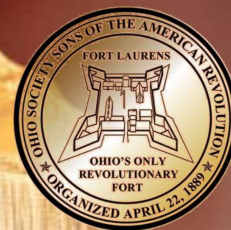


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Bulletin

The Ohio Society of the Sons of the American Revolution



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SOCIETY
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CHAPTER
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1984 & 1995**





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THE PRESIDENT'S POINT OF VIEW

To my Friends and Compatriots'''

As my time as President of the Ohio Society comes to an end, I want to thank all members for the support that was given to me.

A special thank you to the past Society Presidents who gave me sound guidance when I asked for it and even the times that I did not, and to those Compatriots who served as Ohio Society Officers and Committee members.

This past year I had the honor to attend many chapter meetings, special chapter events and Patriot grave markings. The hospitality that was given to me and my wife Anita was very much appreciated.

I set five goals for our society and I feel that we accomplished all five of them. Member retention is still a major hurdle that we as a society can do better at. But remember that member retention begins at the chapter level.

In closing, let us not forget our obligations to our forefathers for they gave us a Democracy that is the envoy of the world.

Patriotically,

Donald G. Miller

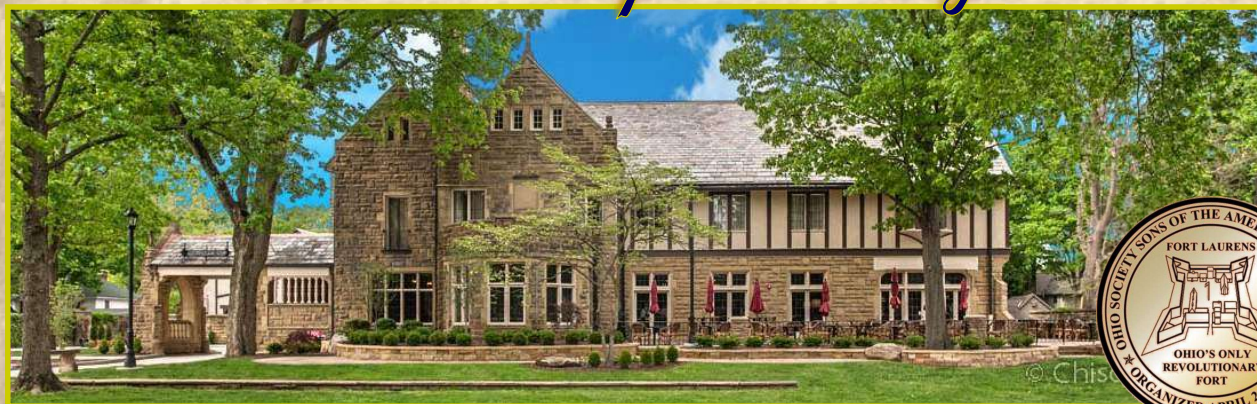
Donald G Miller
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DON MILLER, PRESIDENT
OHIO SOCIETY SAR



The Ohio Society's 135th Annual Board of Management & General Membership Meeting



FRIDAY NIGHT—3 MAY 2024

6:00 PM — 8:00 PM	COMPATRIOT MIXER	CARRIAGE HOUSE & COURTYARD-
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SATURDAY—4 MAY 2024

9 AM — 10:30 AM	BOM MEETING	DENISON HALL
12 NOON — 1:00PM	LUNCH NOTE; GEORGE AND MARTHA WASHINGTON WILL BE ATTENDING	
1:00PM — 2:00PM	YOUTH EDUCATION AWARDS —	
3:15 PM — 4:15 PM	PATRIOT GRAVE MARKING & REVIEW OF THE OHS COLOR GUARD BY PG DODD (OLD COLONY BURYING GROUND 300 MAIN STREET, GRANVILLE, OHIO 43023 (ABOUT A 4 MIN. DRIVE))	
10:00 AM — 5:00 PM	LADIES AUX.	
		WALES ROOM

SATURDAY EVENING ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER

6:00 — 6:30	HERITAGE FIFE & DRUM	DENISON HALL
6:00 PM	RECEIVING LINE	
6:15 PM	POSTING OF THE COLORS	
6:30 PM — 7:30 PM	DINNER	
7:30 PM — 9:30	AWARDS AND LADIES AUX. "QUILT OF VALOR"—	

SUNDAY—5 MAY 2024

9:30 AM — 11:00 AM	MEMORIAL SERVICE	WALES ROOM
	OHSSAR OFFICER INSTALLATION	

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314 EAST BROADWAY
GRANVILLE OHIO 43023

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11:00 AM

FRIDAY NIGHT RECEPTION 6 PM - 8 PM CASH BAR

ANTIPASTO DISPLAY \$21.96 6:30 – 7:30

INCLUDES;

IMPORTED PROSCIUTTO, HARD SALAMI, PEPPERONI, IMPORTED ITALIAN CHEESES, CALAMATA OLIVES, ROASTED RED PEPPER, MARINATED MUSHROOMS, ARTICHOKE HEARTS, CORNICHON, SUN DRIED TOMATOES, ARTISAN CRACKERS AND HOUSE-MADE FOCACCIA BREAD.

SATURDAY BREAKFAST 7 AM - 8 AM

GRANVILLE INN BUFFET \$30.50

INCLUDES;

SLICED SEASONAL FRUIT AND BERRIES, VANILLA GREEK YOGURT, HOUSE-MADE GRANOLA, FARM FRESH SCRAMBLED EGGS, SEASONED POTATOES, APPLEWOOD SMOKED BACON, ASSORTED MUFFINS, BAGELS, SCONES, ORANGE JUICE, CRANBERRY JUICE, COFFEE & TEA.

SATURDAY LUNCH 12 NOON - 1 PM

TRIPP'S SOUTHERN BBQ \$45.14

INCLUDES;

CAROLINA PULLED PORK, SOUTHERN FRIED CHICKEN, COLE SLAW, MARINATED CUCUMBER, ONION & TOMATO SALAD, GREEN BEANS, MAPLE MOLASSES BAKED BEANS, BAKED MAC & CHEESE, CORN BREAD, PECAN PIE, RED VELVET CHEESECAKE AND FULL BEVERAGE SERVICE.

SATURDAY DINNER 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM

CASH BAR

TWO ENTREE BUFFET \$57.34

INCLUDES;

SLICED TRI-TIP STEAK W/CHIMICHURRI SAUCE, GRILLED SALMON/TOMATO-CHARRED CORN RELISH, CAESAR SALAD, GARDEN SALAD, ROASTED POTATO MEDLEY, ASPARAGUS, ASSORTED MINI DESSERTS AND TRUFFLES, COFFEE & TEA.



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	May 3	May 4			
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Address				MAKE CHECKS FOR ROOMS & MEALS PAYABLE TO : OHIO SOCIETY SAR MAIL CHECK AND THIS RSVP FORM TO: MICHAEL J. BLUM, TREASURER OHIO SOCIETY SAR 2999 ACER COURT HAMILTON, OHIO 45013-9551
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Guardsman Name		Chapter/ Society	
Compatriot Name		Placing Wreath on Behalf of	

THE 138TH NATIONAL SOCIETY CONGRESS COMES TO OHIO IN 2028

July 2028

Its just around the corner....!



2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Fundraising➤ Committee Recruitment➤ Chapter & Society Pledges➤ Commercial Fundraising & Public Relations➤ Vendor Selection<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Congress Medals, Coins, Pendants, etc.▪ Raffles & Auctions➤ Long lead time project planning➤ Ladies Auxiliary Kick-off	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Fundraising➤ Hotel Selection & Contracting (<i>National</i>)➤ Public Relations<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Formation of <u>The Early Ohio Pioneers Assoc.</u>➤ Central District Coordination	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Fundraising➤ Program Detail Planning<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Tours & Transportation▪ Luncheons & Dinners	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Fundraising➤ Detailed Volunteer Work Assignments<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Day Captains▪ Tour Guides▪ Docents	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Fundraising➤ 138th Congress<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 14-20 July▪ *21-27 July

Preliminary Roadmap & Calendar

~ FUNDRAISING STATUS ~
9/23 THRU 3/24

Estimated 5 Year Funding Required \$93.0 K

Current Fundraising Goal \$125.0 K

Current Funds in Hand \$10.5 K

Our current fundraising tempo annualized over 10 “half-years” just meets our goal...

Our Risk is as Follows:

- ◆ **Inflation**
- ◆ **Unanticipated Expenses**
- ◆ **Failure to achieve Fundraising Goals**
- ◆ **Lack of Compatriot, Chapter & Society, Support**

FUNDRAISING TEMPO AND STRATEGY

- ◆ **Raffles to be conducted each year in the run-up to the 2028 Congress**
 - ◆ **5 Separate Raffles for SAR Commemorative Rifles (*each Year*)**
 - ◆ **Raffle for a true replica of George Washington’s favorite sword (*4th Year*)**
 - ◆ **Possible raffle for custom Black Powder Rifle (*3rd Year if Needed*)**
- ◆ **Individual Family & Compatriot Donations via the “Early Ohio Pioneers” Campaign (*ongoing*)**
- ◆ **Commissioned historic original art—Ohio & the American Revolution (*2nd thru 5th year*)**
- ◆ **Corporate & Private Foundation Grants (*3rd thru 5th Year*)**

**WE ARE NOW SEEKING VOLUNTEERS TO MAN OUR PUBLIC
RELATIONS TABLE**

(WHERE SELL STUFF TO OUR FELLOW COMPATRIOTS)

AT NATIONAL CONGRESS IN LANCASTER PA IN JULY ‘24

AND

AT FALL LEADERSHIP MEETING IN LOUISVILLE IN SEPTEMBER ‘24

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FUNDRAISING INITIATIVES UNDERWAY!

The Boston Tea Party Commemorative Henry Rifle



RIFLE RAFFLE

\$10.00 PER TICKET
\$45.00 FOR 5 TICKETS
\$90.00 FOR 10 TICKETS

2028 NATIONAL SAR CONGRESS FUND
OHIO SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN
REVOLUTION

The Boston Tea Party SAR Commemorative
22 Cal Henry Rifle

Tickets are \$10.00 Donation - only 1500 tickets available
Winners responsible for all costs associated in claiming their prize
DRAWING AT THE FALL 2024 OHIO SOCIETY BOM MEETING
Thankyou For Your Support - You Need Not Be Present To Win! #8888

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OHIO SAR Chapter Fund - Ohio Society SAR
Boston Tea Party Commemorative Rifle

THE
2028 OHIO CONGRESS MEDAL

**\$45.00
per set**



Ohio's Historic Theme
The Revolutionary War is Over
&
Our Independence has Been Won
The Treaty of Paris has Ceded
The Northwest Territory to United States
The U.S. Constitution has been Ratified
Our Nation's Eyes Turn to The West

From The
Siege of Yorktown

To The
Battle of Fallen Timbers



Seeking 100
*Stout, Courageous & Adventurous
Men, Women & Families*

In the pioneering spirit of our earliest settlers—join with the members of the Ohio Society at the 138th National Congress, to be held in 2028 along the banks of the Ohio River in Cincinnati, Ohio, celebrating the...

**250th Anniversary of the United States
&
250th Anniversary of the
Siege of Fort Laurens**

The Treaty of Paris signed in 1783, ceded all lands westward to the Mississippi to the United States. The Ohio River & Territory became America's gateway to the Great Northwest Territory. ★






Become a pioneering settler of Ohio by joining our journey during this great westward bound migration. This journey will accept only the first 100 pioneers headed for the Ohio Valley.

Join our Journey for a one time pledge of \$750
or
An annual pledge of \$150 over five years (2024-2028)
Sign onto the Journey at OHSSARPIONEERS@gmail.com

Your Pioneering generosity and spirit shall be appropriately recorded and lauded in the annals of this westward journey and the Halls of our National Congress

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*Coming Soon to a
Raffle Near You!*



CONGRESS COMMITTEE CURRENT ROSTER

COMMITTEE COORDINATION	CHAIRMAN	LEE WILKERSON	CINCINNATI
	VICE CHAIRMAN	DON MCGRAW	CINCINNATI
	FINANCE MANAGER	JONATHAN GUERRIER	MAHONING VALLEY
	LADIES AUX/DAR LIAISON	GEORGE STEWART	CINCINNATI
	LADIES AUXILIARY	PATTY KAPLAN	RICHARD MONTGOMERY
	CINCINNATI PUBLIC LIAISON	ZACHARY HAINES (CONSULTING)	CINCINNATI
FUND RAISING	EARLY OHIO PIONEERS	DON MILLER	BENJAMIN FRANKLIN
	RAFFLE COORDINATOR #1 BLACK POWDER RIFLE	OPEN	
	RAFFLE COORDINATOR #2 WASHINGTON SWORD REPLICA	OPEN	
	RAFFLE COORDINATOR #3 5 HENRY COMMEMORATIVES	OPEN	
SPECIAL PROJECTS	NSSAR GIFT—COMMISSIONED HISTORICAL ARTWORK DEVELOPMENT	LEE WILKERSON	CINCINNATI
	PUBLIC & CORPORATE FUND RAISING	JOE CAMPANELLA (CONSULTING)	PRIVATE
EVENTS & ACTIVITIES	250 TH ANNIVERSARY COORDINATOR	OPEN	
	OHIO REVOLUTIONARY WAR HISTORY	OPEN	
	GRAVE MARKING LIAISON	OPEN	
	USAF MUSEUM TOUR PLANNER AND MANAGER	OPEN	
	TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR	OPEN	
SPECIAL EVENTS	HOST DINNER / RECEPTION	OPEN	
	MEMORIAL SERVICE COORDINATOR	OPEN	
	MERCHANDISE SALES	OPEN	
* TENTATIVE – NOT CONFIRMED			

AROUND THE OHIO SOCIETY

RICHARD MONTGOMERY CHAPTER



Color Guard for 120th Anniversary of Middletown
DAR Chapter - Dec 2023



Wreaths Across America Dec 2023



George Washington Birthday celebration - Feb 2024



School program at St Mary's Elementary School in
Greenville - Jan 2024



Boston Tea Party themed Holiday Party with DAR -



Veteran's Day Patriot grave rededication in
Casstown, Ohio - Nov 2023

AROUND THE OHIO SOCIETY

MARIETTA CHAPTER



Compatriot Eric Wagner of the Marietta Chapter was recently awarded 1st place for Best of Show at the Archaeological Society of Ohio show held in Columbus and 1st place for a relic he found the day after Christmas 2023 in Washington County..

CAMP CHARLOTTE CHAPTER



Left to right — Camp Charlotte President Rick Hartinger, Mathias-Ridenour Vice Regent Robin Kulas and Chris Lallier Pickaway Plains Chapter DAR/SAR liaison for Camp Charlotte.,

Richard Hartinger was presented this award by the Vice-Regent of the Mathias-Ridenour Chapter DAR. Please update your award records. They presented the award based on the research that he has conducted pertaining to the Camp Charlotte Treaty.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN CHAPTER

Our annual George Washington Luncheon was held at the Clintonville Woman's Club on Saturday, February 24th.

Packed house with over 100 people in attendance. Chapter families, DAR members, and SAR members from Camp Charlotte and Northeastern Ohio.



AROUND THE OHIO SOCIETY

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN CHAPTER

CONT'D

L-R Jeff Myers, president elect, George Washington, Bill Diehl, treasurer.



Dale Fellows has been providing his interpretive presentations of George Washington throughout Ohio. He is a member of the Northern Chapter.

The second half of the program was the Heritage Fifes and Drum from Lancaster, Ohio. Their goal is to preserve our heritage through the music of that time. (L-R - Jeff Taylor, Jamison Taylor, Bruce Elliott, Jarrison Taylor, and Jackson Taylor.)



OHIO SOCIETY YOUTH EDUCATION OUTREACH

On Friday and Saturday, March 8th and 9th, three (3) compatriots from the Ohio Society represented the Sons of the American Revolution and SAR Educational programs at the National Council for History Education (NCHE) Conference at the Hilton Cleveland Convention Center in downtown Cleveland, Ohio. On Friday, Troy Bailey of the Northeast Ohio Chapter and former State Society President manned a table with Zachary Hoon, President of the Western Reserve Society.

On the table were brochures and flyers describing the many SAR Youth Awards Programs available to schools and educators. Also, dozens of rubber SAR "Benji the Eagle" giveaways for people who signed up to receive the SAR Education Outreach News were on display and were quite popular with visitors. On Saturday, Bob Hill, President of the Hocking Valley Chapter joined Troy at the SAR table. Dressed in period clothing or uniforms, the compatriots informed visitors about SAR Youth Awards and contests, the online resources available to educators at the NSSAR website, and the willingness of SAR members to visit schools

to make classroom presentations on the Revolutionary War period.

Many educators from across the country stopped by the SAR table, from Maine, California, Oregon, Washington, Minnesota, Florida, Texas, New Jersey, Georgia, and other states. Pictured with Bob are two Sikh gentlemen from New Jersey and Cleveland who signed up and each received a Benji the Eagle. The Sikhs are originally from the area of northern India and came to America due to religious persecution. A few immigrated during the American Civil War and fought in the Union Army. More came beginning in 1903. The Sikhs fully embrace the US Constitution and many have fought bravely in the armed forces of the US and Great Britain.

The SAR is beginning to gain a presence at Educator Conferences and create awareness of SAR programs. The effort has been spearheaded by Lee Wilkerson of the Cincinnati Chapter and former State Society President. In October, 2023 Lee and Troy Bailey attended the Ohio Council of the Social Studies (OCSS) Conference in Columbus.



OHIO SOCIETY YOUTH EDUCATION OUTREACH

A new link has been added to the Ohio Society website in the Members Only Section under the heading, Youth Education Medals / Application. There is a standardized application form, similar to the Patriot Grave Marking Medal application, and requires the completion of 15 separate presentations to school-aged children K-12. The application form was created by Larry Potter of the Benjamin Franklin Chapter under the direction of Education Outreach Chairman Bob Hill.

The form is downloadable and can be filled online, then sent to the Education Outreach Chairman for approval.

This is a State level medal approval, purchase, and presentation. There is also a listing of compatriots who have earned the medal. So far, 11 Ohio compatriots have earned the SAR Youth Education Medal and several Oak Leaves, seven (7) compatriots from the Cincinnati Chapter. The medal was created in 2022 and applicants may retroactively use presentations beginning in 2021. For any questions, comments, or applications for submission, contact Chairman Hill at: Leeslegiondragon@gmail.com.



Sons of the American Revolution
OHIO SAR
Youth Education Award Application

Nominee Information:

Nominee's Name: _____ National Number: _____ State Number: _____
Nominee's Primary Chapter: _____ National L-Phone Number: _____ National L-Email Address: _____
Has this Nominee received the Youth Education Award previously? ☐ No ☐ Yes, when? _____
If no application for an oak leaf, if so, what is the number of this oak leaf? _____ Estimated Total Number of Students at Presentations on this Application: _____

The Nominee has participated in the following SAR Youth Education Events:

Event #1	Event Name or Description	Event Date	Event Start and End Time
Event Teacher/Principal/Instructor: _____ Event Address: _____			
Event City: _____ Event State: _____ Event Zip Code: _____ Event County: _____			
Details of Nominee's Participation Estimated Number of Students at Presentation: _____			

Event #2	Event Name or Description	Event Date	Event Start and End Time
Event Teacher/Principal/Instructor: _____ Event Address: _____			
Event City: _____ Event State: _____ Event Zip Code: _____ Event County: _____			
Details of Nominee's Participation Estimated Number of Students at Presentation: _____			

Event #3	Event Name or Description	Event Date	Event Start and End Time
Event Teacher/Principal/Instructor: _____ Event Address: _____			
Event City: _____ Event State: _____ Event Zip Code: _____ Event County: _____			
Details of Nominee's Participation Estimated Number of Students at Presentation: _____			

Event #4	Event Name or Description	Event Date	Event Start and End Time
Event Teacher/Principal/Instructor: _____ Event Address: _____			
Event City: _____ Event State: _____ Event Zip Code: _____ Event County: _____			
Details of Nominee's Participation Estimated Number of Students at Presentation: _____			

Event #5	Event Name or Description	Event Date	Event Start and End Time
Event Teacher/Principal/Instructor: _____ Event Address: _____			
Event City: _____ Event State: _____ Event Zip Code: _____ Event County: _____			
Details of Nominee's Participation Estimated Number of Students at Presentation: _____			

Event #11	Event Name or Description	Event Date	Event Start and End Time
Event Teacher/Principal/Instructor: _____ Event Address: _____			
Event City: _____ Event State: _____ Event Zip Code: _____ Event County: _____			
Details of Nominee's Participation Estimated Number of Students at Presentation: _____			

Event #12	Event Name or Description	Event Date	Event Start and End Time
Event Teacher/Principal/Instructor: _____ Event Address: _____			
Event City: _____ Event State: _____ Event Zip Code: _____ Event County: _____			
Details of Nominee's Participation Estimated Number of Students at Presentation: _____			

19 Feb 2024
Date signed _____
Vendor's license number, if any _____

Vendors of motor vehicles, titled watercraft and titled outboard motors may use this certificate to purchase these items under the "resale" exception. Otherwise, purchaser must comply with either Administrative Code Rule 5703-9-10 or 5703-9-25.
This certificate cannot be used by construction contractors to purchase material for incorporation into real property under an exempt construction contract. Construction contractors must comply with Administrative Code Rule 5703-9-14.

ANTHONY WAYNE MEMORIAL PROJECT UPDATE

The Compatriots of the Northwest Territory Chapter have moved to the final phase of the Wayne Veterans Memorial construction and installation phase. The Defiance Board of Control met and decided the location of the memorial. Mayor McCann met with David Lupien and they came to an agreement. The memorial will be placed along the Maumee River, west of the Defiance Public Library and original site of Fort Defiance at the corner of Wayne Avenue and Fort Street.

With this Memorial's location finally determined, we have moved to hiring an architect G5 Architecture of Archbold, Ohio. Rick Graber has taken on the duties of completing the site plan for city approval and then get us are state permit. Rich assures us this should be all done by end of April. This then allows us to get the excavating completed and forms in place to pour our foundation and sidewalks.

We at the same time have been working on the final proofing of the text and images to be placed on the memorial. Delphos Granite Works has all of he granite in shop now and we are in a good lace with them. We should have the proofs done by the end of March and this then gives them the ability to begin the layout and engraving and etching of the monument.

If we did not have enough to deal with, we have also had to get a good start on our dedication plans. Since we are applying for a 250th Anniversary grant for help with the dedication programs, we had to get some basic decisions made so as to know how much funding we would need. We finalized our programs we would like to attempt to carry out. And, we put together a two day

event that I think will make a very interesting and informative program and provide this event with the stature it deserves for all of our hard work in seeing it to fruition.

We are planning a two day event-Friday, August 23 we are planning to put a Speakers Symposium together. This will be an afternoon and evening program. We are attempting to get our venue finalized for this event. It has been a challenge but we believe we have a new prospect to get this over the finish line. More to come on this event soon.

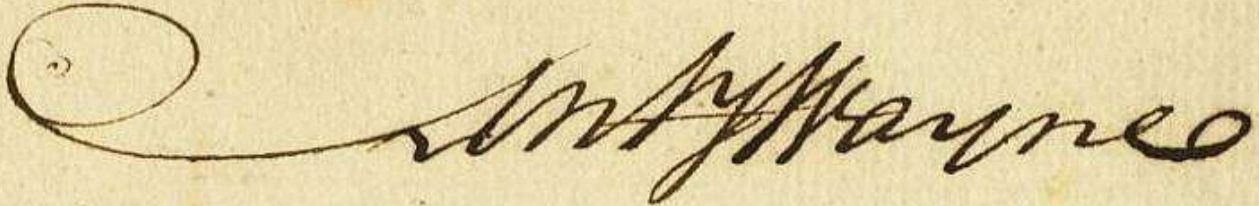
Saturday, August 24 will see us dedicate the Wayne Veterans Memorial and give it to the people of Defiance, NW Ohio, the State of Ohio and the Nation. Woke be damned, we will take pride in honoring this Founding Father., Period! The service components are coming together and we will are hoping that in May we will be able to begin the official promotion and marketing of the event. We are planning for a mustering time of 8 am and stepping off the Flag procession at 9:20 am.

After the dedication, we are holding a luncheon for the public. Tickets will be limited to 250 and we will be hosting the event at the Defiance VFW Post 3360, just a block south and east of our memorial site. Likewise, we will have more coming on this event too, once we know our fate with the grant application and budgeting issues to be overcome.

More to come at the Annual Meeting in May. Hope to see you all there!

Respectfully yours,

David L. Lupien

A large, stylized handwritten signature of Anthony Wayne, enclosed in a yellow rectangular border. The signature is written in dark ink and features a prominent, looping initial 'A'.

A SALUTE TO OUR VETERANS

A FINAL HOMECOMING...



SSGT JACK W. COY

703RD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON
445TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (HEAVY)

On September 20, 2023, the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) identified the remains of Staff Sergeant Jack W. Coy, missing from World War II.

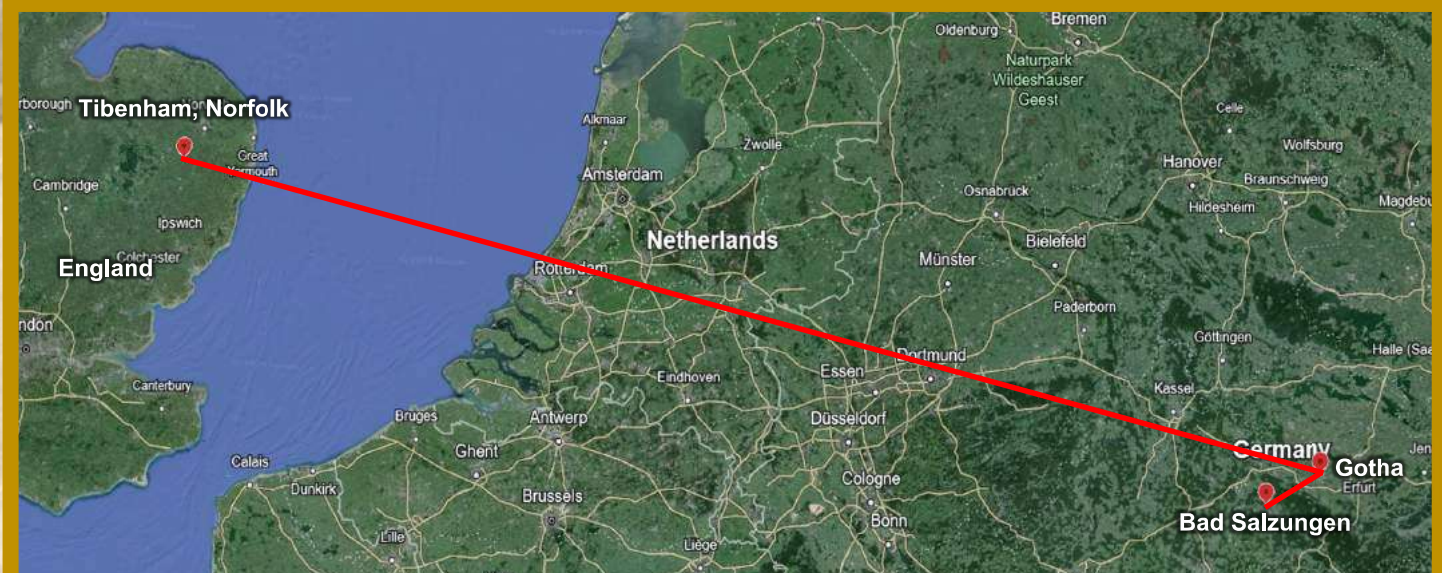
Staff Sergeant Coy entered the U.S. Army Air Forces from Ohio and served in the 703rd Bombardment Squadron, 403rd Bombardment Group. On February 24, 1944, he was the tail gunner aboard a B-24J Liberator (serial number 42-100312) which took off from its airbase in England, for a bombing mission against enemy targets near Gotha, Germany. During the mission, this aircraft sustained damage from an enemy fighter attack and exploded in mid-air near Bad Salzungen, Germany. Two crew members survived the attack, but the rest, including SSG Coy, were lost in the explosion. Post-war search efforts to find his remains were unsuccessful. In March 1952, the American Graves Registration Command (AGRC) took custody of commingled unidentified remains from Bad Salzungen Cemetery. Among them were remains belonging to several crewmembers from a bomber crash between Bad Salzungen and Leimbach-Kaiseroda. However, there was not enough evidence to warrant an individual or group identification, and they were ultimately interred in the Ardennes American Cemetery. In June 2021 these remains were disinterred and transferred to a DPAA Laboratory for further study. The laboratory analysis and the totality of the circumstantial evidence available established one set of these remains as those of SSG Coy.

Staff Sergeant Coy is memorialized on the Tablets of the Missing at the Henri-Chapelle American Cemetery in Hombourg, Belgium.

There will be a graveside service for Coy on 26 May at Willow Cemetery in Oregon. The city of Toledo has several events occurring that day. The time has not been finalized yet. Eggleston, Meinert and Pavley Funeral Home is handling this funeral. Telephone 419-698-4301.

A SALUTE TO OUR VETERANS

A FINAL HOMECOMING...



The 445th Bomb Group flew B-24 Liberators from Tibenham, Norfolk. The crews' first mission was bombing U-boat installations at Kiel on 13 December 1943. The Group continued to hit strategic targets in Germany, including the aircraft components factory at Gotha on 24 February 1944, during USAAF's Big Week of raids against the German aircraft industry, which earned the Group a Distinguished Unit Citation. The Group was awarded the Croix de Guerre





THE IMPACT ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SAR'S VETERANS PROGRAMS

AN EXCERPT FROM AN ARTICLE IN THE 2024 WINTER EDITION OF THE SAR MAGAZINE BY
MICHAEL E. WEYLER, PH D., VIRGINIA SOCIETY, SAR, CAPTAIN, CEC, USN (RET)

The mission of the NSSAR Veterans Committee is to direct the SAR's efforts to serve those who have helped us by overseeing many programs to encourage and recognize individuals, chapters and state-level societies in their support of veterans. The USS Stark Memorial report is the primary tool for monitoring SAR member activities in serving veterans.

The USS Stark Memorial Award is more than just an award. When societies and chapters submit the report, they provide information on their service to veterans. The Veterans Committee uses this information to determine the strengths and gaps in the SAR's veterans programs.

From the USS Stark Memorial Award Scoring Sheet: "The USS Stark Memorial Award, authorized in 1988 (revised 2003), was established to memorialize those brave men and women who continue to stand at the forefront to preserve the freedoms our patriotic ancestors fought so long and hard to achieve. Its purpose is to recognize outstanding chapters and the most outstanding state society within the NSSAR for their participation with the Veteran community and supporting activities of the NSSAR Veteran's Committee."

The NSSAR Veterans Committee manages the USS Stark Memorial Award Scoring Sheet, available for download from sar.org. The scoring sheet has 14 sections in which a chapter can report its activities in support of veterans.

These veteran support activities include support at VA hospitals, visits and outings with individual veterans, and donations to veterans. Participating in and supporting veterans' funerals is one area where activities such as reading, dedication, bugling and pallbearing can earn a significant chapter credit for veterans support, including recognition for miles traveled to the funerals. For the funeral of an Active Duty Veteran Killed in Action, which is the case for each of these DPAA recently accounted-for veterans, the credit for participation is doubled.

The level of involvement of the SAR in the burial ceremony

varies depending on the family's wishes. In some instances, the SAR provided the color guard for the ceremony, while in others, the SAR members lined the route to the burial site wearing their full uniforms and bearing flags. At other times, the SAR members attended the ceremony as an expression of honor toward the veteran. Although we have sent more than 100 notices of USS Stark Memorial Award opportunities, we have received feedback from fewer than 25. Those chapters which report having attended, or are planning to attend, are encouraged to generate reports and photos of the events for inclusion in the State Society & Chapter Events section of the SAR

Magazine. We know of at least one chapter that has submitted such a report with a photo. Hopefully, we will gather more feedback from the USS Stark Memorial Award Reports that we encourage each chapter and society to submit at year's end.

So, has there been any impact so far on the nationwide use of the USS Stark Memorial Award Program? The statistics concerning those 100 reburials identified this year are instructive and encouraging. In 2020, only 16 of our SAR state societies submitted USS Stark Memorial Award Reports.

In other words, the majority of state societies failed to make any contribution to that program.

The 100 identified MIAs are being reburied across 37 states, 22 of which failed to report any USS Stark activity in 2020, either at the state or chapter level. Hopefully, the

Veterans Committee notices, and DPAA news releases sent to these 22 new states encouraging participation in the program will be like a seed planted in new ground that will increase national interest in this growing part of our service to veterans as we approach our nation's 250th anniversary.

THE VETERANS COMMITTEE ENCOURAGES ALL CHAPTERS AND SOCIETIES TO SUPPORT THE POW/MIA REINTERMENTS WHENEVER POSSIBLE, SHOWING THOSE WHO PAID THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE THAT THEY HAVE NOT BEEN FORGOTTEN.





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VETERANS SITREP

The Veterans Affairs Committee urges all veteran compatriots to submit a NSSAR Veterans Multi Corps Recognition Form which will allow the compatriot to be recognized and issued a Certificate of Patriotism. This allows the purchasing of the War Service Medal or the Military Service Medal by the compatriot or compatriot's chapter.

If you are a veteran that has not been recognized by the NSSAR Veterans Recognition Committee and want to receive your Certificate of Patriotism, please contact your chapter president, chapter veterans committee chairman, or myself to get that process started.

I encourage all Ohio Society chapters to fill out and submit a USS Stark Memorial Award report for 2024. The purpose of this report is to recognize SAR chapters for their support of and service to the veteran community.

Partners in Patriotism is now reported annually on the USS Stark Memorial Award report. This encourages and recognizes chapters who participate in veterans programs sponsored and organized by other

patriotic organizations such as the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, USO, Wreaths Across America, Honor Flight, Blue Star Salute, etc.

The Ohio Society had sixteen chapters submit a USS Stark Memorial report for 2023. That was a 67 percent submission rate. We needed a 50 percent submission rate for the society to receive the State Veterans Service Award at this year's SAR Congress.

If you would like to get involved with serving our veterans at the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati, Dayton, or Chillicothe Veterans Medical Centers. SAR Representative and Deputy Representative positions are available. Please contact me if you are interested. These positions are worth 100 points annually on your chapter's USS Stark Memorial Award report.

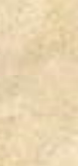
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The SAR Veteran's Corps recently announced that World War One and World War Two veterans listed as descendants of your Patriot Ancestors as defined in your respective Record Copies are eligible for inclusion in the Veteran's Corp.

The process is pretty simple!

1. Apply for a Memorial Membership for your father(s) and or your grandfather(s). See your Chapter Registrar for guidance on the Memorial Membership application
2. Once the Memorial Membership is approved by NSSAR, then apply for Membership of your WWI or WWII Memorial Member's Veteran's Corp membership by forwarding a copy of their discharge documents as proof of their service in their respective campaigns.

Their names will be added to the their respective campaign SAR Service Corps.





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VETERANS SITREP

On March 7th, SAR Representative Jason Riley presented a donation of McDonald's and Chick-fil-A gift cards to the Dayton VA Hospice Unit on behalf of the Richard Montgomery Chapter. The amount of the donation was \$85.00.

(Pictured on the left with Jason is Tiffany Knight, Chief of the Dayton VA CDCE)



In a separate communication from the National Society Veterans Committee Chairman: Doug Pettit (*Marietta Chapter*) and Gary Duffield (*Highlanders Chapter*) were appointed to the NSSAR Veterans Committee.



Gary Duffield, President
Highlanders Chapter



Doug Pettit, President
Marietta Chapter

Gentlemen:

I would like to congratulate all of you for your recent appointment to the NSSAR Veterans Committee. Your appointments have been approved by the President General Dodd.

I would also like to thank you all for volunteering for this committee in service of those who have served our nation. You will be receiving the Minutes from the Spring Leadership meeting in the next week or so once they have been completed. If you have an interest in serving on a sub-committee, please let me know. We are in need of someone to act as the POC for the Paralyzed Veteran Wheelchair Games. If you are interested I can provide more details.

Thank you again.

In Patriotic Service,

*Scott Giltner, Chairman – Veterans Committee
NSSAR*



OHIO SOCIETY COLOR GUARD

A new link has been added to the Ohio Society website in the Members Only Section, under the heading "Color Guard Exchange - Uniforms, Accoutrements, Etc." Items available for sale or giveaway will be posted here. It is preferred that pictures of each item be sent, along with a quick description, condition, size if applicable, asking price, and contact information. Contact State Color Guard Commander Bob Hill for questions or submissions at: Leeslegiondragoon@gmail.com.



2024-02-17 On Saturday, February 17th the Richard Montgomery Chapter with its Ladies Auxiliary gathered for its George Washington Birthday Banquet in Dayton, Ohio.



Members of the Cincinnati Chapter and Richard Montgomery Chapter, in cooperation with the Turtle Creek Chapter DAR, participated together in the January 19th kickoff for the American Battlefield Trust's American Revolution Experience Exhibit held at the Harmon Museum in Lebanon, Ohio.

OHIO SOCIETY COLOR GUARD



The extensive Revolutionary War artifacts and replicas belonging to Cincinnati's Nolan Carson Color Guard Commander Mike Gunn was on display for three (3) hours and historical presentations for visitors were provided by Commander Gunn and other color guard members. The American Battlefield Trust's American Revolution Experience Exhibit was on display at the Harmon Museum for a month.

A combined color guard with members of the Benjamin Franklin Chapter, the Camp Charlotte Chapter, and CAR member Elaina Potter posted the colors at the Clintonville Ladies Club in Columbus, Ohio for George Washington's Birthday on Monday, February 12th.



On Friday, January 19th, Cincinnati Colorguardsmen Jack Bredenfoerder (L) and Mike Gunn (R) stand with a new American citizen from Vietnam after attending a Naturalization Ceremony at the St. Dominic School in Cincinnati in which 46 people from 30 different countries became naturalized citizens.

OHIO SOCIETY COLOR GUARD



On Wednesday, February 7th, several members of the Cincinnati Color Guard visited Monroe Elementary School in Monroe, Ohio and gave presentations in separate classrooms to approximately 180 students on various subjects about the Revolutionary War period. Pictured are compatriots Mike Gunn and Mark Fields.

Photo # 1-Parade-Route: An annual ceremony on the birthday of President William Henry Harrison was held at his tomb on Friday, February 9th, starting with a parade led by Cincinnati Color Guard members escorting two Eagle Scouts carrying the National Colors. At the end of the ceremony, a musket salute was fired by color guard members who then went to Mourn



Muskets as a bugler played Taps.



At a Cincinnati SAR/DAR President's Day Luncheon held on Saturday, February 17th at the Cincinnati Women's Club, the Nolan Carson Memorial Color Guard prepares to post the colors. The color guardsmen also escorted General George Washington (chapter member Zachary Haines) and Lady Martha Washington (Heidi Wiedemann) into the dining hall.

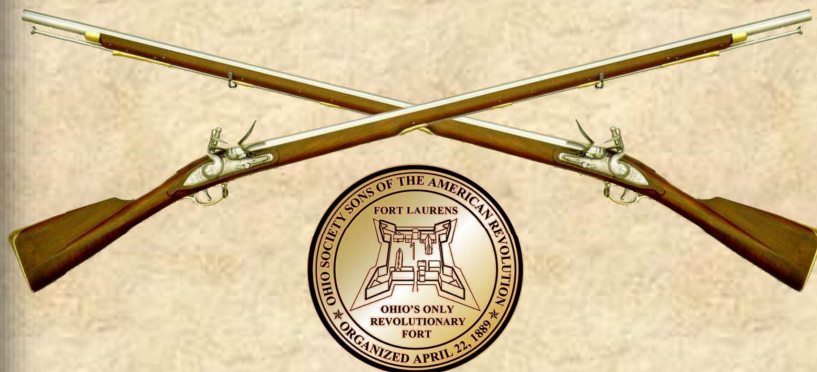
Dayton: On Saturday, March 16th, the Richard Montgomery Chapter Color Guard posted the colors and participated in the 26th Annual Routes For Roots Workshop sponsored by the Miami County Historical and Genealogical Society at the Fort Piqua Conference Center in Piqua, Ohio.



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Richard Montgomery Chapter Color Guard Commander Alan See and a fellow color guardsman participated in a Preble County Patriots Meeting in March.



Richard Montgomery Chapter - Dayton Ohio at DAR: Also in March, Richard Montgomery Color Guardsmen participated in a DAR travelling exhibit in Dayton, Ohio.



OHIO SOCIETY LADIES AUXILIARY

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

The LAOHSSAR has been delighted to welcome three new members – including a Life Member - since publication of the last issue of *The Ohio Country Bulletin*. They, and the SAR chapter with which they are most closely associated, are:

Sharon N. Earls, Richard Montgomery Chapter

Rosemary E. Reed, Marietta Chapter

Lisa Reily, Richard Montgomery Chapter (**Life Member**)

THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION EXPERIENCE TRAVELING EXHIBIT DRAWS LAOHSSAR LADIES

The Harmon Museum in Lebanon, Ohio played host to The American Revolution Experience Traveling Exhibit in January; the exhibit came together as the result of a joint effort of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution and the American Battlefield Trust. Since the Harmon Museum's collection mainly focuses on 19th century artifacts, Dr. Michael Gunn of the Cincinnati Chapter SAR offered to bring items from his personal collection of 18th century artifacts for a Friday evening of display and demonstration.



LAOHSSAR Members Diane Autore and Kathleen Lauri-Lewis joined colleagues from the Turtle Creek chapter of DAR and other friends to view the exhibit.



From left to right: - front: Diane Autore, Kathleen Lauri-Lewis. In back: Ted Autore, Chris Nehring (OSDAR Vice Regent), and Garth Lewis.

On Friday evening, LAOHSSAR members Carole Gunn (left) and Kathe Freeman, who are associated with the Cincinnati Chapter SAR, assisted their husbands, Mike Gunn and Scott Freeman, and other colonial-uniformed members of the Cincinnati Chapter SAR on Friday evening to display and demonstrate to visitors dozens of 18th century artifacts from Dr. Gunn's collection.

DAYTON-AREA LAOHSSAR LADIES HELP CELEBRATE GEORGE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY





The Richard Montgomery SAR hosted their annual George Washington Banquet on Saturday, February 17, 2024, in Dayton. Members of the LAOHSSAR displayed the Stars and Stripes Quilt and offered quilt-raffle tickets for sale. Left to Right, LAOHSSAR Ladies Kathleen Lauri-Lewis, Cheryl Cavendish, Ruth Pruitt, Patty Kaplan, and April Brown.

Approximately 70 people attended the Richard Montgomery Chapter's celebration including SAR and LAOHSSAR members from around Ohio. LAOHSSAR ladies in this photo are, left to right, Patty Kaplan, Kathleen Lauri-Lewis, Sharon Earls, April Brown and Ruth Pruitt. In attendance but missing from the photo: Cheryl Cavendish and Karen Kirk.

VETERANS HONORED WITH QUILTS OF VALOR AT OHSSAR



WINTER MEETING IN MARIETTA

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Ohio SAR was fortunate to honor two veterans at the OHSSAR's Winter Meeting in Marietta, Ohio in February.

Ken Harris, here pictured with his wife, Betty (left) and LAOHSSAR Treasurer Venie Hinson, served as a Corporal in the Army from 1949 to 1952. In Korea he was part of an ordinance unit, transporting equipment to the front lines. Ken and Betty have six children, 19 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren. Mr. Harris is OHSSAR First Lady Anita Miller's uncle.

Richard Holley and his wife Phyllis (below) received Richard's Quilt of Valor from OHSSAR president Laurie Bredenfoerder and Treasurer Venie Hinson.



Mr. Holley is a Veteran of World War II, serving the Navy from 1944 to 1946, working in assembly and repair of the Navy's planes. He and Phyllis have two sons, two granddaughters and two great-granddaughters.

Note:

Venie Hinson has been the driving force behind LAOHSSAR's Quilts of Valor activity since it began; thanks to her dedication and sewing skills, the LAOHSSAR has been privileged to award thirteen Quilts of Valor (so far!) since 2020. Venie recently or-

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ganized a group of dedicated quilters in her home area who meet regularly to pitch in on the many steps required to custom-create each Quilt.

SCENE FROM A MEETING

Since they were all dressed up for the Ladies Luncheon at the NASAR 2024 Spring Leadership meeting at the fabled Brown Hotel in Louisville, these past, current and future officers of the LAOHSSAR were happy to have their fine moment together memorialized. From left to right, Chris Bailey (LAOHSSAR president 2001-2022); Laurie Bredenfoerder, (president 2022-2024*); Venie Hinson, (president 1999-2021*); Patty Kaplan, (president-elect, 2024-25); and Sandy Tyler (Vice President-Elect 2024-25). (*denotes two terms served.)



Thank You, Betty!

Over the past winter, the Ladies Auxiliary of the Ohio Society SAR experienced an epic torch-passing. Our most stalwart supporter and foundational inspiration, Betty Franklin, announced her decision to step back from leadership-level involvement in the LAOHSSAR. The reason we'll be able to go on without her active leadership...is the same reason it might take some time to adjust to Betty's less-active role: Betty has been the heart and soul, the sparkplug, and the tireless standard-bearer for our Ladies Auxiliary since she first stepped up to serve as LAOHSSAR treasurer in 1999. Betty has passed to her successors an Auxiliary with a well-documented history (literally – there's a thick blue binder full) and a clearly defined, unique, and essential place in the Ohio Society SAR community.

Betty, we're deeply grateful for the endless hours and decades you've dedicated to keeping the LAOHSSAR flame burning; your example, inspiration, and support are truly priceless. Thank you SO much! Your leadership *will* be missed!

OHIO SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

NEW MEMBERSHIPS

CINCINNATI (3)

Sacay, Scott Gregory

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN (4)

Washington, Daniel James

Washington, James Barry

Miller, Noah Steven

RICHARD MONTGOMERY (6)

Gifford, Guy Bruce

JOHN STARK (7)

Collins, Bryan David

LAFAYETTE (8)

Moskowitz, Matthew Stephen

NORTHEAST OHIO (12)

Reynolds, Steven Kelsey Jr.

Ducro, John Peter IV

JOHN HANCOCK (28)

Tong, Keith Douglas

Cufr, Daniel David

HOCKING VALLEY (42)

Record, James LeRoy

REINSTATEMENT

WESTERN RESERVE (1)

Flanagan, Brian David

Upole, Charles Lee

Cork, William Henry III

Kempton, William Edward

CINCINNATI (3)

Tilton, Michael John

Matthews, Mark Allen

Hubbard, William Everett

Bourgraf, Christopher G.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN (4)

Ullum, Douglas Edward

Crites, Don Michael

Meade, Harold Eugene

Miller, Reid Alexander

Bloomer, David Joe

Colby, Robert Gould

Frecker, Maxwell Robert

Holland, Austin Drake

Hubbard, Richard

Jacobs, William Randall

Kauffman, Stephen James

Steed, Douglas Gregg Renner

Filbert, Thomas Robert 2

Mains, Robert Anthony

Roby, Braden Leon

Shough, Michael Wayne

Boll, Jacob Anderson

LAFAYETTE (8)

Frey, Barry James

Hackett, Craig Gerald

Svenson, Andrew John

Goulet, Justin Morgan

Walters, Maynard Zebedee

Elias, Samuel Groves

Latacki, Tarus Lawrence Jr.

GEORGE ROGERS CLARK (9)

Bean, Robert W.

Baker, James Wesley

Vaglia, David Julius

Dixon, William Herman

NORTHEAST OHIO (12)

Layman, Dennis James

Porter, John Nathan

Swift, Donald Bernard

BUCKEYE (99)

Telzrow, James Spencer

Telzrow, Michael Perrin

Stahl, Johnathan Case

TRANSFER-IN

CINCINNATI (3)

Guilfoyle, David M.

Cooper, Carl D. Jr

LAFAYETTE (8)

Matthews, Jeffrey Carey

TRANSFER OUT

RICHARD MONTGOMERY (6)

Greig, Colin Jeffrey

IN REMEMBRANCE

WESTERN RESERVE SOCIETY (1)

Kenyon Castle Bolton, III
Phillip Peter Bolton

RICHARD MONTGOMERY (6)

Randall Lee, Groff
Sunday, March 3, 2024
Michael Edward Rountree
Saturday, December 23, 2023

SAMUEL HUNTINGTON (15)

Kenneth Robert Mosher, Sr.
Monday, February 26, 2024
Robert Howard Bradt
Friday, February 23, 2024

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN (42)

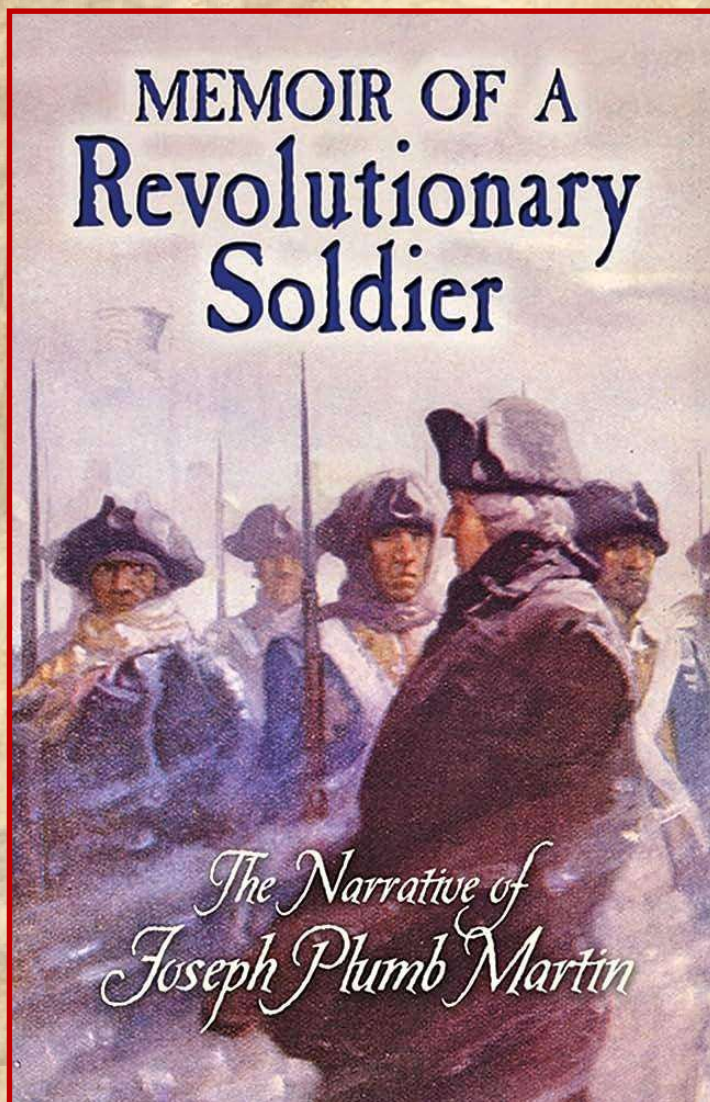
Mark Weldon Mahan
Saturday, February 17, 2024

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S LIBRARY

If you ever wondered what it might have been like to be a soldier in our War for Independence from Great Britain then, read this narrative by Joseph Plumb Martin!

For those that have had the privilege of serving our country in uniform during times of war, you may find parallel experiences shared with Private Martin.

This story of his experiences during the Revolution is fascinating as well as a truthful sharing of his journey from life as a British Subject to that of an American Citizen!



A wide-eyed teenager during most of the Revolutionary War, Joseph Plumb Martin left his grandfather's farm in Connecticut in 1775 and spent much of the next eight years with the Continental Army, crisscrossing the mid-Atlantic states and returning north after the British surrender at Yorktown. His notes, penned when he was seventy, recount in grim detail his harrowing experiences during the conflict — the staggering losses in human life, the agony of long marches, constant gnawing hunger, bitter cold, and the fear of battle, as well as a warts-and-all view of military leaders. Balancing these brutal wartime experiences are lively accounts of hunting, fishing, and other diversions—including an occasional encounter with a "saucy miss."

The fullest existing description of the Revolutionary War by an enlisted man, and a rediscovered gem of American history, Martin's recollections brim with telling anecdotes that reveal a great deal about American life during this era. An invaluable memoir from an ordinary man in extraordinary times, the narrative is "one of the best firsthand accounts of war as seen by a private soldier." —

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