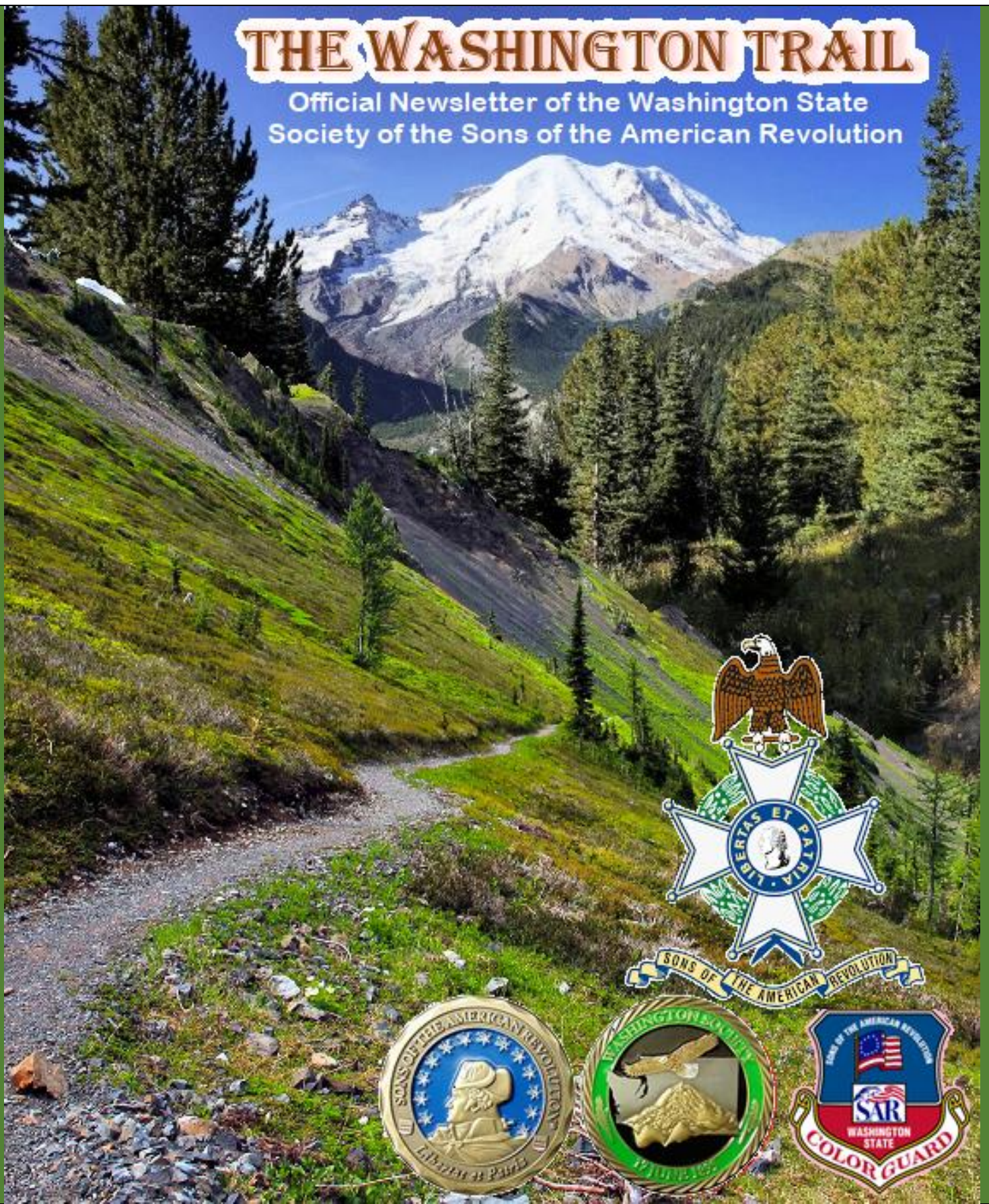


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Washington State SAR Message from the President

Compatriots:

The post-Covid era introduced additional uncertainties into our lives, including ongoing health risks, burgeoning inflation, recession, economic instability and political polarization that rivals any in history. But such was also true in Colonial America in the years leading up to the Revolution. The more things change, the more they stay the same.

Never in our history has our nation been more in need of wisdom, clarity, sound and principled leadership, and a return to the values upon which our country was founded.

As we approach the 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, those events will take center stage in the national dialogue. Decisions made 250 years ago will be studied under the microscope of political opinion, to be shredded, dissected, attacked, and evaluated in the context of hindsight over a quarter of a millennium. Standing in the fore beside the lingering shadows of our Patriot Ancestors will be the Sons of the American Revolution.

For that reason, I initiated the National Declaration of Independence Project, headed by the Washington Society. Historically accurate replicas of the Declaration of Independence are being provided to each State Society, to be signed on the reverse side by governors, mayors, legislators, and prominent persons in every state. Each signature will stand as a continuation of those who signed the face of the document, as an expression of confidence in the decisions made by our Patriot Ancestors 250 years ago. Each signature will also serve as a pledge to stand with our Patriot Ancestors in supporting, protecting and defending the Constitution and our American ideals. Each signature will affirm that the pledge by our Patriot Ancestors of their lives, their property and their sacred honor was not in vain.

I challenge you to contact your mayors, your legislators, your noteworthy leaders in every discipline to join us by signing our State's copy of the Declaration of Independence.

Our other work must also go on. For Washington to take its rightful place on the National stage, we must lead in every field. Our youth must be encouraged to enter and win state and national youth contests. The Patriot Trunks must be taken to every school district in the State. Our service to Veterans and to our communities must be reflected in our Americanism and Stark reports. Our Ladies Auxiliary must double and triple in size and impact, and we must accept the challenge of growing our membership in difficult times.

These are exciting years, with incredible things in store for our Society, all of which carry their own host of challenges. But accepting such challenges will bring out the best in our collective character.

I am honored to serve with you.

In Patriotism and Service, Gregory Lucas, State President, Washington Society, Sons of the American Revolution



From National

Compatriot Reaches Record Number of Applications: Compatriot Timothy Ward, Minuteman Class of 2014, of the Ohio SAR recently became the first ever Compatriot to be the first line sponsor of over 1,000 New Member applications. A tremendous achievement and outstanding contribution to the Society. Congratulations, Tim!

250th Anniversary Membership Directory: Beginning in the fall of 2023, SAR will start working on its America250 Collector's Edition Membership Directory. SAR has partnered with PCI, which bought out the former partner company on previous directories. This new partner has contractually agreed to address all the issues from the previous edition as reported by our membership. In addition to the standard information and features of earlier directory editions, this America250 publication will include the commemorative SAR/America 250 logo and a 16-page commentary section by a patriotic author or authors to be named later in production. The last volume of the membership directory was valuable enough for compatriots to sell 3300 volumes. Merchandise that conflicts with the SAR store will not be sold, members will be given clear and timely communication on what to expect, and all communication received by mail will have the official SAR logo attached to avoid confusion. No 'high-pressure' sales tactics will be used. A portion of the proceeds of every directory sold goes to support the SAR, and members are encouraged to participate and purchase if interested.

Committee Directory: The current Committee Directory is posted under the Members listings on SAR.org. It is dated 1 June 2023. President General Pickette has declared the Directory as closed and no additional committee memberships or changes will be accepted.

SAR Education Center and Museum: Work on the SAR Education Center and Museum is well underway. Preparation work recently began on the larger elevator that will be installed in the rear area of the Museum. The

contractor has made the initial cuts in the concrete and block to allow for drilling equipment to fit into the shaft. Earlier in late May, the "AIA" (Standard Agreement between an Owner and Architect) was signed between NSSAR and ARCHON, Inc. for Design Documents. These architect design documents are for the interior build-out of the first floor, mezzanine, and portions of the lower level of the Headquarters. They will be used to prepare the space for the museum design/builder's work. Regarding the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Museum itself, a Pre-Qualification Solicitation List was prepared and used to send a request for submission of a letter of interest to NSSAR; the request was sent to 17 firms and the due date of submissions is June 23. A press release was also sent out for wider distribution.

Issues with MailChimp Messages: The first release of the "News from the SAR" was sent to all members on April 18. Many members reported they were unaware of the message and located it in their Spam folder. Several configuration settings have been changed in MailChimp to preclude this from happening in the future. The "News" releases may be found by clicking on News in the blue banner on SAR.org.

133rd Congress 13 Jul – 20 Jul, Orlando, Florida
 The Rosen Plaza, 9700 International Dr, Orlando, FL 32819



The registration site for the 133d Congress in Orlando is open. (See this [LINK](#))

From State

Welcome To All The New Members This Quarter

Name	Chapter	Date
Alex D. Sallander	Alexander Hamilton	5/19/2023
Andrew David Zellman	Seattle	6/2/2023
Brian Russell Vowinkel	Cascade Centennial	5/5/2023
Bruce Robert Campbell	John Paul Jones	5/12/2023
Dale Martin Pratt	George Washington	5/12/2023
David Joseph Culver	Ranger	5/19/2023
Elliott Watson Standish	Alexander Hamilton	6/2/2023
Gary William Hahnert	Ft Vancouver	4/21/2023
Gerald Richard Andersen	John Paul Jones	5/5/2023
Glenn Richard Anderson	John Paul Jones	5/26/2023
Henry Allen Schumacher	Spokane	5/12/2023
John Emery Hoard	George Washington	4/21/2023
John Leonard Tucker III	John Paul Jones	4/21/2023

Name	Chapter	Date
Johnmark Dean Jenny	Washington Society	4/28/2023
Jordan Parker Stone	George Washington	5/5/2023
Lemuel Martin Pratt	George Washington	5/12/2023
Mark Christopher Boe	Cascade Centennial	5/12/2023
Marlin John Weinberger	Spokane	5/12/2023
Moses Joseph Martin	Ranger	5/19/2023
Noah Christian Shaw	Spokane	5/12/2023
Richard Dale Cline Jr	Ft Vancouver	5/12/2023
Richard Seeder	Seattle	4/7/2023
Rodney Dean Jenny	Washington Society	4/28/2023
Samuel Earl Shaw	Spokane	5/12/2023
Thomas Dallas Laing Jr	Ranger	6/2/2023
Timothy Robert Miles	Cascade Centennial	6/9/2023



HAPPY BIRTHDAY ARMY - 14 JUN 1775

In Memoriam - Fallen Compatriots

Mark Robert Shaffer 1968 - 2023

Mark Robert Shaffer, 54, arrived in this world on August 18, 1968 in Denver, Colorado. Born to Margaret Louise and Robert Dennis Shaffer, Mark was the “older” twin by four minutes with his brother Arthur following closely in his footsteps. Mark attended Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg, Missouri, and earned his Baccalaureate.

Throughout Mark’s youth, he was immersed in scouting. Growing up, he eagerly looked forward to his summer camp at the Bartle Reservation near Clinton, Missouri. When he was old enough, he even worked for a number of years at H. Roe Bartle Boy Scout summer camp as a swim instructor and eventually achieved Scouting’s highest honor, Eagle Scout. Mark decided to pursue a career in telecommunications and technology, working first at Sprint in Overland Park, Kansas, and then at HCL and Microsoft in Seattle, Washington. Mark was a proud member of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross in Redmond, Washington, where he sang in the choir.

In addition, Mark embraced his family heritage through the Sons of the American Revolution and spent many weekends volunteering with the Kairos Prison Ministry Foundation. Mark is preceded in death by his grandparents, Arthur and Frances Watson, and his mother Margaret Nygren. He is survived by his daughter Zoey Shaffer, father Robert Shaffer, twin brother Arthur Shaffer (Linda), Logan, Victoria, Uncle Fred (Mary) Watson.



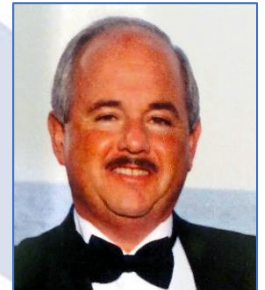
Attending the services were members of the WA State Color Guard: Eric Olsen, Robert Nofsinger, Neil Vernon, Russ Oliver, Mike Moore, Jim Lindley, Stan Granberg, and John Herr.

Also attending was the State Society President, Keith Weissinger, and Dick Paul

Mark Doherty Mitchell 1947 - 2023

Mark Doherty Mitchell, a man of resilience and unwavering spirit, passed away in Seattle, Washington, in 2023. Born on March 23, 1947, in Seattle, Mark’s life was marked by unique circumstances that made him a captivating and cherished individual. Serving in the Navy, Mark embarked on journeys across the Western Pacific, including Hawaii and Vietnam. It was during his second tour in Vietnam, anchored in Danang harbor, that he was exposed to the harmful effects of Agent Orange. Despite these challenges, Mark explored numerous countries, including Japan, the Philippines, Hong Kong, Thailand, North and South Vietnam, and both North and South Korea. Returning to Washington, he resumed his studies at the University of Washington, earning degrees in Urban Planning and Public Administration.

Sadly, Mark’s exposure to Agent Orange resulted in several illnesses that ultimately led to his passing. His battle with diabetes, heart and kidney failure serves as a testament to his strength and endurance.



Attending the services were: (l-r) Jim Lindley, Eric Olsen, Dick Moody, Dick Whittemore, Mike Moore, Bob Doughty, John Herr, Jerry Bordelon, Bruce Bock, Edwin Dierdorff

Gregory Conrad Riehl 1947 - 2023

Gregory Conrad Riehl: Greg served in the Army in Viet Nam. He came home and went to work for the Piece County Police Department where he was a member of the SWAT Team. After retiring from the police department, he moved to Deer Park WA. Here he became a member of the Spokane #1 WASSAR. He was active in the Color guard, arranging for the Color Guard to march in Deer Park veterans' parades. Greg was a member of the VFW. He served on the board for the Deer Park Airport and loved Classic cars. He was editor of the Spokane Newsletter and was instrumental in getting vests and hats with the Spokane #1 logo on them. He was an active member of Spokane #1 and it will be hard to fill his shoes.



Stan Wills

From the Chapters

Alexander Hamilton Chapter

No news submitted

Cascade Centennial Chapter

During the past few months, it's been a busy time for Cascade Centennial:

- Youth programs. We submitted candidates for state competition in four categories: Eagle Scout Essay, Enhanced JROTC, Knight Essay, and the new Youth Video Contest. At the State level, our Enhanced JROTC nominee, Cadet Eowyn Ream, won first place and one of the two Youth Video Contest candidates that we recruited placed second. As always, our Eagle Scout contest led by chapter coordinator Greg Emerson had a very competitive candidate, and for the first time in several years, Knight Essay chapter coordinator Fred Templin produced four nominees for our chapter competition.
- Flag Certificates. After several years of relatively low involvement, we are making a push towards presenting more Flag Certificates to those who fly the US Flag on a continuing basis following appropriate protocols. Thus far this year, nine certificates have been presented by chapter members with at least five others pending. Our chapter goal this year is to present 15 certificates, and we are well on our way to doing that.
- Fire Safety Commendation Medal. In response to reaching out to the Bellevue Fire Department, Chief Hagen has identified a candidate, Recruit Firefighter Bradford Carman, for the SAR Fire Safety Commendation Medal. We will present the medal at a Bellevue fire station this summer in front of the recipient's colleagues. Firefighter Carman, while off duty, is credited with saving lives in a head-on collision earlier this year. Presenting more community awards is another of our chapter's goals for 2023.

Fort Vancouver Chapter

The Ft. Vancouver SAR Chapter is once again making news with the announcement of **Ridgefield High School student Elizabeth Swift's accomplishments in the SAR Knight Essay**

and Rumbaugh Oration contests! Read the full story that appeared in 20 April edition of the electronic online news source of **Clark County Today** (See [Link](#)). There's also an audio recording of the story on CCT's website, complimenting the print version of the news. Check it out online.



George Rogers Clark Chapter

**30 Apr/1 May 2023 (National Historic Marker Day),
Riverside Memorial Park-Spokane, WA.**

30 Apr: Volunteers cleaned 40 veteran grave markers and the American Legion Cenotaph which is a monument to veterans buried elsewhere, who died in the first world war. 1 May: the Spokane American Legion Post 9 had a group of volunteers who continued the cleaning of markers. They were joined by some DAR and SAR members. The event was organized by Rae Anna Victor of the Jonas Babcock DAR Chapter. Members involved were part of DAR Chapters May Hutton and Jonas Babcock both of Spokane and SAR Chapters, George Rogers Clark-Olympia and John Paul Jones-Bremerton. Special thanks to Mick Hersey who provided marker cleaning instruction and hands on demonstrations on both days for those who had never participated in this type of activity. Participants: Mick Hersey, Lew Maudsley, Franida Maudsley, Shirley Stirling, Stephanie Conroy, Terry Barker, La Vonne Whitacker, Karen Liptack, Paige Reynolds, Chuck King and Rae Anna Victor & Bob Beets (not in photo).



George Washington Chapter

A review of the recent NSSAR Treasurer's Guidelines found George Washington Chapter to be in compliance. George Washington Chapter size and geographic expanse considered one procedural adjustment was implemented. Activities for this period primarily focus on Youth Awards, Membership Relations and Color Guard. Youth Awards: The Rumbaugh Oration winner also placed first in the WASSAR competition. Knight Essay contest saw two applicants, with the Chapter winner also winning 2nd place in the WASSAR contest. Kudos to Compatriot Dr Marshall Anderson for his prompt and enigmatic management of both contests. Prizes were awarded (certificates and checks). Color Guard members Bill Bentler, Mike Hutchins, and Michael Moore (dual member w AH) manned an information display at the Cascade Mountain Men Annual Show in Enumclaw, WA. Planning meetings for Memorial Day celebration have started with the Oak Harbor Lions and Maple Leaf Cemetery. Coordination with Whidbey Island DAR to support the Chapter's Historic flag collection are confirmed. Future commitments include 4th of July parade in Anacortes, posting colors for the Vietnam Veterans annual picnic, and the Whidbey Island Rendezvous: Membership Relations Chairman Marshall Eberhart continues to meet with pending and new members for orientation and discuss the NSSAR, WASSAR and Chapter opportunities. There is increased interest in genealogy. We are looking at a forum to capitalize on their interest. Our first social get together is a lunch at Coconut Kenney's in Sedro Wooley WA early in April 6.

John Paul Jones Chapter

The John Paul Jones Chapter closed the school year on a very high note!

The John Paul Jones Education Team, led by Fred Gilbert (Education Team Coordinator), Doug Nelson, Bob Smalser, Conrad Plyler, Perry Taylor and Brian Dorr traveled throughout greater Kitsap County and to up to Port Angeles visiting **12** schools, delivering **71** presentations, and educating **1,115** students on The American Revolution! Furthermore, school principals and teachers were presented with challenge coins as a hearty, "thank you" for the opportunity. **A Job Well Done** for this tremendous team effort!



Mid-Columbia Chapter

Kelly Schultz, Randal Roach and Larry Flint from the Mid-Columbia Chapter on May 1st Naturalization Ceremony in Richland, along with the DAR Ladies. Following the ceremonies, we handed out crossed flag pins and took pictures with some of the twenty-four new citizens. The DAR, passed out punch and cookies.



Kelly, Randal and Larry with New American Family
(Photo by Connie Boice)

Ranger Chapter

No news submitted

Seattle Chapter

No news submitted

Spokane #1 Chapter

On 22 May, Iris Cantlon, of the DAR, presented the "Flag Museum" with a Betsy Ross Flag over 100 years old. It is a coffin flag (5-foot X 9-foot) that she inherited. She said it was her husband's first wife's grandmother's flag. We believe it was used for a funeral in 1876. It is too large to display so it is being put in a display case with a picture next to it.

Pictured in the photo are Tracy Proctor, Patsy Wood (DAR), Iris Cantlon (DAR), Stan Wills (SAR), Jennifer Trumbell (Granddaughter of Iris), Karen Liptac (DAR), Doug Jonas (SAR), Rae Anna Victor (DAR).



WASHINGTON FAMILY IMPACT ON WASHINGTON STATE

Bushrod Corbin Washington II arrived on a train in Spokane Washington in 1908. Accompanying him was his wife, Emma, son Nathaniel, daughters Peachy, Hannah Lee, Jane and a large trunk. His other son James had arrived a few years earlier.

Bushrod Corbin Washington II was the son of Thomas Blackburn Washington and grandson of Bushrod Corbin Washington I. Bushrod Corbin Washington I was the grandson of John Augustine Washington, brother to George Washington. After the Civil War, only 4 of 12 male Washington family members survived. Bushrod Corbin Washington II had inherited much of the Washington family holdings including the "Claymont Plantation". Claymont was 16,000 square feet with 59 rooms and 29 fireplaces. Due to debt owed by the Washington family from the Civil War Bushrod had to sell the plantation and move on. He managed to build up several businesses in West Virginia, but he was looking for a place to start new beginnings. Washington State was the perfect place. After settling in Washington State for a year he purchased land near Almira Washington, next to where the current Grand Coulee Dam is. With his wife and other family members he acquired more land by the homestead act.

The first year they lived in a tent as they waited for logs to be floated down the Columbia River to build a log home and corrals.

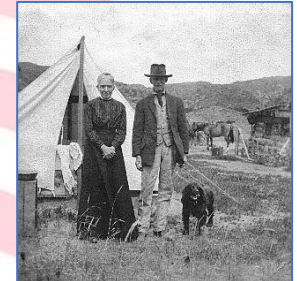
Soon Bushrod, Emma, James and Peachy settled in and they started growing apples and raising cattle. The new home would be called "Washington Flats". "Washington Flats" is now part of the 22,000 Big Bend Wildlife Area, open to the public. Access is just below Grand Coulee Dam.

Washington Flats on the south side of the Columbia River (right side)

Nathaniel had earned his law degree while living in West Virginia and was now a lawyer in Almira, WA. Bushrod wrote back to his friends in West Virginia praising how wonderful the soil was. It would grow anything and soon more homesteaders were headed to Washington State from Virginia/West Virginia.

Soon the family would be beset with one tragedy after another. Bushrod Corbin Washington II would die in the 1919 flu epidemic. Two of his daughters would also die. In 1926 during a family picnic at "Washington Flats", Nathaniel, after stepping in hole while swimming in the river was swept downstream, James and Peachy attempted to rescue him and all three drowned. James was found the next day and Nathaniel and Peachy were found two weeks later 40 miles downstream. Standing on the shore watching in horror was Emma and Nathaniel's son Nathaniel Jr. Nathaniel junior had to ride a horse for over an hour back to Almira for help. But it was too late. Emma Washington would die in 1930 in Ephrata Washington. All the Washington family members are buried in the Almira Cemetery. There are also headstone memorials in Jefferson County West Virginia, for 70 Washington Family members at the Zion Episcopal Church, including a memorial for Bushrod Corbin Washington II.

Nathaniel senior had been working to get a dam built on the Columbia River for irrigation in Eastern Washington. Thanks to his efforts a Dam was built, Grand Coulee Dam. Recently the third generator room at Grand Coulee dam was named the Nathaniel Washington generator room. Nathaniel Junior would go on to graduate from the University of Washington with a Law degree. He would later serve 6 terms as a senator from Washington State. Thanks to his efforts two more Dams were built on the Columbia River, Wanapum Dam and Priest Rapids Dam. When you cross over the Columbia River at Vantage look downstream and you will see the Wanapum Dam, Priest Rapids Dam is below it. Nathaniel junior would serve in WWII and was present at the Nuremberg War Crimes Trials. After the war he became the prosecuting attorney for Douglas County, Washington. Here he built a home across from the Court House and it is now an event center and museum for Washington Family history. The event center is available for rent. In the trunk that accompanied Bushrod Washington II when he arrived in 1908, were artifacts from George Washington, paintings of the early Washington family members and deed records for the Washington family including records of over 500 slaves dating back to the 1600's. Most of these artifacts were sold in 2006 but some remain in the Nat Washington House (check it out on Facebook). Two sons of Nat Washington are still alive (Tom & Nat) and live in the Seattle area. They have retained all the Washington family Bibles. In conclusion the next time you turn on the lights, thank the Washington family for the hydroelectric power they help create for Washington residents. Also, the next time you have a beer, wine or an apple thank the Washington family for creating the irrigation water to provide those products.



Submitted by Stan Wills

The State Meeting – 28/29 April 2023

To view a video (You Tube) of the meeting, click on this [LINK](#)
Provided by Stan Granberg

Random Photos From Around The Meeting Provided by Stan Granberg & Cindy Lucas





Annual Color Guard Photo









New officers being sworn in By PG Picket

Mayor of City of Spokane Valley Proclaimed 29 April to be SAR Day



Mayor Pam Haley



Proclamation
City of Spokane Valley, Washington
Sons of the American Revolution Day

Whereas, Since its founding on April 30, 1889, the Sons of the American Revolution and its some 36,000 members nationwide have continually exhibited a deep sense of pride in the community, and ensured a strong America by promoting patriotism, preserving American history and teaching American history to future generations; and
Whereas, SAR members are descendants of patriots who served during the American Revolutionary War or who contributed to establishing the independence of the United States; and
Whereas, The Washington State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and its 500 members across our state perpetuate its core ideals by working with educators, students, first responders, veterans and the community at-large; and
Whereas, In 2023, the Washington State SAR Society is holding its Annual Meeting in Spokane Valley, the community where the Spokane Chapter was first established 128 years ago; and
Whereas, Spokane #1 SAR Chapter has been a contributing community partner for decades in fulfilling the organization's ideals, and saluting the brave patriots who served during the American Revolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pam Haley, Mayor of the City of Spokane Valley, on behalf of the Spokane Valley City Council and the citizens of the City of Spokane Valley, do hereby declare appreciation, and proclaim Saturday, April 29, 2023 as

SAR DAY

in the City of Spokane Valley, and I encourage citizens to celebrate the many contributions made by members of the Sons of the American Revolution, both within our community and across Washington State.

Dated this 29th day of April, 2023.

Pam Haley
Pam Haley, Mayor

Awards presented at the 2023 State Meeting

Awarded by PG Pickett

Aide-de-Camp pin: Keith Weissinger

State Awards from National

The C.A.R. Activities Award: Stefan Kovalenko

Outstanding JROTC Cadet Contest: Conrad Plyler

Admiral William R. Furlong Memorial Award: Russ Oliver

George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Contest: Jeff Lightburn

Arthur M. King Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest: Greg Emerson

Chapter Awards from National

Honor Flight Support: Alexander Hamilton Chapter

Partners in Patriotism:

Cascade Centennial Chapter

George Washington Chapter

Seattle Chapter

Wreaths Across America:

John Paul Jones Chapter

Mid-Columbia Chapter

Seattle Chapter

Individual Awards from National

Liberty Medal:

Lawrence Flint

Mike Hutchens

John Kraft

Jeff Lightburn

Brian Smith

Neil Vernon

Lafayette Medal:

John Kraft

John Hosfield

Delegate Certificates for the 132nd National Congress in Savannah, Georgia

Viren Lemmer

Keith Weissinger

Perry Taylor

Gregory Lucas

Robert Sexton

Andrew Brewer

Anthony Abbott

District Medals

Roger Sherman Medal:

Rob Sexton

Meritorious Service Medal:

Keith Weissinger

Lydia Darragh Medal:

Cheryl Lemmer

State Awards

Patriot Medal:

Keith Weissinger

Service to Veterans Medal:

Viren Lemmer

Bronze CAR Medal:

Greg Emerson

Silver America 250th Anniversary Medal:

Cynthia Weissinger

State Medals and Awards

Silver Good Citizenship Medal: Ken Roberts

Silver Roger Sherman Medal:

Jerry Bordelon

Art Dolan

Mike Hutchens

Gregory Lucas (OLC)

Dick Motz

Dick Paul

Conrad Plyer (OLC)

Grant Rauzi

Rob Sexton

Mark Shaffer

John Kraft

Perry Taylor

Russ Oliver

Jeffrey Lightburn

Neil Vernon

Silver Meritorious Service Medal:

Carl Durkoop

Gregory Emerson

James Lindley

Washington Achievement Medal:

Ronn Mercer

Eric Jarvi (OLC)

Michael Moore

Medal of Distinguished Service: Viren Lemmer

Martha Washington Medal:

Susan Taylor

Teri Lindley (OLC)

Cindy Lucas

Karen Schultz

Cheryl Smith

Daughters of Liberty:

Cynthia Weissinger

Brenda Shaw

Color Guard Awards

Von Steuben Medal: Mick Hersey

Silver CG Medal: Dale Ryan

Special Recognition: Viren Lemer

Other Awards

Youth Education Medal:

Perry Taylor

Bob Smalser

Youth Education Lifetime Achievement Medal:

Bob O'Neal

Stan Wills

Fred Gilbert

Doug Nelson

Certificate of Appreciation (Official Photographer): Stan Granberg

Certificate of Appreciation and a framed copy of the Declaration: Mirabeau Hotel

Secretary's Corner Jun 2023

Compatriots,

Thank you for your trust! You elected me as your State Secretary at our annual State meeting in Spokane in April. I am honored, and I will strive every day to live up to the high standards that Al Pinkham set over the last 7 years. Thanks again Al, for all you did and do for us!

Summer is upon us – that means National Congress is only a few short weeks away, and many chapters take a break from formal meetings over the next few months. Remember that a National Dues increase is set to be debated at National Congress this year – national dues have not increased since 2014. If you have considered the National Life Program (where you pay your national dues once in one large lump sum) but have not pulled the trigger, now is the time to act while the 2014 rates are still in effect. Contact your Chapter Secretary for details. While you relax in the warm summer breeze with your Mai Tai, or march with the Color Guard in a community parade, don't forget to take a moment to visit the [National website](#) and review your personal information in the new member database, called the BLUE database. Do you have a new phone number? Did you move to a new address? We can all update our personal information and keep it current. Chapter Secretaries, if your chapter officers have changed, please let me know, and I can help you update the list of your chapter officers on the National website. That will ensure your new chapter leaders get the appropriate access to the BLUE database.

Respectfully submitted, Russ Oliver, State Secretary, Washington State, SAR



Russ Oliver

News From The WA State SAR Ladies Auxiliary (LAWASSAR)

[Facebook Page](#)



The Lady's Auxiliary has been blessed with extraordinary leadership these last two years. I want to thank Cyndi Weissinger and her entire Board for all that was done to promote the Ladies Auxiliary. Her efforts not only grew our membership but honored Veterans with her Quilt of Valor project. Thank you!

In April the WASSAR planning committee put on a remarkable State Conference in Spokane. Those in attendance had a good time. The Ladies started the Conference with a guest speaker, Judith Petitmermet. We also had the NSSAR First Lady Rita Pickette joining us for the entire weekend. While the men were in break-out sessions, the Ladies were treated to a tour of the Gonzaga University campus and the Bing Crosby House. All in all, the conference was great fun. Please join us next year, April 26-28, 2024, for the WASSAR State Conference at the Ocean Shores Convention Center.

The State SAR Board of Directors Meeting will be held July 29, 2023, 11:00 am, at the Buzz Inn Steakhouse in Ellensburg. Any and all ladies joining their men at this meeting are welcome to attend the Ladies Auxiliary Board Meeting at the same restaurant. Would love to see you there. Have a great summer!

Cindy Lucas, President, Ladies Auxiliary, WASSAR



LINKS To Other Newsletters & Documents Of Interest

“Washington SAR Awards the JROTC Outstanding Cadet Medal ([LINK](#))

Submitted by: Conrad Plyer, WASSAR JROTC Program Chairman

The 2023 WASSAR Conference Final Report ([LINK](#))

Submitted by: Dick Paul, 2023 Conference Planning Committee Chair, May 5, 2023

Minutes From The State BOD Meeting, 28 Jun 2023 ([LINK](#))

Submitted by: Russ Oliver, State Secretary, Washington State, SAR

The 2nd Quarter Issues Of The CAR Newsletters ([Apr](#) [May](#) [Jun](#))

Submitted by: Jeannette Carroll

The WA State SAR Administrative Procedures (updated Apr 2023) ([LINK](#))

The National Colorguardsman Magazine ([LINK](#))

WA State SAR - Media Links

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

SAR National Society

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

WA State Society (State wide)

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Alexander Hamilton (Tacoma area)

Meets: 3rd Sat of the month, 9:00am, Sep to Jun, at (Tower Entertainment, 6323 6th Ave in Tacoma).

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Cascade Centennial (Bellevue area)

Meets: 1st Sat of the month, Sep to Jun at TBD

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Ft. Vancouver (Vancouver area)

Meets: 3rd Sat of the month, 9:00am at the American Legion Post Hall #14, 4607 NE St. James Rd, Vancouver, WA.

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

George Rogers Clark (Olympia area)

Meets: 1st Sat of the month, 9:00am, Sep to Jun, at TBD

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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,
Disabled American Veterans Chapter #5 Building, 4980 Auto Center Way, Bremerton, WA

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Mid-Columbia (Richland area)

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

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

Ranger (Snohomish Co. area)

Meets: 4th Sat of the month, except, (TBD) 9:00am, Harbor Pointe Golf Club, 11817 Harbour Pointe Blvd, Mukilteo

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

Seattle (Seattle area)

Meets: 2nd Sat of the month, except Jun, Jul, Aug, & Dec, 9:00am, Aurora Borealis, 16708 Aurora Ave N., Shoreline

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Spokane #1 (Spokane area)

Meets: 2nd Fri of the month, Sep to Jun, 11:30am, Illinois Ave Bar and Grill, 1403 E Illinois Ave, Spokane

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CAR (State Wide)

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SAR Ladies Auxiliary (State Wide)

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WA State Daughters of the American Revolution

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

Data extracted from the National Database (6-3-23).

If incorrect, contact your chapter secretary



April	May	June
Marshall Anderson	John Allison Jr	Andrew Ash
Ardean Anvik	John Allison Sr	Thomas Barham
Samuel Berg	Joseph Arya	John Bjork
Ronald Black	Robert Beets	Charles Boardman
Gilbert Blinn	Jean Bordelon	Bryan Bock
Kenneth Carlson	Theodore Bradley	John Carlson
Dennis Carnagey	Bruce Campbell	Kelton Carter
Dennis Case	Douglas Cooper	Eugene Catlin
Jay Cooper	Matthew Costello	Mark Clark
Blake Davenport	Dennis Davenport	Christopher Clayton
Robert Eggenberger	Mark Ferrier	David Culver
Christopher Gelatt	Ethan Grabowski	Donald Deschenes
Darrell Gibson	Mark Haren	Norman Dodge
Gary Griss	Clarke Hughbanks	Charles Eberhart
Gary Hahnert	Jared Hughes	John Elliott
Frederick Hardy	Robert Korn	Lane Elliott
Richard Harman	Stefan Kovalenko	Robert Franz
Arthur Haywood	David Kuntz	Ronald Frederick
Robert Hill	Craig Lawson	Clinton Goodison
Ethan Hughbanks	Benjamin Lightburn	Christopher Grabowski
Devin Irons	Paul MacMichael	John Herr
Dominik Irons	Kurt Maier	Marion (Mick) Hersey
Eric Jarvi	Sean Marley	Mark Hines
William Jonas	Kenneth Marshall	Jerome Hull
Michael Kanzler	Jeffrey Maudsley	Patrick Kane
Gale Kenney	Walter Motz	Murl Leibrecht
Brian Langley	Shawn Parman	Philip Leise
Jan Lemmer	Conrad Plyler	Jeffrey Lightburn
Jeffrey Lewis	John Russell	James Lindley
Moses Martin	Dale Ryan	Gregory Lucas
Timothy Mather	Richard Seeder	David Martens
Brian McReynolds	Noah Shaw	Charles Miller
Andrew Meeker	Norman Smith	Mark Munns
Stephen Moores	Brian Smith	Russell Oliver
Roger Newman	Jeffrey Spencer	Gregory Parker
Paul Ocker	William Stakelin	Richard Porter
Sean Pickens	Andrew Thomas	Gary Price
Robert Pringle	Steven Thomasson	Randall Roach
Thomas Sackville-West	Cole Turcotte	Robert Scott
Dennis Shaw	Brendan Walsh	Fen Simmons
Matthew Shea	William Waring	Justin Underwood
Greggory Stewart	Douglas Webb	Neil Vernon
Rupert Tart	Stuart Webber	Robert Wall
John Tipton	James Wells	Benjamin Warner
Hugh Tucker	Michael Zenk	Richard Whittemore
Thomas Turcotte	Timothy Zenk	David Wilson
David Vandaveer		Michael Wilson
Marlin Weinberger		Steven Winmill
Paul Winter		Christopher Young
		Jason Zenk



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From The Commander

Compatriots,

What a busy quarter! The Annual State Conference was hosted by the Spokane #1 April 28-29 where 45 of the 93 Color Guard members attended! Thanks to all who worked on hosting the conference and participated in the Color Guard activities. I received many praises from the State officers.

I was my honor during the State Conference to witness the presentation of the second recipient of the Color Guard Von Steuben medal. Congratulations Marion "Mick" Hersey. Also, during the conference Compatriot Dale Ryan received his Silver Color Guard medal. During this quarter parades and ceremonies have once again started up where the Color Guard displays' the SAR public face. These include the Armed Forces Day and Memorial Day events. Also Honor Flights are back! Multiple school and civic presentations also occurred with the John Paul Jones team leading the way of reaching over 1,000 students this year! Lastly, Cascade Centennial experienced to two members lost. In both instances the Color Guard was called upon. I wish to express my gratitude to those who were able to answer the call to duty in such short notices. The family members truly appreciated our presence and the way we honor our fallen comrades. During all of these events it has been my pleasure to witness how the Color Guard comes together regardless of chapter affiliations. And our efforts have the most positive effect!

Looking forward: The parade season is upon us. I encourage the continuation of the cross chapter participation.

The summer months will be busy. Be sure that your activities appear on the online Color Guard schedule. The time will go by quickly and it will be soon upon us to renew our chapter meetings in September. I encourage all of the Color Guard to attend your chapter meetings. Being both the face and the strength of the WASSAR, we need to strengthen our chapter attendance. Through the Washington State SAR Color Guard we have a special bond and comradeship by working together to achieve our local chapter, our State, and the Nation SAR Society goals.

I am personally grateful for my association with each and every one of you and for your support.

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



A Thank You To The Color Guard

Many thanks for recruiting, organizing, and leading members of the WASSAR Color Guard to participate in the recent graveside service for Mark Mitchell, a compatriot of the Cascade Centennial Chapter. I've heard a couple of first-hand reports on how much Sue (Mark's widow) and the family appreciated the significant presence of the SAR at the service. Please extend my heartfelt thanks to all the Color Guard participants. I've copied all SAR compatriots who, to my knowledge, participated in the service. Many of them are WASSAR Color Guard members, and others are participating Cascade Centennial members not in the Color Guard. All are greatly appreciated. As my association with SAR continues outside of my own chapter, my appreciation continues to grow for the role our State Color Guard plays in important events - you are indeed "**The face of the SAR.**" Including the Compatriot Grave Marking at the Renton Congress a couple of years ago, the last two annual WASSAR Conferences, and the two recent services for Cascade Centennial compatriots (Mark Shaffer and Mark Mitchell), I've had the opportunity to observe the Color Guard proudly representing our organization in a most visible and professional manner. I especially appreciate the fact that so many Color Guard members took the time to honor two recently fallen fellow compatriots, even if not from their own chapter. With sincere thanks,

Dick Paul, President Cascade Centennial Chapter

Color Guard Patch Available

The Deputy Commander has created a sew on patch for the **WA State Color Guard members only.**

The patch measures 4"x4" (at right)

A limited quantity are still available. The cost is \$3.25 each.

If you want them mailed the cost is:

- More than 3 the postage is \$9.90.
- 3 or less the postage is \$1.00

Members of the CG may contact the [Deputy Commander](#) for purchase



Color Guard Events Throughout The State

Regional Area Color Guard Events In Apr, May, Jun

Northern Region

21 Apr: Island Park School Presentation. The Seattle chapter education team presented the History of the American Flag and A Day in a Life program from the Patriot Chest to the Island Park Elementary 5th grade students. We had one large session of 75 students. The Education team was very impressed with the attentiveness and knowledge of this group of students. The program was warmly received and we have been invited back for next year. The presentation team consisted of: Neil Vernon (Team Lead), Robert Korn, Stephen Clayton, and Grant Rauzi. After the presentation, a Certificate of Appreciation was awarded to the School with a WASSAR challenge coin for the promotion of Education, History and Patriotism during the 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution. No photo was available for this event.



26 May: Grant Rauzi and David Horsley presented awards to the University of Washington ROTC cadets. The Cadets that received the SAR Silver ROTC Medal were: Carter Delp, Luke Dobbins, Nicholas Gonzales.

Neil Vernon presented 1812 awards to cadets Julian Ruatos and Colin Rice.



27 May: Neil Vernon of the SE Chapter presented the "History of the American Flag" to more than 20 residents of the Normandy Park Senior Living Center.

More than 30 flags were discussed. After the presentation, a certificate of appreciation was presented to the staff for promoting patriotism during the 250th Anniversary period.



29 May Memorial Day: For the third consecutive year, the Washington State Color Guard was invited to participate in the Oak Harbor Memorial Day "Service of Remembrance" held at Maple Leaf Cemetery. Led by WA SAR State Color Guard Commander Neil Vernon, and NSSAR Drum Major Viren Lemmer, members of the George Washington Chapter, the Seattle Chapter, and the Alexander Hamilton Chapter marched together to lead the OHHS NJROTC and the Orion Sea Cadets to present the Colors to a crowd of about 400 including numerous local and state dignitaries, several Gold Star Families, many veterans, and local Veteran's Service Organizations. Always a favorite at this event is the Historic Flag Line provided by the George Washington Chapter. Oak Harbor is a town of about 25,000 residents and is home to the Naval Air Station, Whidbey Island, WA.



Attending were CG Members: (L-R) Viren Lemmer, Jan Lemmer, Chris Fridley, John Kraft, Bruce Bock, Mike Moore, Terry Laxton, Bob Korn, Jim Carpenter, Marshall Eberhart, Rodney Jenny, Johnmark Jenny, Stephen Clayton, Bill Bentler, and Neil Vernon (in front) and Marshall Anderson (not in photo).

Southern Region

George Rogers Clark Chapter Activities:

- 1 Apr:** Sacajawea D.A.R. chapter, Flag Presentation.
Participants: Art Dolan, Dick Moody
- 12 Apr:** Griffin Elementary School, Colonial Life.
Participants: Art Dolan, Dick Moody, Lew Maudsley
- 14 Apr:** Support JPH Colonial Presentation, Silverdale Elementary School. Participants: Bob Smaller, Conrad Plyler, Art Dolan, Doug Nelson, Fred Gilbert
- 26 Apr:** Griffin Elementary School, Colonial Life.
Participants: Art Dolan, Dick Moody
- 3 May:** Griffin Elementary School. Participants: Art Dolan, Dick Moody
- 9 May:** Olympia Lions Club, Thomas Paine: Forgotten Founding Father. Participants: Art Dolan
- 10 May:** Griffin Elementary School, Colonial Life.
Participants: Art Dolan, Dick Moody

- 15 May:** Meeting with Lt. Governor Heck, Posting Colors in Senate.
Participants: Art Dolan
- 16 May:** Griffin Elementary School.
Participants: Lew Maudsley, Dick Moody
- 23 May:** Griffin Elementary School. Participants: Lew Maudsley, Dick Moody
- 29 May:** DuPont Posting Colors, Memorial Day. Participants: Eric Olsen, Art Dolan, Dick Moody, Lew Maudsley
- 1 Jun:** Flag Presentation, Lacey Lions. Participants: Art Dolan
- 7 Jun:** USS Stark ceremony, Mossy Rock, WA. Participants: Art Dolan, Dick Moody, Eric Olsen, Paul Winter.
- 14 Jun:** Flag Presentation Capitol Dome (Flag Day).
Participants: Art Dolan



23 Apr: The George Rogers Clark Chapter posted the colors in the Washington State House of Representatives, in Olympia.

Participating were Art Dolan, Lew Maudsley, and Lee Thomason.



24 Apr Honor Flight: The Alexander Hamilton, George Rogers Clark, and Seattle Chapters joined forces to greet the first, 2023, returning Honor Flight veterans. The 54 veterans were from WWII, Korea and Vietnam. The organization was one of the largest group of greeters and as one returnee stated: "This reception is even better than the one in Baltimore last Friday!" Art Dolan said, "There is no greater joy than representing the **First Veterans** thanking the current veterans for their service. Standing in SeaTac, shaking hands with the returning veterans who keep our freedom alive, polishes every letter of Patriotism. If you have ever considered joining the Color Guard, this event, which occurs 4 times a year, is one you should not miss."

Participates were: (L-R) Stan Granberg, Robert Corn, John Herr, Mike Moore, Neil Vernon, Art Dolan, and Dick Moody.



22 May Honor Flight: The Alexander Hamilton, George Rogers Clark, and Seattle Chapters again joined forces to greet the second returning "Honor Flight" from Washington DC this year. Pictured at right, Robert Korn, David Horsley, Michael Moore, Neil Vernon, Dick Moody, Eric Olsen.

At right Mike Moore greets one of the returning veterans.



28 May Memorial Day Fir Lane: Ceremonies observing Memorial Day Weekend took place in Spanaway. The holiday is an opportunity to pause, reflect and remember the more than one million men and women who have perished in our nation's wars.

For 30 years at Fir Lane Memorial Park in Spanaway, surrounded by more than 2800 late veterans, a ceremony for Memorial Day filled with gratitude and remembrance for those who died serving our great country. Participating were: Mike Moore, John Herr, Jerry Bordelon, Skip Stephen, and Ralph Leining (HODAR).



29 May Memorial Day. A Memorial Day Event to honor Dupont's fallen heroes with a wreath laying. Colors were posted by members of the George Rogers Clark & Alexander Hamilton Color Guard Units. Sacajawea DAR & George Rogers Clark SAR members also laid wreaths at the Ross Plaza Veterans Memorial. The event was open to the public.



7 Jun, Funeral for the Navy Veteran killed during WW II was at Swofford Cemetery in Mossyrock, WA

Representing the WA State Color Guard were: Mike Moore, Jerry Bordelon, Bob Nofsinger, John Herr, Paul Winter, Neil Vernon, Eric Olsen, Art Dolan, and Joe Coorough.



14 Jun, Flag Day. The CG posted the colors at the Tacoma Elks Lodge celebration. Members present were Mike Moore, Jerry Bordelon, & John Herr. Ralph Liening (HODAR) was also present.



14 Jun, Flag Day. Art Dolan and Dick Moody presented the flag history in the State Capitol to two school groups, parent chaperones, state workers, and one pair of newlyweds.

The tradition of celebrating Flag Day in the State Capitol returns after COVID buildings closure 2020-2022.



17 Jun: The Ocean Shores Flag Day Parade was at least an hour long in duration. CG members from 3 chapters (GRC, AH, & SE) participated.

Participants: (L-R) Lee Thomasson, Dick Moody, Lew Maudsley, Mike Moore, Eric Olsen Art Dolan. In front: Neil Vernon, Dick Motz.



After the parade the SAR/DAR group visited the traveling Vietnam Wall that was in the area, to place wreaths.



Eastern Region

20 May: Spokane #1 participated in the Spangle WA morning parade. Here is a picture of Spokane #1 marching in the Spangle Parade. Carrying banner is Patience Ryan.

(l-r) Dale Ryan, Stan Wills, Corder, Will Palmer, Rob Scott, Tracy Prock. We marched in this parade in the morning of 20 May but had to cancel the evening parade in Spokane due to excessive heat. It was already in the mid 80's when we marched in Spangle.



10 Jun Flag Day: Spokane #1 participated in the Fairfield Flag Day Parade. This is the longest running Flag Day Parade in America. The first parade was held was held 1910 in Fairfield, WA. Fairfield has had a Flag Day Parade every year since.

(l-r) Tracy, Prock, Denny Shaw, Stan Wills, Will Palmer, Carl Durkooop, Rob Scott, Vicki Pickett-in the trailer, not pictures are Dale Ryan and Patience Ryan.



17 Jun: The Mid-Columbian chapter attended the annual **Scottish Fest** in Prosser. Richard Roddy, Jan Hughes, George & Connie Boice, Brian McReynolds and Larry Flint participated in the opening ceremonies with the Scottish Veterans group. The event seemed to be back to its usual size. There were many, varied activities, the games of strength of course, dancing contests, good food. They used the large tarp shelter this year to give up plenty of room and to provide better shade. They had several people sign up for their mailing list, including a couple of new member prospects and one lady from the DAR. The display was honored with a visit by **Mary Queen of Scots**, who had been holding court at the event, most of the day.



Brian with Her Majesty, Mary Queen of Scots

26 Jun: Spokane #1 participated in the New Citizens Ceremony in which 120 new citizens from 44 countries were sworn in. To make it special Spokane #1 recreated the original swearing in ceremony from 3 Feb 1778 at Valley Forge. We did it to show the new citizens that the Oath has not changed very much. Stan Wills swore in Dale Ryan, Tracy Prock, Rob Hill and Doug Jonas all of whom wore militia uniforms. It was well received by over 200 guests and will be added to additional ceremonies. it is one way to get more members involved in programs.



(L-R) Tracy Prock, Dale Ryan, Stan Wills, Rob Hill, and Doug Jonas.

Western Region

3 May: The John Paul Jones Chapter had a great time at Cougar Valley Elementary School in Silverdale, WA. The JPJ education team; Fred Gilbert, Doug Nelson and Perry Taylor gave presentations to three fifth grade classes, 60 students in total. The students had an opportunity to visit the display, handle item and ask addition questions to the team. At the conclusion of the presentation, Perry Taylor, Chapter President, gave the JPJ challenge coins to: Principle, Monday Galbreath (see photo); lead teacher Jeff Winger and other teachers Wes Stern and Sarena Cathcart. The JPJ Chapter Education Team has presented historical presentation to 1115 students in the 2022-2023 school year.



20 May: Armed Forces Day Parade:

Great turn out for the annual Armed Forces Day parade in Bremerton.

Participates were: (l-r) Fred Gilbert, Noah Chase, Perry Taylor, Viren Lemmer, Jan Lemmer, Neil Vernon, Stephanie Conroy, Skip Stephen, Terry Barker, Mick Hersey, Mark Whiteaker, Eric Olsen



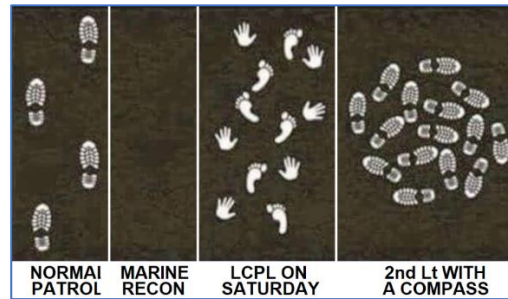
29 May Memorial Day event at Artondale Cemetery, Gig Harbor. Representing the WASCG was Ken Roberts



Military Humor & More



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



The Washington Trail - Publication Schedule

The State Newsletter will be published quarterly to include the State BOD meeting.

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News from the Chapters: A single article on a topic of interest from each chapter will be accepted each quarter.

A [media links](#) page has been provided to give access to each Chapter's Facebook page, Newsletter, and Web Site for those that have them. All articles/submissions are to be sent to the [Editor](#) no later than the above indicated dates. (6/13/23)