Chapter, GASSAR*; (100-199) *San Antonio Chapter, TXSSAR*; (200 & above) *Philadelphia-Continental Chapter, PAS-SAR*; Honorable Mention: *Dallas Chapter, TXSSAR*. State Society: *Texas Society*.

**Officers' Streamer Award** (To the State Societies whose President and National Trustee have attended both preceding Trustees Meetings and the last Annual Congress): *California, Florida, Germany, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia Societies*.

**The Marian L. Brown Eagle Scout Award** (To the State Society sponsoring the winner of the Eagle Scout Scholarship Competition): *California Society*.

**The Matthew B. Sellers III Award** (To the Vice-President General who makes the best percentage over quota, based on last year's membership results): *Dr. Phillip Gray, Intermountain District consisting of ID, MT, UT and WY*.

**The DAR/SAR Membership Award** (To the DAR State Society recruiting the most SAR members; Cash Award): *Georgia Society* (48).



PG Musgrave (left) presented The SAR Magazine Award to the Virginia Society, while Editor Winston C. Williams (right) observed. Accepting were Society President John N. Dickie (next to the PG) and Robert L. Bowen, who was responsible for supplying a great deal of editorial material for the magazine.

**The Liberty Bell Americanism Award and Streamer** (To the Chapter using the same criteria as the Allene Wilson Groves Award): (10-49 members) *Button Gwinnett Chapter, GASSAR*; Honorable Mention: *Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, GASSAR*; (50-99) *Plano Chapter, TXSSAR*; (100-199) *San Antonio Chapter, TXSSAR*; (200 & above) *Western Reserve Society, OHSSAR*.

**The President General's Color Guard Trophy & Streamers** (To the Color Guard of the State Society and the Chapter that earns the most points during the year based on established criteria). State Society: *Georgia Society*. Chapter: *Louisville-Thruston Chapter, KYSSAR*.

**The Color Guardsman of the Year Award** (To the Compatriot who is the best representative of Color Guards and the best



PG Musgrave (left, foreground) was pleased to present the Color Guardsman of the Year Award to Maryland Compatriot James A. McCafferty. Escorting him were fellow Guardsmen (from left: Garrett Jackson, CASSAR; Bernard G. Lamp, Sr. (WVSSAR); and Charles R. Lampman (CASSAR). The trio are proud holders of the Gold Color Guard Award.

example of service to the ideals of the Sons of the American Revolution by his service to a Color Guard): *James A. McCafferty, MDSSAR*.



The Western Reserve Society, OHSSAR, won the President General's Chapter Activities Competition Award in the 200-plus membership category. Accepting from PG Musgrave was John H. Franklin, Jr.

**The President General's State Society and Chapter Activities Competition Awards.** Chapters: (10-49 members) *Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, GASSAR*; (50-99) *Piedmont Chapter, GASSAR*; (100-199) *San Antonio Chapter, TXSSAR*; (200 & above) *Western Reserve Society, OHSSAR*; Honorable Mention: *Philadelphia-Continental Chapter, PAS-SAR*. State Society: *Texas Society*.

**The Col. Stewart Boone McCarty Award** (To the Compatriot who has best furthered the Preservation of United States History and its traditional teachings in our schools. Cash Award): *Donald P. Goodman, Texas Society*.

**The General William C. Westmoreland Award** (To the outstanding SAR Veterans

Volunteer for service to veterans; must be submitted to the NSSAR Veterans Committee by State Society): *Charles Hal Dayhuff III, Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, GASSAR*.

**The Thomas J. Bond Photography Award** (To the Compatriot who presents the best photograph depicting the spirit of patriotism; Cash Award): *Robert L. "Bob" Bowen, Virginia Society*.

**The Howard F. Horne, Jr. Award** (To the State Society with the largest percentage increase of George Washington Fellows based on total membership; Cash Award): *Arizona Society*.

**The C.A.R. Activity Award and Streamers** (To the State Societies which have documented their work with the



First Place Winner of the Florence Kendall Award was Delaware Compatriot William B. Neal; he recruited 35 new members. The PG was pleased to make the presentation.



The Kentucky Cup was won by the Canada Society for enrolling the largest percentage of new members. Delaware Compatriot Ralph D. Nelson (right), a dual member of Canada, accepted from the PG.

Children of the American Revolution over the past year and have completed the filing process for entering this award): *Arizona, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia and Wisconsin*.

**The Florence Kendall Award** (To the top three Compatriots who recruited the largest number of new members: 1st Place, *William B. Neal, Delaware Society* (35); 2nd Place, *Stephen P. Shaw, Connecticut Society* (32); 3rd Place, *Douglas H. Stansberry, Georgia Society* (28).

Serving capably as Master of Ceremonies for the rather festive program was former President General William C. Gist, a member of the Kentucky Society.

## Virginia SAR Bowen Presented Varied Honors At Congress

Capturing a variety of awards at the 114th Annual Congress was Robert L. "Bob" Bowen of the Virginia Society.

The most prestigious of these was the NSSAR Distinguished Service Medal, which was presented to him by President General Raymond G. Musgrave during the formal Tuesday evening banquet. Approved by the Medals and Awards Committee, it had been originally recommended by the PG to recognize Compatriot Bowen's involvement in such programs as "Partners in Patriotism" and commemorating the 225th anniversaries of important events in the Revolutionary War.

Two added awards were picked up during Recognition Night: The Thomas J. Bond Photography Award and The Grahame T. Smallwood Award Honorable Mention for his excellence in editing the newsletter published by the Virginia Society. And it was largely because of his input for **The SAR Magazine** that his Society was given The SAR Magazine Award.

His entry in the competition for the Bond Award is titled "The Young Patriot." It is reproduced in an accompanying photo.



In describing "The Young Patriot", his entry in the Bond Photography Award competition, Compatriot Bowen wrote: "Young Themis Brecker, son of Phillip Brecker, a stand-in with the Maryland SAR Color Guard, looks up for guidance from his father during the 2004 commemorative program at Yorktown, Virginia. Themis enjoys participating in the Color Guard and whenever Dad is called to duty, Themis dons his tricorne, grabs his Maryland flag, and tags along."

## Annual Congress Memorial Service Honors 494 Departed Compatriots

The traditional Memorial Service, which honors those Compatriots who were called to eternal rest over the past year, was held during the 114th Annual Congress in the imposing Heinz Memorial Chapel on the campus of the University of Pittsburgh.

The beautiful edifice began as a gift from Henry John Heinz, founder of the famed H.J. Heinz Company, in memory of his mother. When he died in 1919, his will arranged to do just this. His three surviving children added to the bequest and conceived what the Chapel would be. Ground was broken in 1933, with dedication taking place in 1938.



An assortment of flags were carried by the Color Guard during a parade from buses into the Heinz Chapel. Leading them was President General Raymond G. Musgrave.

Participating in various aspects of the solemn program were President General Raymond G. Musgrave; Secretary General Henry N. McCarl; Chaplain General Rev. Dr. H. Leroy Stewart; Past Chaplains General Rev. W. Ramsey Richardson, Rev. D. Gene Patterson and Rev. Dr. Frank M. Spindler; and former Presidents General Howard F. Horne and B. Rice Aston.

### Nearly 500 Compatriots Remembered

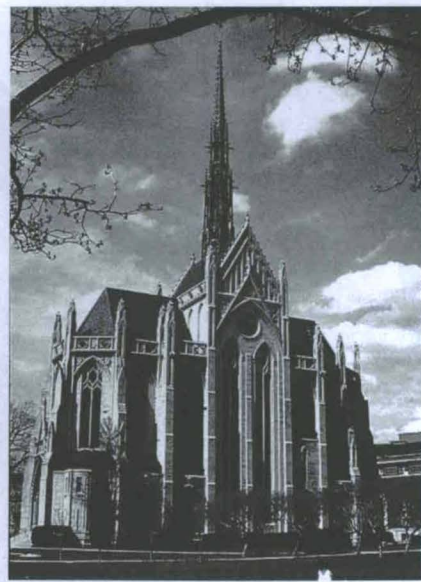
As he has in previous services, Compatriot Patterson recalled some of the 494 departed Compatriots. He pointed out that six of them represented 408 years of ongoing memberships, an average of 90 years of age with an average membership tenure of 69 years each: Richard G. Demarest, CTSSAR, 94 years old, 75 years a member; Wallace Hicks, VASSAR, 95 years old, 75 years a member; James E. Mitchell, OHSSAR, 91 years old, 67 years a member; Jack Spines, KSSAR, 85 years old, 63 years a member; Ashley C. Wemple, GASSAR, 86 years old, 66 years a member; and Judge Gray Silver, Jr., WVSSAR, 91 years old, 62 years a member.

He reported that among those members who had given especially dedicated service to our Society were former President General James B. Gardiner, ESSAR, who was nearly 97 years of age; Past Chancellor General Duane T. Sargisson, MASSAR; Paul M. Frantz, VASSAR; and Carlos Ricketson, VASSAR.



Past Chaplain General Rev. D. Gene Patterson delivered an address relative to those Compatriots who had passed away during the previous year.

Several were leaders in government and the military. Included here were Senator J. Strom Thurmond, who was 100 years old when he died; Col. John W. Loud, DESSAR, 65 years a member, formerly in the U.S. Army; Ora Eugene Tannery, TXSSAR, U.S. Navy; and Capt. Andrew M. Moore, LASSAR, U.S. Air Force. Compatriot Patterson emphasized that Sgt. Allan Kendall Walker, CASSAR was killed in April while on duty in Iraq — as reported



The Heinz Memorial Chapel was the setting for the Memorial Service. Designed by Charles Z. Klauder of Philadelphia, it is typical of American and religious architecture from about 1900 until after World War II.



The Memorial Sermon was given by Chaplain General Rev. Dr. H. Leroy Stewart.

in a special news story elsewhere in this issue of the magazine.

In conclusion he paid tribute to the wives of Compatriots who worked behind the scenes for the NSSAR, singling out for special mention Laura Millett. She and her husband Robert, a member of the Iowa Society, have been major financial supporters of the proposed Center for Advancing America's Heritage.

### Participation By Chaplain General

The Memorial Sermon was given by Chaplain General Stewart. His apropos remarks were well calculated to "remember and celebrate the life and faith of these 494 Compatriots. There is sadness and sorrow blended with gratitude and thanksgiving. There is sadness in the loss and longing



Participating in the Service was former President General Howard F. Horne.

which we all share because of their death. We will miss them, but we cherish their memories."

Compatriot Stewart then enumerated several ways in which the departed will be remembered: their faithfulness, willingness, optimism, purpose, liberality, encouragement and loyalty. "We remember them for these faith qualities," he stated.

### Color Guard Performs

The combined National Society Color Guard, consisting of over 70 SARs from across the country, posted and retired the Colors. Each was dressed in a unique uniform of the Revolutionary War, with many carrying historic and other Flags.

## Youths Shine At Annual Congress, Given Variety Of Monetary Awards

Soon after the 114th Annual Congress convened in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, attendees gathered for the traditional Youth Awards Luncheon on Monday at the Congress headquarters hotel. Five youngsters were honored for their having excelled in as many competitions sponsored by the National Society. In addition, a monetary award was presented to the National Society of the Children of the American Revolution. Serving capably as Master of Ceremonies was Virginia Compatriot Richard S. Austin, who was completing his second term as Librarian General.

The winner of the **Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest** was Chris Hughes who was entered by the Maryland Society. He had competed in the Congress run-off held on Sunday morning with 12 others, with six finalists on hand that night to offer their orations before several hundred Compatriots and guests. He chose as his topic "The Citizen Soldier."

Daniel E. Sigler, who had been sponsored by the Empire State Society, walked off with first prize in the **George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Contest**. The Contest Committee received entries from 34 State Societies. Chairman Larry Perkins reports that over 1,500 e-mails and 656 letters were received requesting information.

The **Arthur M. & Berdena King Eagle Scout Scholarship Award** was won by Samuel J. Nassie of Paradise, California. At age 17, he has more than 10 years in Scouting, along the way earning 51 Merit Badges including American Heritage, Genealogy and Law. During all this, he has been able to hold a 4.0 grade point average in high school, serve as first chair trumpet and co-editor of his school newspaper, and play on the baseball team. His theme was titled "Abraham Clark: Courage and Virtue." Clark was a Signer of the Declaration of Independence.

Chosen as **Outstanding JROTC Cadet for 2004** was Cadet Major Amanda M. Howard, a student at Tecumseh High School in New Carlisle, Ohio. Sponsored by the George Rogers Clark Chapter and the Ohio Society, she was selected from a group of 15 contestants from about the country for having high academic achievement, strong leadership skills, military bearing and sense of duty to the community. Amanda was made Commander of the Cadet Corps for the upcoming semester of school with the rank of Cadet Colonel.

For the second time, winners of the **Americanism Poster Contest** were announced. Spearheading development of this competition has been Douglas H. Stansberry, Chairman of the Americanism Committee. Capturing first place and awarded a \$300 savings bond was Franklin Lowe,

age 11, a student at Spring Hill Elementary School in Fayetteville, Georgia. He was Sponsored by the Georgia Society's Marquis de Lafayette Chapter.

For the fifth consecutive year, a check was presented to the National President of the N.S.C.A.R to help fund that officer's project, this time for \$1,000. Accepting was Patrick R. Reidy of Oklahoma. His project will be "Retracing Our Footsteps" by raising funds to create a coloring book for children that commemorates the American Revolutionary Battle of Monmouth. Patrick is a member of the Virginia Society SAR and has been a student at Virginia Tech.



Oration Contest Chairman P. Rod Hildreth was pleased to recognize Chris Hughes as first place winner of the competition out of a field of 12 other young people. He was awarded a prize of \$3,000. The lad hails from Severna Park, Maryland and was originally sponsored by the John Paul Jones Chapter of nearby Annapolis.



Americanism Poster Contest Chairman Douglas H. Stansberry exhibited the winning poster, which was rendered by 11-year-old Franklin Lowe of Georgia. This year's poster theme was "The First Continental Congress"; next year it will be "Washington Crossing the Delaware."



Samuel J. Nassie walked off with first prize in the Eagle Scout Scholarship Award. He was offered a check for \$8,000 by Eagle Scout Chairman Robert E. Burt. His essay topic was "Abraham Clark: Courage and Virtue." It is interesting to note that Compatriot Burt assisted in establishing this competition back in the early 1980s with Arthur M. King, who had been President General a few years before. Both were members of the Kansas Society.



Richard L. Asmun, Vice Chairman of the JROTC and ROTC Committee, congratulated Amanda M. Howard as the Outstanding Cadet for 2004. A student at Tecumseh High School in New Carlisle, Ohio, she was awarded a check for \$1,000.



Daniel E. Sigler, who came in first in the Knight Essay Contest, was presented a check for \$7,500 by Contest Chairman Larry Perkins. His essay was titled "Framed with Religion in Mind." He plans on attending Harvard this fall.

## U.S. Naval Academy Grad Recognized

In late May Historian General Bruce A. Wilcox, an alumnus of the United States Naval Academy, revisited the school's campus in Annapolis to present the fourth annual NSSAR History Award, a dress sword, to Midshipman First Class Sean Dinces of Corona, California.

Each year the award recognizes the graduating midshipman who submits the best honors thesis in the History Department. He chose as his topic "George Wesley Bellows: The Visualization of Sport and Masculinity in Early Twentieth Century America." His entry was judged the best of all honors theses submitted in all departments at the Academy. Following graduation, he traveled to the University of California to partake in the Academy's Immediate Graduate Education Program to earn a Masters Degree in American History.

Compatriot Wilcox reports that the endowment for the History Award is now fully funded for a total of 20 years. Nearly 20 SARs contributed to the endowment, including District of Columbia Society Compatriot J. Phillip London, who some time back offered a matching grant of \$3,000 to further attaining the funding goal of \$6,000.



Participating in the ceremony at the United States Naval Academy recognizing Midshipman Sean Dinces were Historian General Bruce A. Wilcox and Dr. Mary DeCredico, Chairman of the History Department.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**Trustees Meeting**  
Louisville, KY, Sept. 24-25, 2004  
National Headquarters

**115th Annual Congress**  
Louisville, KY, July 1-5, 2005  
Hyatt-Regency Hotel

**116th Annual Congress**  
Dallas, TX, July 8-12, 2006  
International Hotel

**117th Annual Congress**  
Williamsburg, VA, July 14-18, 2007  
Williamsburg Lodge



## Revolutionary War Events Continue To Be Marked

By Robert L. Bowen, Chairman  
225th Anniversaries Committee

The 225th anniversary of John Paul Jones' exploits aboard the *Bonhomme Richard* and the Battle of Flamborough Head off Britain's east coast are vividly described in a special article elsewhere in this issue of the magazine – as written by California Compatriot Charles R. "Chuck" Lampman, USN (Ret).

This article is one of a series that will be appearing in future issues. They will be accompanied by news stories reporting what events are coming up designed to commemorate these anniversaries. SAR Chapters and State Societies are urged to check their history books and either join in a planned program for a 225th Revolutionary War battle or other happening, or develop their own programs. This project continues through the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown and the eventual signing of the Treaty of Paris in 1783.

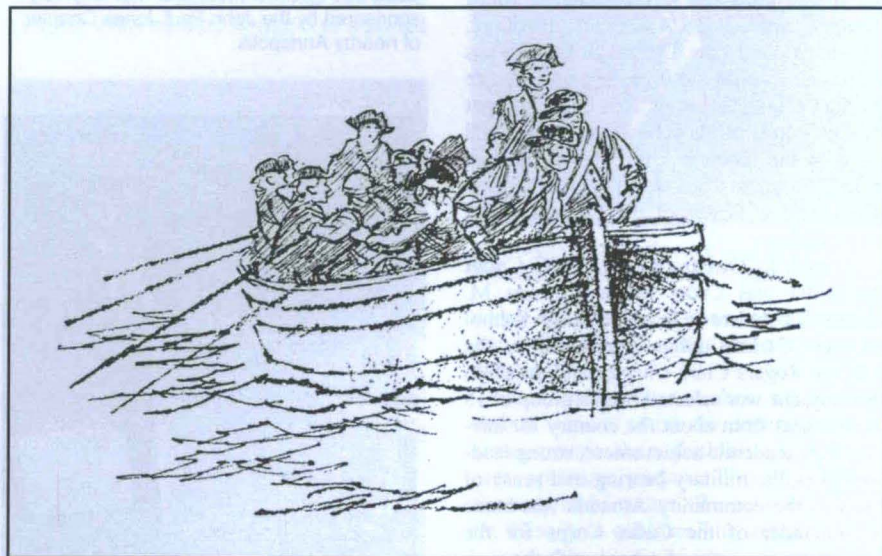
Now, as a preliminary to Compatriot Lampman's manuscript, here's a brief recap of what occupied John Paul Jones before his *Bonhomme Richard* encountered the *Serapis*!

In April 1778, John Paul Jones sailed the 20-gun sloop *Ranger* from Brest in France for the Irish Sea. His plan was to enter an English port, destroy its merchant shipping, and kidnap a well-known person to be held as a hostage for the release of American prisoners. He selected the port of Whitehaven in the Irish Sea.

At midnight on the 22nd, Jones ordered two boats lowered containing 30 volunteer Continental Marines and seamen. Jones took command of one boat. Marine Lieutenant Samuel Wallingford was in charge of the second boat. The landing party scaled the walls of the port's southern battery and spiked guns. Jones burned a few fishing vessels and the landing party freed some of the American prisoners held there.

At daybreak, Jones sailed to St. Mary's Isle in search of Lord Selkirk, whom he planned to kidnap. Instead, with the master of the house absent, Jones left with Lord Selkirk's silver plate, which he later returned to Lady Selkirk.

It was the only American raid on Britain during the Revolutionary War. There were



As recounted in the accompanying news story, John Paul Jones ordered two boats aboard the *Ranger* to enter the Port of Whitehaven in the Irish Sea in 1778. One of them is depicted here in an illustration created by Charles H. Waterhouse – one of several hundred he produced for the Marine Corps in 1975. At the time the Corps had decided to tell its 200-year history in what turned out to be a 491-page book titled "Marines in the Revolution." A veteran of World War II, Waterhouse used his GI Bill to enroll in the Newark School of Fine and Industrial Art; he then gained the Corps attention based on work as a civilian combat artist in Vietnam. Given the rank of Major in the Marine Corps Reserves when he began the program, he advanced through the ranks to Colonel.

no casualties on either side and the two raids did little damage to British property. It did, however, rattle British officials, and the *London Chronicle* reported "A number of expresses have been dispatched to all the capital sea ports in the kingdom where any depredations are likely to me made; all strangers in this town are, by an order of the magistrates, to be secured and examined; similar notices have been forwarded through the country, etc., and, in short, every caution taken that the present alarming affair could suggest."

Two days later, on April 24, Jones and the *Ranger* encountered the enemy sloop *Drake* off Carrickfergus, the entrance to Belfast Lough. A fierce fight followed. Jones reported that it lasted one hour and four minutes. The captain of the *Drake* and four others were killed. One British lieutenant and nineteen seamen were wounded. American losses were Marine Lieutenant Samuel Wallingford and two seamen. Five American seamen were wounded. Jones sailed the *Ranger* and the captured *Drake* back in Brest, arriving on May 8.

The following year Jones was given command of an East Indianman, formerly named the *Duc de Duras*. It had been purchased by France, converted into a fighting ship, renamed the *Bonhomme Richard* and given to America.



Both sides are shown here of the medal that was awarded to John Paul Jones. The battle depicted is that between the *Bonhomme Richard* and the *Serapis*.

## SAR HISTORIC CELEBRATIONS

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

**December 19 - Valley Forge National Park, PA:**  
6:00pm. Annual "Walk In" commemorates Washington's Army entry into Valley Forge, SAR participants.

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

### YEAR 2005

**September 5 - Groton, CT. Fort Griswold Battlefield State Park:**  
Battle re-enactments, wreath laying. CTSSAR participants.

**September 14: Chadd's Ford, PA:**  
10 am to 5 pm. Re-enactment Battle of Brandywine. SAR participants.

**September 19 Saratoga National Historical Park, NY:**  
2:00pm. DAR Monument. Annual celebration: wreath laying. Sponsored by Saratoga Battle Chapter. ESSAR.

**October 3 - Point Pleasant, WV (Battle Monument State Park):**  
2:00pm. Annual Commemorative Service for Virginia Militiamen. Wreath laying. Sponsored by Point Pleasant Chapter, WVSSAR.

**October 4 - Germantown, PA:**  
11:00am-3:00pm. Re-enactment of Battle of Germantown. SAR participants.

**October 7 - Kings Mountain National Military Park, SC:**  
3:00pm - Overmountain Men Victory Celebration. Wreath laying. Sponsored by le Marquis de Lafayette Chapter, NCSSAR.

**October 16 - Near Shawnee Town, IL:**  
2:00 pm. Commemoration of Victory at Yorktown with wreath laying at grave of Gen. Posey. Aid-de-Camp to Gen. Washington. Sponsored by SAR and DAR.

**October 19 - Yorktown, VA:**  
Yorktown Victory Day Celebration;  
10:00am. Wreath laying, tomb of Thomas Nelson, Jr. sponsored by VASSAR  
11:00am. Parade.

**October 20 - Alexandria, VA:**  
2:00pm. Old Presbyterian Meeting House. Tomb of the Rev War Unknown; Sponsored by George Washington Chapter, VASSAR.

**October 24 - Annapolis, MD:**  
4:00pm. French Monument on campus, St. John's College. Wreath laying honoring French at Yorktown. Sponsored by SR. SAR participants.

**November 3 - Annapolis, MD:**  
1:00pm. Chapel, US Naval Academy. Massing of the Colors. SAR participants.

**November 11 - Wilmington, DE:**  
11:00am. Delaware Memorial Bridge and Delaware Veterans' Cem. Wreath laying. SAR participants.

**December 11 - Gunston Hall (near Alexandria, VA):**  
12:00noon. Wreath laying commemorating George Mason's birthday. Sponsored by George Mason Chapter. VASSAR.

**December 14 - Great Cane Break Battlefield (near Simpsonville, SC):**  
Celebration sponsored by SCSSAR and DAR.

**January 15 - Cowpens National Battlefield, SC:**  
11:00am. Morgan Statue, Spartanburg. Wreath laying sponsored by NPS.  
2:00pm - Anniversary Celebration. Wreath laying sponsored by the Daniel Morgan Chapter, SCSSAR.

**February 12 - Washington, Georgia:**  
Anniversary Battle of Kettle Creek.  
10:00am - 2:00pm. Historic home tour, film, battle field tour and wreath laying. Sponsored by Samuel Elbert Chapter and GASSAR.

**February 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 20 - Burbank, CA (Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Hollywood Hills):**  
Celebration of Washington's Birthday. Wreath laying; musket firing; 50+ Color Guards. Sponsored by Sons of Liberty Chapter. CASSAR.

**February 22 - Mt. Vernon, VA:**  
Celebration of Washington's Birthday.  
11:00am. Wreath laying at Washington Family Tomb; Sponsored by SR; SAR participants.

**February 26-27 - Moore's Creek Bridge Battle, NC (near Currie):**  
10:00am: Anniversary Celebration. Sponsored by SAR, DAR, SR participants.

**February 27 - Burlington, NC:** Battle of Clapp's Mill, Pyle's Massacre and Battle of Lindley's Mill. Commemoration at 2:00 pm, Allamance Battleground. Sponsored by Allamance Battleground Chapter. NCSSAR.

**March 12 - Montpelier, VA:**  
Madison's Birthday Celebration  
11:00am. National Commemorative Service. VASSAR participants.

**March 12- Guilford Courthouse National Battlefield (near Greensboro, NC):**  
11:00am. Annual Memorial service. Wreath laying. Sponsored by Nathanael Greene Chapter. NCSSAR.

**April 10 - Monticello, VA (near Charlottesville):**  
Jefferson's Birthday Celebration.  
10:00am. Wreath laying; VASSAR participants.

**April 12 - Halifax Day:**  
Halifax, NC celebration of "Halifax Resolves", first colony to recommend independence from England. SAR grave marking and wreath laying 2:00 pm sponsored by Halifax Resolves Chapter. NCSSAR.





Tens of thousands of people turned out for dedication of the National World War II Memorial in late May in Washington, DC – with a large percentage of them members of the “Greatest Generation.” Funding for the project was largely gained from private sources. It is located between the Lincoln Memorial and Washington Monument. (Photos by Maryland Compatriot Raymond Zimmerman.)



## The Nation Thanks Its World War II Veterans

**As Partners in Patriotism, the Sons of the American Revolution and The American Legion join hands to pay tribute to those who bore the battle overseas and on the home front.**

By Robert L. “Bob” Bowen, Chairman, Partners in Patriotism Committee.

During the rare “hush of the crowd” you could hear the cicadas singing. They had returned to Washington on their regular 17-year schedule, just in time to witness the dedication of the National World War II Memorial on May 29, 2004. The last time they had appeared in Washington was 1987, the year Ohio Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur introduced legislation that would provide congressional support for the Memorial.

In the intervening 17 years, more than six-million World War II veterans died. Of the more than 16-million who served during the war, slightly more than 4-million were alive to see their memorial erected. Many of them were among those who gathered on the Mall to observe the dedication ceremonies. *The*

*Washington Post* newspaper estimated that of the 117,000 tickets distributed by the Battle Monuments Commission, sixty percent of them went to World War II veterans, the men and women Tom Brokaw has called “The Greatest Generation”.

The exact number of men, women and children who gathered on the Mall in perfect weather among dive-bombing cicadas, will never be known with precision but the “ball park” estimate is 200,000, including President General Raymond G. Musgrave, American Legion National Commander John Brieden, and many other members of both organizations.

Other Compatriots attending the dedication on the Mall included President George Walker Bush; Senator Orrin Hatch; Vice-President General Andrew Johnson; and

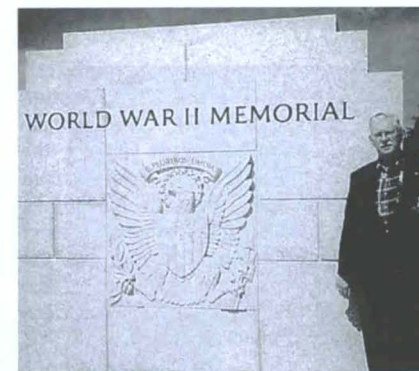
Robert L. “Bob” Bowen, Chairman of the Partners in Patriotism Committee. Our Executive Director, James Randall, was also in attendance. And, there were others there including two Compatriots from the Virginia Society’s George Washington Chapter. They helped man booths in the Veterans Service Tent for the Department of Labor and the Military Officers Association of America, giving assistance to visiting WWII veterans.

The program was not just in front of the Memorial. There was seating and large screen viewing areas behind the Memorial, on the Mall adjacent to the Smithsonian Institute, and at several satellite locations throughout the greater Washington metropolitan area. One of them was located at the Air and Space Museum at Dulles Airport. Compatriot Elmer Smith of Virginia’s

SgtMaj John Champe Chapter attended the program there. Elmer was one of the original pilots of Air Force One. During World War II, he piloted President Roosevelt’s official plane.

Perhaps the most important aspect of the *Partners in Patriotism* program was encouraging local communities to take part in the National WWII Memorial dedications. In this effort, countless proclamations were requested and issued by government officials at the town, city, county and state level.

Reports from SAR Chapters in Alabama, California, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, New Mexico, North Carolina, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia flooded this writer’s mail box, both snail and email.



California Compatriot Donald N. Moran, who serves as Editor of the National Society’s newsletter *The Headquarters Dispatch*, was among the first to visit the Memorial when it opened for public viewing in April. He went there to pay respects to his father, MSgt Norman P. Moran (shown at the right). The elder Moran was in the second wave on Omaha Beach and contributed to the construction of the Memorial, but was among those of the Greatest Generation who did not survive long enough to see its completion.



tion from its town mayor, and the Gen. Andrew Lewis Chapter in Huntington and West Virginia President Thomas J. Galloway placed a wreath at the city’s World War II Memorial Arch. SAR War Service Medals were presented to members of the Chapter who served in WWII.

Several Chapters purchased ads in local newspapers thanking area veterans for their service during World War II. Alabama’s Wiregrass Chapter purchased four such ads and received a proclamation from the Mayor of Enterprise thanking area vets for their service during the war. The President of the Wiregrass Chapter, Bruce Taylor, is also Commander of the local American Legion Post 73.

ALSSAR’s Little River Chapter petitioned for and received proclamations from the DeKalb County Commissioners and the Mayor of Fort Payne. Three local American Legion Posts joined with the SAR Chapter at the signing ceremonies for the two proclamations paying tribute to WWII veterans in northeastern Alabama.

The Secretary of the General George Washington Chapter in Chico, California, is



Robert L. “Bob” Bowen was on hand for the dedication program with his wife Helen. Chairman of the Partners in Patriotism Committee, he paid tribute to his dad, an air raid warden in Norfolk, Virginia during the War. Helen’s mom worked on the assembly line of a seaplane factory in New Orleans as a “Rosie the Riveter.”

The SAR and American Legion combined their efforts in many of the local programs. The Culpeper Minute Men Chapter in Virginia joined with the local American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars Posts to thank community WWII vets for their service.

Compatriots in Las Cruces, New Mexico, gathered at American Legion Post 10 where they observed the dedication program on a wide screen TV. VPG Walter Fay Baker reports 218 in attendance including the mayor and several senior military officers.

West Virginia’s Greenbrier Valley Chapter joined with The American Legion and VFW in White Sulphur Springs and conducted a special program of tribute to area World War II Vets. The town’s Mayor issued a proclamation and the program received front-page coverage in three local newspapers. Not to be outdone, WVSSAR’s Point Pleasant Chapter requested and received a proclama-

also Commander of his local American Legion Post. He and CASSAR President Stanley G. Henderson and several other Compatriots dressed in Revolutionary War uniforms and took part in two separate Memorial Day programs honoring WWII veterans.

The Silas McDowell Chapter in Franklin, North Carolina, placed small American Flags on WWII graves in two cemeteries; placed a “thank you” ad in a local newspaper; sent personal cards signed by members



West Virginia’s Point Pleasant Chapter received a proclamation from Mayor Jim Wilson (seated, center) relative to World War II. At his right was City Clerk Stan Burdette, while President Jack Coles was at his left. Behind them were these Compatriots (from left): Quinton Wickline, Bill Withers, John H. Sauer and George Lamp.



Nevada Society President Edgar St. John piped “Amazing Grace” during a Memorial Day program in Las Vegas. He is a combat veteran of WWII, Korea and Vietnam.

of the Chapter to several WWII vets; and took part in a ceremony of remembrance that included members of The American Legion, the VFW and the Marine Corps League.

The Major K.M. Van Zandt Chapter in Texas, was responsible for six proclamations being issued: Tarrant County; the City of Boyd, the City of Crowley, the City of Decatur, the City of Fort Worth, the City of North Richland Hills and the City of Arlington. The Chapter also participated in the dedication of a veterans marker at Martin Cemetery in Hood County; placed small American Flags on graves at the Dallas/Fort Worth National Cemetery; helped raise 185 Flags during ceremonies at the Roanoke



LEFT: President General Raymond G. Musgrave (right) was a distinguished guest at American Legion National Commander John Brieden’s reception at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, DC two days before the National World War II Memorial was dedicated. (Photo courtesy *The American Legion* by Randy Schaeffer.) RIGHT: At the time of the dedication, the PG had an opportunity to get together with Anthony J. Principi, Secretary of Veterans Affairs. (Photo courtesy *The Department of Veterans Affairs*.)





At the request of the Colonel Fielding Lewis Chapter, Mayor William M. Beck (left) issued a proclamation designating May 29, 2004 as World War II Veterans Recognition Day in the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia. Accepting the document was President Dr. James Griffes.

100F Cemetery in Westlake; took part in ceremonies at Laurel Land Cemetery in Fort Worth, Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Fort Worth, Moore Funeral Home and Memorial in Arlington and at Bluebonnet Hills Cemetery in Colleyville, and at Memorial Day ceremonies in Wise County.

Other Texas SAR Chapters were also busy over the Memorial Day weekend. The Piney Woods Chapter registered every WWII veteran who belongs to the Chapter with the WWII Registry of Remembrances. The Athens Chapter arranged for two proclamations to be issued, one by the Mayor of Athens and one by the Mayor of Mabank. And, the Lt. Nathan Gann Chapter, working with The American Legion Auxiliary, requested and received a proclamation from the City of Lufkin.

The Col. Fielding Lewis Chapter in Fredericksburg, Virginia, joined with a local bank and placed a newspaper ad thanking area WWII vets. The Mayor of Fredericksburg also issued a proclamation that was later presented to the local



Bruce Taylor, President of the Alabama Society's Wiregrass Chapter, presented an SAR War Service Medal with WWII clasp to Louis D. Kline. Compatriot Kline was 18 years old when he flew 25 combat missions over Europe as a B-17 gunner. President Taylor also serves as Commander of the Cook-Clements American Legion Post 73 where the joint SAR-Legion WWII program was held.

American Legion Post for permanent retention.

Lee County Supervisors in the southwestern part of Virginia issued a proclamation honoring its World War II veterans at the request of VASSAR's newest Chapter, the Martin Station Chapter. The Overmountain Men Chapter, also in southwest Virginia, received a proclamation from its County Board of Supervisors and joined with the local DAR Chapter, the Daughters of the War of 1812, the VFW and two American Legion Posts to honor Scott County WWII



Delaware Society President John C. Lewis (right) and Don White, Commander of Fox Post 2 of The American Legion, are shown here in Dover where an entire day was set aside to honor area World War II veterans — from breakfast to an evening dance.



Governor Sonny (seated) issued a proclamation "in gratitude to those who gave so much for their fellow citizens" at the request of the Georgia Society and the Georgia State Department of The American Legion.

veterans. And, one of Virginia's oldest chapters, the Thomas Nelson, Jr. Chapter, took out a newspaper ad thanking members of the "Greatest Generation" in the Hampton/Newport News area.

GASSAR President George Thurmond reports that several Georgia Chapters took part in Memorial Day programs dedicated to WWII veterans. Uniformed members of the Piedmont Chapter manned a booth at the annual Roswell Memorial Day observance, the largest in the state. The Compatriots greeted attendees and distributed literature about the various programs of the SAR. The Georgia Society and the Georgia State Department of The American Legion met



Frank Rohrbough (left) a member of the Virginia Society's George Washington Chapter, helped man a booth for the Military Officers Association of America in the Veterans Service Tent on the Mall during the Memorial dedication. He is shown with Dean Snyder, an Army medic who saw service throughout the European Theater from North Africa, to Sicily, Southern Italy, right up to the allied invasion of Germany.

with Governor Sonny Perdue who issued a proclamation "in gratitude to those who gave so much for their fellow citizens."

Delaware Society President Jack Lewis and other Delaware Compatriots joined with American Legion Fox Post 2 in Dover for a special May 29 program that included breakfast, a memorial service, viewing of the memorial dedication on television, a dinner and an evening dance. Two weeks earlier, the Caesar Rodney Chapter presented its first President, William H. Willis, with a Meritorious Service Medal for his many years of service. Compatriot Willis was a B-17 gunner and was shot down over Germany during World War II. He served the last few months of the war as a POW.

The Signers Chapter in Las Vegas joined with members of The American Legion Post in nearby Henderson for a breakfast and memorial service at the Palm Mortuary. The NVSSAR President Edgar St. John was also busy. A bag piper and combat veteran of World War II, Korea and Vietnam, Ed piped "Amazing Grace" during a Memorial Day program in Las Vegas.



The World War II Memorial Arch in Huntington was the site for a wreath presentation by the West Virginia Society and its Gen. Andrew Lewis Chapter. Several member pulled double duty by representing their military organization as well (from left): Charles Dawson, John Jones, Frank Dorsey, Lance Carter, Ralph Dawson, Vernon Henry, Bill Dunfee, Society President Thomas Galloway and Ed Wade.



Richard Brockway, National Trustee of the West Virginia Society and Past President of the Greenbrier Valley Chapter, spearheaded a program involving local American Legion and VFW Posts to salute World War II veterans in a May program at the White Sulphur Elementary School. Students gathered on the lawn for the event. Wearing a Revolutionary War uniform, he is shown seated while awaiting his turn to offer remarks.

With many Massachusetts World War II Veterans traveling to Washington for the Memorial dedication on May 29, MASSAR Compatriots in Gloucester focused their attention on May 31 as requested by local veterans groups. And, in addition to WWII vets, the program paid tribute to those who served during the Revolutionary War, the War Between the States, Spanish American War, WWI, WWII, Korean and Vietnam.

Florida Compatriots were very active. Among the many programs conducted in the sunshine state were those conducted in Gainesville where the Mayor signed a proclamation at the request of the Lyman Hall Chapter and American Legion Post 7; in Jacksonville, special programs were conducted and a mayoral proclamation was issued at the request of the Jacksonville Chapter; and in Sarasota County where FLSSAR President Harold F. Miller, Jr. hangs his hat. There, the SAR joined with The American Legion Kirby Stewart Post 24 in Bradenton for a special tribute to the World War II generation.

Members of Missouri's SAR Color Guard were kept busy attending a variety of programs over the Memorial Day weekend, including church services and two parades.



Mike Moncrief (left), the Mayor of Ft. Worth, Texas, presented a special proclamation to Compatriots Don Pray, Randall Reagan and Glen Shield of the Major K.M. Van Zandt Chapter.



Both highly active members of the West Virginia Society, two former Presidents General have been involved with The American Legion: Charles F. Printz (shown here on the right) and Raymond G. Musgrave, who went out of office during the Annual Congress in Pittsburgh. Compatriot Musgrave's participation in the "Partners in Patriotism" program is documented in the accompanying report. And back when Compatriot Printz held the top office in 1988-89, he presented the Gold Good Citizenship Medal to National Commander John P. "Jake" Comer for his outstanding service to the membership; Printz was a Past Legion Post Commander. That year the organization's Convention was held in Louisville, Kentucky, home of the NSSAR.

The President of the Detroit Metropolitan Chapter reported receiving proclamations from the mayors of Grosse Point Farms and the City of Detroit.

Colorado Society President Norm Kronvall attended a special dinner given for the National Commander of The American Legion, John Brieden, in Paonia and presented him with an SAR Certificate of Appreciation for his support of the Partners in Patriotism Committee. Kronvall also appointed Compatriot Herb Davis of the Mt. Evans Chapter to serve as COSSAR's liaison with the Colorado State American Legion.

**We know this is but a small portion of the Memorial Day programs the SAR participated in to draw attention to the dedication of the National World War II Memorial on the Mall in Washington. But, as brief as the report is, it speaks volumes about what we could accomplish in the future when the Sons of the American Revolution and The American Legion again join hands as Partners in Patriotism.**



Florida Society President Harold F. Miller, Jr. (right) and American Legion Post Commander Bob Millard paused for photos following the special tribute to WWII veterans at the Kirby Stewart Post in Bradenton.

## The World War II Registry Of Remembrances

The National World War II Memorial honors the 16 million who served in the Armed Forces of the U.S. during World War II, the more than 400,000 who died, and the millions who supported the war effort from home.

Symbolic of the defining event of the 20th Century, the Memorial is a monument to the spirit, sacrifice, and commitment of the American people. As the Announcement Stone proclaims, the Memorial honors those "Americans who took up the struggle during the Second World War and made the sacrifices to perpetuate the gift our forefathers entrusted to us: A nation conceived in liberty and justice."

It will inspire future generations of Americans, deepening their appreciation of what the World War II generation accomplished in preserving democracy and saving the world from tyranny. Above all, the Memorial stands as an important symbol of American national unity, a timeless reminder of the moral strength and awesome power that can flow when a free people are at once united and bonded together in a common and just cause.

The Memorial was formally dedicated on May 29, 2004. It's the first national memorial dedicated to all who serve during World Commission, honors all military veterans of the war, the citizens on the home front, the nation at large, and the high moral purpose and idealism that motivated the nation's call to arms. The Second World War is the only 20th-century event commemorated on the Mall's central axis.

The memory of America's World War II generation will be preserved within the physical memorial and through the World War II Registry of Remembrances, and individual listing of Americans who contributed to the war effort. Any U.S. citizen who helped win the war, whether a veteran or someone on the home front, is eligible for the Registry. Names in the Registry will be forever linked to the memorial's bronze and granite representations of their sacrifice and achievement.

To add your name or that of someone who served at home or overseas, go to [www.wwiimemorial.com](http://www.wwiimemorial.com) and click on the WWII Registry link on the left-hand side of the page to find out how to register the name.









# STATE SOCIETY & CHAPTER EVENTS

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

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

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

## DEADLINES FOR FUTURE ISSUES:

Fall (November) – September 15; Winter (February) – December 15; Spring (May) – March 15; Summer (August) – June 15

## ALABAMA SOCIETY

The Sheraton Hotel in Tuscaloosa was the setting in May for the Society's State Convention, with President Kerry Barksdale presiding. The event, which drew 125 members and guests, consisted of a business meeting, oration contest and gala banquet. Among awards presented were the Patriot Medal to John Wallace and Walter



Outgoing Society President Kerry Barksdale was pleased to pass the badge of office on to incoming President Price Legg.

Dockery, Distinguished Service Medal to John Wallace, Silver Good Citizenship Medal to BG Clarence Rhea and Meritorious Service Medal to Price Legg, Walter Reeder, Jim Wardlaw, Larry Cornwell and Mike Glass. Among the honored guests was Secretary General Henry N. McCarl.

The Joseph Watford Good Citizenship Award was presented for the first time by the **Tri-State Chapter** to two 11th grade students who in an exceptional manner demonstrated a number of leadership qualities: Theodore C. Belches of Dothan High School and Jason Leger of Northside Methodist Academy. Joseph Watford is the only Patriot buried in Houston County; he served with colonial forces in Pitt County, North Carolina.



Larry Cornwell (left), President of the **General Richard Montgomery Chapter**, and Andy Spann (right), a member of the **Wiregrass Chapter**, served as the Color Guard in April for the laying of the cornerstone of The American Village in Montevallo. Joining in was Governor Bob Riley. Among those in attendance was Executive Director James N. Randall.



In late April 65 descendants, guests and Compatriots of the **Etowah Chapter** gathered at the Bethany Baptist Church in Reece City to mark the grave of Patriot William Littlefield, Jr. Among those Compatriots participating in the ceremony were (from left): Jim Alexander, President BG Clarence Rhea, Jim Maples and David Gore, a member of the Missouri Society Color Guard.

In March the Society turned out in force to dedicate the Patriot Plaques at The American Village. The plaques, located on the entry walls of the new chapel, contain the names of all known Patriots buried in

Alabama, as well as the names of the ancestors of every Compatriot who has been a member of the Alabama Society. President Price Legg presided over the ceremony, which was attended by over 100 members, guests and friends. The Society's Color Guard presented the Colors, while Vice-President General for the Southern District Phil Rod Hildreth introduced special guests. A highlight was a rendition of Patrick Henry's "Give me Liberty or Give me Death" speech by William Stewart.

## ARIZONA SOCIETY

The Hassayampa Inn at Prescott was the setting for the Society's Board of Managers meeting in early April, with President Daniel H. Heller presiding. The featured speaker was Compatriot George Rombach (PRS); he spoke on the Continental Navy and shared his extensive collection of Revolution War Naval flags, art and such weapons as muskets, swords, boarding axes and pikes used to repel boarders.



Sharing the limelight at the Board of Managers meeting were President Daniel H. Heller (right) and Past President Frank C. O'Bannon.



Wearing the uniform of a Revolutionary War naval officer, George Rombach is shown at his extensive weapons collection. He was guest speaker at the Society's April Board of Managers meeting.

## ARKANSAS SOCIETY

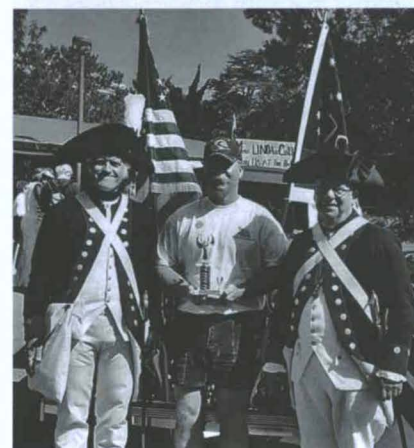


Staged at the Jones Center in Springdale, the National History Day competitions in Northwest Arkansas were co-sponsored by the **General Lafayette Chapter**. Manning a table top exhibit about the actions at Lexington and Concord in 1775 were Compatriots Elmer Crumbliss and Terry Burnside. The competition was open to students in grades 6 through 12 from eight area counties. There were 100 entries in such categories as exhibits, essays, live performances and videos. Chapter members became interested in National History Day because of an article in the **Headquarters Dispatch**, newsletter of the National Society SAR.



**Desoto Trail Chapter** President Duane E. Vandenberg was pleased to present the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal to Rotarian Susan A. Harper at a recent meeting of the Hot Springs National Park Rotary Club. She was recognized for her leadership of the "Friends of the 1914 Fordyce Bath House" organization, her hundreds of hours devoted to the Arkansas Botanical Gardens, and for establishment of a Rotary "Interact Club" at the Arkansas School for Math and Sciences.

## CALIFORNIA SOCIETY



The **Orange County Chapter's** entry in the Laguna Beach Patriots' Day Parade captured a Third Place Trophy in the Antique Auto Division, a 1931 Model A Ford owned by Compatriot Dave Manning (center). Flanking him were Jim Blauer (left) and Karl Jacobs.

## CANADA SOCIETY



In late May the Society staged its Annual Meeting and elected officers. Shown here were Michael Clark (center) being welcomed by President Robin Tyler (left) and Secretary-Treasurer Jerry P. Hill. One of the future programs discussed was a proposed meeting with various hereditary groups in the Toronto area.

## CONNECTICUT SOCIETY



Members of three Connecticut Society Color Guards, all of whom are also members of the New England Contingent SAR, were pleased to take part in a grave marking ceremony in West Haven at the sites where 18 Patriots are interred. Also participating were representatives of the West Haven Historical Society, DAR and the Governor's Foot Guard, Field Music Unit. They closed the program with three musket volleys.



In November members of the **General Israel Putnam Branch** presented a program at Trumbull Middle School about the American Revolution, with emphasis on the life of a soldier and the various items he used. This was one of about a dozen programs the Branch participates in annually throughout the state.



The Best Western Olympic Inn at Groton was the setting for the **Nathan Hale Branch's** Annual Awards ceremony in late May. Good Citizenship Medals were presented to students from ten high schools and Cadet First Class Neal Corbin (front row, center) of the United States Coast Guard Academy. Guest speaker for the event was Mrs. Carol Kimball, Groton County Historian and a member of the DAR.

## FLORIDA SOCIETY



The March meeting of the **Palm Beach Chapter** featured presentation of Law Enforcement Commendation, Fire Safety Commendation and Heroism Awards to local officials. Doing the honors were President Dan Shepherd and Vice President Ed Buckley.

Serving as guest speaker for the April meeting of the **Fort Lauderdale Chapter**, President George Dennis related his experiences while serving in the Navy during World War II in the Pacific Theater. In his remarks he referred to a recent book by James Bradley entitled "Flyboys: A True Story of Courage", which recounts happenings and atrocities that occurred for some who flew in the Pacific air campaign. He accompanied his talk with personal pictures and souvenirs obtained at that time.



The **St. Augustine Chapter** instigated issuance of a Proclamation by the St. Johns County Board of Commissioners describing the patriotic and historical significance of Memorial Day and proclaiming May 31 as Memorial Day in the county. Shown with the document were President Norman L. Antle and Ms. Karen R. Stern, a member of the Board.

## FRANCE SOCIETY

Congratulations are heartily offered to Compatriots Jacques de Trentinian, Bernard Oddo and Jean Louis D'Aigneaux for having received the coveted Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur from the French Government. This very prestigious decoration is given only to a select few individuals.

A delegation of French Compatriots will be visiting the United States in October to tour such historic areas as Washington, Savannah, Arlington Cemetery, Mt. Vernon and Williamsburg. They will also play an important role in the commemoration of the British defeat at Yorktown.

## GEORGIA SOCIETY

The Hon. Michael C. Bates, Her Majesty's Consul General, spoke at the George Washington Luncheon and Annual Meeting of the **Atlanta Chapter** in late February. The focus of his speech was the many similarities shared by British and American cultures. Other highlights included: presentation of a 50-Year Service Pin to Compatriot Walter W. Turrentine; awarding of the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal to Dr. G. Revis Butler, Jr., Commander of the

Georgia Society Color Guard; presentation of the Meritorious Service Medal to 1st Vice President William S. Elias and Past President Jack W. Newton; and awarding of the Martha Washington Medal to Mrs. Laurel Craft.



A feature of the Society's Annual Meeting in April was awarding of the President Robert B. Vance, Jr. Membership Trophy to Douglas Stansberry, President of the **Marquis de Lafayette Chapter** (center). He accepted the honor from President General Raymond G. Musgrave (left) and Secretary General Henry N. McCarl.



In late May 14 members of Society's Color Guard presented the Colors prior to the Rome Braves baseball game against the Greensboro (NC) Bats. The Rome Braves are the Class A affiliate of the Atlanta Braves. Prior to this event, the Guard and members of the **Rome Chapter** participated in the dedication of a marker in honor of John Funderburk, the only Patriot buried in Floyd County, and presented a Flag Certificate to Berry College in Rome.



The **Marquis de Lafayette Chapter's** Poster Contest winner was Franklin Lowe, the son of Compatriot Jeff Lowe. The lad's entry also walked off with the first place spot at the Society's Annual Meeting. He is shown with his parents and President Douglas Stansberry (left).

## ILLINOIS SOCIETY



A member of the Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP) during a portion of World War II, Mrs. Sue Douglas was guest speaker at the May meeting of the **American Bicentennial Chapter** to mark Armed Forces Day. Upon the completion.

The **Fox Valley Chapter** marked its Annual Meeting at the Hyatt Hotel during April in the Chicago suburb of Lisle with the installation of newly elected officers, an address by Society Historian Burton Showers and recognition of a young lad who had been selected as winner of the Eagle



As guest speaker, Compatriot Burton Showers discussed his involvement in a program in England to honor American seamen who were captured by the British during the War of 1812 and held as prisoners-of-war at Dartmoor Prison.

Scout competition. About 35 members and guests were on hand for the event, which brought out that the Chapter has a successful program aimed at locating, documenting and registering the grave sites of Patriots interred in the area.

In April the **Springfield Chapter** presented Outstanding Citizenship Awards to 22 high school students from Menard and Sangamon Counties. Nearly 85 Compatriots, students, parents, grandparents and DARs were in attendance.

"Andrew Jackson and His Indian Wars" was the topic chosen by Robert V. Remini, Ph.D. for his talk at the March meeting of the **Fort Dearborn-Chicago Chapter** held at the Union League Club in Chicago. Professor Emeritus at the University of Illinois at Chicago, he discussed how Jackson was the one most responsible and

widely blamed for the removal of Native Americans to the Indian Territory beyond the Mississippi River.



Christopher Nickel (second from left), who had been selected to receive the Bronze Eagle Scout Medal, brought along to the Annual Meeting of the **American Bicentennial Chapter** the Tiger Maple octagon barreled musket that his Patriot ancestor used during the Revolutionary War. Helping to display the weapon were (from left): Society President Stephen Bradley, President Donald Parish and John Dyrud, Society Color Guard Commander who also was serving as Vice-President General for the Great Lakes District.

## INDIANA SOCIETY



In February Compatriot Charles F. Bragg (left), a Lieutenant Colonel in the Indiana Guard Reserve, was awarded the prestigious Indiana Commendation Medal for "exceptional meritorious service" by the Governor of Indiana. Making the presentation was the Adjutant General.



As a fifth grade class in Indianapolis was beginning to study the Revolutionary War earlier this year, these members of the Society's Color Guard made a visit to explain uniforms, equipment and flags of the period and reasons why the War took place (from left): Stuart Hart, Wade Harshman and Ron Darrah.



## KENTUCKY SOCIETY



The **James Early Chapter**, the newest unit in the Society, was presented its Charter at a May meeting in Corbin by Past Chaplain General Jack J. Early (right), who was elected President. He was instrumental in forming the Chapter, which is named for his ancestor. He presented each member with an SAR Rosette in memory of his brother, LTC Joseph Derwood Early, who passed away in March.

## MARYLAND SOCIETY



When the DAR Maryland Society opened its March meeting, these members of the SAR Color Guard played a prominent part in the ceremony. The setting was the Sheraton Barcelo Hotel in Annapolis.



In May Guy E. Anthony, Jr. was recognized at the Society's Annual Meeting as the youngest member ever. Admitted last year through the Junior Member program, he is shown receiving his SAR Rosette from incoming President Douglas B. Stewart.

## MICHIGAN SOCIETY



In late May Compatriots gathered at the grave site of Patriot Dr. Cyrus Chipman for a rededication ceremony at the Mt. Avon Cemetery in downtown Rochester. Among these present were members of the **Paul Emery** and **Detroit Metropolitan Chapters**, DARs and descendants. Immediately behind the monument was Past Society President Richard Steele.



President E. Lou Hoos was pleased to present the Society's JROTC Cadet of the Year Award to Mehreteab Y. Mengsteab, a student at Creston High School in Grand Rapids.

## NEW JERSEY SOCIETY



A new American Flag, purchased by the Society, was recently raised at Monmouth Battlefield in Freehold. Doing the honors were **Monmouth Chapter** President Clark McCullough (at left in Minuteman uniform) and Past President Marty Weisman. They were assisted by Park Historian Gary Stone.



At their March meeting members of the **South Jersey Chapter** were taken on a narrated slide presentation of the Battleship New Jersey, the largest such vessel ever built. She is now berthed at the Camden waterfront across from Center City Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. On hand were these Compatriots who serve as guides aboard the ship (from left): Tom Hanson, Harry Engleman, Bruce Powell and Bob Locke.



**Monmouth Chapter** President Clark McCullough (left), Vice President Art Green and Art's daughter Bridget recently participated in the dedication of a marker at the grave site of Art's ancestor in Monmouth County. It was one of 13 acquired by the Chapter to honor Patriots interred in the area.

## NEVADA SOCIETY



Compatriot Gary E. Parrott (center) was the proud recipient recently of the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal. Making the presentation was Society President Brian I. Worcester (right) and Vice President C. Terry Robertson.

## EMPIRE STATE SOCIETY (NY)



Retiring Saratoga National Historical Park Ranger Richard "Dick" Heresford (right) was awarded the Silver Good Citizenship in March by the **Saratoga Battle Chapter**. Doing the honors was President Duane P. Booth. The ceremony took place in the Park's Visitors Center at Stillwater. A veteran of the U.S. Army, he founded the "Friends of Saratoga Battlefield" and has authored numerous articles on history and art.

## NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY



**Alamance Battleground Chapter** President Dr. Samuel C. Powell proudly presided at the Chapter's 8th Annual Patriots' Celebration at Alamance Battleground State Park in Burlington at the end of February. Commemorated was the 223rd anniversary of three Revolutionary War battles fought in Alamance County during 1781: Pyle's Defeat, Clapp's Mill and Lindley's Mill. Included was a wreath laying ceremony.



The George Washington's Birthday Meeting staged by the **Lower Cape Fear Chapter** saw presentation of the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Dr. William Dallas Herring (center), who among his many accomplishments served as Chairman of the North Carolina School Board for 20 years. Making the presentation were President William W. Hunter (left) and Society President Grady Hall.

## OHIO SOCIETY

The Society's 115th Anniversary State Conference, held at St. Clairsville's

Hampton Inn, was attended by over 70 Compatriots and guests at the Saturday evening banquet. Among the dignitaries present were Secretary General Henry N. McCarl, Treasurer General Roland G. Downing, Registrar General Charles F. Bragg, Executive Director James N. Randall and Ohio Society President Larry R. Perkins.



Secretary General Henry N. McCarl (right) was guest speaker at the State Conference. He is shown here with Ohio Society President and Mrs. Larry R. Perkins.



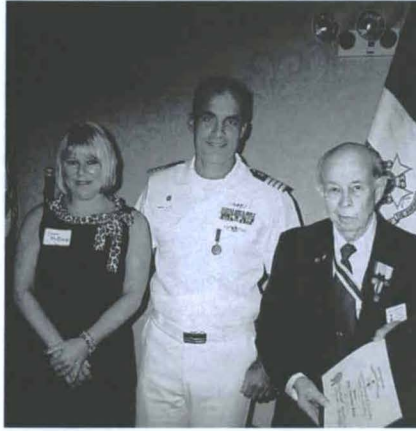
A highlight of the State Conference was awarding of the coveted Patriot Medal by Awards Chairman Robert F. French (second from right) to (from left): Larry R. Perkins, **Ebenezer Zane Chapter**; Charles T. Bingham, Jr., **Western Reserve Chapter**; and Myron F. Gearhart, **Arthur St. Clair Chapter**.



In early June the **Cincinnati Chapter** held a Flag Retirement Ceremony prior to a luncheon at which a variety of awards were presented, including the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Compatriot Harry Sjolín (at left near flags). Other participants included Irvin William Fahr, President Paul Wilke, Robert French, John Simmons and Earl Nichols.

## PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY

**Pittsburgh Chapter** President Robert Kramer recently retraced the route of George Washington and his guide, Christopher Gist, from Fort LeBoeuf down French Creek on December 16, 1763. Paddling in a hand-made canoe, he and Pittsburgh Mayor Tom Murphy made the trip together.



The guest speaker for a recent meeting of the **Harris Ferris Chapter** at Harrisburg was Captain Thomas P. McIlravy, Commanding Officer, Navy Supply Information Systems, Naval Base at Mechanicsburg. Following his talk, his wife joined him when he was presented the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal by President William T. Lunsford, Jr. The Captain chose as his topic "Patriotism".

In May the **New Castle Chapter** staged a dedication ceremony at the grave site of Patriot Andrew Betts on the grounds of State Line Methodist Church in Crawford County. Presiding was President Martin Aubel, while descendants took a variety of parts including laying a wreath, offering a biography of the Patriot and playing Taps.



At the March meeting of the **Philadelphia-Continental Chapter**, Secretary Lanny Patten welcomed two guests representing the "Lights of Liberty" program, a spectacular lights and sound show held during the tourist season at Independence National Historical Park: Executive Director Ann Meredith (left) and Director of Development, Ms. Meredith addressed attendees about expansion of the show that is scheduled for this summer.

## RHODE ISLAND SOCIETY



During the Society's Spring Meeting at the Wannamoisett Country Club, President Carlen Booth (right) presented the Meritorious Service Medal to Compatriot Wilfrid L. Gates, a landscape architect who was recognized for his work in designing the landscaping for the SAR/DAR project at the Rhode Island Veterans Cemetery. Gates is also Chairman of the Design Review Committee for the Capital Center Commission in Providence.

## SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY



The Citadel in Charleston was the setting for presentation of an Army Sword in May to Army ROTC Cadet Jonathan Earl Doiron by the **Major General William Moultrie Chapter**. He was recognized for outstanding leadership, military bearing and excellence in the highest traditions of our patriot ancestors. Participating in the ceremony were (from left): Vic Brandt, Baron Fain, Seabrook Wilkinson, President Bill Prewitt, Cadet Doiron, Citadel President MG John Grinalds, Harvey Dick and Rob Mikell. The cadet left for active duty shortly after this event.



Soon after being installed as Society President during the 115th Annual State Conference in late March, Jerry Sifford (right) was pleased to present the Patriot Medal to retiring President Jim Cook. Among the meeting's highlights was an address by Executive Director James N. Randall.

## SWITZERLAND SOCIETY



On June 12 a delegation of Compatriots held a meeting in Fribourg and then, under the guidance of Pierre de Viry, visited the Chatueay D'Alt as well as the old section of this historic city.



The Society's Color Guard turned out for the State Convention, with perhaps the star member being Chuck Baker, the son of Compatriot Chris Baker of Dallas.

## TENNESSEE SOCIETY



Working closely with NSSAR Museum Chairman William c. Gist, **Col. Benjamin Cleveland Chapter** President Stan Evans arranged for selected artifacts to be on temporary exhibit at the Museum Center at Five Points in Cleveland. Each item was carefully chosen to represent the Revolutionary War, in turn fitting in with the overall theme of saluting veterans of the "Old Ocoee District" and the wars in which they served. They ranged from rifles to a six-pound cannonball. Shown here are Compatriot Evans (left) and Joe Hamilton, Executive Director of the Museum Center.



During the 45th Annual Awards Day Ceremony held in May by the JROTC Department of the Memphis Schools, **Isaac Shelby Chapter** Compatriot H. Clark Doan (left) was honored to present Outstanding Cadet Medals to these deserving students (from his left): C/CPT Daniel Millican, C/COL Maryanne Chumpia, C/COL Danielle Currica and C/SSG Andrew Vu. As the Chapter's award winner, Ms. Currica went on to be selected as the Outstanding Cadet of the Tennessee Society competition.



A member of the C.A.R., Eric Schroeder was the winner of the Eagle Scout contest.

Archive at the Rare Book and Texana Collections at the University of North Texas Library. Plans call for placing there the Society's valuable historical documents, including such items as Chapter yearbooks and newsletters.

## TEXAS SOCIETY

Hosted by the **Dallas Chapter**, the Society's 109th State Convention held in March at Dallas drew over 100 delegates and nearly 90 guests. Among the dignitaries present were President General Raymond G. Musgrave, former President General B. Rice Aston (a member of the Texas Society), Registrar General Charles F. Bragg, Chancellor General Nathan White and Executive Director James N. Randall. Among the meeting's highlights were the presentation of orations by four young men and women, recognition of Eric Schroeder as winner of the Eagle Scout competition and the installation of officers by PG Musgrave. Society Historian James Johnson announced formation of the TXSSAR



Outgoing Society President Richard Robinett (left) congratulated incoming President Roy Adams on taking over the top officer post.



The **Patrick Henry Chapter** recently participated in an impressive "Retiring of the Flag" ceremony conducted by Boy Scout Troop #399 in Austin. A Flag, retired from a local fire station, was destroyed by burning with the aid of firefighters from the station; they were awarded medals and certificates.



The May meeting of the **Lt. Nathan Gann Chapter** was held at the Kurth Memorial Library in the Ora McMullen Genealogy Room. After Cindy McMullen discussed use of the library's varied features, she was presented a check for the purchase of books related to the Revolutionary War. Pictured with her were these Compatriots (from left): Lester Sparks, Fred Jacobs, President Fred Preston, Ed Shelton and Tom H. Gann.



Jack Reville (left), Executive Assistant Chief of the Dallas Police Department, recently captivated members of the **Brazos Chapter** with a graphic presentation of his direct involvement in the investigation of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. He was presented a Certificate of Appreciation by President Warren Morrison. At the time of the assassination he was a Lieutenant in charge of the security and subversive activities unit.

## VERMONT SOCIETY



A large contingent of Compatriots turned out for the Spring Meeting of the New England District in late April at the historic Putney Inn in Putney. The gathering saw the election of Charles Foell II as President, a plea by Vice-President General Ronald E. Newton for funds for the Center for Advancing America's Heritage and an invitation by the Vermont Society to attend the grave marking ceremony to be held in July at Berlin Corners to be conducted by Texas Society Compatriots. Memorialized will be Major Ira Hobart Evans, founder of that Society; he was a Civil War recipient of the Medal of Honor and speaker of the Texas House of Representatives.

## VIRGINIA SOCIETY

In May members of the **George Washington, George Mason and Fairfax Resolves Chapters** held a joint meeting at the Army-Navy Country Club. Guest speakers were Maurice A. Barboza, Co-Founder of the Black Patriots Foundation and Rhonda Roberson, Foundation President. Both discussed the accomplishments and dedication to the cause of their ancestors during the Revolutionary War. Mr. Barboza became a member of the District Columbia Society in 1980 and was instrumental in forming the Foundation whose objective is to build a memorial in Washington, DC to the black soldiers of the Revolution.



Officers of the **Richard Henry Lee Chapter** visited Stratford Hall Plantation in mid-March in present a donation toward the educational programs of the Robert E. Lee Memorial Foundation. The Plantation is the historic home of the famed Lee family. Shown posing before a painting of Richard Henry Lee were President Norm Farley, 1st VP Jim Talbot and Thomas C. Taylor, Stratford Hall Executive Director.

## WASHINGTON SOCIETY

At a meeting of the **Alexander Hamilton Chapter** members voted to select the Veteran's Museum in Centralia as their support project. Dedicated to the men and women who have honorably served our nation in the Armed Forces, the museum includes uniforms, memories and artifacts, a library and a viewing and interview room. Support will be through monthly collections at meetings and by individual donations.

Members and guests attending the February meeting of the **Cascade Centennial Chapter** viewed a video presented by Compatriot Glenn Oliver entitled "Sleep My Sons", the dramatic story of the hell ship **Arisana Maru**. During World War II the Japanese prisoner-of-war transport ship carrying 1,800 American POW's was torpedoed, with only eight men surviving the ship's sinking. Oliver is one of those eight.

## WISCONSIN SOCIETY

Held in the State Capital of Madison, the Society's Annual Meeting in mid-April was presided over by President James D. Waid. The guests of honor were President General and Mrs. Raymond G. Musgrave; he was the featured speaker and installed the newly elected slate of officers, with John W. Plummer assuming the post of President.



During the Society's Annual Meeting, President James D. Waid presented an enlightening book about Wisconsin to President General and Mrs. Raymond G. Musgrave.



Among awards presented at the Annual Meeting was the Color Guard Medal, shown being given by Guard Commander Harold Klubertanz (left) to Richard Eager and David Dean.



During a May ceremony at his home, Compatriot Lyman Anderson was awarded the Silver Good Citizenship Medal, shown being pinned by his wife Pat. A founding member of the Madison-based **Nathaniel Ames Chapter**, he was a member of the Wisconsin Assembly for two years, the Dane County Board for 28 years and the City of Oregon Town Board for 14 years. Participating were Chapter President Robert Granger (left) and Society President John W. Plummer.



In May members of the Society's Color Guard trekked to Portage to participate in the 50th Anniversary of the Restoration and Opening of the Fort Winnebago Surgeon's Quarters. Shown in the foreground are ladies of the DAR Wisconsin Society folding the American Flag. That Society maintains the Quarters, the only remaining building of historic Fort Winnebago.

Two representatives of The American Legion Post in Delafield were guests of the **Morgan-Kosciuszko Chapter** at its May meeting in Milwaukee. Introduced by

President William Wells, the veterans offered a history of the Legion and information about what the organization's objectives are today.

## In Our Memory

Jeremiah A. Bainton	RI	Ralph E. Crain, Sr.	AR	Robert E. Melvin	OR
Arthur W. Barrett	CA	Charles G. Crigler, Sr.	FL	Albert T. Morris	IN
David E. Bartlett	NJ	Bennie F. Davis	GA	Phillip J. Murphy	ME
Vaughn W. Barber, Jr.	LA	Harold L. Davis	MS	Richard E. Musser	MT
Joseph M. Battle	TX	Paul F. DuCom, Sr.	SC	George D. Nelson	LA
Richard T. Bosson	AR	Ralph S. Dudgeon	CA	Kenneth A. Norton	NJ
Arthur A. Bracken	TX	Hubert B. Eyman, Jr.	OH	Jackson L. Nye	SC
Clark E. Bruner	OH	Esmond D. Ferris	CA	Elmer L. Parsons	CA
Richard R. Bugg	TX	Durward B. Frampton, Jr.	OH	Gordon B. Petremont	CT
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Thomas H. Carnahan	LA	Alexander T. Galloway, II	NY	Carlos J. Ricketson	VA
Lloyd V. Cary	NH	Arthur E. Glidden, Jr.	CA	Darrell F. Rishel	GA
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John M. Cowgill	CA	James E. Hadsell	OH	Joseph J. Shy, Jr.	MO
		George Hardman	NJ	Thomas E. Smith, Jr.	SC
		Grant V. Harrison	VA	Timothy R. Spencer	OH
		Preston V. Henley	NV	Alexander G. St. Clair, Jr.	VA
		Richard Hills	CA	Hubert M. Stinson	FL
		Richard H. Hofer, Sr.	MO	W. Owings Stone	RI
		William B. Holman	OH	Grady L. Stratton, Sr.	GA
		Walter K. Horst	PA	A.F. Swearingen, Jr.	VA
		Sanford B. Hunt	NJ	Julian Taylor, Jr.	TX
		James N. Lamb	CA	Vestal C. Taylor, Jr.	GA
		Richard B. Langkamp	NY	Shirley L. Vick, Jr.	GA
		Neil K. Leverton	CA	Dean E. Walters	OH
		James H. Lipscomb, III	FL	William H. Walters	FL
		Harry W. Lynch, Jr.	DE	Kenneth Ware	MT
		William F. Lynch, II	DE	Donald P. Waterman	FL
		Kenneth L. Marple	WV	Carleton B. White	KS
		George L. Marshall, Jr.	SC	Chester P. Whitley	TX
		James W. Martin	FL	Bruce B. Wilson	OK
		Lawrence W. Maurer, Jr.	GA	Frederick S. Woodruff	NC
		Arch H. McCleskey, Jr.	GA	John C. Wright, Jr.	UT
		William S. McLaughlin	OH	Paul H. Zuppinger	NY









# The Battle of Flamborough Head

Compatriot Charles R. Lampman recalls this famous encounter between the *Bonhomme Richard* commanded by John Paul Jones and the *Serapis*. Its 225th anniversary will be celebrated during this coming September

The *Ranger* was one of three sloops of war built for the Continental Navy. She displaced 308 tons, was 116 feet long, 28 feet wide, drew 13 feet 6 inches of water and carried 18 six pounders with a crew of about 150. Her first captain was John Paul Jones. She was built in present day Portsmouth, New Hampshire and sailed on her maiden voyage on November 1, 1777 headed for France, where she arrived on December 2, 1777 at Nantes. Jones carried the message of Burgoyne's surrender at Saratoga (October 17, 1777).

Before he left Portsmouth, Jones was led to believe he would be given command of a new frigate *L'Indien* – which displaced 1,430 tons, was 170 feet long, 43 feet 6 inches wide and drew 16 feet 6 inches of water with 40 guns and a crew of about 550 – which the American



This famous painting, rendered by Lt. William Elliot, RN, is on display in the United States Naval Academy Museum at Annapolis, Maryland. Several years ago Winston C. Williams, Editor of *The SAR Magazine*, commissioned a copy to be made for the National Society Museum in Louisville; currently it is located in the Executive Director's office.

Commissioners in France were having built in Amsterdam, Holland. Unfortunately before he arrived, the Commissioners ran out of money and were forced to sell the vessel to France. Jones was summoned to Paris where he learned the fate of his supposed-to-be new frigate. He remained in Paris all of December and did not return to the *Ranger* until January 28, 1778. He arrived with money enough to pay the crew and buy supplies for his upcoming operations.

Jones departed for his operations against the British and their coastal towns on February 13, 1778. He was in and out of French ports for the next few months. On April 10th he finally headed for the British Isles. On this cruise Jones not only took several prizes but also raided the towns of Whitehaven and St. Mary's Isle. His idea of raiding a British port was probably set in motion in retaliation for British General John Vaughan's wanton burning of Esopus (present day Kingston, New York) on the Hudson River in early October 1777. Jones returned to France on May 8th and from then until he was officially given command of the *Bonhomme Richard* (in February of 1779). Jones was not only ashore but relieved of command of the *Ranger* which sailed back to the United States on August 21, 1778.

## BONHOMME RICHARD COMES INTO BEING

From May 1778 to November 1778 Captain John Paul Jones was without a ship. While there were offers from

the French government to find him a command, he was not satisfied with what they had to offer. He arrived in Lorient in November 1778 to examine an old East Indiaman by the name of *Duc de Duras*. He immediately started to make plans to refit her out as a warship. In the plans was a new name, the *Bonhomme Richard*, a tribute to his new friend Benjamin Franklin's nom de plume. For a while he was not sure the deal for the purchase would go through, but by February 1779 all was arranged. Efforts were concentrated on making the ship as much a fighting vessel as possible and consumed all of Jones's time.

Another event took place in February, which would set Jones and the *Bonhomme Richard* on a course that would make history. The Marquis de Lafayette, now a Major General in the Continental Army, returned to France to confer with the King about the war in America and to attempt to make a name for himself in Europe. He discussed his plan of a joint operation between the French and Spanish to invade a seaport in England. When Lafayette talked to Franklin, Jones was recommended as the man to command the naval task force. Thus a squadron was formed made up of the following ships: *Bonhomme Richard*, American frigate *Alliance*, and the French ships *Pallas*, *Vengeance* and *Le Surf*. The squadron was to be used to create a diversion somewhere on the west coast of England while the landing would take place on the east coast of England. On May 22, 1779 Jones received word that the French King's priorities had changed and the planned operation had been cancelled. Since the squadron was formed, Jones now made other plans to again harass the British Isles as he had earlier done.

## COMPOSITION OF JONES' SQUADRON

**BONHOMME RICHARD**...An old Indiaman (900 tons), which had seen its better days. It was purchased at auction in 1779 and at the time declared unseaworthy. In 1778 the owner wanted to turn her into a privateer but instead sold her for 200,020 livres (\$44,000). She ended up as a war ship commanded by Captain John Paul Jones who would be responsible for her outfitting. He obtained six old navy 18 pounders, sixteen new-model 12 pounders and twelve old 12 pounders from the French Navy along with six 9 pounders. The 18's were located six per side in the gunroom (the lower deck of a sailing man-of-war, also used for the mess for Midshipmen). The 12's on the gun deck (above the gunroom), fourteen per side and the 9 pounders were located on the forecastle and quarterdeck. Crew size was 380 of which only 60 were Americans. The others were of eight different nationalities.

**ALLIANCE**...A new American Frigate commanded by an ambitious Frenchman, Captain Pierre Landais, who Silas Deane recommended to the Congress for command

of a supply ship. Instead they gave him command of the frigate. She was the ship that returned the Marquis de Lafayette to France and had been assigned to Jones by Franklin. She carried 28 12 pounders and eight 9 pounders. Crew size was 215.

**PALLAS**...A French Frigate (originally a privateer) commanded by Captain de Brulot Cottineau de Kerloguen. She carried twenty-six 9 pounders. She ended up being most loyal to Jones in battle. Crew size was 253.

**VENGEANCE**...A French Brig commanded by Lieutenant de Vaisseau Philippe-Nicholas Ricot, she carried twelve 4 pounders. Crew size was 66.

**Le SURF**...a French King's Cutter commanded by Enseigne de Vaisseau Joseph Varage, she carried two 8 pounders and sixteen 6 pounders. She had been captured from the British. Crew size was 157.

For this cruise all the French commanding officers were given Continental Navy commissions as Captains or Lieutenants by Congress. Jones was referred to as Commodore.

## THE CRUISE TO ENGLAND BEGINS

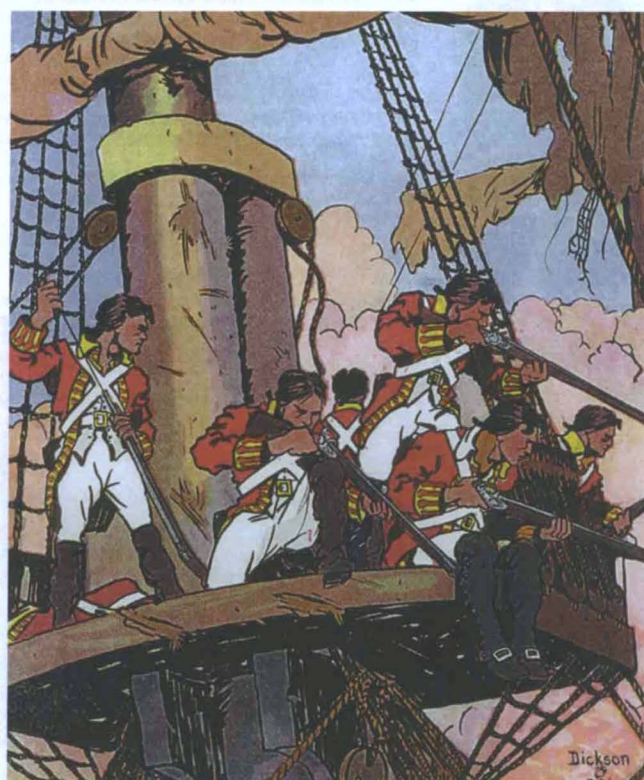
Originally the squadron was formed to create a diversion on the west coast of the British Isles for the combined French and Spanish invasion of England. The combining of the two fleets and the troops proved to be difficult and the invasion plans were scrapped. Jones, however, had his ships and also picked up two French privateers, the *Monsieur* with 38 guns and a crew of 357, and the *Granville* with ten guns and a crew of 100. Shortly after the ships left Lorient on August 9, 1779, the privateers abandoned Jones and were not seen again.

Their course took them northwest toward the southeast corner of Ireland. Then north to northeast around Scotland and around to the south and southeast, coasting off England. En route Jones took a few prizes and made some landings and raids. During this time the *Alliance* took off on her own ignoring Jones orders. Early on, *Le Cerf* was sent out to attempt to retrieve some boats in which some Irishmen had deserted and to recon the area ahead of the squadron. She never rejoined and returned to France.

All the activity was covered in the newspapers all over England and the Royal Navy dispatched ships to attempt to locate Jones and his ships and destroy them. They never did catch any of the squadron.

Jones always wanted to intercept a Baltic convoy, which would be carrying mostly naval stores (spars, tar, hemp and sailcloth) for the British. When he headed south off England he hugged the coast to allow better protection from detection.

By the 22nd of September he was half way down the English east coast near the Humber River, about 15 miles south of Flamborough Head. Early in the morning of the



This dramatic painting was rendered by the late Col. Donald L. Dickson, USMC, a former Editor-Publisher of *Leatherneck Magazine*. He titled it "On The Land As On the Sea...The Bon Homme Richard encounters the *Serapis*, September 23, 1779." Depicted are Marines in the fighting tops of the *Richard*. (Courtesy the *Leatherneck Magazine*, Quantico, Virginia.)



During the 114th Annual Congress held in Pittsburgh this past July, Compatriot Lampman completed a full term as Vice-President General for the Western District and a member of the Executive Committee. Prior to that, he served as National Trustee and President of the California Society. Among his many SAR accomplishments, he was selected as the National Color Guardsman of the Year 2003-04. He also holds the NSDAR Founder's Medal (the Ellen Hansen Walworth Medal for Patriotism) and the Freedoms Foundation George Washington Medal. A retired U.S. Navy Commander, he holds several degrees, including a BA from the University of West Florida.

23rd the Alliance showed up and rejoined the squadron, which now consisted of *Bonhomme Richard*, *Alliance*, *Pallas* and *Vengeance*.

Jones had captured two pilots on the 22nd by flying British colors and signaling for a pilot. The pilots were surprised to find out the Americans were actually in their area.

About 3 PM of the 23rd many sails were sighted north of Jones' position and he learned from the pilots it was a Baltic convoy escorted by the *HMS Serapis* (pronounced Se-ray-pis) and the *HMS Countess of Scarborough*. At that time the convoy consisted of 44 merchant ships and their two escorts. In light winds from the SSW, Jones and the squadron beat north to intercept. Meanwhile the British had also spotted the oncoming squadron and the merchant ships were ordered to head inshore and north to seek the protection of the guns of Scarborough Castle. The convoy commander, Captain Richard Pearson, a thirty-year veteran of the Royal Navy who had commanded two different ships of war before the *Serapis*, had fought in three previous actions in his career. He had been warned the Americans were in the area by a boat from Scarborough Castle and was half expecting to run into them. The *Serapis* and the *Countess of Scarborough* cleared their decks for action in late afternoon as the Americans were approaching.

#### THE BRITISH SQUADRON

**HMS SERAPIS...**A new copper-bottomed Frigate under the command of Captain Richard Pearson, an experienced seaman who had seen battle before. She carried twenty 18 pounders, twenty 9 pounders and ten 6 pounders. Crew size was 432.

**HMS COUNTESS OF SCARBOROUGH...**A sloop-of-war commanded by Captain Thomas Piercy, twenty guns (unspecified size). Crew size was unknown.

#### SHIPS SAIL INTO BATTLE

Flamborough Head is a broad headland sticking out from the shore and is of chalk cliffs rising about 450 feet above the sea with only small beaches at the foot and a dangerous sand bar off the head.

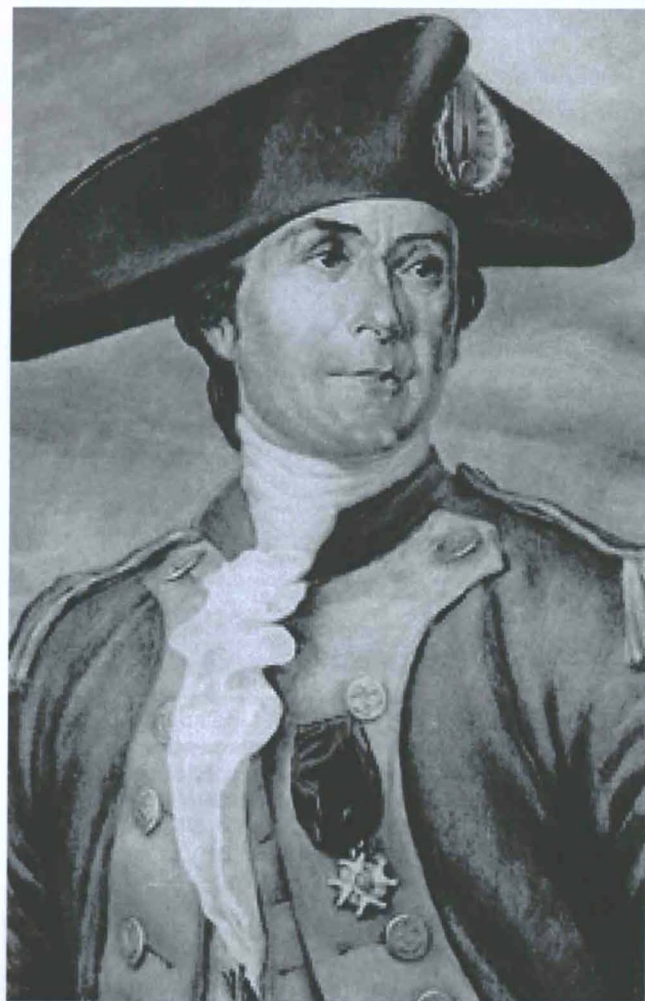
At 3:30 PM Jones raised the signal for "General Chase" and the four ships fell into line.

At 5:00 PM the marine drummers beat to quarters. All of the marines were French under the command of Colonel Paul Chamillard de Varville.

At 6:00 PM Jones hoisted the signal "Form Line of Battle" to which none of his captains paid any attention. *Alliance* who was in the lead veered off leaving *Richard* to engage the *Serapis* alone. *Pallas* who was directly astern of *Richard* veered off but later engaged the *Countess of Scarborough*. *Vengeance* simply sailed about as if she were a mere observer.

At 6:30 PM the *Richard* was abreast of *Serapis* within pistol shot and to windward. The *Richard* was flying the British flag, which allowed her to get that close. Finally Captain Pearson hailed, "What ship is that?" Jones had Master Stacey answer, "*The Princess Royal*". "From where?" The answer, if there was one, could not be heard for Jones hauled down the British flag, raised the American flag and gave the order to fire. Both ships fired broadsides at the same time. Either on the first or second salvo, two of Jones' old eighteen pounders exploded, killing many of the gunners and damaging other guns in the vicinity. The explosion also blew up part of the deck above. Thus Jones lost the use of his heaviest guns and ordered them abandoned, as he was not going to take the chance of the others blowing up and killing more of his crew. **The battle had begun!**

After a third salvo the captains maneuvered to attempt to cross the other's bow and send raking fire down the length of the other's ship while the other ship could not return fire. *Serapis*, being the faster, pulled ahead but Jones turned into her thus passing her stern. He then attempted to board but the British had too much musket fire concentrated in a small area and Jones was forced to recall his boarding party.



This handsome portrait of John Paul Jones was created by A.S. Conrad. Born in 1747 in Scotland with the name John Paul, he was apprenticed at age 13 and went to sea in the brig *Friendship* to learn the art of seamanship. Later he emigrated to the British colonies in North America and there added "Jones" to his name. He cast his lot with the rebels and on December 7, 1775 was commissioned first lieutenant in the Continental Navy. In 1779 Jones took command of the *Bonhomme Richard*.

The ships then pulled apart and *Serapis* again tried to cross Jones' bow but lost some headway during the maneuver and the *Richard's* bowsprit became caught in the *Serapis* aft shrouds. It was at this time that Captain Pearson asked Jones if he had struck his colors (a sign of surrender) and Jones purportedly replied with his now famous quote, "I have not yet begun to fight". During the two encounters the marines up in the top rigging fired down to clear the decks and were taking their toll on the crew of *Serapis*.

#### PLANS MADE FOR BOARDING

Jones realized he was badly outgunned by *Serapis*. His only chance was to stay in close and try to board her.

The two ships maneuvered and again were side by side blasting away at each other. The casualties on both ships were horrendous, growing not only from the shots but also from the many injured by flying splinters and the fires now burning on both ships.

Jones then taking advantage of a fresh breeze that the *Richard* shielded from *Serapis*, crossed the bow of *Serapis* to maneuver to lay his ship along side. *Serapis'* bowsprit became tangled in *Richard's* aft rigging. *Richard* then swung in so that the ships were bow to stern to one another. At this point Jones ordered grapplings to be used to tie the two ships together and alerted his boarding party to stand by. The below deck guns were so close that the gunners had to ram their shot home by putting the ram through the other ships gun ports. Perhaps in fear of the nearby sand bar, the *Serapis* dropped her anchor and this held both ships close aboard. Both ships were now continuing to fire at point blank range causing severe damage to both ships and crews. Prior to the Americans boarding, one of the marines in the top rigging dropped a grenade down an open hatch on the *Serapis* causing an explosion and fire on the gun deck. The resulting fire killed and injured most of the sailors in that area. The marines by this time had nearly cleared the deck of *Serapis* of all personnel except the Captain. When the boarding party finally boarded, the fighting was fierce and hand-to-hand until Captain Pearson finally struck his colors.

Now both ships turned to putting out their fires with a great number of the crew manning the pumps. The *Richard* had taken several shots below the waterline and the resulting flooding was severe. Also the attention of both the American and British surgeons was turned to attending to the wounded.

While the two ships were side by side the *Alliance* decided to join the fight and twice maneuvered to rake the *Richard* killing several Americans. When later asked why he did this, Captain Landais admitted he wanted to sink the *Bonhomme Richard* so he could take credit for capturing the *Serapis*. Captain Landais was later relieved of command by Franklin and recalled to Paris where Franklin informed him of charges that had been brought against him. Franklin referred the charges to the Continental Congress. Jones assumed command of *Alliance* and left Trexal in December for Lorient.

The whole battle lasted past 10 PM, between three and three-and-a-half hours, in the light of a full moon which enabled the action to be viewed by many on the cliffs at Flamborough Head. The casualties were heavy on both sides. The *Bonhomme Richard* had 67 killed, 106 wounded out of 340. The original crew size was 380. The difference lay in the fact some Irishmen deserted and the rest were used as prize crews. About 100 were fit for duty after the battle. The *Serapis* suffered 87 killed, 134 wounded of which 13 later died of their wounds and 211 taken prisoners. The carnage, wreck and severe damage were everywhere. Masts and riggings were shot away. The fires were not put out on the ships until about 10 AM the next day. Thus ended what many historians have described as the greatest naval battle of the American Revolution and one that would set the example for leadership, courage and aggressiveness for the future United States Navy.

During the battle the *Pallas* captured the *Countess of Scarborough*. This brought the total prisoners to 504, including 16 officers of the Royal Navy.

#### THE AFTERMATH OF BATTLE

After cutting the anchor cable of *Serapis* and hoisting what sails were left the ships headed for the European coast. The next morning on the 25th at about 11 AM the

*Bonhomme Richard* slipped below the surface, bow first, and would forever more rest at the bottom of the North Sea. Although Captain Pearson had to surrender, he completed his mission and saved all the merchant ships - later both Captain Pearson and Captain Piercy were acquitted by courts-martial. The remaining ships finally entered Texel in Holland. Jones became a hero in France and America. Louis XVI awarded Jones a gold sword engraved, "... reward from Louis XVI to the valiant avenger of the rights of the sea...". From the Congress he received a gold medal on October 16, 1787, in memory of the services rendered eight years previous.

Captain John Paul Jones would never again match the feat he accomplished with the defeat of the *Serapis*. For the rest of the war he would be occupied with the building of the only 74-gun warship *America*. He would never get to command her for as the war drew to an end she was given to France. He returned to France in an attempt to collect all the prize money owned him and his crews. He would later accept a commission as a flag officer in the Russian Navy, but here he would not accomplish any great victories. He returned to France at age 45 suffering from several illnesses and died there on July 18, 1792. In 1913 his body was retrieved by Compatriot Horace Porter, and brought to America and placed in a crypt at the United States Naval Academy Chapel where he remains today.

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**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SOCIETY** – Past President J. Phillip London has been presented the *Federal Computer Week* (FCW) Eagle Award for outstanding contributions to the federal information technology community. Serving as Chairman, President and Chief Operating Officer of the Alexandria, Virginia-based CACI International Inc., he has been involved in directing the firm's critical support for U.S. military IT capabilities, helping to transform America's fighting forces and provide key support the Iraqi invasion. *Federal Computer Week* is published 42 times a year to provide a wide range of news relative to the government's use of information technology. CACI employs over 6,400 people in more than 90 offices in the U.S. and Europe.

**GEORGIA SOCIETY** – *Ocmulgee Chapter Compatriots* Tim Bollinger and Tucker Haught were recently recognized for their outstanding service to the State of Georgia through work completed on Georgia's Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Committee, a division of the U.S. Department of Defense. They were given a citation signed by Governor Sonny Perdue during a ceremony, with Representative Larry O'Neal doing the

honors. Both members are veterans and annually donate considerable time to services provided by the Committee.

**MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY** – In a late May edition of the *Boston Herald*, Past President Raymond Fleck was the subject of an editorial column by Joe Fitzgerald. The piece began with an announcement about Compatriot Fleck's upcoming participation as a member of the Society's Color Guard in the City of Westwood's Memorial Day parade. The next 20 or so column-inches of space were devoted to recounting his experiences during World War II while a sonar man aboard a mine sweeper in the Pacific Theater. Altogether, his ship saw duty in over 40 different islands, all where battles were taking place.

**VIRGINIA SOCIETY** – F. Fulton Galer, Treasurer of the *Fincastle Resolutions Chapter*, has received the Superior Public Accountant Certificate from the *Virginia Business Magazine* in the category of individual estates, taxes and trusts. *Chapter Past President Michael Smeltzer* has been cited in "The Best Lawyers in America" for his real estate accomplishments, while *Dr. Rupert Cutler* has been appointed to the Sustainable Oceans, Coast and Waterways Advisory



**EMPLOYEE SETS SERVICE RECORD** – National Society staff members gathered in April at Louisville Headquarters to mark the fact that Registrar Joyce Adams (seated, right) had completed 25 years of superior service – longer than anyone else there. Joyce hired in to perform general office duties, soon taking on certain registrar responsibilities. In a matter of time she became our Staff Registrar. Joining in on the party were: (Seated next to Joyce) Emily Fritz, Administrative/Educational Assistant; (Standing from left): Susan Acree, Genealogist; Craig M. Johnson, CPA, Director of Finance; Robin Christian, Librarian Assistant; Betty Graham, Administrative Genealogist; Sue Bailey, Genealogy Assistant; Barbara Hardin, Receptionist; Jessie Hagan, National Manager SAR Web Site; Debbie Smalley, Executive Assistant; Aaron Adams, Merchandise Manager; and Michael Scroggins, Facilities Manager/Assistant to the Executive Director. Everyone enjoyed ice cream and cake.

Committee of the H. John Heinz III Center of Science, Economics and Environment in Washington, DC.

Peter E. Broadbent of Richmond has been elected a Director of the National Genealogical Society. He is a Partner with the law firm of Christian & Barton, L.L.P. He has been active in a number of genealogical and historical groups, including service as President of the Virginia Genealogical Society, Chairman of the Library of Virginia and as a Director of the Friends of the Virginia State Archives.

## California SAR Killed In Iraq

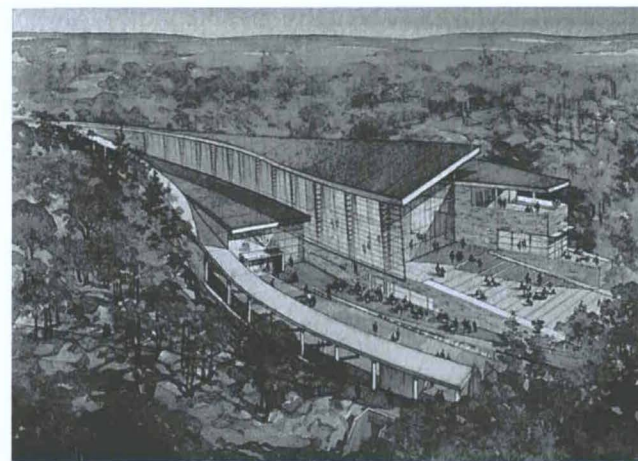
We are saddened to report that S/Sgt Allan Kendall Walker, USMC – a member of the California Society's Sons of Liberty Chapter – was killed in action on April 6th in the Iraqi town of Ramadi. He was the son of Chapter Genealogist Kenneth R. Walker and would have celebrated his 29th birthday on April 9th.

A Memorial Service was held for Compatriot Walker at Lancaster Presbyterian Church on April 17th. During the ceremony, Western District Vice-President General Charles R. Lampman, representing President General Raymond G. Musgrave, presented the family with the SAR Heroism Medal. On behalf of the California Society, President Stanley Henderson presented the SAR War Service Medal.

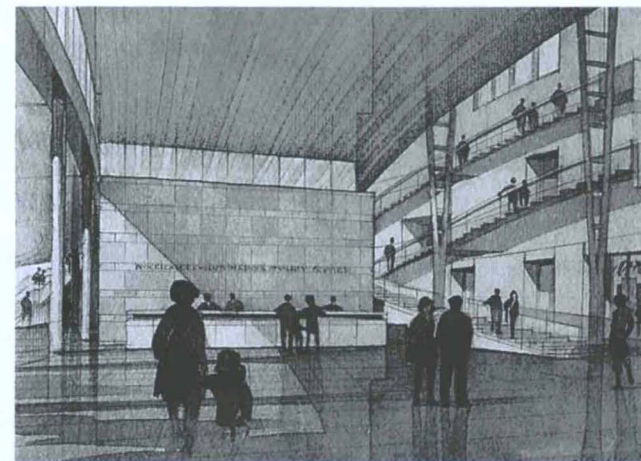
The Honor Guard consisted of the Commander-in-Chief's Guards (members of the Sons of Liberty and Harbor Chapters), United States Marine Corps, the Marine detachment from the Sons of Union Veterans and the Continental Marines (South Coast Chapter Compatriots). Also participating were representatives from veterans organizations, lineage societies and several SAR Chapters.



Before being deployed to Iraq, Allen Walker served as a drill instructor at Camp Pendleton. He had joined the Corps in 1993.



LEFT: This view depicts how the American Revolution Center will appear as seen from the northeast. RIGHT: Visitors will be exposed to this dramatic area as they first enter the massive structure.



## American Revolution Center Slated For Valley Forge

Earlier this year plans were unveiled for an exciting project of interest to every Compatriot: The \$100-million American Revolution Center to be located at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania.

When completed, the Center will house the nation's largest assembly of artifacts and manuscripts related to the American Revolution and the birth of our nation and serve as the country's first museum dedicated to the conflict. The project is a private/public partnership between Valley Forge National Park and the Center.

It is sad to note that the Revolution is the only event in our nation's history that does not have a monument or museum to commemorate it. Since 1903, when the Reverend Doctor Burke founded the Valley Forge Historical Society and built Washington Memorial Chapel at Valley Forge, there have been several attempts to create a significant Museum of the American Revolution at Valley Forge. In 1999, after three years of discussion and negotiation between VFNHP and the Center, Congress passed Public Law 106-86 authorizing the Center to be built within VFNHP to display the significant collections of the National Park Service and the Center. This combined collection forms the largest known assemblage of objects, artifacts and manuscripts from the period. It is planned to display the Collections in a compelling, immersive and interactive manner in order to inform and educate visitors about the people, events and legacy of the Revolution.

The museum will tell the entire story of the Revolution, from the growing frustration of the colonies with King George imposing onerous taxes to the first shots fired at Lexington and Concord in 1775 to the war's end in 1783 when the Treaty of Paris was signed.

Nearly two-thirds of the 107,800-square-foot building will be underground, carved from an old quarry that forms one side of an existing parking lot. With glass walls rising three stories, the structure will offer a com-

manding view of the centerpiece at Valley Forge – the grand parade ground where during the winter of 1777-1778, Baron Friedrich von Steuben transformed George Washington's Continental Army into a disciplined and confident fighting force.

Scheduled to open in 2006, the facility has been designed by the well-known firm of Robert A.M. Stern Architects. Its completed projects ranges from the Norman Rockwell Museum at Stockbridge, Massachusetts to the Disney Feature Animation Building in Burbank, California.

## First Award Given At Coast Guard Academy

The United States Coast Guard Academy at New London, Connecticut has been added to those Service Academies where an outstanding student is honored by our Society. Up to now only the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland and the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colorado have had such recognition programs.

Last October the first NSSAR Alexander Hamilton Award was presented to Cadet Greg H. Ponzi at the Coast Guard Academy during a ceremony attended by then Secretary General Henry N. McCarl and his wife Mary, a direct descendant of Patriot Hamilton. Also on hand for the event were Texas Society Compatriot Thomas Lawrence, a former Coast Guard officer who was instrumental in establishing the award; Mary's brother, David Hamilton Rhinelander; and his wife, Ann Wimberley Rhinelander.

The award is so named because it was at the request of Hamilton, the nation's first Secretary of the Treasury, the Congress ordered in 1790 the construction of ten armed cutters to help the U.S. Revenue Service prevent smuggling and collect customs fees. The first of the cutters put to sea in 1791, and the agency for which it sailed – initially known as the Revenue Cutter Service – was the forerunner of the Coast Guard. The Guard is now under the Department of Homeland Security.

According to Compatriot McCarl, now serving as President General, plans call for building an endowment of \$6,000 to \$8,000 for the Academy to provide a sword each

year to the Cadet selected by instructors who demonstrates proficiency in the study of American History and an appreciation of the meaning of the American Revolution. Solicitations for the fund are being made from members and friends of the SAR. He and Mrs. McCarl are offering a "challenge matching gift" for the first \$1,000 as a means of launching a fund raising campaign. Tax-deductible donations may be made via checks payable to "Treasurer General, NSSAR" and mailed to NSSAR Headquarters, 1000 South Fourth Street, Louisville, KY 40203. Designate that it is for the Alexander Hamilton Award.



During the Annual Congress in Pittsburgh, then Secretary General Henry N. McCarl brought attendees up to date on the status of the Alexander Hamilton Award given by the National Society to a Cadet at the United States Coast Guard Academy.

# A TRIBUTE TO RONALD REAGAN

When President Ronald Reagan was called to eternal rest earlier this year, a number of Compatriots recalled events they attended relative to his life.

West Virginia Society Compatriot Charles F. Printz vividly remembers visiting Mr. Reagan in his Los Angeles office in 1989 to present the Distinguished Patriot Award (only one may be given by a PG to someone of his choice). At the time he was serving as President General and traveled from San Francisco while attending the 98th Annual Congress. Accompanying him were Winston C. Williams, Editor of *The SAR Magazine*; Wayne R. Wiedman, NSSAR Executive Director; and Robert B. Vance, Chairman of the NSSAR Congress Planning Committee and who was destined to be elected President General in 1993. The award recognized Mr. Reagan for "his ardent devotion to preserving the principles expressed by the Founding Fathers in the Declaration of Independence, Constitution and Bill of Rights." All of them were impressed with the warm reception they received and the interesting time they spent listening to a variety of stories, including one about his experiences as a radio announcer while a young man in Iowa.

California Society Compatriot Donald N. Moran, who serves as Editor of the NSSAR *Headquarters Dispatch* and has been active in his Chapter's Color Guard for a number of years, recounts how the Guard has performed several times at the



President General Charles F. Printz presented President Ronald Reagan with the Distinguished Patriot Award in 1989. The ceremony took place in Mr. Reagan's Los Angeles office.

Reagan Presidential Library since it opened in the 1980s. He places special emphasis on the memorable event Guardsmen participated in two weeks after the September 11, 2001 attack. Over 10,000 people came to express their support of America.

As a sidelight, it is interesting to note that Nancy Reagan has been a member of

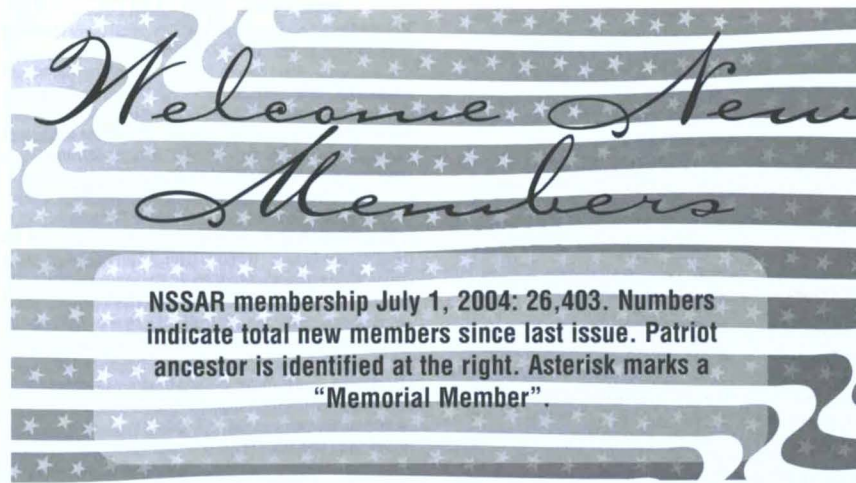
the Daughters of the American Revolution since the mid-1980s. When she became a member, an oil painting of her was rendered by Mrs. Audrey Fritzke and donated to DAR Headquarters in Washington, DC. Mrs. Fritzke is affiliated with the Rodeo Chapter of the DAR California Society.



This oil painting of Nancy Reagan hangs at DAR Headquarters in Washington, DC. Shown also is the artist, Mrs. Audrey Fritzke, a member of the DAR.



The California Society's Sons of Liberty Chapter has participated in a variety of patriotic programs at the Reagan Presidential Library. They were especially pleased to be involved on September 24, 2001 - shortly after the terrorist attacks. Over 10,000 visitors filed through the grounds, with 500 youngsters being "enlisted" into the Guard at the recruiting table they set up. On hand were Compatriots (from left) Mark Gujda, Greg Gujda, Al Moch and Karl Jacobs.



NSSAR membership July 1, 2004: 26,403. Numbers indicate total new members since last issue. Patriot ancestor is identified at the right. Asterisk marks a "Memorial Member".

## Alabama (20)

James Milton Alexander, 162739; John Alexander, Jr., William Allen Carter, 162288; John Palmer Brian Allen Carter, 162289; John Palmer Randall Thomas Cox, 162685; Charles Abercrombie Daniel Hilton Cox, 162684; Charles Abercrombie Ronald Louis Diamond, 162741; Philip Whitener William Eugene Huffman, 162714; Isham Meadows Carlton Eugene Huffman, 162715; Isham Meadows Fredrick James McCarl, 162558; Samuel Wharton Donald Charles McGraw, Jr., 162557; Joseph McKibbin Billy Wayne Minor, 162345; Lewis Turner

Seth Bernard Cooper, 162743; Zachariah Nantz Carl Frederic Cooper, III, 162742; Raphael Hurlburt Richard Eugene Curtis, 162474; Benjamin Applegate Carroll Burton Evans, 162783; George Evans Danny Lee Linn, 162744; Benjamin Hardin, Sr. Gary Gene Linn, 162745; Benjamin Hardin, Sr. Eugene Charles Smith, Jr., 162348; John Wheelock Robert Lewis Stephens, 162347; Baylor Jennings William Andrew Walker, 162291; Morgan Cryer, Sr. Stanley Armstrong Wells, 162562; Jacob Marshall David Newton White, Jr., 162292; John Kerr, Jr.

## California (72)

Daniel Joseph Anderson, 162375; Joseph Sprague Grant Michael Baker, 162391; Jacob Reasoner William Matthew Baker, III, 162392; Jacob Reasoner Elliott Clark Binley, 162479; John Clark Robert John Blauer, 162404; Sylvanus Ames Joseph Howard Buffum, 162373; Joseph Sprague James Howard Buffum, 162374; Joseph Sprague Charles Hampton Chicks, 162411; William Robbins Kenyon Brenton De Greene, 162408; John Peter Corn David Todd Deeken, 162406; William Purvis, Jr. John Charles Denton, 162480; Peter Mull Nathaniel David Devany, 162399; Griffith Rutherford Levi Howard Devany, 162400; Griffith Rutherford Christopher Emile Devereaux, 162382; Richard Morton David Barry Donahue, Jr., 162389; Gideon Colton James Christopher Fallon, 162378; John Tuthill James Harry Fallon, 162377; John Tuthill Richard Orville Talmadge Farrell, 162390; John Bynum David Roger Finkle, 162486; John Rogers Richard Maynard Fowler, 162397; Noah Fowler, Sr. James Brenton Frakes, 162787; Joseph Frakes Allan Lawrence Harriman, 162786; Englehart Wormley Richard Loring Hiatt, 162421; Aaron French Alfred Thomas Hulse, 162398; Griffith Rutherford William John Ketchum, 162716; Amos Sweet Paul Ernest Kidd, 162784; Henry Stitzer Robert Lewis Kidd, 162785; Henry Stitzer Willard Franklin Langford, III, 162409; Meriwether Smith, Sr. Howard Ray Lawrence, 162394; Hawkins Woodruff Stephen Richard Marada, 162412; John Gerhart Humbel Dennis Nelson Marada, 162413; John Gerhart Humbel Robert Bailey Mayall, 162687; Paul Froman, Jr. Bruce James McKenzie, 162395; John Fleming, Sr. Kenneth Ray McPherson, 162489; Daniel McPherson Ernest Edward McPherson, 162488; Daniel McPherson Ernest Edward McPherson, 162487; Daniel McPherson Richard Godwin Milner, 162405; John Milner Robert Allen Moore, 162402; Zachariah Moore Nicholas Osborn Ogiony, 162483; Hezekiah Silloway William Charles Osborn, III, 162481; Hezekiah Silloway William Howard Pasley, 162422; George Tucker Franklin Burton Payne, Sr., 162484; Casper Egle John Elmo Perry, Jr., 162393; Thaddeus Crane William Dwayne Post, 162576; Duncan McEwen Phillip Leroy Rader, 162380; Conrad Rader Roger Rochlen, 162383; Richard Lord Jones Billy Joe Rogers, 162385; James Rogers Gregory Charles Crawford Rowe, 162384; Jacob Brown, Sr. Kirk Micklely Saunders, 162403; John Peter Micklely Frederick Henry Schulenburg, 162376; Josiah Seely John Edward Shearer, 162388; David Brown Cory Nelson Slater, 162381; Jacob Sluyter Frank Ray Smith, 162396; Gassaway Rogers Stewart Robert Spengler, 162379; Rubeen Robinson, Jr. Tom J. Stinson, 162655; Bartholmew Stearns



During an April 17 Patriots Day event in Dothan, Alabama, 97-year-old young William H. Holley, Sr. became a Compatriot of the Tri-State Chapter. His daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Caneer, was pleased to pin a Rosette on his lapel, while Secretary/Treasurer Richard A. Kemp also participated in the ceremony. Holley is a retired pharmacist and World War II veteran.

Elzie Cecil Minor, 162346; Lewis Turner Ryan Carl Morrison, 162414; James Smart Hubert Seth Peden, 162740; David Peden Robert Stanley Phillips, 162780; Major Dowell Thomas Dawson Posey, 162290; Hezekiah Posey Howard Murfee Schramm, Jr., 162781; Noel Turner Thomas Robert Thomas, 162415; Arthur Hiott, Sr. John David Toon, 162416; Charles King Donald Hamilton Weir, 162417; William Johnson

## Arizona (11)

Eric Michael Abrams, 162782; William Hart Vincent Lee Albert, 162654; Jacob Allen Albert Mark Blanchard, 162478; Ebenezer Pyatt Thomas James Jackson, 162560; Samuel Jackson, Jr. James Vester Jackson, 162559; Samuel Jackson, Jr. John Charles Keegan, 162418; Reuben Collins Jeremy Kendal Knight, 162561; Samuel Jackson, Jr. Donald McKeown Shattuck, 162477; Abraham Shattuck David Arthur Swanson, 162686; George Hart Robert Walter Vint, 162293; James Orcutt Lawrence Paul Wilson, 162476; Samuel Mobley

## Arkansas (12)

Winston Griggs Chandler, 162475; Andrew Hampton

Steven Emerson Strehler, Jr., 162482; Hezekiah Silloway Gilbert Ossian Taylor, Jr., 162485; John McMullen John Alderson Thompson, Jr., 162420; Archibald Thompson Timothy Nicholas Tisch, 162410; Aaron Mattison Richard Harry Tunnicliff, 162577; Moses Rathbone Philip Collins Walker, 162401; Alexander Walker Allan Kendall Walker, 162575; Alexander Walker Thomas Henry Walsh, 162419; David Feaster John Thomas Watkins, 162717; John McAllister Matthew Thomas Watkins, 162719; John McAllister Robert Eugene Watkins, 162718; John McAllister Frank D. Welch, 162387; Josiah Seely Frank David Welch, 162386; Josiah Seely Thomas Charles Whitham, 162407; David Blaisdell



The Mayor of Peoria, Arizona, Hon. John Keegan (left), became an SAR during the April meeting of the Saguaro Chapter in Sun City. He was welcomed by President Mike Denea.

## Colorado (3)

Jeffrey John Riedesel, 162747; Joseph Liming Dallas John Riedesel, 162746; Joseph Liming Lee Thomas Ryan, 162490; Martin Gambill

## Connecticut (17)

Frederick Martin Burke, 162656; John Harrison, Jr. Richard Hyde Gregory, 162298; John Roll Henry Elliott Netherton, Jr., 162693; John Netherton Fritz Robert Owens, 162657; Jean Baptiste Menard Edward Michaelson Owens, 162658; Jean Baptiste Menard William Pettingall Raines, 162720; Benjamin O'Bannon Douglas Allan Raines, 162721; Benjamin O'Bannon Alexander Kolbeinn Rehnberg, 162692; Phineas Gorham Richard Drew Rogers, 162295; Elisha Edgerton Leonard Mitchell Rogers, 162294; Elisha Edgerton Philip Earle Rogers, 162296; Elisha Edgerton Kenneth Mark Russ, 162297; Nathan Russ Sanford Raymond Sears, 162423; Abel Cusher Charles William Stuller, 162689; John Ingersoll Christopher Morse Stuller, 162691; John Ingersoll Charles William Stuller, Jr., 162690; John Ingersoll William Montague Yort, 162424; Joseph Platt Cooke

## Dakota (1)

Stephen Christopher Albers, 162688; Robert Sheild

## Delaware (6)

Charles Irwin Duncan, 162427; Alexander Duncan William Maurice Duncan, 162426; Alexander Duncan William Herbert Duncan, 162425; Alexander Duncan Donald George Ewald, Jr., 162788; David Mead John Duncan McClearn, 162429; Alexander Duncan James Russell McClearn, Jr., 162428; Alexander Duncan

## District of Columbia (3)

Evan McLain London, 161630; Cornelius Comegys Hunter Alexander London, 161632; Cornelius Comegys Andrew Davis London, 161631; Cornelius Comegys

## Florida (26)

Donald Wayne Alphin, 162303; Lewis Liles Stuart Larned Bailey, 162499; Darius Larned Gerry William Bass, 162660; Stephen Pankey Randal Hampton Bouverat, 162498; Abram Penn Robert Franklin Daily, 162659; Benjamin Durant Ronald Eugene Deckard, 162304; Asabel Hinman Theodore Matthew Duay, II, 162584; Asher Holmes James Lawrence Ghiotto, 162661; Henry Hayman Francis Boll Gibbs, 162578; Samuel Beaumont Charles Benton Grant, Jr., 162579; Henry Willis





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ARIZONA
Palo Verde Chapter meets for breakfast in Mesa, at 8:30 AM, 2nd Sat. monthly except Jun-Aug. Call Bob McKinley (480) 897-7712. SARs, friends and family are welcome.

Prescott Chapter luncheon meeting the 3rd Saturday of the month except July. Call (928) 445-3142 for information.

Saguaro Chapter meets in Sun City the second Saturday monthly except June, July and August. Call Don Braddock (623) 214-0413.

ARKANSAS
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CALIFORNIA
Orange County Chapter. Lunch meeting, 11:15 a.m., 2nd Saturday of month except Jul. and Aug. Sizzler Restaurant, 1401 N. Harbor Blvd., Fullerton. Compatriots and families welcome.

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San Francisco Chapter, organized 1876, meets at 12 Noon usually on the 4th Thursday each month (none in July, Aug. & Dec.). Contact Michael Phelps, 5 Reed Road, Tiburon, CA 94920; 415-433-3733; phelps@alumni.princeton.edu.

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