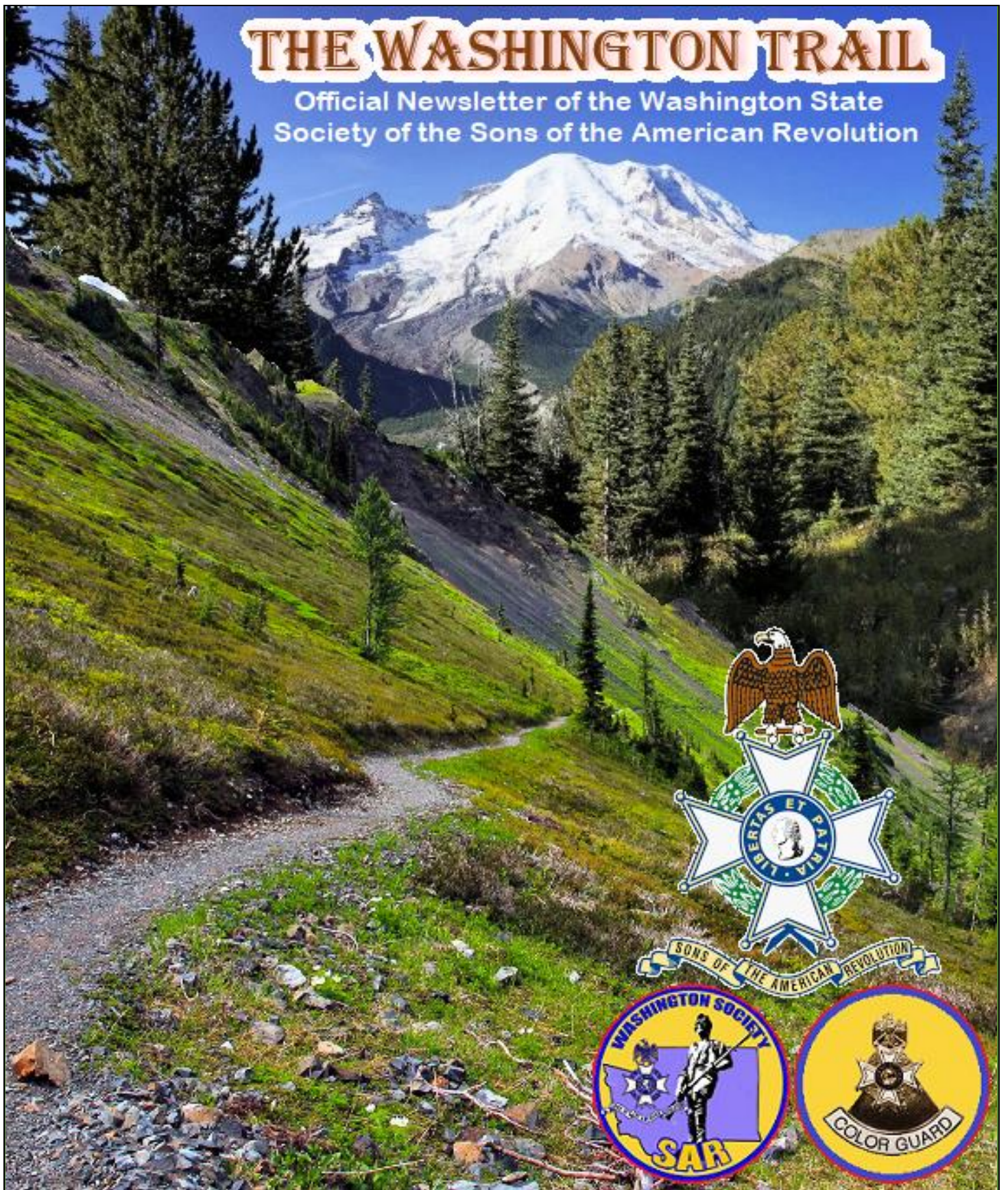


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Upcoming Meetings and Events



- Chapter Meetings, Newsletters, Web Sites, & Other Links: (see [Chapter News](#))
- ~~2020 – 25 Apr~~: Pacific District Conference in Beaverton, Oregon **Canceled**
- **2020 – 26 & 27 Jun**: WA State SAR Conference in Yakima, WA
- **2021 – 7 thru 15 July**: SAR National Congress in Renton, WA at the Hyatt Regency Lake Washington
- Color Guard [Schedule](#)

Special Note: Some links in this electronic document may not work on an Apple device. I have tried to fix all but may have missed some.
The Editor

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A Moment Of Silence For A Fallen Compatriot

The Mid-Columbia chapter has lost an iconic member. Russell Wentworth, a patriot member, who served with Gen. Patton in the "Battle of the Bulge", passed away on 29 Jan 2020. Russell was a farmer from Ephrata, an artist, as was his late wife of 62 years, Thelma. He recently donated one of his lapidary pieces, a belt buckle to be auctioned in our upcoming state meeting. The chapter videoed and interviewed him in June 2019 for the library of congress as a veteran who served in WWII. When we spoke with him Saturday, he said his health was such that he didn't think he could make it to our chapter meeting. I am sure his phone call was to tell us goodbye. Russ was a charming, articulate and engaging member of the chapter. He will be missed.

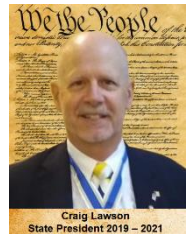


Russell's service was held in Ephrata at the Methodist Church on 15 Feb. The chapter mission is to honor members of our august fraternity when taps is played. Of the patriotic events in which we participate, there is no higher calling, but to pay final respects for those who have made our lives better in knowing them.

Washington State SAR President's Message - Winter 2020 (1st Quarter)

Compatriots,

"THESE are the times that try men's souls. The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of their country; but he that stands by it now, deserves the love and thanks of man and woman."



Thomas Paine wrote these words in his pamphlet *The American Crisis* in 1776 in the midst of the American Revolution, when a different threat was facing our very new nation. But his words are just as applicable now as we face another threat to our country.

How each of us, as descendants of the men and women who did not shrink from service to their country in that first crisis, responds to this threat is important not only for ourselves and for our organization, but for our families, our communities and our country. We all need to acknowledge the importance of our role in preventing the spread of COVID-19 by obeying the national, state and local precautions that have been put into place.

We also need to acknowledge that our lives will change because of this threat. The world will not be the same once it has passed; we will not see or do things as we did before.

Within our own organization, we have seen our annual Conference postponed and our chapter meetings and events cancelled. We have been called on to operate differently than we have before; for example, we have been asked to vote by e-mail rather than by regular mail. (If you have not done so already, please send me an e-mail at craiglawson@comcast.net approving of this change.)

I urge every Washington SAR member to lead by example in your family and in your community as we battle this threat to our health and to our livelihoods. Now is not the time to encourage our political differences. Instead, we need to join together to defend all of us from this threat that knows no politics.

Please stay safe and be well.

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

2020 Pacific District Conference

Canceled

2021 SAR Conference Update

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. 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 20th 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.

Update: 2021 National Congress Planning Committee, Update – 16 Jan 2020

The Planning Committee for the 2021 National Congress to be held in Renton, Washington met on 16 January 2020. The pieces are falling into place as the team meets many of the challenges ahead.

The Committee is seeking a strong voice to sing the National Anthem at one of the Congress events. If you know someone who can fill a stadium with awe and inspiration please contact one of the Committee members. After some delay we are pleased to report the 2021 National Congress medals are once again available. They will be for sale at the upcoming Washington Annual Conference in Yakima on 3-4 April 2020. Make plans to attend and pick up your set. The medals are \$35 for the pair.

Challenge coins are \$20. We also hope to have our green 2021 Congress polo shirts available for \$35. They are limited so grab yours while you can!

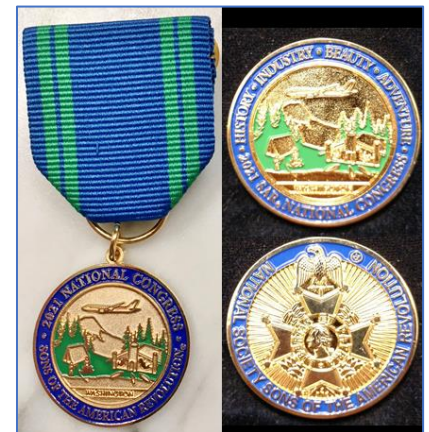
Our next meeting will occur 12 March 2020. We plan to focus on the day-to-day event schedule and begin the process of assigning volunteers to their duties. This is a huge task, but compatriots are stepping forward to be a part of this momentous event. We can feel the excitement beginning. The Washington Society is hosting domestic and international Compatriots to a truly memorable experience. Come be a part of the best SAR National Congress ever!

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How to get them: Greg Lucas has been traveling around to the various chapter meetings, offering the opportunity to buy challenge coins and medal sets. He will continue that effort, once the travel bans and “stay-at-home” orders are no longer needed to protect everyone’s health. Any remaining challenge coins and medal sets will be available at the State conference.

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

Stay Safe Everyone!



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.washingtonsar.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 **26 & 27 June** in **Yakima, WA**. Hope to see you there. There will be a raffle for a reproduction of a 1777 French Charleville flintlock pistol!

2021 National SAR Congress

The annual National Congress meeting will be held July 7th thru the 15th. 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

SAR CG Posts Colors At State Capital

4 March WA State Senate:

The WA State Color Guard was again honored to post The Colors at the Washington State Capital.

The CG usually posts in the House but this was the first time an outside group posted the colors in the Washington State Senate. After receiving a warm welcoming, a few people wanted to pose for a picture with the group.

The Colors were posted by a special 3-generation SAR family, **Mike Moore** (Father) **Mat Bendickson** (Son), **Mike Bendickson** (Grandson).



5 Mar WA State House:

On the 250th anniversary of the Boston Massacre, the Colors were posted in the House of Representatives by members from two chapters and a HODAR.

(L to R) **Doug Nelson**, **Ralph Liening**, and **Jan Lemmer** were proudly representing the WA SAR on the floor of the House.

After the Colors were posted, "House of Representatives" lapel pins were awarded to the Color Guard. At your next chapter meeting, look for the blazer "bling". The activities were followed by a tour of the Capitol, views of voting and bills being passed by the Senate were viewed from the gallery seats. The House was in Caucus meetings.

Orchestrating both events was **Art Dolan** of the newly forming George Rogers Clark chapter in Olympia.



Mick Hersey Honored by DAR

Marion (Mick) Hersey and his wife Filipina (Fely), celebrated his wife's birthday by both being honored by the Washington State Daughters of the American Revolution at their Board of Management Meeting. They were presented with both the State and National DAR Historical Preservation award

They finished out the day by seeing the new movie "Little Women" and dinner at Shari's for his wife's free Birthday Pie.

A Great day overall!



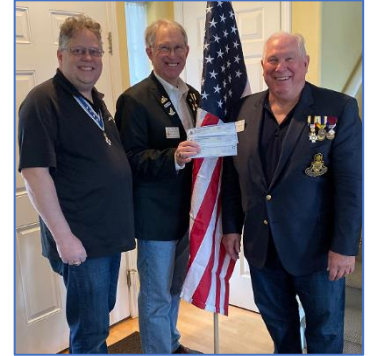
New Chapter Update

1 Feb 2020: Chapter founder Arthur Dolan along with the 23 prospective members signed the official charter application.



Developments:

- The slate of new chapter officers is nearly complete.
- President Viren Lemmer of Alexander Hamilton, the sponsor Chapter, presented their “startup” check to Art Dolan for \$1,000.00. (right)
- Alexander Hamilton Chapter Treasurer Rodger Dent presented on duties of the chapter secretary and treasurer.
- More history of the “Hero of the Old Northwest Territory”, Gen. George Rogers Clark, was discussed.



“Brig. Gen. George Rogers Clark and his brother, Lt. William Clark of the Lewis & Clark Expedition are a historic link between the Revolutionary War and Washington State, and the Old Northwest & the Northwest Territory and Washington State.

Thomas Jefferson, Governor of Virginia in 1783, wrote to Gen. Clark of his desire to have the new nation explore all the way to California, and asked “How. would you like to lead such a party?”

But Jefferson’s plans were delayed until he had the power as president to push them through and by then Gen. Clark was past his days of adventure, and it fell to his younger brother, Lt. William Clark to lend the family name to the famous Lewis and Clark Expedition.

News From the WA State SAR Ladies Auxiliary (LAWASSAR)



Greetings from the Ladies Auxiliary of Washington State!

[Facebook Page](#)

Spring Leadership for the Sons of the American Revolution was held in Louisville, KY, from February 27th to March 1st. Charlotte Abbott (immediate past President), Cynthia Weissinger (current Vice President), and I (current President) attended with our husbands. The event was held at the beautiful Brown Hotel in downtown Louisville.

The ladies in attendance enjoyed a lovely luncheon hosted by First Lady Sheila Manning, as well as a business meeting of the National Ladies Auxiliary.

At this event, Cyndi Weissinger sold our green 2021 Congress polo shirts as a fundraiser for our upcoming Congress. The Ladies Auxiliary will be selling these shirts as well as Congress Medals and Congress Challenge coins at the upcoming Washington State SAR Annual Membership Meeting to be held on April 3rd & 4th at the Red Lion Hotel in Yakima, WA.

The Auxiliary annual meeting will be held on Sat 4 Apr from 10:30am to noon. We will have a short business meeting followed by a presentation by Cynthia Weissinger about the importance of immunizations.

All ladies in attendance are invited to join us regardless of whether or not they are members of our Ladies Auxiliary.

Craig Lawson, the Washington State SAR President, has requested information about local wineries and tasting rooms nearby for a possible afternoon activity.

I hope to see many of our ladies there! Happy Spring!

Teri Lindley, LAWASSAR President



Cynthia Weissinger, Charlotte Lantz, Teri Lindley

Meetings Around The State

Trustee Report, Fall Leadership Meeting, 27-29 Feb 2020

Executive Committee/Trustees:

- Current membership dues are \$80. The cost to process membership applications is \$104 (included new member, supplementals). The last increase in fees was 2021. A proposal was made to increase the cost for applications to \$115. Proposal amended to \$100 (\$40 for children) was passed. Issue to be voted by the delegates at 2020 Congress and to take effect at the end of Congress. Likely amendment to delay implementation until 1 Jan 2021.
- Palates of store merchandise were shipped to California for the 2019 Congress. Several palates went missing and the items appeared for sale on eBay. Society purchased unsold items back from eBay at approximately 1/5th the cost; approximately \$3,000. The insurance for the shipping company responsible has denied claim. The Society insurance company has been helpful. Ex. Comm. presented the matter to the Trustees and they voted to not pursue legal action against the shipping company's insurance carrier.
- The Access Data Base system is close to turning off the old system; probably May or June. A security "hole" was discovered by a Compatriot and this hole will be patched. No breeches have been discovered. Plans are underway such that future medals and awards would be passed to the State Secretaries for updating the individual member's page in the National system.
- Genealogy Committee: Regarding the new member and supplemental application form, under consideration is a worksheet form to allow for preliminary recording of information. The goal is to avoid numerous partially completed application forms that consume space and may never be completed. Also planned is a system whereby individual States are notified of names and demographics when a new application is filed on the website. Digitization of past applications is ongoing and the first four volumes has been completed. Privatization of more contemporary applications needs to be considered.
- Museum, Solid Light: The design is ~80% complete. (i.e. Phase II, step 1 and 2). Anticipate step 3 to be complete by March 2021. The funds for this step are in place. Then the completed plans can be turned over to a contractor for the build phase.
- The museum board has received 63 new artifacts. Two long guns will be divested and sold. After investigation they were found not to date from the Revolutionary War period.
- Request made for distribution from the Building and Outreach fund. Proposed six small, short-term maintenance projects; floors, awnings, etc.; \$30,000. Also proposed ongoing allocation of \$25,000 per year for long-term projects; roofing, heating and A/C, elevator, etc.
- Current membership: 35,375 (several states have not completed reconciliation)
- Patriot Research System: 20% of records have been input to date. [see [CoSP below](#)]
- Logo contest completed. 380 entries. The Committee chose 10 entries for consideration by the Ex Comm to choose three entries to present to the Trustees. Some entries will need to be altered to suit the needs of merchandising (e.g. change lettering font to improve embroidery rendering). The Ex Comm requested these changes be completed by the designers and resubmitted in one month. The Ex Comm will meet by teleconference to resolve the issue and select three entries to submit to the Trustees by the 2020 Congress.
- Orations Committee is working to implement an at-large application process for students from State Societies that do not participate in the Rumbaugh Oration contest.
- Balances: SAR Foundation: ~\$8.9 million; up 19.7%. NSSAR Restricted Fund: \$92,426, up ~18%. GWEF: ~\$2 million; up ~15%. Total assets: ~\$25.3 million. Total liabilities: ~\$372,000.
- Kings College Committee recommends not to continue support of this project after completing the initial four-year commitment. This project has been studying and digitizing the papers of King George III. The project is taking longer than anticipated and will continue beyond the planned four-year term.
- The Society has received a *Cease and Desist* letter from Hillsdale College regarding contributions to the America's Founding Documents curriculum. The Trustees agreed with the recommendation of the Ex Comm to comply with the letter. The Ex Comm concluded one requirement of the letter more appropriately applied to a specific individual and will refer Hillsdale College directly to that person.

Medals and Awards Committee:

- Ohanesian History Presentations Award was approved. \$500 annually will be presented to the Chapter, in four size categories, whose members collectively made the most oral presentations on the American Revolution in their respective area schools. Presentations must be in some variation of a Revolutionary War uniform. The

chapters will submit their reports to the Education Committee and a sub-committee will judge the submissions and select the winner. The winners will be recognized annually at Congress.

Council of State Presidents:

- Preparations are ongoing for the transition from PRS to GRS. Volunteers are needed to transcribe the date from the PRS into digital form. Volunteering 40 hours will earn the Lafayette Medal.

Contact Gary Green: garyogreen@gmail.com



In attendance were Jim Lindley, Keith Weissinger, Robert Sexton, Crag Lawson, Greg Lucas, Tony Abbott.

Respectfully submitted, Keith A Weissinger MD, National Trustee and VP Washington Society

Secretary's Corner – 29 Feb 2020

Compatriots: This is always a very busy time of the year. I have several actions approved by National and we are inducting new members weekly. Please work to make new members feel welcome and find the activity they would like to be part of. We are doing well with new membership, but we need to be better at helping new members engage with the Society.

I hope to see you at the Annual Conference we have a great weekend planned. Especially for you that have not attended the conference in the past, please come and spend some time with your fellow Compatriots.

If you have a need to send an e-mail to many members please send to me and I will forward,

a long list of addresses in the open is hacker bait.

Respectfully submitted, Al Pinkham, State Secretary

Minutes from the BOD Meeting, 29 Jan 2020

President Craig Lawson opened the meeting at 7:30PM a quorum of sixteen BOD members attended by phone. Chaplain Conrad Plyler opened with the invocation.

President Craig Lawson reported that the annual meeting preparation is going well. The Secretary General will attend.

Greg Lucas reported that donation for the 2021 Congress have slowed and there is a continued need for funds. Compatriot Waid reported that the Alexander Hamilton Chapter was matching funds donated by its membership which increased the donations from the members.

The Change to the registration process was tabled. Greg Lucas, the Registrar and Secretary will review the process and recommend changes.

The change to the Administrative Procedures of the SAR Property Amendment was approved.

The Treasurers recommendations were tabled with a request that the Treasurer rewrite with language to denote a guide to chapters vice a mandate.

All medals recommended by the Medals Committee were approved.

The proposal to add the collection of State Society dues to the Administrative Procedures table was approved. Secretary Al Pinkham will make the change to the table.

Compatriots Bob Doughty and Arthur Dolan reported the status of establishing new Chapters. Both report they are approaching fifteen applicants. The board discussed then need to have the Chapter officers identified. The result of the discussion tasked Secretary Pinkham to draft an addition to the Administrative Procedures Identifying the required action to establish a New Chapter.

Respectfully submitted, Al Pinkham, State Secretary

From The Archives

By Allan Wenzel, WA SAR State Historian

PERSISTENCE: The Four Letters.

Often the SAR and DAR supply to each other possible candidates for membership. Such was the case in 1954 when a local DAR chapter sent a letter to the WASSAR with the name and address of a possible candidate for SAR membership.



The WASSAR Secretary promptly sent the gentleman a letter of introduction and an invitation to apply for membership. The WASSAR Secretary received no response. A second letter was drafted and sent inviting the gentleman to consider joining the SAR. To which the perspective applicant responded, with; the fact that he had been born in England to English citizens and his ancestors did not go to the colonies to fight for independence...although they may have gone over to fight...wearing red. The WASSAR Secretary wrote back that if the gentleman were to ever learn that his ancestors did in fact fight on the side of the rebelling colonies, he should join the Sons of the American Revolution.

Do You Remember?

1954

WHAT THINGS COST

House: \$22,000.00
 Average Income: \$3,960.00
 Car: \$1548-\$2415
 Milk: \$0.92
 Gas: \$0.21
 Bread \$0.17
 Postage Stamp: \$0.03
 Swiss Cheese: \$0.69 lb.
 American Cheese: \$0.55 lb.
 T-Bone steak : \$0.95 lb.
 Del Monte Catsup (2) 14.OZ Bottles: \$0.25
 Post Grape Nuts Cereal - 10.OZ Pkg: \$0.19
 Clorox Bleach - 1/2 Gal.: \$0.19
 20 Gallon Gas Water Heater \$75.00
 Kenmore Washer: \$154.95

TOP SONGS

1. Little Things Mean a Lot - Kitty Kallen
2. Wanted - Perry Como
3. Hey There - Rosemary Clooney
4. Sh Boom - Crew Cuts
5. Make Love to Me - Jo Stafford
6. Oh! My Pa-Pa (O mein papa) - Eddie Fisher
7. I Get So Lonely - The Four Knights
8. Three Coins in the Fountain - The Four Aces
9. Secret Love - Doris Day
10. Hernando's Hideaway - Archie Bleyer

TOP TV SHOWS

1. I Love Lucy
2. Jackie Gleason Show
3. Dragnet
4. You Bet Your Life
5. The Toast of the Town
6. Disneyland
7. Jack Benny Show
8. George Gobel Show
9. Ford Theatre
10. December Bride
11. The Buick-Berle Show
12. This Is Your Life
13. I've Got a Secret
14. Two for the Money
15. Your Hit Parade
16. The Millionaire
17. General Electric Theater
18. Arthur Godfrey's Talent Scouts
19. Private Secretary
20. Fireside Theatre
21. The Life of Riley
22. Arthur Godfrey & His Friends
23. The Adventures of Rin Tin Tin
24. Topper
25. Pabst Blue Ribbon Bouts
26. George Burns & Gracie Allen Show
27. The Colgate Comedy Hour
28. Loretta Young Show
29. My Little Margie
30. Roy Rogers Show

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The WASHINGTON SAR (State, Chapter, CAR, Aux)

Links to Face Book, News Letters, and Web Sites

WA State Society (State wide)

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

Alexander Hamilton (Tacoma area)

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

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

Cascade Centennial (Bellevue area)

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

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

Fort Vancouver (Vancouver area)

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

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

John Paul Jones (Bremerton area)

Meets: 4th 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: 3rd Sat of the month. Sep to Jun, at Round Table, 1769 Leslie Road, Richland.

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

George Rogers Clark (Olympia area)

Meets: TBD

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

Seattle (Seattle area)

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

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CAR (State Wide)

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

SAR Ladies Auxiliary (State Wide)

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

Special Note from the Editor

The Mid-Columbia Chapter has posted their back issues on Facebook for access to all. I think this is a great idea for all the chapters. Contact [Ken Powe](#), the MC media editor, for instructions on how to accomplish this.

Birthday Wishes To All Compatriots Born In Jan/Feb/Mar

January

Alfred George Folkerts
Allan Blake Hopwood
Brian Tahsin Ugurlu
Bruce Carroll Allen
Bruce Darrel Carpenter
Bryan Douglas Bechler
Charles Michael Myers
Christian Daniel Anthony Ferrin
Christopher Reichert
Colin Kelly Rush
Conn Owen Clark
Curtis Blaney Williams
David L Morse
David Phillip Stockton
David Warren Lasser
Gary Lee Pearson
Grant Robert Rauzi
Hyrum Richard Berg
James Dwight Honeyford
John Earl Palmer
John Eric Kraft
John Godfrey Dean
Kenneth Doster Roberts
Kermit Lee Snelson
Mark Chessman Dunham
Maurice Luther Greiner
Michael Owen Bendickson
Michael Riland Menkin
Mickey Wayne Law
Morris Konstandinos Estep
Nelson Matthew Waring
Richard Lee McCormick
Roger Lee Cox
Ryan David Meacham
Scott Lee Collett
Stephen Eugene Singleton
William David Cowart
William Wilbur Mason

Feburary

Alan Mandigo
Andrew Glen Brewer
Bradly Willaim Benton
Brian Joel Waid
Bruce Wayne Seiber
Carlos Lee Malone
Charles Hosford Freeman

Coleson Thomas Oliver
Craig Wallace Rhyne
David Bruce Gibson
Donald LeRoy O'Rear
Frederick Compton Gilbert
George Evan Hanson
Harold Dwight Barker
Harold Martin Prather
Harry Percy Justice III
James Ricky Wells
Jeff Raymond Brown
Jesse Michael Klein
John Stephen Colwell
Jon Gregory Wagner
Joseph Anthony Coorough
Kenneth Robert Morse
Kenneth Ryan Fitzpatrick
Kevin Robert Coyne
Larry Allen Peck
Mark Richard Donges
Michael Edward Moore
Neil Allen Vernon II
Paul Edward Fellman
Pearson Hunter Lento
Philip Aubrey Hamlin
Rodger Lind Dent
Russell Franklin Pringle
Verne Allen Gray

March

Allan Bernie Cail
Brian Scott Walter
Charles Emmet Estep
Curtis Michael Winningham
Daniel Alan Ferrin
David Leonard Kruso
David Leroy Richardson
David Senna Raese
Dennis George Brown
Donald Bowman Kraft
Donnie Max Ruyle
Douglas Harold Nelson
Duncan Andrew Serrill
Edward James O'Neal
Erich Donald Fehlings
Erwin Bradley Pace
Frank Alfred Pearce
Frederick Joseph III Becker

Gary Lucian Barton
Gary Thomas Herbert
George Thomas Clark
Glen Harold Gower
Jack Jory
Jack Roger Nelson
James Edward Rose
James Sidney Wiggs
John Cooper Fortney
John Farlin Baxter
John Gerald Whelton
Joshua David Bream
Kenneth Eugene Pease
Kent Michael Gossman
Kevin Scott Lake
Lawrence Daniel Miller
Mark Doherty Mitchell
Michael K. Montfort
Nicholas King Megargel
Nickolas Ray Fortney
Paul Allen Moutray
Ralph Henry Hunt Nichols
Randall Ross Wall
Rex Peter Stickle
Richard Alan Goforth
Richard Brown Samuelson
Richard Joseph Stride
Richard William Swymeler
Robert Clifford Todd
Robert Lee Felker
Ronald Eugene Black
Sydney Merron Meacham
Terry Dee Gobel
Thomas Stanley Wills
Vernon Carl Gray
William Howard Pickett
William Richard Griffith
William Scott Pand





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YOUR COLOR GUARD, THE FACE OF THE SAR

(Current Color Guard Members: 74)

From The Commander

State SAR Board of Director's meeting, WA SAR President Craig Lawson appointed me as the Washington State SAR Color Guard Commander. I accepted this appointment because of the love and respect I have for my fellow Color Guardsmen and recognizing the vacancy in the Color Guard leadership that needed to be filled. My short coming to this position is the lack of Military training. So in this stead I do ask for your patience as I learn the proper protocol. As in all officer positions in SAR it is a learning experience. My term began on January 1, 2020.



As a brief introduction, I joined the Sons of the American Revolution in January 2015 in the Seattle Chapter. My primary ancestor is Thomas Stark, Sr. Over the past five years I have served as the Seattle Chapter Registrar (2015 – present) and the Seattle Chapter President (2018-2019). In February 2018 I attended the Annual President's Day Ceremony at the University of Washington in my newly purchased hunting frock. Before I knew it, I was swept up by Commander Art Dolan and became a Washington State Color Guardsman that very day by participating in the Posting of Colors for this event. I owe much of my enthusiasm for being a Color Guard member to Past Commander Art Dolan who always provided a positive and exciting atmosphere.

What a great time to be serving as the Washington State Color Guard Commander! I am grateful for the action taken last year in separating the responsibilities of Washington State Color Guard events into the four established regions. This was a very wise move from the organizational and logistics perspectives. Again, kudos to Past Commander Art Dolan and Deputy Commander Dick Motz for making this happen. Another outstanding point to be made is that each of our chapters have a Color Guard representation.

The Washington State SAR currently stands at 477 members. Many of these members have other obligations and circumstances that keep them away from our chapter meetings. If we are fortunate enough to have 30% of our membership attending the chapter meetings, we are in pretty good shape. This would mean that roughly 143 of our membership attend throughout the year. With 73 Color Guard members, we represent more than 50% of meeting attendees and 15% of the overall membership.

Throughout the first quarter of 2020, I have had the opportunity to visit 6 of the 8 Washington State SAR Chapters. We are fortunate to have the amazing leadership of each of the Color Guard Captains who are committed to the growth of SAR and the Washington State Color Guard.

Many of the Color Guardsman throughout the State of Washington have made selfless sacrifices to participate in Color Guard events. Please encourage them to track their progress toward the Bronze and Silver Color Guard Medals. Please refer to the Washington State SAR Color Guard Field Manual on the Color Guard Web page of detail on the requirements for these awards. Several Color Guardsmen have already achieved the requirements and deserve to be recognized.

Washington State SAR Color Guard Silver Medal Recipients:

Name	Chapter
Arlin Gale Palmer	Spokane #1
Arthur William Dolan	Alexander Hamilton
Douglas Harold Nelson	John Paul Jones
Frederick Compton Gilbert	John Paul Jones
Howard William Stephan (F&D)	Alexander Hamilton
Kenneth Doster Roberts	John Paul Jones

Lee H Thomasson	Alexander Hamilton
Marion "Mick" Thomas Hersey	John Paul Jones
Paul Franklin Adan	Alexander Hamilton
Thomas Stanley Wills	Spokane #1
Viren Kenneth Lemmer (F&D)	Alexander Hamilton
Walter R "Dick" Motz	Alexander Hamilton
William Robert "Bob" O'Neal	Alexander Hamilton

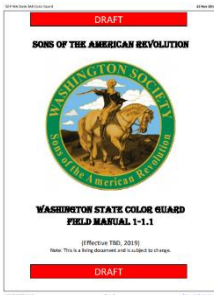
The first and only National Von Steuben Color Guard Medal recipient in WA State is William Robert "Bob" O'Neal. Past Color Guard Commander

I am humbled to be a part of a great brotherhood and grateful for the opportunity to serve. We are the face of the SAR, the greatest male society in the United States. Through our efforts in each of our communities we have the opportunity to share and change the perspective or what a great honor it is to be part of this nation.

I look forward to working with each of the chapters.

Respectfully Submitted, Neil A Vernon, WA State-SAR, 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, Deputy Commander, WA State Color Guard.

The Native American Moment

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

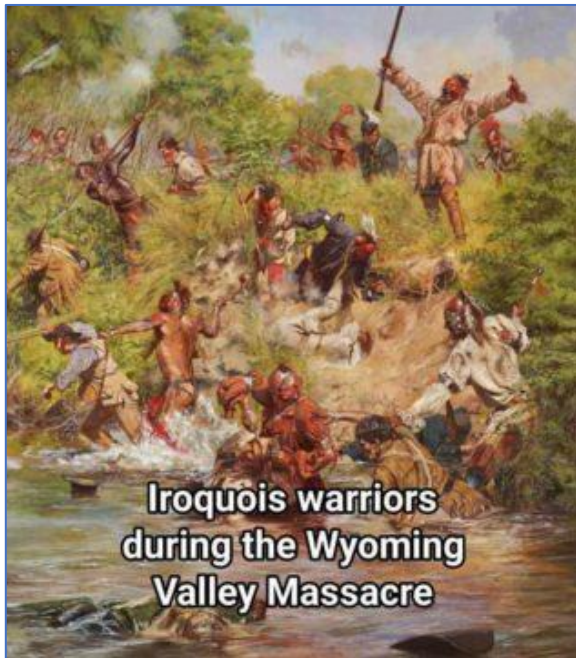
The Battle of Wyoming took place on July 3, 1778. Wyoming Valley is in Pennsylvania.

British General Burgoyne after losing the battle of Saratoga and heavy losses in the Battle of Oriskany had to come up with another strategy. With the British losses in the Saratoga Campaign France entered the war as an ally to the colonies. Burgoyne decided to conduct a war on the frontier. He enlisted Loyalist and Indian Allies to attack the Hudson Valley.

Colonel Butler recruited a regiment of Loyalist, Seneca warriors under chiefs Suyenqueraghta and Cornplanter (both fought at the Battle of Oriskany), and Mohawk warriors under Joseph Brandt. Butler and the Seneca's would attack Wyoming Valley while Brandt and the Mohawks would attack farther north. Butler was in command of 110 Loyalist and 464 Iroquois Indians. British forces arrived in Wyoming Valley on 30 June. Colonel Butler demanded the surrender on the Militia forces at Fort Wintermute. If the defenders surrendered the fort with all their arms and stores, they would be released on the condition that they did not bear arms again. The militia surrendered and headed to Fort Forty.

Upon arriving they gathered with the militia at Fort Forty (360 men of the 24th Connecticut Militia) and headed back to attack Colonel Butler's force. Little did they know they were headed into an ambush. The militia advanced to within 100 yards of the British Loyalist and fired three rounds.

The Indians arose from there hiding and fired one shot and attacked in fierce hand to hand combat. Over 300 Militia were killed. Those who tried to escape were captured and tortured horribly by the Iroquois. Only 5 prisoners survived. The next morning Colonel Denison surrender Fort Forty and two other posts to Butler.



Butler reported to Burgoyne that he had lost two Loyalist, and one Indian, taken 227 scalps, burned 1000 homes, drove off over 1000 cattle, sheep and hogs. It became known as the Wyoming Massacre.

The Wyoming Valley was named "xwé:wamənk" (which means "At the big river flat") by the Delaware Indians.

In 1809 Scottish poet Thomas Campbell wrote a poem about the Wyoming massacre called "Gertrude of Wyoming". It was a very popular poem. In 1865 when congress was considering a bill to make Wyoming a territory, Congressman Mitchell Ashley of Ohio came up with the name of Wyoming for the new territory, because "Gertrude of Wyoming" was his favorite poem.

Wyoming would become the 44th state in 1890 and was named for a battle in the American Revolution.



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

Regional Area Activities

Northern Region

28 Jan, George Washington Chapter:

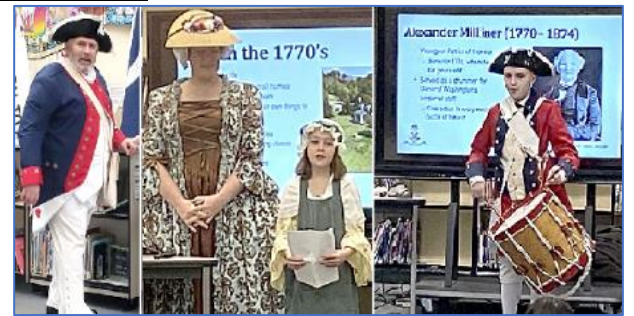
Color Guard Captain Mike Hutchins proudly presented the GW Chapter flag award to the Town of La Conner.



31 Jan, George Washington Chapter:

The GW chapter was honored to be part of a historical presentation at Island Park Elementary School.

In attendance were Compatriot Michael Moore (AH), his Wife (DAR), Granddaughter, and Grandson, Michael Bendickson (AH).



Also present were compatriots John Kraft (GW), Jim Blanton (SE), and Robert Korn (SE) Neil Vernon (SE)

17 Feb: George Washington Memorial, University of Washington:

"Today on President's Day on the University of Washington campus a wreath laying ceremony was held at the George Washington statue.

Prior to the wreath laying, Jean Sherrard, author of the book "Seattle Now and Then", presented a program on the book. After the program, the joint SAR/DAR Fife and Drum Corps lead the group to the Statue for presentation of wreaths.

Multiple organizations including Daughters of the American Revolution, Sons of the American Revolution and others laid wreaths at the base of the statue. The statue was unveiled on Flag Day, June 14, 1909 and was donated by Rainier Chapter of Seattle, who undertook the project in 1905.

Symbolically, as the wreaths were being laid a Bald Eagle soared overhead.



Color Guard members participating were (l to r):

Dick Motz, Art Dolan, Christian Ferrin, Jan Lemmer, Jim Lindley, Neil Vernon, Mike Bendickson, Viren Lemmer, Lee Thomasson, Jerry Bordelon, Mike Moore, Dick Whittemore.

Southern Region

18 Jan: The CG Captain of the AH Chapter, Jerry Bordelon, Chapter gave a fascinating presentation on Louisiana's very important role in the Revolution.



25 Jan: The Color Guard from the AH chapter posted colors at the DAR winter 2020 Board of management at the Courtyard Marriot in Tacoma.

CG members present were Jerry Bordelon, Dick Motz, and Dennis Case.



22 Feb: Massing of the Colors is a patriotic ceremony honoring those who have served and are active in the U.S. military, and honoring those today who carry on the tradition. The ceremony (AKA "Washington State Patriotic Day") is intended to highlight individuals who deserve recognition in addition to active duty, Reserve and National Guard personnel. The I Corps Army Band played selection of music celebrating the long line of those who have served our country well. The Massing of the Colors began in 1919 by military officers, headed by General John "Black Jack" Pershing, who served in WWI. In 1923.



Pictured above are: (L to R) Jerry Bordelon, Mike Hutchins, Marshall Eberhart, Bruce Bock, Dennis Case, Christian Ferrin, Neil Vernon, Art Dolan, Mike Moore, John Kraft, Jim Lindley, Dick Motz, (front row) Jan Lemmer, Stephanie Conroy, Mike Bendickson, Terry Barker, Roxane Hreha, and Bob O'Neal. Not in the photo was Ken Roberts.



Four Chapters and the Fife & Drum Corps were represented at the event

29 Feb: SAR CG Posts Colors at the DAR memorial ceremony for Honorary State Regent Adamson, which took place at the Mountain View Cemetery in Auburn.

A great turnout for the dedication. HODARS, SAR CG, DAR, and F&D were all represented.

Pictured (l to r) Jerry Bordelon, Ralph Liening, Viren Lemmer, Stephanie Conroy, Lanabeth Horgen (DAR Regent), Terry Taylor Barker, Jan Lemmer, Neil Vernon, and Dick Motz.

Eastern Region

18 Feb: Kelly Schultz and Larry Flint of the Mid-Columbia Chapter attended the Naturalization Ceremony in Richland, handed out cross-flag pins to 34 new citizens from 5 continents and 16 countries. Congressman Dan Newhouse gave a congratulatory speech. The Columbia River DAR Chapter had cookies and punch.



20 Feb: Stan Wills of the Spokane Chapter presented a Living History Program to the Spokane Valley Elementary School 1st grade.



21 Feb: Stan Wills presented "Native Americans in the Rev War" to 50 DAR members and their Husbands in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.



Western Region

10 Feb: Members of the JPJ Color Guard presented copies of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution to the Kitsap County Commissioners along with a framed print of the Signing of the Constitution.



Pictured are **Mick Hersey**, Ed Wolfe, **Doug Nelson**, **David Irons**, Robert Gelder, **Fred Gilbert**, **Noah Chase**, Charlotte Garrido and Vern Frykholm (as George Washington). [Short Video](#) of the presentation.

Feb – Mar: JPJ has also been active in the schools:

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| 14-Feb | Klahowya Secondary School | 23-Mar | Emerald Heights Elementary |
| 20-Feb | Pine Crest Elementary School | 26-Mar | Poulsbo Elementary School |
| 26-Feb | Crownhill Elementary School | 28-Apr | Cougar Valley |
| 10-Mar | Central Kitsap Middle School | 3-Jun | Brownsville |
| 19-Mar | North Kitsap Baptist Church | | |



Hillcrest Elementary



Pind Crest Elementary

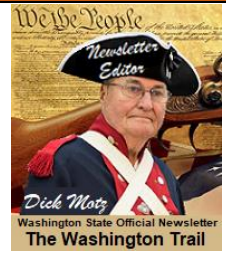


Klahowya Secondary School

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

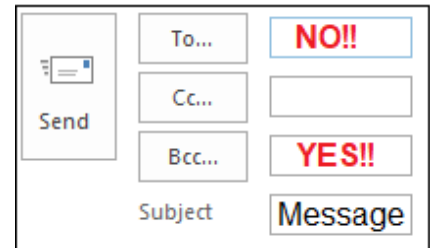
Publication Schedule: Publish four times a year (after each BOD meeting).

<i>Edition</i>	<i>BOD</i>	<i>Period covered</i>	<i>Deadline</i>	<i>Published on</i>
Winter (1 st Qtr.)	Jan	21 Dec to 31 Mar	No later than 20 Mar	31 Mar +/-
Spring (2 nd Qtr.)	Apr	1 Apr to 30 Jun	No later than 20 Jun	30 Jun +/-
Summer (3 rd Qtr.)	Jul	1 Jul to 30 Sep	No later than 20 Sep	30 Sep +/-
Fall (4 th Qtr.)	Oct	1 Oct to 20 Dec	No later than 15 Dec	20 Dec +/-

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

Pvt Andrews entered the service on July 17th 1958. On the first day he was issued a comb. That afternoon his head was shaved. On the second day he was issued a tooth brush. That afternoon the post dentist pulled two of his teeth. On the third day he was issued a jock strap...



Pvt Andrews was never seen or heard from again.

Just because there are no complaints, doesn't mean all parachutes are perfect

26 Jan 1945: This Day in History: M1 Garand Becomes Greatest Battle Implement. Lieutenant General George S. Patton, Jr. uttered the famous phrase, "In my opinion, the M-1 Rifle is the greatest battle implement ever devised." Well, actually, he didn't say it - he wrote it. [Click here to read the complete article.](#)



UNIFORMS & OTHER ITEMS WANTED/FOR SALE

Wanted:

Item	Size	Contact	Note

For Sale:

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

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

Battles of the Revolutionary War and War of 1812:

2-Sided Map is available from the National Geographic Society.

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

