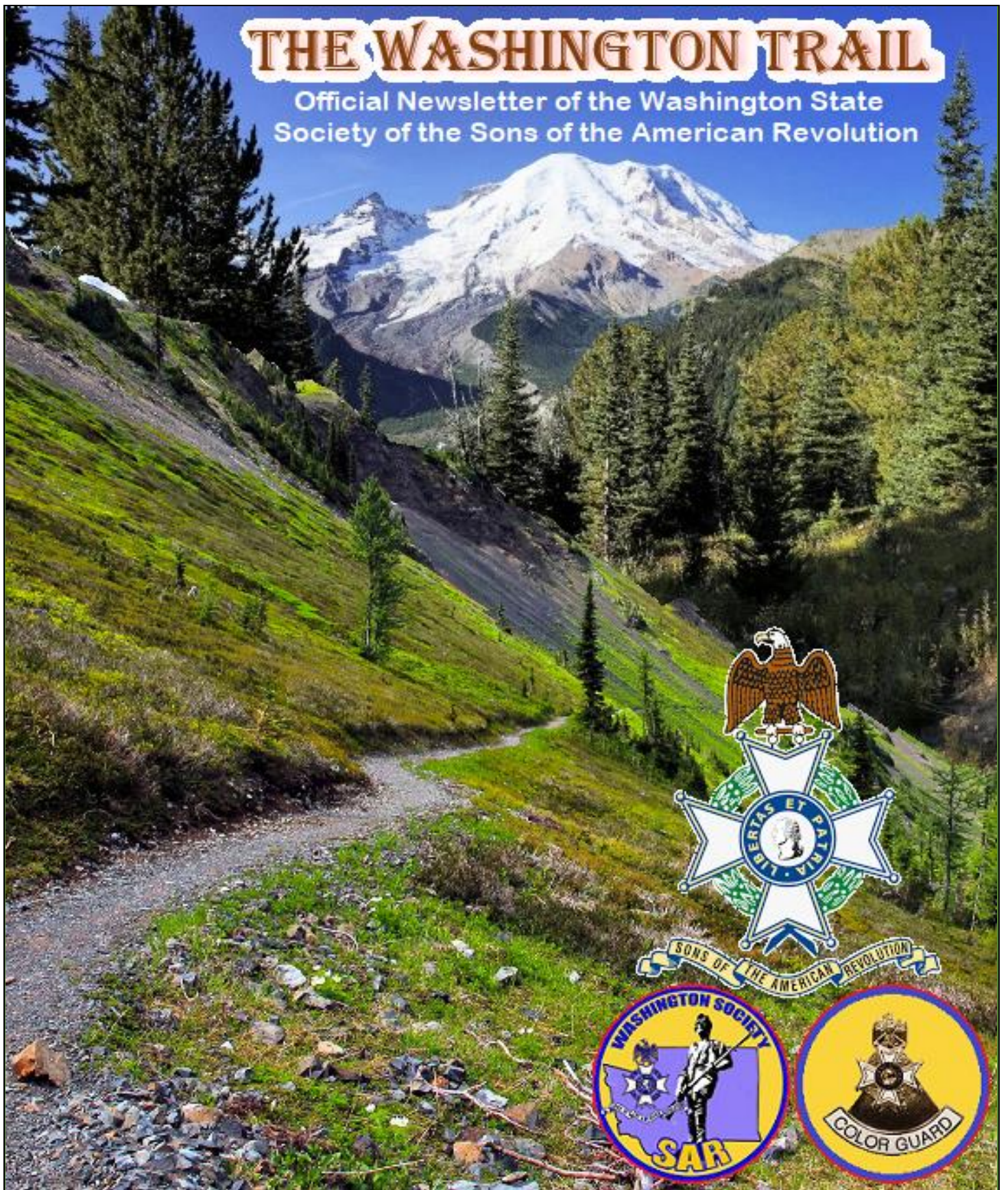


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Upcoming Meetings and Events



- Chapter Meetings (see [Media Links](#))
- ~~2020 – 26 & 27 Jun~~: WA State SAR Conference in Yakima, WA **(CANCELED)**
- 2021 – 7 thru 15 July: SAR National Congress in Renton, WA at the Hyatt Regency Lake Washington
- Color Guard [Schedule](#)

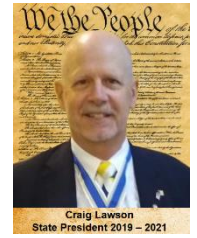
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Washington State SAR President's Message - Spring 2020 (2nd Quarter)

Compatriots,

In my last message, I called this a time that *"tries men's souls."* Well, I certainly didn't think then that we would still be in that time in June! Unfortunately, because we still are in the time of COVID-19, the Board of Directors decided to cancel our 2020 Washington SAR State Conference and Annual Meeting. We had postponed it from April to June, but the governor's lockdown order still prohibited meetings of 50 or more people beyond the June dates. We looked at postponing the Conference again until September, but ultimately didn't believe it would be safe enough even then for our members to travel to Yakima and meet together. Fortunately, in April we held the vote for National officers, the only business required to be conducted at this year's Annual Meeting. Everything else will have to wait until our 2021 State Conference and Annual Meeting, currently scheduled for April 9-10, 2021 in Bellevue.



In the meantime, despite the barriers caused by COVID-19, we cannot let it defeat us. We must continue promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and teaching that history to future generations. For now, this may mean online chapter meetings (as some of our chapters have done), socially distant patriotic observances, and visiting classrooms by computer. But whatever it takes, we can and will continue to make a difference.

As evidence of these continuing efforts, at our April meeting the Board of Directors approved two new Washington chapters: the George Rogers Clark Chapter in Olympia and the Ranger Chapter in south Snohomish County. Art Dolan and Bob Doughty were the primary drivers behind these new chapters. Thank you both!

Finally, congratulations to the Ft. Vancouver Chapter for producing two of the three winners of the National SAR Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence History Teacher of the Year award, primary school teacher Linda Korum of Battle Ground and middle school teacher John Zingale of Vancouver. What an achievement!

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

A Moment Of Silence For A Fallen Compatriot

6 Jun 2020: On this date, at the age of 87, Arlin Gale Palmer passed on to join his revolutionary ancestors.

Gale was born on 10 April 1933. Gale joined the SAR in 2008 and was also a member of the War of 1812 society. Gale was a long-time member of the Spokane #1 Chapter and Captain of the Chapter Color Guard. He and Stan Wills were the first SAR members to attend functions in uniform and participated in the very first SAR State Color Guard event, the Auburn Veterans Day Parade, in November of 2011. He was an Army veteran and served during the Korean War. After the war he attended WSU (1954) and became a school teacher until he retired in 1988. He continued to teach the rest of his life. He taught Hunter Education for 50 years and thru the SAR he taught American History thru our living history programs. He was married three times who have all preceded him. He is survived by a son William Palmer, 2 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.



He will be buried, next to his parents, grandparents and great grandparents in the family cemetery. Gale was very proud of the fact that his family descended from the Mayflower.

The cemetery is located in Orchard Heights, WA. on Palmer Rd.

2021 SAR Conference Update

Update: 2021 National Congress Planning Committee, Update - 2019

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.

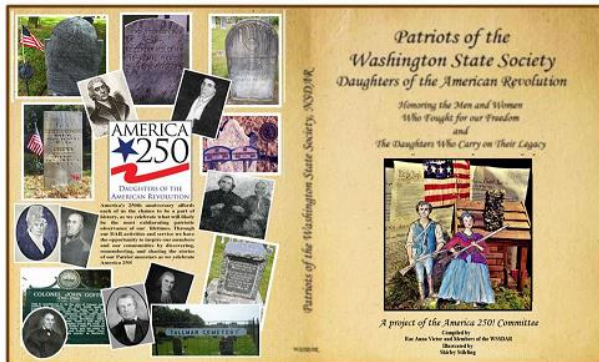


Challenge coins are \$20. We also hope to have our green 2021 Congress polo shirts available for \$35. They are limited so grab yours while you can!

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!

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

2020 DAR Patriot Book On Sale



WSSDAR PATRIOT BOOK

This soft-back book will contain over 300 pages. Section I is a listing of chapter member and patriot names. Section II are the stories and photos of original and supplemental patriots of WSSDAR Members.

| | # Ordered | Cost Each | Total |
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| Patriot Book | | \$17.95 | |
| Shipping and Handling | | 5.00 | |
| Pick up at BOM | | 0 | |

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**SEND CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Patriot Book Project/Rae Anna Victor
504 South Skipworth Court, Spokane Valley, WA, 99206-6170**

Proceeds from this book will support the Isaac and Ann Palmer America 250! Project and will include a specially designed Patriot Bookmark from [Sonja's Bookmark Co.](http://Sonja'sBookmarkCo.com)

Print, Cut on dotted line and Mail...

“What Did You Do During The Virus Lockdown?”

That is the question I posed to the membership on 4-6-2020. Here are the responses:

| Name | CH | What I Did To Keep Busy.... | |
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| Al Pinkham | JPJ | Spending most of my time working on SAR admin! | |
| Art Dolan | AH | Laurie and I have been spending time in Astoria. No crowds no tourists only 9,000 people in town, everything on the shelves, no hoarding with lots of work to do outside on the property. We cancelled our cable TV and phone keeping only the internet. Instead we bought an Amazon fire stick and are saving about \$2100 a year. Laurie is on Zoom calls about 5 hours a day so life for her is busy and it is also an election year for her. | |
| Bill Barnsdale | SE | We tore out my daughter's old (1953) shower stall and built a new all tile shower for her and our four grandchildren. Her 9-year-old triplets helped. It took twice as long as I'd projected! | |
| Bob Doughty | CC | Spending time answering SAR-related questions, working on genealogy back-log, and doing usual domestic chores | |
| Bob O'Neal | AH | I'm playing games of Scrabble with my wife, Ronnie, who gives me strong competition, even though she is a native Norwegian speaker. She beat me in two games! The last time I was at home for months was during the summers of 1944-45 (5-6 yrs. old) I remember making WWII warplanes out of cereal box cardboard from my Mom. As I ate my cereal the other day, I thought about doing that again! Staying safe as we shop at the JBLM commissary. |  |
| Bob Todd | AH | Genealogy, read a lot and worked in the garden. Ran out of time every day | |
| Bob Wagers | AH | During the self-imposed lock down, we are doing a lot of reading and computer time - and developing a strong case of cabin fever. We only go out to pick up groceries which we order on-line. | |
| Brian Ugurlu | SE | I am writing a fiction novel and spending time with my Bengal cat. Me & the Cat |  |
| Brian Waid | | We staggered our staff hours to avoid overlap, but I've kept regular office hours. Other than that, my wife and I have taken a couple of half-day drives to visit areas of Washington that we've not previously visited. | |
| Bruce Bock | GW | I'm still working. Alternating at work and remotely working at home every other week. Both of us are fine at the moment | |
| Bruce Dennis | CC | I've been attending lots of Zoom online meetings from home and I'm comfortable using the platform. I'm hopeful CCSAR will decide to hop on board. | |
| Bryan Bechler | CC | My wife and I work at a prison and are considered essential staff. That means we go to work every day. | |
| Carl Durkoop | SP | Thankfully, I'm still working, but working from home. I'm getting quite comfortable with it! | |
| David Raese | CC | Been working on home projects and a lot of supplements for various heritage societies. Possibilities for even more supplements are seemingly endless | |
| Dick Motz | AH | Remodeled guest bathroom (new cabinet, floor, mirror, paint), installed hardwood flooring in a 34' hallway and entry, cleaned out my workshop, working in the gardens, watched TV, working on NLS, updating CG schedule daily, working on PRS updates, cleaning out the garage, built new potting bench. Front Gardens |  |
| Donald O'Rear | SP | I am just staying home during the "Virus lockdown". | |
| Doug Barber | FV | Working in the shop, making wood flowers for the back fence and reading. Doug's wood flowers |  |
| Doug Nelson | JPJ | Worked on my family genealogy | |
| Eric Olsen | AH | I've been busy with work (critical infrastructure-telecom), building a fence, garage remodel, fixing and painting our house, building planter boxes for the wife and general busy work. | |
| Eric Jarvi | CC | I started scanning 23 milk crates of paper genealogical records gathered by my late mother-in-law (an extraordinary DAR) into searchable PDF format. I am now experimenting with indexing it in the cloud using the Azure AI Cognitive Search Service (OCR, translation, key phrase extraction, location, people, and organization detection). | |

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| Fred Gilbert | JPJ | I am landscaping, preparing my organic vegetable garden, planting veggies seeds, finishing up on any pruning, cleaning and prepping my pond and transplanting of plants and spreading 120 bags of bark mulch. This is keeping me busy and exercised. |
| Greg Riehl | SP | Built and repaired some existing fence on our property. Still lots to do on the place and this stay at home order is taking away my excuse not to get it done! |
| Jack Baskin | MC | Bought a boat early and had to go to Bellingham to pick it up. Have been self-quarantined for 2 weeks and working on outfitting the boat. Waiting this to be over and WDFW opens fishing up again. It just does not work very well trying to catch fish while the boat is on the trailer sitting in my yard. |
| Jan Callaway | JPJ | Working around the house, but as an essential worker I get called in by the local Utility Company couple days a week. I also have my own business which is designated as essential. I teach 2-3 safety classes per month for the defense contractors who fix the world's greatest Ships. |
| Jerry Hull | AH | I/we have taken the easy way out, <i>Do What You Are Told!!</i> I found that around my office, with my assistant, it was a lot easier that way even though I pay her salary!! |
| John Kraft | GW | I have been busy reviewing, editing, and publishing applications and patriot records in the SAR Patriot Research System for the state of WA. |
| Kelly Schultz | MC | Karen and I have been doing the routine of an "extended weekend". We have to stay focused and remember Friday is garbage day, otherwise the days blend. Karen was working part time in her office with the objective of retiring on her birthday, the end of April, at the same age I retired. Her Office manager called March 24 and she was given the option of being furloughed or laid off, and she said, "I'll make it easy on you, I'll retire". She sacrificed a retirement party and now she is facing being with me 24/7. We are catching up on a lot of "us time" and occasionally I will let her win a game of Scrabble. (I must say her vocabulary has expanded much, since we were married 29 years ago this last Friday). |
| Ken Powe | MC | Not much different than before just avoiding people |
| Ken Roberts | AH | Completed membership applications for the: 1) Hereditary Order of Families of Presidents and First Ladies of America First Families of Vermont 2) National Society of The Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims 3) Order of the Founders and Patriots of America 4) Descendants of Founders of New Jersey 5) National Society Sons of Colonial New England. All are approved. Am also applying for membership in the Jamestown Society. Compiling a book of how many Presidents and First Ladies that I am related to. So far, I show relationships to 39 of our Presidents & many of their wives. |
| Lane Elliott | SP | We are doing 1,000-piece puzzles; a lot of movies; yard work (weather permitting) and spending more time on Ancestry.com. |
| Larry Flint | MC | Being retired, this corona virus isolation is not a great change other than much more time at home and lack of gatherings with friends. Luckily the weather has warmed enough to allow working in the yard. My wife and I continue to get out daily to walk the dogs. My brother in Idaho and sister in Wyoming and I have also volunteered to be guinea pigs for a " "homeopathic nosode" (a preparation of substances secreted in the course of a disease, used in the treatment of that disease.) test for a corona virus medication. |
| Lee Thomasson | AH | Spent several days Identifying 3 fireproof containers of family photos, placing them in manila envelopes with the photo # and name on the outside, burned limbs from storms and pruning in the last 8 months, pruned my grape vines, cleaned out stuff that I want to donate to our local museum for a garage sale to raise money, worked on my will to make sure things will go to where I want them to go, made a wooden plug for my powder horn and made leather gaiters for my rifleman's outfit, and bought some collectible artifacts on eBay (one is a cannon ball from General Benedict Arnold's ship Congress that was salvaged at "Arnold's Bay" on one of the great lakes. I hope to donate this to our display at the Chehalis Veteran's Museum. |
| Mark Griswold | CC | We've been taking lots of walks with the kids and doing our best to "homeschool" them. My wife is baking lots and I've also been doing some more genealogical research and think I have found another Patriot Ancestor on a completely different branch of my family! Looking forward to seeing all my compatriot cousins soon! |
| Marshall Eberhart | GW | All is fine in Sedro. Working in the shop, making sawdust, re-measuring, making more sawdust, swearing, making more sawdust, swearing, reading a book about making sawdust. That is about it.... |
| Mick Hersey | JPJ | As a Logistics Specialist for a Government Contractor, I worked, keeping the 6-foot distance and cleaned spaces with sanitizer. |
| Mike Hutchins | GW | I am working on updating the Patriot Research System, catching up on scrapbooking and genealogy projects. Since most libraries are closed and historical societies are working from home or are closed, I am getting more familiar with online resources i.e. Ancestry's Card Catalog. I also inventoried the George Washington Patriot's chest and repacked it. Like everyone else by now my things to do list is more and more difficult to create each morning. |
| Paul A Ocker | FV | I have been taking evening drives about dusk and doing some wildlife photography from the car with a telephoto lens. Turkeys, deer, owls, pheasants and many other things can be spotted prowling around Waitsburg, WA. |
| Quentin Gilman | JPJ | Read paper, drank coffee, took walk, watched TV news, drive up Starbucks, back home, watched news & shows & movie, and read books. Same every day! |
| Randal Roach | MC | I have been deemed essential personnel due to my function within the Federal Court system. My work schedule has not changed. |

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| Skip Stephan | AH | I am doing some very serious "swamping out" of a spare bedroom where I am finding mail dated back to 2010! In May, I have scheduled major long overdue surgery to repair abdominal problems including a bothersome hernia. |
| Wayne Farber | GW | Watched the six-hour miniseries "Washington" on the History Channel. |

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)



Reminders for 2020/2021

2020 Washington State SAR Annual Meeting:

The annual WA State Society meeting will be held in **Yakima WA. (CANCELED)**.

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

National SAR Knight Essay Contest 3rd Place Winner

Miss Taylor Carpenter, who was judged to be the Washington State winner, has now taken 3rd place in the **National SAR Knight Essay Contest**. She is a young lady that lives in Burbank, WA and is home schooled. She read her winning essay for the Mid-Columbia at their 15 Feb chapter meeting. Craig Lawson, our state president, was in attendance for the proceedings. Kelly Shultz presented Miss Taylor with the Orations Medal, as the Mid-Columbia Chapter winner of the Joseph S Rumbaugh Historical Orations Contest.

Keith Weissinger sent her a note congratulating her:



Dear Taylor,

It is my honor and extreme pleasure to inform you that your essay, "Women Warriors: Heroines of the Revolution," has been chosen as Third Place in the National SAR Knight Essay Contest. Congratulations! For your outstanding performance, you will receive \$1000. Our National Knight Essay Chairman, Jim Lindley, will be in touch with you with the details. It is a thrill that you have brought such a prestigious honor to the Washington Society, the Mid-Columbia Chapter, and to yourself. Our only regret is that we cannot thank you in person. May you stay healthy in these challenging times. Thank you again for your contribution to the SAR. All the best in what is certain to be a bright future. Regards, Keith A Weissinger MD, State Chairman, SAR Knight Essay Contest.

New Chapters Update

At the Board of Directors telephone conference on April 2nd the Board approved the applications of both George Rogers Clark and Ranger Chapter! The formation of these two Washington SAR chapters is awaiting National SAR approval.

- **George Rogers Clark Chapter:**

The George Rogers Clark Chapter is real! Our application will be sent to National and as soon as National confirms receipt of the application, we are a chapter! Stay tuned for more information as it is received. That means all officers are closer to reality. Thanks to all who volunteered, stepped forward and requested leadership roles in our new chapter."

Art Dolan, President Elect, George Rogers Clark Chapter, Washington SAR

- **Ranger Chapter:**

Good news. The prospective Ranger Chapter held its fifth organizational meeting on 22 Feb 2020 at the Harbor Pointe Golf Club. This meeting was very productive in that several members graciously volunteered to be the Charter Chapter Officers. The President will be William Barnsdale.

Respectfully submitted, Bob Doughty, Washington SAR Membership and Chapter Support Committee

Regent Lanabeth Horgen Honored By WA SAR

18 May: President Craig Lawson awarded DAR State Regent Lanabeth Horgen with the SAR Medal of Appreciation. This is the highest medal a state society can award to a DAR and the 2nd highest SAR National ladies' award. It shows Molly Pitcher in gold relief serving an artillery piece in battle. It is given to recognize her outstanding service rendered to the Washington Society Sons of the American Revolution.



Patriot Research System Project Complete Ahead Of Schedule

On **13 Feb 2020** President Lawson tasked **John Kraft** of the George Washington Chapter to put together a team of volunteers with the goal of attaining 100% of WA SAR membership applications entered into the Patriot Research database System. The goal was to do it in 20 weeks. John and his crew of 15 volunteers reached that milestone On 31 May, 32 days ahead of schedule. This involved entering and linking almost 1700 applications carefully and completely.

John said *“Thanks to all of the volunteers. I could not have done it without them. I believe that this is an important project and the SAR will see benefits from it far into the future.”*

| Abbreviation | Society | Total Apps* | Record Copy Available* | Patriot Linked* | Patriot Linked % | Complete Lineage | Percent Done | Remaining Unavailable Record Copies |
|--------------------|------------------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| WA | Alexander Hamilton | 406 | 404 | 404 | 100.0% | 404 | 100.0% | 2 |
| WA | Cascade Centennial | 353 | 345 | 345 | 100.0% | 345 | 100.0% | 8 |
| WA | Fort Vancouver | 61 | 57 | 57 | 100.0% | 57 | 100.0% | 4 |
| WA | George Rogers Clark | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% | 0 |
| WA | George Washington | 69 | 69 | 69 | 100.0% | 69 | 100.0% | 0 |
| WA | John Paul Jones | 185 | 182 | 182 | 100.0% | 182 | 100.0% | 3 |
| WA | Marcus Whitman | 3 | 3 | 3 | 100.0% | 3 | 100.0% | 0 |
| WA | Mid-Columbia | 67 | 63 | 63 | 100.0% | 63 | 100.0% | 4 |
| WA | Ranger | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% | 0 |
| WA | Seattle | 252 | 251 | 251 | 100.0% | 251 | 100.0% | 1 |
| WA | Spokane | 244 | 240 | 240 | 100.0% | 240 | 100.0% | 4 |
| WA | Washington | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% | 0 |
| WA | Washington Society SAR | 83 | 83 | 83 | 100.0% | 83 | 100.0% | 0 |
| WA | Unassigned | 2 | 2 | 2 | 100.0% | 2 | 100.0% | 0 |
| Grand Total | | 1725 | 1699 | 1699 | 100.0% | 1699 | 100.0% | 25 |

The volunteers were: Bruce Bock, Gary Gray, George Vernon, Jerry Bordelon, John Hosfield, Kenyon Luce, Leland Hutchins, Michael Lovelace, Michael Moore, Richard Moody, Robert Sexton, Rodger Dent, Viren Lemmer, Dick Motz, and Bob O'Neal, **John E. Kraft, Sr., MCPO, USN, (Ret), George Washington Chapter Registrar, Washington State**

News From the WA State SAR Ladies Auxiliary (LAWASSAR)



Greetings from the Ladies Auxiliary of Washington State!

[Facebook Page](#)

Not a lot of news from the Ladies Auxiliary this issue. The latest membership booklet will be mailed to members. This would normally have been distributed at the now cancelled state conference.

Teri Lindley, LAWASSAR President

Meetings Around The State

Trustee Report, Fall Leadership Meeting, 5-30-2020

The following is a brief summary of today's Special Trustees Meeting:

- First payroll payment made from Small Business Loan through Paycheck Protection Program/
- Negotiations ongoing regarding Line Of Credit from Fifth/Third Bank. Some indications that 5 year protected loan may not be available.
- SAR Store has re-opened. Expect 2 to 3 weeks to get caught up with back orders.
- Marriott has waived all costs associated with canceling Congress. Cancellation emails should go out soon. If none received by mid-June, then reach out to Paul Callanan.
- National Bylaws Committee to review current documents and make recommendations to allow additional methods of meeting for Congress. This should also include guidelines for electronic (eg Zoom) meetings for the States and Chapters.
- No fee increases this year.
- Trustee Meeting in July will only be called if warranted.
- Additional Trustee Meeting to be held end of November or first of December by teleconference.
- Logo contest: Ex Comm selected four finalists. Potentially to be selected at the Fall Leadership Conference.

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

Minutes from the BOD Meeting, June 2020



Secretary's Corner – 6-4-2020

I know that this is a stressful time for all of us. I continue to support all the Compatriot administrative requirements however, National is on a reduced work schedule and everything is much slower than normal. Many Chapters have canceled meetings, and some are using a video application to conduct meetings online. I am sure everyone will do their best to continue to promote the SAR in your communities. I expect this will be a year of few parades.

Our annual conference has been canceled, a difficult decision that was made after much deliberation on the part of the Conference committee and the BOD. If you had registered for the conference you will receive another e-mail with information on how to recover your funds. This is the season when Chapter Secretaries are verifying your contact information if you have changes please notify your Chapter Secretary. We will continue our best effort to maintain the administrative processes and meet your needs.

Be well, be safe and enjoy the Great Northwest Summer.

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

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

Respectfully submitted, Al Pinkham, State Secretary

From The Archives

Dedication of the Aurora Bridge in Seattle

The Seattle Chapter of the SAR was fundamental in the naming and dedicating of the Aurora Bridge. The official name is the George Washington Memorial Bridge and it was opened and dedicated at 3:00 PM, on February 22, 1932, the 200th anniversary of George Washington's birth.

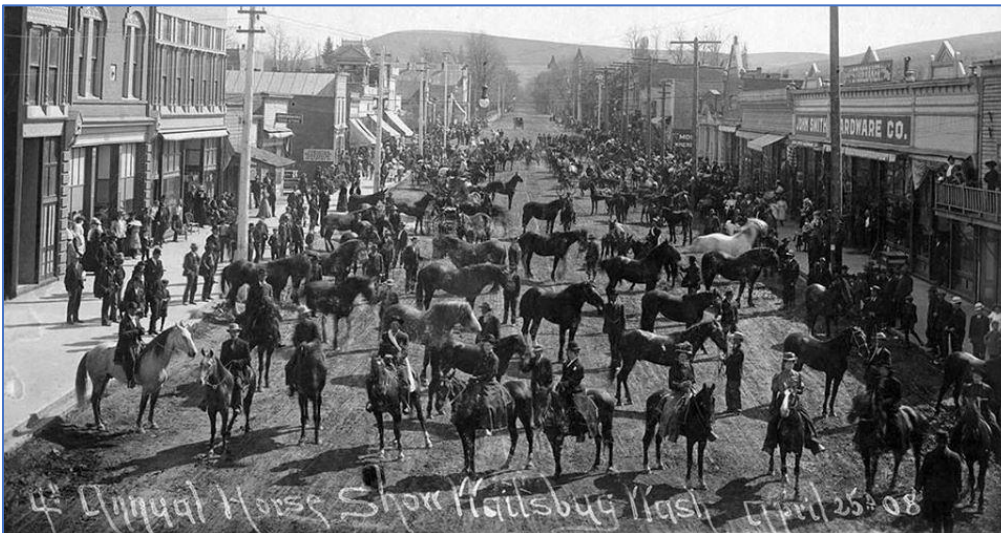


By Allan Wenzel, WA
SAR State Historian



Photo by Kathryn (Wenzel) Hinterberger

And this little tidbit from **Bill Pickett**: Since the automobile was not available just yet in the Wild West,



horses were the most convenient and fastest way to get around.



That means that instead of car shows and dealerships, there were horse shows. Here we can see one such show, which took place annually in Waitsburg, Washington. We wonder if potential buyers were allowed to take the horses for a test drive. As they say, **don't look a gift horse in the mouth**, but definitely look at the teeth of one you might buy!

Ever wondered what that phrase means? A horse's teeth are a good indication of its overall well-being.

Sons of the American Revolution - Media Links

National, WA State, Chapter, CAR, Aux - (Face Book, News Letters, and other web sites)

SAR National Society

Links: [Facebook](#) The [SAR Magazine](#) The [Colorguardsman Magazine](#) [Web Site](#)

WA State Society (State wide)

Links: [Facebook](#) [Newsletters](#) [Web Site](#) [CG 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 Rodgers Clark (Olympia area)

Meets: TBD

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](#)

Ranger (Snohomish Co. 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,

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

CAR (State Wide)

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

SAR Ladies Auxiliary (State Wide)

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

WA State Daughters of the American Revolution

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

Birthday Wishes To All Compatriots Born In Apr/May/Jun

| April | May | June |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Charles Volney Cook | Alan Francis Jones | Alexander Reynolds Ramsey |
| Frederick Arthur Hardy | Andrew Welles Griswold | Andrew Anthony Tadie Dr. |
| Jan Allyn Lemmer | Benjamin Caldwell Lightburn | Benjamin Conrad Warner |
| Robert Edward Pringle | Brent Lee Strom | Bryan Glenn Bock |
| Thomas Sackville-West | Brian Wade Smith | Charles Robert Miller |
| Douglas Brenner Cooper | Bruce Leroy Dennis | Charles Thomas Boardman |
| Christopher Richard Gelatt | Caleb Neal Summerfelt | Christopher Stephen Clayton |
| Eric William Jarvi | Charles Marshall Eberhart | Daniel Joseph Keen |
| Jonathan Reed Jones | Conrad A Plyler Jr. | Donald Allen Deschenes |
| Gale Hamilton Kenney | Craig Mark Lawson | Evan Michael Stagnaro |
| John Terrance Kruso | Dale Eugene Ryan | Gary Andrew Price |
| Timothy Deane Mather | David Duane Thompson | Gregory Clayton Henderson |
| Paul Andrew Ocker | Donald Marior Gladson | Gregory Dean Lucas CPT USA |
| Greggory Morris Stewart | Glenn Allen Snow | James Morris Lindley USAF |
| Richard Arthur Swart | Harry Percy Justice III | Jeffrey Caldwell Lightburn |
| Ardean A Anvik | James Ricky Wells | Jerome Leroy Hull CLU |
| Dennis Dale Case | Jay Douglas Cooper | John Gary Bjork |
| Gilbert Engene Blinn | Jean Paul Bordelon | John Jeffrey Elliott |
| Robert E. Lee Eggenberger Jr. | Jesse Michael Klein | John Winship Herr II |
| Richard Lee Harman | John Charles Tipton | Lane Carter Elliott |
| David James Vandaveer | John Eric Kraft Jr. | Lawrence Alan Jones |
| Kenneth Duane Carlson | John Frederick Russell | Marion Thomas Hersey SCPO USN |
| Dennis Lloyd Carnagey | John Robert Crawford | Mark Denman Hines |
| Arthur Monroe Haywood | Joseph Reaz Arya | Michael Bentley Donaldson |
| Dominik Viggo Irons | Kenyon Eldridge Luce | Neil Allen Vernon |
| Ronald David Irons | Norman Clark Smith | Norman Earnest Dodge |
| Joel Byron Little Jr. | Paul Stewart Parsons | Peter Michael Griswold |
| Jack Martin Baskin | Richard Haskell Samuelson | Randall L. Roach |
| Trevor Joseph DeLorme | Robert Bruce Sergeson | Richard Leslie Whittemore |
| Laurence Kenneth Lee | Robert Eugene Korn Jr. | Richard Thilo Porter |
| Samuel Ephriam Berg | Robert Wayne Wagers | Richard Victor Gonzalez USN |
| Darrell Irwin Gibson | Stefan Michael Woods Kovalenko | Robert Alan King |
| Brian Joseph Langley | Stuart Gordon Webber | Robert William Scott |
| Donald Steven Bright | Theodore Bradley | Ronald Jon Frederick |
| Paul Louis Clements | Todd Richard Connell | Russell Thomas Oliver |
| Robert Homer Hill | Travis Milton Miller | Stephen Coe Clements |
| William Douglas Jonas | Walter Richard Motz | Thomas Frederick Allen |
| John Fredrick Joseph Knauer | Warren McClure Alter | Thomas Wayne Gates |
| Jeffery Tyler Lewis | William Harold Roof | William Earl Brown |
| Richard Warren Miller | William Joseph Brooker | |
| Arlin Gale Palmer | William Michael Waring | |
| Brian Lane Pillman | | |
| Dennis Michael Shaw | | |





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YOUR COLOR GUARD, THE FACE OF THE SAR

From The Commander

Compatriots,

The year 2020 began with such promise and already having many activities scheduled for both chapter and state activities. As you know, the scheduled events came to a screeching halt in March due to the Governors Order to practice Social Distancing due to the COVID-19 pandemic. With an air of disappointment, we began watching chapter meetings, schools, and other activities cancelling. We began a wait and see. That now has stretched on for three months. We all have felt the impact and effects to our desires in achieving our goals.



I do believe it was a wise decision to engage in Social Distancing to curtail the pandemic which is unprecedented in our lifetimes. From my work life I see how serious of a situation we are combating. I encourage all of you compatriots to follow the directives to ensure the safety of yourself, your families, and members in your community.

How we get through this COVID-19 event depends greatly upon our mindset and our creativity. A few cases that I have heard of or have been able to participate in are:

The John Paul Jones Chapter has been able to put together online presentations for students.

Through the creativity of the Maple Leaf Cemetery in Oak Harbor, the George Washington Chapter, along with other civic organizations were able to partner in filming a Memorial Day presentation that streamed live on Memorial. This filming was all performed with Social Distancing in mind.

As the restrictions of Social Distancing are relaxed, I do urge caution. Many of us fall within the perceived "at risk" category. This pandemic is not respecter of persons or age group. The older generation has a higher risk due to the communities in which they may live and how rapidly this virus can spread.

Business may never return to "normal" if normal is how things use to be. It could be that we will have to look to 2021 before the nation comes to grips with the effects of our situation. I do believe that there are opportunities to be learned along with new methods to reach out to the community and our members. Many businesses are using avenues in conducting meetings. The Ft Vancouver held their May meeting using zoom.

We all miss the socializing and comradery of participating in the Color Guard events. I too look forward to when we can once again congregate, though again I will urge caution from rushing into the fire.

I look forward to working with each of the chapters.

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

The Native American Moment

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

Ely S. Parker Seneca Warrior

Ely Samuel Parker was born 1828 in Indian Falls, N.Y. to William and Elizabeth Parker, a prominent Seneca family. He was known as "Donehogawa". He completed his schooling at a missionary school and later attended college. He worked for a law firm in New York and applied for the Bar exam. He was not allowed to take the exam because he was an Indian and therefore not an American citizen. Indians did not become citizens until 1924. Parker would then apply to study engineering where he became a civil engineer in New York state. As an Engineer he contributed to upgrades and maintenance on the Erie Canal which is on Seneca ancestral lands.



When the Civil War starts, he attempted to raise a company of Iroquois volunteers, but the Governor turned him down. He attempted to join the Union Army as an Engineer, but the Secretary of War said "No" because he was an Indian. He contacted a friend, Ulysses S. Grant who needed Engineers. Parker was commissioned in May 1863 as a Captain. He served at the battels of Vicksburg, Chattanooga, Overland Campaign, Siege of Petersburg and Appomattox. Parker was later appointed as an Adjutant to Grant and later became his personal secretary. Parker was at the surrender of Robert E. Lee in April 1865 and wrote the surrender documents for Grant. Parker was by then a Brevetted Brigadier General of the United States Army.

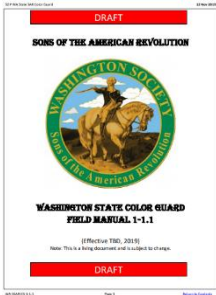


Ely Parker (L), Ulysses S. Grant (at table)

After Grant became president, Grant appointed Ely Parker as Commission of Indian Affairs. The first Indian to hold that position. Like many people Parker lost his fortune in the panic of 1873.

Ely Parker lived his last years in poverty, dying on 31 Aug 1895 in Fairfield, Connecticut where he was buried. The Seneca would have his body moved to Forest Lawn Cemetery in Buffalo, New York, next to his ancestor "Red Jacket", famous Seneca orator of the Rev war.

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.

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

Regional Area Activities

Northern Region

25 May - Oak Harbor's special COVID-coping-presentation of Memorial Day 2020: A Service of Remembrance.

The GW Chapter participated in an unusual presentation for this event. They were part of a group that videotaped segments that would later be assembled into the complete production that was then later "Live Streamed" on various sites.

[\(YouTube Link](#) to complete presentation)

The first SAR segment was the dedication of a SAR Grave Marker for GWSAR member Stanley Engle Kraft, Jr. USN Ret.

Pictured here being accepted by CG Member John Kraft



The 2nd part was the presentation of "Old Glory" by the Color Guard Commander Neil Vernon.



An excerpt of both CG presentations is available at this [LINK](#)



Color Guard members present were, (l to R) Gary Gray, Marshall Ebert, John Kraft, Neil Vernon, Bruce Bock, & Mike Hutchens.

Southern Region

Activities canceled due to stay home, stay safe policy.

Eastern Region

Activities canceled due to stay home, stay safe policy.

Western Region

Activities canceled due to stay home, stay safe policy.

The Washington Trail - Publication Schedule

Newsletter to be published 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 +/- |

News from the Chapters. A section has been added that provides [media links](#) to the chapters that have them. This will provide access to the chapters from all that receive this Newsletter.

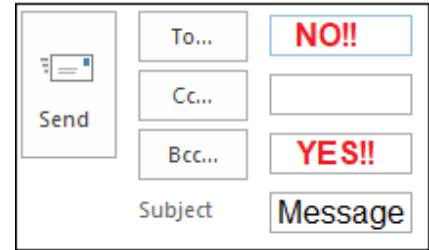
All articles/submissions are to be sent to the [Editor](#) no later than the above indicated dates.

From The Editor

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

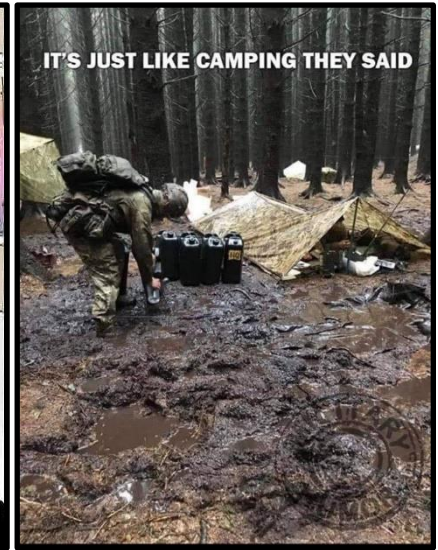
A better way to address a message if sending to more than 3 or 4 people (distribution list) is to put the distribution list in the **BCC: Box**. This will prevent the display of confidential addresses to display if the message is forwarded on to someone outside of the SAR. *The Editor*



Military Humor



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



UNIFORMS & OTHER ITEMS WANTED/FOR SALE

Wanted:

| Item | Size | Contact | Note |
|------|------|---------|------|
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| | | | |
| | | | |

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 |
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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).

