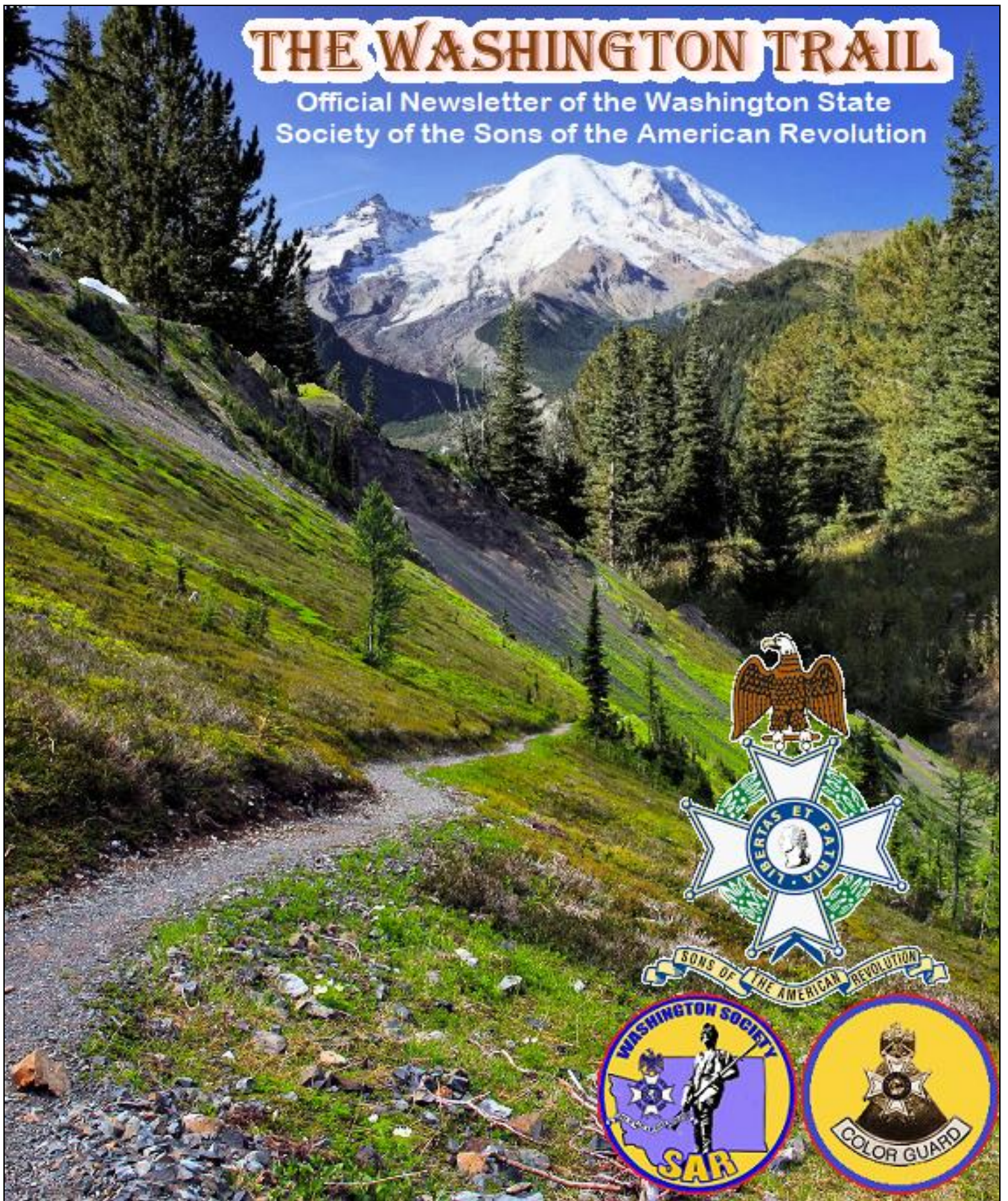


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## Upcoming Meetings and Events



- **Chapter Meetings:** (see [Chapter News](#))
- **22 Feb:** Washington State Patriotic Day, Stadium High School, Tacoma, WA
- **2020 – 3 & 4 Apr:** WA State SAR Conference in Yakima, WA
- **2020 - 25 Apr:** Pacific District Conference in Beaverton, Oregon
- **2021 – 7 thru 15 July:** SAR National Congress in Renton, WA at the Hyatt Regency Lake Washington
- **Color Guard [Schedule](#)**

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## Washington State SAR President's Message - Fall 2019 (4th Quarter)

### Compatriots, Veteran's Day Ceremony

I had the honor of participating in the annual Veteran's Day Ceremony co-sponsored by our Cascade Centennial Chapter at Sunset Hills Memorial Park in Bellevue. The ceremony began at 11:00 AM (World War I, the original source of what we called Armistice Day until 1954, ended at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month). The host was Cascade Centennial Chapter Compatriot Maj. Gen. Richard Paul (ret.). During the ceremony, I awarded an SAR Good Citizenship Medal to an amazing veteran, Maj. Joseph Crecca (ret.). Joe was an Air Force First Lieutenant flying his 87<sup>th</sup> mission in Vietnam in 1969 when he was shot down and taken prisoner by the North Vietnamese. He spent the next four years in the infamous "Hanoi Hilton" POW system. Since retiring from the Air Force, Joe has spent the last 19 years sharing his Vietnam experience with various audiences across the country. Joe has also participated on planning committees for many events honoring veterans, like Wreaths Across America and Veteran's Day ceremonies. He was also a key member of an all-veteran team that restored a decaying Boeing B-52G Stratofortress that became the centerpiece of the Vietnam Air War Veterans Memorial at Boeing Field's Museum of Flight.



The program focused on honoring our veterans, particularly those from the Vietnam War, who were often very poorly treated by their countrymen upon their return. Vietnam War veterans in attendance were awarded a special pin for recognition of their service, given to them by officers from the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard, National Guard, POW/MIA, and Police and Fire Departments. Gold Star Wives and Mothers were also recognized. It was a very moving ceremony and I thank the Cascade Centennial Chapter for allowing me to participate.

### Christmas Gift?

If you're still looking for a Christmas gift for that Revolutionary War history buff in your family (or for yourself!), I highly recommend the new book by Rick Atkinson, *The British Are Coming: The War for America, Lexington to Princeton, 1775–1777.* It's the first volume of a trilogy Atkinson is writing on the War for Independence. Atkinson's previous work was a three-volume history of America's World War II fighting in Europe, the Liberation Trilogy: *An Army at Dawn; The War in North Africa, 1942–1943, The Day of Battle; The War in Sicily and Italy 1943–1944, and The Guns at Last Light; The War in Western Europe, 1944–1945.* Atkinson was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for History for *An Army at Dawn.*

I would like to wish you all a very



**Respectfully submitted, Craig Lawson, President, Washington State, Sons of the American Revolution**

## A Moment Of Silence For A Fallen Compatriot



Compatriot, **John Paul Qualls** passed away Saturday evening, 23 Nov, 2019 at the Evergreen Health Hospice Care Center, Kirkland, Washington. He was born 22 April 1932 in Cairo, Illinois.

John joined the SAR in 1999. As a member of the Cascade Centennial chapter, and a life member, John served as Washington SAR State President in 2006 and 2007.

**Colors were posted** by 3 chapters of the State Color Guard: Craig Lawson, Hugh Jonson, James Lindley, Mike Hutchins, Marshall Eberhart, and Neil Vernon with Bob Dougherty.



**Just received the warm note below from John's wife.**

*On Sunday, December 15 the following members of the SAR State Color Guard remembered John P. Qualls, former State SAR President (2006 and 2007), by posting the Colors at his graveside service and at the memorial service in the Tolt Congregational United Church of Christ in Carnation, Washington: Neil Vernon, Color Guard Commander (Seattle Ch); Viren Lemmer (Alexander Hamilton Ch), Mike Hutchins (George Washington Ch), Marshall Eberhart (George Washington Ch), Jim Lindley (Cascade Centennial Ch) and, Hugh Jonson (George Washington Ch). State SAR President, Craig Lawson spoke at the memorial. Bob Doughty (Cascade Centennial Ch) assisted the family with SAR connections and information. Thank you to each for your support, and sacrifice of time away from family on this day.*

*I appreciate and respect you all so very much!*

**Warmest Regards, Marge Qualls**

## 2020 Pacific District Conference

**25 April:** Hilton Garden Hotel in **Beaverton**, Oregon. Meetings will be from 9am to 5pm.

The following information has been added to include the participation of immediate past President General Warren Alter and his wife Nancy who will attend our conference. PG Alter will speak at the Awards luncheon and be one of our concluding speakers at the event. I am hopeful that at least some of you will accept my invitation to have medals available to be awarded to deserving attendees and if so, PG Alter can present them during the awards luncheon.

As there is a deadline imposed by the Hilton Hotel for us to provide them with RSVP's for the luncheon. It is requested that each society forward copies of the registration forms to members of your chapters in whatever manner you feel is most efficient, by chapter meetings, emails, chapter newsletter, etc. Just be sure your membership has the opportunity to visit and meet President General Alter and attend the Pacific District Meeting.

You may download the [conference registration form](#). Or visit the [Pacific District Website](#).

Distribution:

- You can print the form, scan it, and distribute it to your membership.
- Forward a copy of the [website](#) to your membership.

You may choose to assign this task to individual chapter leadership or directly to your State Secretary. The process is up to you. It is suggested that the notices be sent prior to the big Christmas rush of emails.

The early registration includes two major bonuses for attendees:

1. A beautiful Oregon State War Memorial coin that sells for \$20
2. A gift certificate for Life Diamond All-Inclusive membership at Front Sight Training that has retail value of \$15,000

Note: These are only being given to those who pre-register before the deadline (15 Feb 2020). They will also be offered for SALE at the event.

Checks for registration should be made out to ***Pacific District*** and mailed to: **Ken Roberts**

**Oregon SAR State Treasurer**  
**5411 69th St Ct NW**  
**Gig Harbor, WA 98335**

***Respectfully submitted, Kenneth Roberts, Vice President General Pacific District SAR***

## 2021 SAR Conference Update

**Conference Registration Form ([see last page](#)) or [Download](#) the form**

**Mission:** The SAR National Congress will be held in July in Renton, WA. As the host society, we need to provide two things for the Congress: our time and our money. We can contribute our time by volunteering to help at the Congress itself. We need 52 volunteers during the Congress. If you live outside the Seattle area, we will try to arrange home stay to make it easier for you to volunteer. We can also donate money to underwrite the Saturday night reception and dinner, which our society is hosting at the Museum of Flight.

**Special 2021 Note from our President:** The Louisiana Society has created a special medal honoring one of their Spanish Revolutionary Hero's. It is called the Galvez Medal set. Regular and Miniature are being offered for total of \$40 including postage. You can order them directly from their Society website at [www.lassar.org](http://www.lassar.org). I have asked the Louisiana Society to help support our National Congress in Washington and thought it only fair to promote their Galvez Medals since we have quite a few members in our District with Spanish heritage. I recommend you review their website to see if there are any ideas you may want to consider.

### Update: 2021 National Congress Planning Committee, Update - 24 Oct 2019

The Planning Committee for the 2021 SAR National Congress continues to meet monthly. Progress has been positive and steady. We are well on track in terms of venues, logistics, and materials. However, we will need your aggressive and total support to put us over the top.

From the outset, it was known the implementation of a National Congress by a relatively small state society would be a bold endeavor. Courage and vision were applied and now this project is well underway and succeeding. Critical to the completion of this undertaking will be volunteers and money. To date, spending has been in line with budget projections and funds are available to cover current obligations. However, more funds are needed as we move into the final year of preparation. To that end, the Committee will be approaching the Chapters for



financial support. A variety of fund-raising options is also being considered. The Committee firmly believes the financial goals are achievable, but not without the support of the Chapters and the Members.

Likewise, volunteers will be lifeblood of this Congress. National and international visitors will travel to Washington, many for the first time. We, as hosts, want to provide them with a memorable, stress-free experience. The Committee estimates at least fifty volunteers will be needed to complete a successful Congress. Organization and sign-up is beginning now. Many of the roles are quite easy and even enjoyable. Your help with this Congress is essential.

Now for some of the fun details. The Washington Society's Host Reception will be held at the Museum of Flight. Guests will be able to tour the museum during the day followed in the evening by a seated dinner beneath the SR-71 Blackbird jet. Dress shirts and tote bags have been purchased and embroidered with the Congress logo. Planning is well underway to provide a cruise to Alaska on Holland America for attendees who wish to extend their visit. Two tours to Tillicum Village, a Mariners baseball game, Pike Place Market, Chihuly Glass Museum, and the Space Needle are among the activity offerings for our guests.

The Committee is considering utilizing computers and bar coding to streamline the registration and tour process. We request anyone with knowledge in this area contact the Committee. Your services will be well rewarded. (Hint: chocolate.)

Please know that many people are working very hard behind the scenes. Countless decisions have already been made. Numerous details have been discussed. The dream is happening and this Congress will be pride of the Washington Society. Please join us on this journey and get involved in this rare opportunity. You are the SAR and the world is coming to visit.

#### **Update: 2021 National Congress Planning Committee, Update – 20 Nov 2019**

The 2021 National Congress Planning Committee met again on 20 November 2019. Planning is generally going well and many items have been completed. Fundraising remains a high priority and we are beginning to receive some additional contributions. Annual pledges are trickling in so remember to honor your pledge before the year's end to qualify for the 2019 charitable contribution on your tax return. Two of the Chapters have pledged large contributions in addition to contributions made by individual members. One Chapter has agreed to match member contributions up to a specified limit. We challenge all the Chapters to do likewise. To those who have contributed already, please accept our profound thanks. You will be appropriately recognized.

The host reception is set and confirmed for the Museum of Flight. Likewise, the tour to Tillicum Village is in place. Jim Lindley is working hard with a local company to provide additional tours. Among the options under consideration are wine tours, trips to the Aquarium and Pike Place Market, and city tours. We also welcome other suggestions for ways to introduce our guests to the great Pacific Northwest.

Our official Congress messenger bags, black collared embroidered shirts for the volunteers, and embroidered aprons for the Hospitality volunteers have been approved, ordered, and received. The second order of Congress Challenge Coins was shipped on November 20<sup>th</sup> and receipt is due any day. For those of you wanting Challenge Coins and Congress medals, I urge you to take advantage of buying them when they are available. They sell out quickly, so do not put off your decision to buy them when you can. Several medal sets are still available for purchase. More green polo shirts have been ordered and may be available for purchase at the Annual meeting.

The Committee is seeking an incredible voice to sing the National Anthem at a Mariners ball game. We are working on having the Honor Guard post the colors at Congress, with the Color Guard lining the first and third baselines. Our President General will throw out the opening pitch. In any event, we need someone with a strong and beautiful voice to fill that massive stadium. We also are in need of a truly impressive Congress website. If you have talent in this regard, please contact the Committee.

The Committee has chosen the official coffee for the Congress. After some tasting and consideration, we have chosen Brazil Dark Roast Coffee by the Camano Island Coffee Roaster Company. We will attempt to acquire a one-pound bag for each of the host reception tables.

The Committee will have its next meeting in January, but hard work continues behind the scenes. We encourage all members of the Washington Society to attend the 2021 National Congress in Renton on 7-15 July 2021 and join in the fun and celebration.

**Respectfully submitted, Keith A Weissinger, MD, Member, 2021 National Congress Planning Committee**

## Friends Of The Library (FOL)

It is time to renew that annual membership or subscribe for the first time.

The annual membership for the FOL is \$25.00. Sixty percent goes directly to the Library Endowment Fund and 40 percent goes to the Library Special Purpose Operating Fund. The 60 percent remains in the Endowment, but the interest from this goes to the Special Purpose. The income from these funds is used to purchase items not in the General Operating Fund of the Society, such as on-line services, new technology, supplies, manuscripts and books.

Subscribers and Robert Morris Benefactors monies are deposited in the Library Special Purpose Operating Fund; Endowment Fund Contributor monies are deposited in the Library Endowment Fund. Friends of the Library Life Membership monies are deposited 60/40 in the Library Endowment Fund and Library Special Purpose Operating Fund respectively.

The donations are recognized by a formal acknowledgment from the Librarian, T. Joe Hardesty. The donors are announced at the Spring Leadership meeting

The FOL began in February 1991 and has provided the Library with many thousands of needed dollars. Make your check payable to "NSSAR Treasurer General" and annotate it for the "Friends of the SAR Library." Also, go on-line to SAR.org for FOL donations.

There are additional recognition programs of the Library for donations above \$25. These also include:

- Benjamin Franklin Subscriber for gifts of \$300 or more from an individual, Chapter, State Society,
- Robert Morris Benefactor for one-time contribution of \$2,000 or more.
- Library Endowment Fund Contributor for gifts of \$500 or more. non-SAR organization.

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The Franklin Flyer Awards are National awards to the four state societies, depending on size, with the largest recruitment of Friends of the Library as a percentage increase of Friends of the Library members as compared to the State Society's total membership as of December 31 of each year. These awards are presented at the annual SAR Congress.

The SAR Library is a vital part of the National Society and your support is needed and appreciated! Help the Library do even more.

***John E. Ernest, Washington State Coordinator, Friends of the Library (FOL)***



**Note:** The **SAR WA State Society** web site is <https://www.washingtongsar.org>  
 The **SAR WA State Color Guard** web site is <https://cg.wasar-ah.org/>  
 The **SAR National** web site is <https://www.sar.org/>

## Reminders for 2020/2021

### 2020 Washington State SAR Annual Meeting:

The annual WA State Society meeting will be held 3 & 4 April in **Yakima**, WA. Please mark your calendar now, and look for registration information later. We will be raffling a reproduction of a 1777 French Charleville flintlock pistol!

### 2021 National SAR Congress

The annual National Congress meeting will be held July 7<sup>th</sup> thru the 15<sup>th</sup>. The location will be in **Renton** at the Hyatt Regency Lake Washington At Seattle's Southport, 1053 Lake Washington Blvd North.

## Activities Around The State

### New Chapter Being Formed

**23 Nov 2019:** The first meeting of the new chapter was held, with much camaraderie, to form a new SAR Chapter with 17 Washington SAR members committed to join as primary/dual members!

**Bob O'Neal**, **Lee Thomasson**, and **Ken Roberts** (Dist. VP General) all past presidents of Alexander Hamilton Chapter & **Viren Lemmer**, current president, all attended to confirm their chapter's support & commitment.

Past Color Guard Commander Art Dolan is leading the chapter founding and he reports below:

"Our first meeting to establish a new chapter in the Sons of the American Revolution took place today, November 23rd, 2019 at 855 Pear Ct NE, Olympia, WA 98506 beginning at 10 am. Historically it was noted the original Olympia "Captain Robert Gray" Chapter held their first organizational meeting in 1915 with the charter being accepted in 1916. During the 1930's depression the chapter dissolved. Chapter growth in Washington slowed until 2010 when four new chapters were added and now, we would like to add another. Historical growth of WASSAR provided by Bob O'Neal).



#### In attendance today were:

Art Dolan

Richard Goforth Sr

Dennis Case

Joe Coorough

Dick Moody

Gary Clark

Bob O'Neal

Viren Lemmer

Lee Thomasson

Ken Roberts

Norman Dodge

Ardean A. Anvik

Lewis Maudsley (pending)

Page Carter.

#### Unable to attend were:

Chuck Hornbuckle

Tom Sackville-West.

Because we are not a chapter and no name we focused on our "Patriot Ancestors" which were heartily discussed, providing a rich common bond between us all. We did not have a formal chapter meeting or agenda since we are not a chapter at this time.

It was a common understanding we would move forward with developing a new chapter in Olympia setting the 2nd meeting date as Saturday January 3rd with the location to be determined. More information will follow regarding our next meeting.

Positions open are: Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chaplain.

Let's keep the momentum going as we move into 2020"

**Respectfully, Arthur Dolan. Sons of the American Revolution "Our History is the Nation's History"**

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## Businessman Receives Honor

Local businessperson, **David Hickey** of 235 Custom Tees, received recognition on 2 October 2019. Keith A. Weissinger, MD, presented Mr. Hickey with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Washington SAR for his outstanding service and beautiful embroidery products. The SAR is preparing for a National Congress to be hosted in Renton, Washington 7-15 July 2021. This is the first time in the organization's 132-year history that a Congress has been held in Washington. Mr. Hickey's contributions will aid the Washington Society as it welcomes Officers, Delegates, and international guests.



"235 Tees" offers a wide variety of custom screen printing, sublimation, and embroidery and is located at 9614 40<sup>th</sup> Ave. SW, Lakewood, Washington. **Respectfully submitted, Keith A Weissinger, MD**



## Patriot Research System

Back in August, John Kraft, of the GW chapter, was invited to become a volunteer to work with the SAR Patriot Research System for the State of Washington. He felt this to be a logical tie-in to his job as Chapter Genealogist/Registrar, so He accepted. The system database requires continual updating to enter the lineage information for each SAR member, link that member to his Patriot ancestor(s), and ensure the accuracy of each Patriot record, including Cemetery information, if available. The system is accessible to all members at this link: <https://www.sar.org/genealogy/patriot-research-system>. Previously, there was only one volunteer for the state of Washington, and that volunteer was recently elected as the SAR Pacific District Vice President, and just does not have the time available to keep up with this activity, which is a "work in progress".

Two reports are available 1) Shows the percentages of applications and patriot records that have been updated for each chapter as of August 5th and today (9/23), 2) List of GWC members (past & present) that were not indexed to their patriots in the database as of Aug 12 (23 members), and today, Sep 23 (2 members). **Contact John Kraft if interested.**

John is not only updating GWC, but is chipping away at the other chapters, although GWC is his first priority, and as new members and supplemental applications are added, he will update those as soon as they are available.

This system is also, where Patriot Biographies are located. There are currently only six biographies entered for the GWC. John strongly encourages every member to submit a short biography of his Patriot ancestor. They can be emailed directly to [John Kraft](#) or [Mike Hutchins](#) in WORD format. John will streamline the process and get them entered.

*Respectfully submitted, Mile Hutchins*

## Operation Ancestor Search



**17 Oct:** The first teaching session of Operation Ancestor Search was held and was a huge success! The class opened with an informational presentation. Then, the four OAS volunteers (**Keith Weissinger, Rodger Dent, Ray Montero, and Kent Troy**) were paired up with two of the eight soldier attendees for one-on-one teaching and assistance. The session was concluded by presenting each of the soldiers with a Wounded Warrior challenge coin and certificate.



**22 Nov:** The second Operation Ancestor Search had another successful meeting. The class was well attended by soldiers and volunteers. Our participants are having great success with their research. One soldier found a photo of her grandfather. Another was able to view his great-grandfather's immigration documents from Italy and still another found his grandfather's German birth record. Once again, the soldiers were presented with a Wounded Warrior challenge coin, certificate, and a hearty thank you for their service and sacrifices.

The next meeting is scheduled for 19 December 2019. Contact Chairman [Keith Weissinger](#) for further details.



*Respectfully submitted, Keith A Weissinger, MD*



## Veteran of the Year Award

**7 Nov:** The Third Annual Kitsap Veteran of the Year Award was presented at the Justice for Veterans event. During this festive event, they honor, celebrate, and support Veterans by raising critical funding to provide civil legal aid to low-income Veterans in Kitsap County. [K5 Video](#) (YouTube)



This year it was bestowed upon **Mick Heresy** of the **John Paul Jones** chapter. He was presented with the “**Kitsap Veteran of the Year**” award. The event was well attended by family, friends, sisters of the WSSDAR and Compatriots from the WASSAR.

Mick said “Thank you all for coming out to honor me for remembering and honoring our Veterans and their Memorials”. Dennis Bounds was the MC.



## News From The Washington Ladies SAR Auxiliary (LAWASSAR)

The Ladies Auxiliary now has a [Facebook Page](#)

The Ladies Auxiliary board members met in Ellensburg last summer when the SAR had their board meeting. Craig Lawson, WA State SAR President, asked **Teri Lindley** to serve on the planning committee for the WA State SAR Annual Membership Meeting. Teri has been representing the Auxiliary and assisting with the conference planning. The Auxiliary will be assisting with decorating tables for the Saturday banquet as well as fundraising for the upcoming 2021 National Congress. Each SAR chapter in the state will be asked to contribute a gift basket (\$50 value) for the raffle which be held on Saturday evening following the banquet. They will also be doing the 50/50 drawing on both Friday and Saturday evenings.



On Saturday morning of the conference(10:30am), the Auxiliary will be holding a short business meeting. Following the meeting **Cynthia Weissinger**, Auxiliary Vice President, will speak on the importance of vaccinations. All ladies, members & non-members, are invited to attend. Some fun activities for Saturday afternoon (while the men are busy with their meetings) are in the planning stage.

The Auxiliary membership has grown significantly over this past year. There are now 37 members in the Auxiliary with 28 being life members.

**Season's Greetings, Teri Lindley, LAWASSAR President**

## Daughters Of American Revolution Reaches One Million Members!!!

The Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) is a women’s service organization whose members can trace their lineage to an individual who contributed to securing American independence during the Revolutionary War. More than one million total members have now joined the organization since its founding in 1890. Tisbury Manor Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, based in Monson, has welcomed 111 members since the chapter began on Nov. 14, 1952. Tisbury Manor is excited to join the national society in celebrating this milestone by spotlighting members of the chapter through the years.

Founding Chapter Regent Genevieve Jackson Beckwith organized the chapter in 1952 with 15 charter members. She joined DAR with Revolutionary War Patriot John Barrows, who served in Massachusetts as a captain. Many of the charter members were descended from Revolutionary War Patriot Barnabas Jackson, who was born in Plymouth, Massachusetts but moved to Maine after the war. Six of his DAR descendants joined Tisbury Manor in 1952.



TISBURY MANOR FOUNDER

Tisbury Manor Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution Founding Chapter Regent Genevieve Jackson Beckwith in her 1915 passport photo at age 29.

## Meetings Around The State

### Trustee Report, Fall Leadership Meeting, 21 Sep 2019

**Secretary Davis Wright presented the following items from the Executive Committee for informational purposes only:**

- Paul Callanan was presented the Gold Samuel Adams Medal for his contributions to the 2019 Congress in Costa Mesa, California.
- The Audit Committee has merged its various component parts into one body. The new Chairman is James H. Maples (AL).
- The updates to the Color Guard Committee Handbook has been approved.
- Dave Perkins (CT) was added to the Strategic Planning Committee

**The Medals and Awards Committee reported the following actions:**

- The Patriot Records Committee recommended numerous changes to the criteria for qualifying to receive the Patriot Grave Marking Medal. Among the many concerns raised was the issue of “double counting” by members of the Color Guard who might claim toward the PGM Medal and a Color Guard medal for the same single duty. The committee voted to send this proposal back to the Patriot Records Committee for further clarification.
- The Pennsylvania Society received approval for its proposal for the *Tiadaghton Elm and Fair Play Men Medal*. The medal is available to all members of the SAR without restriction. Medal sets are \$40 from the Pennsylvania Society.
- The Texas Society received approval for a *125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Medal*. It is available only to Texas Society members.
- The Committee approved the *Benjamin Franklin Medal* as a fund-raising effort to benefit the SAR Library. The medal is open to SAR members and non-members and will be received for donating \$300. Medal ribbon bars will be awarded for additional donations: The Endowment Bar for \$500, the Life Bar for \$1000, and the Benefactor Bar for \$2000. Donations are cumulative toward achieving higher medal levels.
- The committee approved a proposal by the Veterans Committee to amend the criteria to receive the *Westmoreland Medal*. Multiple categories of service were added toward qualifying for this award presented to the SAR member who has the most outstanding record of service as a Veterans Administration Volunteer.

**The Executive Committee presented the following action items for discussion and approval of the Board of Trustees:**

- The Trustees were asked to approve an amendment to the Solid Light contract. The contract is currently in phase 2, step 2 towards creation and construction of the SAR Education Center and Museum. The primary modification is to add a retail store space to the contract and well as additional modifications. None of these changes will result in any additional cost. The amendment was approved.
- The Ex. Comm. recommended the US Stamp Operating Fund be closed and the unused funds (approximately \$2400) moved to the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Fund. The US Stamp Committee has been inactive for several years. The motion was approved.
- The Ex. Comm. recommended approval of \$10,000 from the King's College Fund to be used for updated software and the purchase of two iPads. The request was approved.
- The Ex. Comm. requested the Trustees approve the expenditure of \$38,500 from the Alexander Hamilton Fund in 2019 and \$32,500 from the same fund in 2020 for the reworking of computer code for the membership data module. It is anticipated that the new membership data base to be fully online and available by Spring 2020. The expenditure was approved.
- The proposed 2020 Operating Budget was approved.
- The Ex. Comm. recommended the Trustees approve a request from the George Washington Endowment Fund Committee. The committee would like all future contributions to be equally distributed between the GWEF, the Horne Endowment, and the Meek Endowment. This will improve funding to the latter two programs. The request was approved.
- The minutes from the 7 July 2019 Trustees Meeting were approved.
- The Museum Board recommended that five swords in the SAR collection be deaccessioned and sold at auction. All the swords were purported to be contemporary with the Revolutionary War period. However, after professional examination, all were deemed to date to a later period. This is part of the Boards efforts to eliminate all non-period items from the collection. The request was approved.

**The following informational items were presented:**

- The following historic sites were approved for National status:
  - a) The Battle of Eutaw Springs, b) The Battle of Princeton, c) The Battle of Redbank.



- The JROTC Enhanced Program winner award has been increased from \$4000 to \$5000.
- A task force has been established to evaluate the viability of adding electronic billing to the National website. It is anticipated this system could be used for the collection of dues on a national, state, and chapter level.
- The American Founding Documents project is on track and is entering phase 2.
- The National Society has insurance, but it is limited to the National Society. Since it does not cover States or Chapters the National Society us ultimately places and increased risk. An effort is being made to obtain more universal coverage.
- The Boy Scout training module is available online at their website and should be completed by any member that has contact with children.

**Respectfully submitted, Keith A Weissinger, National Trustee**

## Secretary's Update - 5 Dec 2019

I trust you had a great Thanksgiving and wish you the Merriest Christmas, this is a very busy time of year for all of us. I hope you have remembered to renew your membership, if not please see your Chapter Secretary to renew. We have an important event filled year coming up. I hope you all take full advantage of the opportunities. Please plan to attend the Annual meeting in April; this is your opportunity to participate in Society decisions, learn more about the Society, our programs and goals, and have a gala evening with your spouse. We will be preparing to host the Society's Congress in 2021 there is much work to do and now is the time to determine what you can do to make this a success.

I am here to help you with all your membership needs, if you have a required change it is easiest to start with me. I am happy to help with reinstatements and moves, I completed over 50 actions in 2019. If you know someone that has let their membership lapse by a move of failure to pay dues direct them to me and I will help them renew.

My new e-mail address is [warsec@hotmail.com](mailto:warsec@hotmail.com) please update your contact list.

**Respectfully submitted, Al Pinkham, State Secretary**

## Minutes from the BOD Meeting - 7 Nov 2019

President Craig Lawson opened the meeting at 7:32PM a quorum of sixteen BOD members attended by phone. Chaplain Conrad Plyler opened with the invocation.

President Craig Lawson reported that the 2020 Annual Meeting will be held at the Red Lion hotel in Yakama Washington. The planning committee meets each First Tuesday of the month by phone. The event plan is proceeding without problems. Art Dolan updated the BOD on the progress of establishing a new Chapter in Olympia. There are ten members attending start up meetings and four more potential members that are submitting applications.

Robert Doughty is assisting Compatriots to establish a new Chapter in Snohomish they have found a meeting location and are currently recruiting Charter members.

The Bylaw and Administrative Procedures Review committee reported completion of the Annual Review and recommended the following changes to the Administrative procedures.

### RECOMMEND CHANGES AND UPDATES TO THE WASHINGTON SAR ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES FOR MEETING OF 22 AUGUST 2019

Part 2., Job Descriptions:

1. President, #b, 5<sup>th</sup> line, delete "and Endowment fund Director" and 6<sup>th</sup> line "and neither as appointees."  
**Reason:** Recommending we remove the position of Endowment Fund Director.
2. Vice President, delete last line: "He is responsible for managing the Pacific District Conference when WASHINGTON SAR hosts the event."  
**Reason:** This is under the control of the VPG.
4. **Treasurer, #a, delete second line: "The endowment funds will be deposited as directed by the Endowment Fund Director."**  
**Reason: Recommending we remove the position of Endowment Fund Director.**  
Add #d. "The Treasurer is responsible for filing any form(s) required by the State of Washington."  
**Reason:** This needs to be in writing.  
Add #e and #f by moving #b & #c of the 9. Endowment Fund Director's section.  
**Reason:** Recommending we remove the position of Endowment Fund Director.

Part 9. Endowment Fund Director:

Delete #a and move #b & #c to Treasurer and replace the words "Endowment Fund Director" with "Treasurer".

**Reason:** Recommending we remove the position of Endowment Fund Director.

Add to #c: "A Financial Advisor, who may be a non-SAR member, may assist the Treasurer when determining the investment, if requested.

**Reason:** Other expertise may be required when making investment decisions.

Part 6, Committees:

1. Budget Committee, #2 remove from line 3: "and Endowment Fund Director".

**Reason:** Recommending we remove the position of Endowment Fund Director.

4. Delete complete section as this should be covered in the Pacific District "Rules" and controlled by the VPG.

8. National Congress Planning Committee. Delete #b and the complete section either now or in 2021.

The recommended changes were approved by the Directors.

The following Bylaw Changes will be presented to the Society at the annual meeting.

### RECOMMEND CHANGES TO THE WASHINGTON SAR BY-LAWS FOR MEETING OF 22 AUGUST 2019

Article 9, WASSAR EDNOWMENT FUND:

9.1 on line 2, add after the word amount: "of \$16,951" and in the last line, delete after the word Treasurer "of to the Endowment Fund Director."

**Reason:** We are recommending eliminating the position of Endowment Fund Director.

9.2 Rewrite to read: "The Treasurer will ensure compliance with the Society's Investment Guidelines and ensure the disbursement of the funds only as directed by the Board of Director.

**Reason:** The Treasurer becomes responsible for the management of the investments.

A recommended change to the Administrative Procedures for the control of Society Property was tabled to allow for revision.

The Treasure moved to change the Bylaws and Administrative Procedures to help align the Chapters with Society requirements. The motion was withdrawn to allow the directors to learn more about the changes.

The Treasure's recommendation to include the Vice President as signatory on the Society Accounts was approved.

Secretary Al Pinkham and Gregory Lucas were assigned as Board members of the Nominating Committee Chapter President were tasked to provide members from each Chapter.

A committee to review the succession of the Society Secretary is needed members are being identified.

**Respectfully submitted, Al Pinkham, State Secretary**

## News From The Chapters

### Alexander Hamilton (Tacoma area)

Meets: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat of the month, 9:00am, Sep to Jun, at Johnny's in Fife

Links: [Facebook](#) [Newsletters](#) [Web Site](#)

**7 Dec:** 40 compatriots and their ladies, dressed in their holiday finery, gathered for our annual Christmas Party at the gaily decorated banquet room of Johnny's at Fife. We held a brief Tolling of the Bell for Pearl Harbor Day, and our late compatriot David Jackman. Christmas at Alexander Hamilton's was Presided over by Viren Lemmer and expertly Emceed by Kent Troy. Ye festivities included greetings from our National and State reps, good words from President Viren, ceremonial toasts, and a very good dinner. A sleepy father read Clement Moore's "A Visit from St. Nicholas!", followed by a visit from Santa, who conducted a rousing exchange of gifts. There was much singing of carols, general merriment and the usual camaraderie. We closed with arms linked, softly singing "Silent Night". One of the best Chapter Christmas Parties in memory.



**Respectfully submitted, Bob O'Neal**

### Cascade Centennial (Bellevue area)

Meets: 1<sup>st</sup> Sat of the month, Sep to Jun at the Red Lion in Bellevue

Links: [Facebook](#) [Newsletter](#) [Web Site](#)

### Fort Vancouver (Vancouver area)

Meets: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat of the month, 9:00am at the Mill Creek Pub and Grill, 1710 SW 9th Avenue, in Battle Ground.

Links: [Facebook](#) [Newsletter](#) [Web Site](#)



## George Washington (Mt. Vernon area)

Meets: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat of the month, Sep to Jun 10:00am, Farmhouse Restaurant, 13724 Laconner Whitney Rd, Mt. Vernon

Links: [Facebook](#) Newsletter [Web Site](#)

**13 Nov: Hugh Jonson** (Captain, USN Ret), a member of the George Washington Chapter & WA SSAR Color Guard presented an Award of Valor to JROTC Cadet. Marysville High School.



## John Paul Jones (Bremerton area)

Meets: 4<sup>th</sup> Sat of the month, except Jun, Jul, Aug, & Dec, 9:00am, Ambrosia Catering, 4954 State Hwy 303, East Bremerton

Links: [Facebook](#) Newsletter [Web Site](#)

## Mid-Columbia (Richland area)

Meets: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat of the month. Sep to Jun, at Round Table, 1769 Leslie Road, Richland.

Links: [Facebook](#) Newsletter [Web Site](#)

**23 Nov: Kelly Schultz** gave a presentation on "1776 Battlefield Medicine" to the John Paul Jones Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution - Bremerton, Washington.



*Respectfully submitted, Larry Flint, Chapter Secretary.*

## Olympia (Olympia area)

Meets: TBD

Links: [Facebook](#) Newsletter [Web Site](#)

## Seattle (Seattle area)

Meets: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat of the month, except Jun, Jul, Aug, & Dec, 9:00am, 125th Street Grill, 12255 Aurora Ave. N., Seattle

Links: [Facebook](#) [Newsletter](#) [Web Site](#)

## Spokane #1 (Spokane area)

Meets: 2<sup>nd</sup> Fri of the month, Sep to Jun, 11:30am, The Timber Creek Grill Buffet, 9211 E Montgomery, Spokane Valley,

Links: [Facebook](#) [Newsletter](#) [Web site](#)

**12 Oct: Stan Wills** presented Marlee Meckeehen the Bev Wills \$250 Scholarship Award for the Outstanding Gold Award recipient. She is the sixth Girl Scout Stan has given the award to.

Marlee completed 132 hours of Community Service in constructing a collection box for clothing and food donations on the Davenport WA area. She then delivered the items to people in the area. She is currently a freshman at WSU.



**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS**

## Birthday Wishes To All Compatriots Born In Oct/Nov/Dec



### October

Alexander Viren Lemmer  
 Andrew Todd Asher  
 Arthur William Dolan  
 Barry Kirk Waid  
 Carver Clark Gayton  
 Darron Elwood Nelson  
 David Joseph Overmyer  
 Donald B Kennedy  
 Donald Eugene Condit  
 Donald Michael Giese  
 George R Nethercutt  
 Guy Kent Troy  
 Howard Lee Blevins  
 James Abraham Garfield Lightburn II  
 James Anthony Young  
 James Claiborne Martin  
 Jeffrey Scott Bradshaw  
 John Charles Hughes  
 Justin Allen Wehrli  
 Karl David McCowen  
 Keith Roy Phillipy  
 Lawrence Edward Clay  
 Leland Michael Hutchins  
 Leonard Paul Pearson  
 Michael Keith England  
 Michael Lovelace  
 Paul Gregory Webster  
 Peter Albert MacDonald  
 Philip Augustus Ratcliff  
 Randy Allen Rowe  
 Reese Kai Wade  
 Richard Allen Bixby  
 Richard Warren Roddy  
 Scott Allen Bean  
 Thomas Evans Williams  
 Thomson Pray  
 Trevor C Lane  
 Warner Gibson Taylor III

### November

Alan Wayne Blackstock  
 Christopher Brant Fridley  
 Clayton Melville Kirkland  
 Colby Miles Auckland  
 Danny Michael Boon  
 David Paul de la Vergne  
 Donald Elmer Maymon  
 Donald Roderick Scott  
 Duane Gregory Nascimento  
 Dustin Adam Berry  
 Edward Baker Faust  
 Edward Lawrence Tropp  
 Edwin Prentice Dierdorff Jr  
 Eric Leon Chastain  
 George Courtney Berthiaume  
 Guy Volkert Moellendorf  
 Harold Lee Steenbergen  
 Howard Berryman Edwards  
 Jerry Michael Bordelon  
 John Julien Knight  
 John Michael Landis  
 John Richard Berg  
 Jon Erik Lindeman  
 Leonard Paul Koplen  
 Leslie Lewis Steele  
 Lynn Lyman Briggs  
 Mark Welles Griswold  
 Mathew Wade Spradlin  
 Paul Richard Clifton  
 Richard David Moody  
 Richard Robert Paul  
 Robert Alan Sexton  
 Robert Jeffery Waid  
 Robert Joseph Zache  
 Ronald Owen Mains  
 Timothy Daniel Lawson  
 Timothy Walter Doughty  
 Vaughn Greor Henderson  
 Walter Daniel Heidt  
 Warren Dale Polensky  
 Wayne Everett Gardner  
 Willard Jose Gueringer  
 William Allison Bolima  
 William Ray Miller  
 William Robert O'Neal

### December

Allan Ray Wenzel  
 Arthur Theron Broady  
 Brainerd Wood  
 Charles Vance Waid  
 Christopher Olson  
 Colby James Doughty  
 Curtis Dale Hanner  
 Daniel Jose Weedon  
 David James Lawson  
 Devin Christopher Irons  
 Dominik Viggo Irons  
 Douglas William Lowell  
 Dustin Eugene Brunson  
 Edward Stanley Stotler  
 Eric David Benton  
 Evan Wynn Nascimento  
 Gordon William Struve  
 Hugh Edward Empey  
 Jack Earl Fletcher  
 James Orlo Sparks  
 John Miles Lento  
 Jon Mark Clements  
 Keith Allen Weissinger  
 Kenneth Allen Nelson  
 Kenneth Duane Powe  
 Kenneth Earl Walter  
 Leonard Will Kearney  
 Liam A. Carroll  
 Matthew Patrick Sexton  
 Matthew Roy Bendickson  
 Michael Timothy Berry  
 Nicolas William Reichert  
 Paul Fredrick Ocker  
 Paul Michael Gilliland  
 Robert King Megargel  
 Robert Vernon Cairns  
 Ronald David Irons  
 Ross Stewart Abbott  
 Russell Eugene Wentworth  
 Scott Christopher Enyeart  
 Stephen John Clayton  
 Timothy Martin Van Houten



## From The Archives

By Allan Wenzel, WA SAR State Historian

### BITS AND PIECES

- The Sons of the American Revolution was instituted on July 4, 1876, organized on April 30, 1889, and incorporated by Act of Congress on June 9, 1906. Compatriot Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, signed the Charter.
- Our SAR Magazine was officially named the “SAR Magazine” in May 1930. Prior to that, from at least 1911 and into the 1920’s it was called “The Bulletin”, and from at least 1925 until 1929 it was “The Minuteman”.
- In response to a request for information by our State Society in **1927**, according to the Seattle Public Library, there were 90,000 living Civil War Veterans with 212,642 widows, 6 living Veterans with 970 widows of the Mexican War, and 17 widows of veterans of the War of 1812.
- Due to WWII, no annual Congress was held in 1945.
- At the February 24, 1928 Washington’s Birthday banquet in Seattle, the guest speaker was Herbert Augustine Washington, a descendant of George Washington’s brother. He brought and passed around a locket containing a hair from the head of George Washington, along with official photographic documents attesting conclusively to its authenticity.
- Early in 1920 there was a movement to divide the Washington State Society into two state societies, one on each side of the Cascades. The idea was voted down.
- The Seattle Chapter presented the plaque, which graces the George Washington Statue on the University of Washington campus. University of Washington President, Edmond F. Meany on July 3, 1925, officially accepted the plaque.
- In April 1957 the Washington Society was comprised of 7 chapters of 400 members.
- Three SAR President Generals have died in office. ...None were assassinated...



## Strange But True Facts About The Revolutionary War

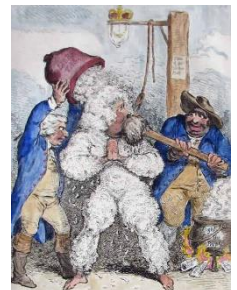
### The Boston Tea Party Had a Sequel

No, we’re not talking about those rabble-rousers in the modern Republican Party. We all know about the initial incident on December 16, 1773, when Boston’s Sons of Liberty dressed as Mohawk Indians and tossed 342 chests of tea from three ships into the Boston Harbor to protest the taxes imposed in the Tea Act. But we forget that they felt the need to hammer the point home with a second party, on March 7, 1774 — probably because they grabbed only 16 chests of tea.



### Where’s the Independence?

The word “independence” never appears in the Declaration of Independence — rather, it’s titled “The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen United States of America.”



### Sweet Revenge!

While it was common practice for Patriots to tar and feather Loyalists, the Daughters of Liberty had a less painful alternative: They used molasses and flowers instead.

### British Invasion on Broadway?

In cities such as New York that were controlled by the British Army, some soldiers took time to act in professionally produced plays during the war.





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# YOUR COLOR GUARD, THE FACE OF THE SAR

(Current Color Guard Members: 73)



## From Our Color Guard Past Commander

### End of Term Summary, Washington State Color Guard Commander 2017-2019

Nearing the close of my term as Color Guard Commander reflection on the state of our organization reveals remarkable changes over the past 24 months.

Our national accomplishment for the year occurred just prior to our annual 2019 WASSAR meeting in Olympia. Each year three Color Guard members are selected to post the colors in the Olympia, House of Representatives. This year the Color Guard was represented by **Stan Wills**, Spokane Chapter #1, **Dick Motz**, Alexander Hamilton Chapter. And **Jan Lemmer**, Drummer. The individual photograph of Compatriot Lemmer was so patriotic it was selected as the cover of the Fall issue of the NSSAR Colorguardsman magazine. Significant activity increases were seen in Spokane Chapter #1, George Washington Chapter, Seattle Chapter, John Paul Jones Chapter, Mid-Columbia Chapter and the Alexander Hamilton Chapter. Over the past two years we have increased our outreach in Parade participation, community historical presentations, and presence in the public schools. All resulting with increased visibility and membership.



Seattle chapter (**Neil Vernon**) and George Washington Chapter (**Leland Hutchins**) have shown explosive color guard growth while John Paul Jones and Alexander Hamilton have dramatically increased their presence in our respective school districts. We all know that public and private schools are difficult to penetrate however through positive presupposition and gregarious personalities our long term efforts have paid off.

John Paul Jones presence and organization at the Pacific Northwest Colonial Festival in Port Angeles, WA, has dramatically increased our visibility on the Olympic Peninsula promoting SAR interest resulting in new memberships. Under the Leadership of Color Guard Captain **Fred Gilbert**, the John Paul Jones booth provides historical "Hay Bale" presentations on timely Revolutionary topics. The mission of History, Education and Patriotism is deeply imbedded in each of the John Paul Jones volunteers at the festival.

Spokane Chapter #1 is continuing to show significant Eastern Washington presence using a multi prong approach through parades, school/community presentations, new citizen Naturalization ceremonies and honoring veterans at the return of Honor Flights. Their Color Guard is always at the ready, often with just a few days' notice to participate in community events. They are the personification of "Minutemen" at the ready.

Eastern Washington is fortunate enough to have the Mid-Columbia chapter also exhibiting a strong presence in south central Washington. Continuing to add to their "Patriot Chest" presentation and the addition of "Medicine in the Revolution", new interest and membership is growing from their efforts.

From the top down there was a change in the 2019 Color Guard Command. The responsibility for receiving and fulfilling color guard requests changed from the Washington State Color Guard Commander to the individual Chapter Color Guard Captains. The change in decision making streamlined requests for activity acceptance or denial to the local chapter. With only a few glitches, the transition was well received by the Chapter CG Captains.

Let us not forget all the chapter presidents and color guard captains who faithfully submit articles to the NSSAR periodicals highlighting chapter activities each and every quarter. If you chapter has not made a submission please consider finding a member for this role.

One of the most notable contributions to WASSAR is the [Color Guard web page](#) created by Compatriot **Dick Motz**. Dick has personally added Event links for all upcoming activities including maps, parking and a direct link to the event home page answers the 5 W's members traditionally ask before an event. Dick has also created Information and Data links providing easy access to such topics as Color Guard Medals and requirements, Uniform sources/prices, Color Guard Newsletter, and your own downloadable table to keep track of all your personal event participation as you move toward medal achievement. If you have any questions regarding activity in other chapters, Dick has also completed the Color Guard Directory, the first ever, to include names and photos of color guard members state wide. If you have a new member to your chapter's color guard, please send a photo and the correct spelling of the members name. It will be posted online.

**IMPORTANT:** We are living in historic times here in Washington and all color guardsmen are part of it. We have witnessed the creation of the WASSAR Color Guard through the sheer determination of Stan Wills (Eastern Washington) and Bob O'Neal (Western Washington). The origin of the first WASSAR Fife and Drum Corps by Viren Lemmer, along with the first ever Washington State NSSAR annual conference in 2021. We are a vibrant organization and **YOU** are part of this. This year's group of Color Guard Captains are the first to have assumed the increased role for color guard participation in your chapter region.

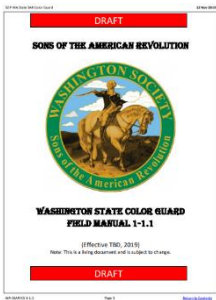
**YOUR ASSIGNMENT FOR all Chapter Captains:** Think back to parade applications, equipment needed, communications with your fellow color guardsman, transportation and miscellaneous expenses and pass that information to those who follow you. You are the first to walk this path and your words will influence those who follow in your footsteps. You are part of

**Living History.**

To every Color Guardsman in Washington State I wish you all a very Happy Holiday Season as I pass the torch to the incoming, 2020 WASSAR Color Guard Commander, Neil Vernon, Seattle Chapter. Just like presents over the holidays, I can't wait to see Neil's vision unwrapped for the WASSAR Color Guards future.

**Respectfully Submitted, [Arthur Dolan](#), WA State-SAR, Past Commander, WA State Color Guard.**

## From The Deputy Commander



In an endeavor to consolidate several documents created over the past years, I have begun to compile a Field Manual as a guide for our Color Guard.

At this point it is a living document and subject to change daily and even hour to hour.

I welcome your input and suggestions for items that should be added, removed, or corrected. It is available on-line at this [link](#).



**Respectfully Submitted, [Dick Motz](#), WA State-SAR, Vice Commander, WA State Color Guard.**

## The Native American Moment

By Stan Wills, Vice Commander, Washington State SAR Color Guard

### **Native Americans at Bunker Hill**

Native Americans fought alongside of the Colonist at the Battle of Bunker Hill. The Battle saw the gallant participation of at least 15 Indian soldiers, including members of the Mashpee Wampanoag, Hassanamisco, Nipmuc, Tunxis, Mohegan, and Pequot tribes. Among those were Joseph Paugenit (Mashpee), Ebenezer Ephraim (Hassanamisco), John Wampee (Tunxis), and Jonathan Occum & Samuel Ashbow (Mohegan). Rebecca Tanner (Mohegan) had two sons killed at Bunker Hill and eventually lost all 5 sons fighting in the Rev War. The Indians were responsible for guarding the East rail fence. When they ran out of Powder they fought with tomahawks and knives until they were killed by overwhelming British soldiers. They were buried in a mass grave at Bunker Hill (Breed's Hill) and small plaque was placed there to honor their sacrifice.

Despite such losses, most Indians believed their contribution to an American Victory would improve their situation. But despite their sacrifice and commitment, the Indians were no better off than they had been before the war. Despite risks taken and lives lost during the Rev War, the native Americans continued to be relegated to second-class citizens. They could not vote, and tribal lands continued to be taken away from their control. The phrase "all men are created equal" applied only to white patriots, not to "Patriots of Color".



## WA State Color Guard Schedule Of Events [Link](#)





## Regional Area Activities

### Northern Region

**2 Nov: Greater Seattle DAR Regents Council 2019 National Defense Luncheon in Bellevue.**

**Great group at the event.**

Posting the Colors were (top l to r) Greg Emerson, John Kraft, Hugh Jonson, Dick Motz.

With the F&D were (bottom l to r) Terry Barker, Stephanie Conroy, Viren Lemmer, Alonda Droege, Jan Lemmer, Melonie Liening.



**16 Nov:** John Kraft presents the SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal to Kelly Davidson as Teresa Addison (President of the VFW Auxiliary in Oak Harbor) and Aaron Taggart (Sons of the American Legion Commander) look on.

Kelly had a vision and spearheaded a nine-month effort and coordinated many local organizations to bring a world class Memorial Day Ceremony to the town of Oak Harbor this year.



**17 Nov:** John Kraft was very proud to present a Flag Recognition certificate to Faye Johnson widow of retired Navy Senior Chief Petty Officer. Faye has proudly and prominently displayed the American Flag for many years.



**10 Dec:** Compatriots Mike Hutchins and John Kraft of the George Washington chapter were honored to present the SAR Flag Award to Maple Leaf Cemetery. The Cemetery District Commissioners, Lee Koetje, Mark Forbes, and Heidi Beck were in attendance and insisted the award should be accepted by Michael Dougliss who has been the caretaker at this beautiful cemetery for the past 22 years.



**14 Dec: "Wreaths Across America". The Seattle Chapter participated at the Seattle Lakeview Cemetery.**

Those present were: Richard Swymeler, Neil Vernon, N Allen Vernon, James Blanton, Christian Ferrin, Craig Lawson, Nick Riechert.



Chapter members placing wreaths.



WA SSAR President Craig Lawson, provided commentary.





## Southern Region

**12 Oct:** Jerry Bordelon, of Alexander Hamilton Chapter, received a certificate of appreciation from the Seattle SAR Chapter, for his presentation on the "Louisiana and the American Revolution".



**14 Oct:** Honor Flight returns. The WA SAR & DAR were at SeaTac Air Port, to meet and greet some 40 veterans. Among them were three women veterans: Joan (USANC, Vietnam), Dixie Lee (USN, Korea), and Sue Ann (USA, Vietnam). The SAR presented each of them with a bouquet of red tulips, and our challenge coin, "Tribute to Women Veterans".

Bob O'Neal reported "It seemed that the crowd was larger and cheering more vocal and sustained than usual, as the many war veterans of WWII, Korea and Vietnam passed through the corridor of Flags and crossed swords to be welcomed into the Arrivals Hall". Pictured at right, Art Dolan, Conor Ferrin, Pam Gassman, Christian Ferrin., and Bob O'Neal.



**9 Nov: Veteran's Day Parade in Auburn.** We had a great turnout for this great event. 22 members from 4 chapters.



**AH Chapter:** Dick Motz, Jerry Bordelon, Claude Asher, Viren Lemmer, Michael Moore, Jan Lemmer, Dennis Case, Skip Stephan and Harold Steenbergen

**GW Chapter:** Mike Hutchins and Bruce Bock

**JPJ Chapter:** Fred Gilbert, Mick Hersey, Conrad Plyer, David Irons, Perry Taylor, and Noah Chase.

**Sea Chapter:** Neil Vernon, Jim Blanton, Robert Korn, Stephen Clayton, and Christopher Clayton  
The DAR/CAR also had a good turnout.

Included in the DAR were Fife & Drum members Stephanie Conroy, Terry Barker, Alonde Droege, and Melonie Liening.

For an excerpt from the parade (KOMO 4 Live Feed) [click here](#)



# HAPPY NEW YEAR



**11 Nov: Veterans Day.** Our Color Guard was honored to post the colors at the Vietnam Veterans Commemoration at The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall located at the State Capital in Olympia. After the Colors were posted, every name on the wall was read by DAR members. Pins were provided to the deceased Vietnam Veterans Spouse and to Vietnam era veterans that were present.



**The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall, Olympia, WA**



CG Members were: Dick Motz, Jerry Bordelon, Mike Moore, Joe Coorough, Jan Lemmer and lee Thomasson.

Our two fifers were: Stephanie Conroy, Terry Barker, both DAR from the Susan Woodin Chapter, Woodinville.

The DAR Flag was carried by Jeanne Pittenger of the Sacajawea Chapter DAR

**14 Dec: "Wreaths Across America". Camp Lewis Cemetery, Joint Base Lewis Lewis/McCord 2019.**

Hundreds of patriots braved the cold rain at Fort Lewis to honor our fallen warriors. Local chapters of the SAR & DAR attended, and were represented by the SAR/DAR Fife & Drum Corps and the Alexander Hamilton chapter Color Guard in full 1776 uniform.



AH Chapter members were: Art Dolan, Bob O'Neal, Darren Nelson, Dick Motz, Jan Lemmer (F&D), Jerry Bordelon, Mike Bendickson (F&D), Mike More, Skip Stephen (F&D), and Viren Lemmer (F&D).

Non-SAR F&D members were, Alonde Droege and Jeannine Stephan,

The ROTC unit from PLU presented the Colors.



Service branch wreaths were laid by appropriate representatives.



**Eastern Region**

**8 Oct:** Stan Wills and Dale Ryan along with several hundred friends & family welcomed back 95 Veterans returning on the "Inland Northwest Honor Flight". Inland has been doing this for 10 years and it never gets old. So far, in the last 10 years they have sent 2000 Veterans back to Washington DC to see the Memorials built in their honor. The cost is about \$1000 per veteran. That totals to 2 million dollars they have raised to date. Inland has enough money to continue for two more years and they continue to raise funds. They hope is that this will continue for a long time to come.



This flight consisted of 7 WWII, 18 Korean, and 70 Viet Nam Vets. This included four women vets. If you are a Veteran, combat or not, sign up, you earned it.

**17 & 29 Oct: New Citizens Ceremony.** Stan Wills presented pins to 29 new citizens from 18 countries on 17 Oct and 28 new citizens from 16 new countries on 29 Oct. Both ceremonies were held at the Federal Courthouse in Spokane.



**24 Oct:** The SAR, DAR, and Home Depot worked to create a new WW1 Memorial dedicated to men who fought in WW1.

This Memorial is located on the Corner of Argonne and Empire in Spokane Valley. Argonne street was named for the Battle in the Argonne Forest in WW1. Our funding goal has now been met and we will soon complete the project with the addition of an Eagle, Flag Pole and the original WW1 plaque from 1922.



**Stan Wills** is seen here with shovel in hand.  
The plaque was restored by fellow SAR JPJ member **Mick Hersey**.

**7 Nov:** Stan Wills and DAR member Rae Anne Victor, presented certificates at West Valley High School for their essay entries and presented two teachers for their part in helping raise money for the Argonne Bridge WW1 Memorial.



**8 Nov:** Stan Wills presented Aunesty Whitright with a certificate and check for her essay on what Veterans Day means to her. In the picture left to right is Aunesty's mother, Aunesty, Stan, DAR Rae Anne Victor and Aunesty's teacher. Presentation was held on November 8th at Orchard Center Elementary School, Spokane Valley, WA.





**8 Nov:** Kelly & Karen Schultz and Mike England spoke to different classes at Kennewick High School about our military experiences. It was a great experience. There were some 22 veterans who spoke, including a WWII veteran and current active duty soldiers. The JROTC cadets were paired up with the speakers and made good hosts.

**9 Nov:** John Tipton spoke to different classes in Yakima at West Valley High School.

**9 Nov: Veterans Day Parade, W. Richland, WA.** The Mid-Columbia SAR Chapter was joined by the Kennewick, Columbia River DAR Chapters, and the Children of the Revolution for the West Richland Veterans Day Parade.



**11 Nov:** On the 100th anniversary of Armistice Day - at the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month, a new memorial was dedicated to the men from Spokane who died in WWI. This undertaking was led by the Jonas Babcock Chapter of the DAR, and supported by Spokane Chapter #1 of the SAR. Stan Wills was on hand for the ceremony.



**21 Nov:** Stan Wills presented a Flag Program for 52 members of the Spokane Valley Assembly Church prime-timers (Senior citizens). It was part of their salute to Veterans Program.



**16 Dec: "Wreaths Across America"**. The Mid-Columbia Chapter participated at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Richland.

**Laura Nunnelee**, DAR Regent of the Columbia River Chapter, opened the ceremonies. The Civil Air Patrol posted flags and the CAR provided cookies. Wreaths were hung for each of the Military Branches.

**Larry Flint** and Laura gave the closing remarks and proceeded to lay wreaths on veteran's graves. The group then traveled to the Richland Resthaven Cemetery to lay three additional wreaths on 1) Civil War Veteran, William Hadden Johnston, 2) on a memorial for a World War II veteran, killed while a Japanese Prisoner of War, 3) a memorial for four WWI veterans killed in France.



Members of the group were: **Richard Roddy, Randal Roach, Larry Flint, John Tipton, Conn Clark, Lawrence Clay, Arthur Broady, Brian Smith** and pending member **Brian McReynolds** and daughter



Group picture taken with the new **Americas 1<sup>st</sup> Veterans** banner.



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**Western Region**

**11 Nov:** The JPJ Chapter attended the Kitsap County Veterans Day event. The event was held at the Kitsap Sun Pavilion, Kitsap County Fairgrounds starting at 9:00 am. US Navy Captain Alan Schrader, Chief of Staff, Navy Region Northwest welcomed all veterans to this special event. County Commissioner Robert Gelder welcome all dignitaries that included our US Congressman, Naval Commanders and Coast Guard Commanders as well as county public officials.

The Sons of the American Revolution represented the 1<sup>st</sup> American Veterans with a display booth.



The JPJ SAR members were: (l to r) Doug Nelson, Mick Hearsay, Perry Taylor, Fred Gilbert (CG Captain), and Conrad Plyler.

**20 Nov:** Presentation at Bethany Lutheran School in Port Orchard about the 1st American Veterans.

**14 Dec: Wreaths Across America Kitsap County**

Mick Hersey was the MC and Wreaths Across America ceremony coordinator for 5 Cemeteries in the Bremerton area. First at Ivy Green Cemetery Bremerton (08:45am), Naval Base Kitsap Honors detail will present colors, **Doug Nelson** will lead the event with the Pledge of Allegiance, Service Wreaths will be presented by Navy Captain **Conrad Plyler**, Air Force Lieutenant Colonel **Fred Gilbert**, and Marine Gunny Sargent Paul Clifton. Assisting are CW2 **Perry Taylor** and **Noah Chase**. A 103-year-old WWII Army Veteran placed the first Service Wreath.

The MIA/POW wreath was placed by George Washington and Captain Dianna Wolfson, Commanding Officer PSNS, also the Guest Speaker.

Honors Detail will perform the Rifle Salute and Navy Band Northwest Bugler will play TAPS.

Later that same day, a total of 158 wreaths will be placed at the following cemeteries in Port Orchard: Colby (3), Sedgwick (47), Fraloe (74), Bethel (34)



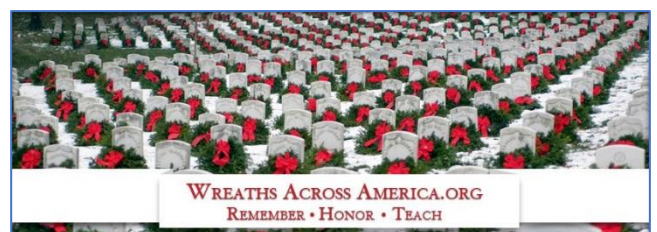
US Air Force Ceremonial Wreath is placed by Colonel **Fred Gilbert** and A1C Pope from JBLM at Ivy Green Cemetery Bremerton Tomb of the Unknowns in honor of the Air Force Veterans



103-year-old WWII veteran, Vern Frykolm Sr. salutes the colors as they pass, honor and respect at its finest!



Vern Frykolm Sr, and son Vern Frykolm Jr (George Washington) along with **David Irons**, standing at the tomb of the unknown Soldier at the Ivy Green Cemetery Bremerton.



## Art Auction Sponsored By [Ken Roberts](#)

I have following art prints available for auction. Please contact me via [E-mail](#).

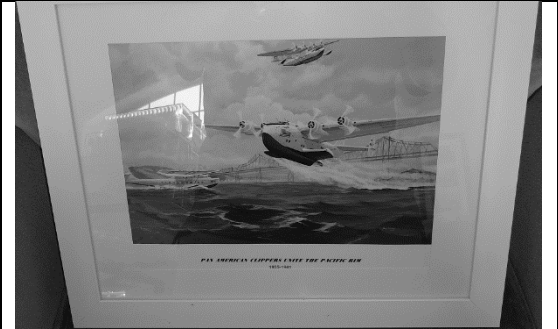
Framed print of Pan American Clipper 1935-1941 in color.  
Print is 9 x 11" Frame is 12 x 14"

Suggested price is \$40. Any amount sold for over \$25 will be donated to Alexander Hamilton Chapter.



Framed print of Pan American Clipper 1935-1941 in black and white.  
Print is 9 x 11" Frame is 12 x 14"

Suggested price is \$25. Any amount over \$15 will be donated to Alexander Hamilton Chapter.



Authorized Collectors NRA print of Past NRA President Charleton Heston "From My Cold Dead Hands". On the back is COA from the artist, Robert Stephen Simon. I also have an additional copy without the COA. Print is 11 x 13" in size and frame is 16 x 19 ".

Suggested price is \$75. Any amount paid over \$50 for either of these prints will be donated to the Alexander Hamilton Chapter



Authorized Collectors Print of President Ronald Reagan who quoted " We will never disarm any American who seeks to protect his or her family from fear and harm."  
Printed on museum quality acid free paper. Comes with COA from Robert Stephen Simon who signed the print in 2004

Suggested Price \$100. Any amount over \$50 will be donated to Alexander Hamilton Chapter.



Rare Print of General Chenault and Flying Tigers from WWII – China.  
Print is approximately 11 x 13" frame is 16 x 19"

Suggested price is \$125. Any amount over \$75 will be donated to Alexander Hamilton Chapter.



**Respectfully submitted, Kenneth Roberts. Please contact me via [E-mail](#).**



## From The Editor

### The Washington Trail publication schedule:

I would like to include news from the chapters. I have added a section to the NL that is for articles to be submitted by the Chapters. These articles must be ready to publish and only need the formatting required to fit into the NL. I will use the same process that National does with their NL and publish one (1) chapter article in each issue. This is not a mandatory submission. It is entirely up to the chapter if they want to submit an article. If your chapter has a newsletter or Facebook page, I have posted a link to them under your chapter heading.



**Format Requirements:** Each article must be in Word format (text only) with any related photos to be in JPG or PNG format. Formatting of the article is not required as I must reformat it to fit the newsletter.

One member from each chapter should be selected to produce & submit the **“Chapter Article”** to me (via [E-Mail](#)) in accordance with the publication deadlines (below). Please let me know who has been selected to produce the chapter articles

**Publication Schedule:** Publish four times a year (after each BOD meeting).

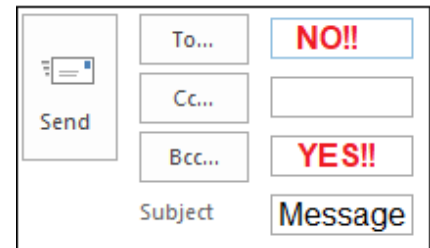
Edition	BOD	Period covered	Deadline	Published on
Winter (1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr)	Jan	1 Jan to 31 Mar	No later than 20 Mar	31 Mar +/-
Spring (2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr)	Apr	1 Apr to 30 Jun	No later than 20 Jun	30 June +/-
Summer (3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr)	Jul	1 Jul to 30 Sep	No later than 20 Sep	30 Sep +/-
Fall (4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr)	Oct	1 Oct to 31 Dec	No later than 20 Dec	31 Dec +/-

All contributions should be submitted no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the last month of the edition quarter.

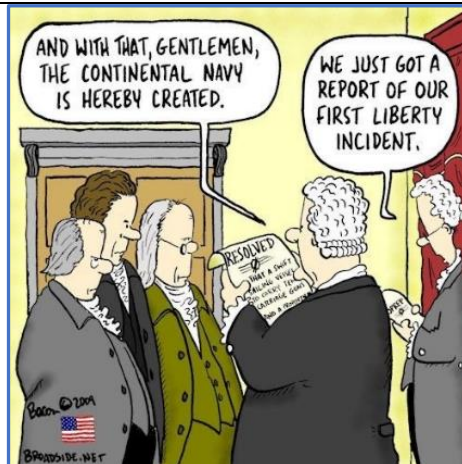
### Worth Repeating - Security Risk!!!

Because of what I do with the SAR, I receive a lot of E-Mail messages. All too often they are from someone that has used a distribution list and placed it in the **TO: Box** when they sent the message. This causes all the Address in the distribution list to be displayed on the incoming message. **Not a good idea.**

A better way to address a message if sending to more than 3 or 4 people (distribution list) is to put the distribution list in the **BCC: Box**. This will prevent the display of confidential addresses to display if the message is forwarded on to someone outside of the SAR. *The Editor*



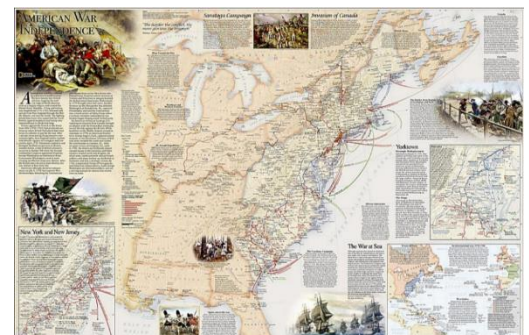
## Military Humor



*Military Humor* is highlights from the [Facebook group](#) by the same name.

Battles of the Revolutionary War and War of 1812:  
**2-Sided Map is available from the National Geographic Society.**

[Link to order](#) (\$15.99).



**UNIFORMS & OTHER ITEMS WANTED/FOR SALE**

**Wanted:**

Item	Size	Contact	Note

**For Sale:**

Item	Size	Cost	Contact	Notes
German Lederhosen & Suspenders	40	\$300.00	<a href="#">Dick Motz</a>	Original cost \$710.00. Photo on request
Samsung HD TV Wall mount	40"	Free	<a href="#">Dick Motz</a>	Model <a href="#">LNT4042HX</a>
Samsung HD TV Table stand	52"	Free	<a href="#">Dick Motz</a>	Model <a href="#">LNT5265HX</a>
Sony Blue-ray Player		Free	<a href="#">Dick Motz</a>	Model BDP-S1100
Sony Audio Video Receiver		Free	<a href="#">Dick Motz</a>	Model STR-DG720

If you have anything, you want or have for sale, please send information to the [Newsletter Editor](#)

**OBTW..... DID I TELL EVERYONE.....**





# 2020 Washington State SAR Conference—Registration

[Download](#) Form

Compatriot Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Guest: \_\_\_\_\_ DAR \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_ Office: \_\_\_\_\_ Ladies Auxiliary \_\_\_\_\_

Are you staying at the Red Lion Hotel? Thursday \_\_\_\_ Friday \_\_\_\_ Saturday \_\_\_\_

First time attending a State Conference: \_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday Dinner, April 3rd:**

House Pasta (Vegetarian) ..... How Many \_\_\_\_ at \$25.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Chicken Cordon Bleu ..... How Many \_\_\_\_ at \$36.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Char-Grilled Top Sirloin Steak ..... How Many \_\_\_\_ at \$43.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday Lunch, April 4th:**

Mexican Fiesta Buffet ..... How Many \_\_\_\_ at \$25.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday Dinner, April 4th:**

Mustard Crusted Pork Loin..... How Many \_\_\_\_ at \$31.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Rosemary Crusted Prime Rib ..... How Many \_\_\_\_ at \$35.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Medley of Roasted Vegetables (Vegetarian) ..... How Many \_\_\_\_ at \$25.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL for Meals**..... \*\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**MEETING FEE: There is NO Registration fee:**

Minuteman Donation: \$ 200.00 (or more) ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Patriot Donation: \$ 100.00..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Patron Donation: \$ 50.00..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

1777 Charleville Pistol, Raffle ..... How Many \_\_\_\_ at \$5.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL: Donations & Raffle** ..... \*\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**GRAND TOTAL of \*\* Lines: Check payable to "WASAR" ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Please print this page and Mail no later than 30 Mar 2020 to:**

Charles V. Waid  
21015 Springhaven Way  
Bonney Lake, WA 98391

NO HOST BAR both nights at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

\* **Special meal requests** need to be made to Charles Waid not later than 30 March 2020

**Questions:** cbwaid@comcast.net or 253-862-6557

**Reservations:** Red Lions Hotel Yakima Center, 607 E. Yakima Ave.

**Room rate is:** \$110 per night which includes Breakfast

**Phone:** 509-248-5900 Ex 0 Use code - **SAR**