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Sons of the American Revolution



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George Clarke

Well the snow in my backyard has melted away and the forsythia is a nice bright yellow. I guess spring is here. As a guy who spent many winters on Montana and one in Alaska, I have seen spring snows before, but part of the reason I am here is because I love four seasons and hate it when the weather goes from cold to unbearable heat with no spring in the middle. Sadly, this could be one of those years.

The Washington's Birthday celebration went well with several DAR ladies in attendance for both the march and the luncheon. Joan Hall and Helen Gallagher took photos of the event and Bruce Hustis and I were able to get them and a commentary in the April edition of the SAR Colorguardsman magazine. If you are interested see page 25 of the 1st 2018 edition at <https://sar.org/sar-colorguardsman>. One of the photos that did not make the magazine is the one below of the Color Guard marching into Washington Square.



We are going to have our next Board of Management meeting on a Thursday evening at Charlotte's on May 10th. As we discussed before we are interested having more meetings where working members could attend. We had tried Saturday but decided against it as Saturday is not a good day for members with family responsibilities. We are also holding our Annual Meeting on an evening on October 2nd to permit more of the general membership to attend the election of officers. There is a calendar of all the events we currently have planned through the installation in November which you can find elsewhere in this newsletter.

We had to cancel the SAR Saturday at the Museum because we could not get the participation we wanted. We were trying to get over 100 Compatriots and their families to participate by inviting the SAR members in all the adjacent State societies to join us. We will reschedule it for September or October, but we need a date where it does not conflict with the meeting of those adjacent State societies.

COLOR GUARD CORNER

The 1st calendar quarter of the year was relatively quiet for your Color Guard, with only the annual George Washington's Birthday wreath-laying(s) at Washington Square and Independence Hall, followed by a luncheon at the City Tavern. It IS moreover important for its status as regards "firsts":

- 1 . The 1st elected President's birthday celebration
2. The 1st Color Guard event of each calendar year (usually), and
3. In 2018, the CG welcomed William (Bill) H. Baker, II, Steven (Steve) Peter Kopsick, and Scott Willson to their very 1st uniformed events "on the march" in the streets of historic downtown Philadelphia. We certainly welcome them, and their enthusiasm, to our assemblage.
4. For the 1st time in a long while, CAPT James (Jim) H. Sanborn USNR (Ret) was back at the helm of the march. Jim is a past CPT of the Guard and has agreed to step back aboard for a brief interval to help us reorganize.

Phil Anders, SGT of the Guard

New Memebers 1/15/18 to 4/30/18		
New Member		Patriot
Brian Thomas	Heller	George Vansant
Stephen Daniel	Sims	Pendleton Isbel
Brian Derrick	Porten-Willson	Thomas Smith
Scott Thomas	Willson	Thomas Smith
Samuel Martin	Lynagh	William Scott
Aloysius Peter	Lynagh	William Scott
Duncan Patrick	Roth	William Scott
David Graham	Lloyd	James Graham
Joshua Lee	Daniel	Henry Daniel
Jason James	Malicki	Daniel Shaffer
Anthony Dwight	Satterthwaite	John Claypoole
Junior Members		Patriot
William Everett	Sims	Pendleton Isbel
Finnian Earle	Lynagh	William Scott
Grayson Michael	Lynagh	William Scott
Declan Peter	Lynagh	William Scott

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 2007-2008 James H Sanborn
 2006-2007 Lanny R Patten
 2005-2006 Richard D Merion
 2004-2005 William H Epp
 2003-2004 Frederick R Rude
 2002-2003 C Charles Smith
 2001-2002 Richard G Beach
 2000-2001 J Thomas Showler
 1999-2000 Michael W Freeland
 1998-1999 William J Yearsley
 1997-1998 Winchell S Carroll
 1996-1997 F Russell Greenspan
 1995-1996 James E Musselwhite
 1994-1995 Aloysius J Hogan
 1993-1994 David Cole
 1992-1993 David A Hocken-smith
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 1990-1991 Leon Solis-Cohen, Jr
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 1986-1987 Herbert K Zearfoss
 1985-1986 William Cowper
 1984-1985 Louis S Baker
 1983-1984 Paul L DeHaas
 1982-1983 William G Dorwart
 1981-1982 Leigh W Prentice
 1980-1981 Ammon L Hollinger
 1979-1980 Theodore Clatten-burg
 1978-1979 Henry B Brown, Jr
 1977-1978 Harry Woolever, Jr
 1976-1977 Samuel D Foster
 1975-1976 Edwin H Gideon
 1974-1975 Wylie W G Borum
 1973-1974 Ralph O Nesslinger
 1972-1973 W Buchanan Gold
 1971-1972 James C Bradley

1970-1971 Burdett S Fuller
 1969-1970 Warren G Hayes
 1968-1969 Alton B Chamberlain
 1967-1968 James R Lupfer, Jr
 1965-67 Archibald G Wood
 1964-1965 Davis B Hopson
 1963-1964 Hamilton Cochran
 1962-1963 Earl M Richards
 1961-1962 C Leslie Hunsberger
 1960-1961 Frederick H MacIn-tire
 1960 Charles R Hansell
 1959 Kenneth G Smith, Jr

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1957-58 A Liston Townsend
 1955-56 Charles R Fish
 1952-54 David L German, Jr
 1950-51 T Joseph Reilly
 1949 William H Heffner, Jr
 1947-48 Addison F Bender, Jr
 1945-46 Richard P South
 1943-44 Eugene C Bonniwell
 1942 Tristram C Whitaker
 1941 H Palmer Lippincott, Jr
 1939-40 Herman W Johnson
 1938 Lawrence C Hickman
 1937 Samuel O Wynne
 1935-36 Lawrence C Hickman
 1934 Harold C Whitside
 1932-33 Lawrence C Hickman
 1931 Warner R Heston
 1929-30 Lawrence C Hickman
 1928 Hiram L Wynne
 1927 Howell H VanBlarcom
 1926 Lawrence C Hickman
 1925 James K Helms
 1924 Warren Matlack
 1923 Walter Gabell
 1922 Herman W Fernberger
 1918-21 Eugene C Bonniwell
 1911-1917 Moses Veale
 1909-10 Clarence P Wynne
 1901-08 Harry Blynn

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1958 Kenneth G Smith, Jr
 1957 Stephen W Hartwell
 1955-56 Robert L McNeill, Jr
 1952-54 D Barlow Burke
 1951 Cyrus C Alcorn
 1949-50 Walton Brand
 1947-48 William J Mathis
 1945-46 Ashton L Worrall
 1943-44 Myer Solis-Cohen
 1942 Walter Gabell, Jr
 1940-41 T Carroll Davis
 1937-39 Alton C Brand
 1936 John P Henrie
 1934-35 W Harvey Johnson
 1933 Frank H Warner
 1930-32 J Alfred Coxe
 1928-29 L Napoleon Boston



Sculptor Pierre Lefebvre, Lanny Patten and Don Drewry



The Pennsylvania Society SAR commissioned and procured a work of art bronze bust by Sculptor Pierre Lefebvre of the Comte de Rochambeau, c.1781, and gifted it to the Fine Arts Department at Lafayette College in Easton, PA. The bust was delivered to the College on April 18, 2018 by the sculptor and SAR Compatriots Lanny Patten (past PCC President) and Don Drewry (Valley Forge Chapter). It was received by LC Curator Michiko Okaya, Artifacts Curator Diane Shaw and French faculty member Olga Anna Duhl. This College holds a major collection of fine art and artifacts from the life of the Marquis de Lafayette and French participation in the American Revolution. The bust is to become a major item in a new public exhibition at the College.

At left is a painting from Lafayette College fine art archives: "Arrival of Rochambeau at Newport 1780" by Edward Percy Moran. So the April, 2018 arrival of de Rochambeau in bronze is timely.

PCC History Review 1979-1980

The 78th Annual Dinner and Meeting was held Monday, November 12th, 1979 in the Philadelphia Room at the Engineers Club of Philadelphia. After reports from the various committees and dinner President Henry B Brown, Jr presented newly installed President Theodore Clattenburg with the gavel and neck insignia. Past Chapter and PASSAR President Warren G Hayes did the actual Installation of the Officers. Cost of this affair was \$8.50 per. Due to a misunderstanding the Grand Ballroom of the Benjamin Franklin Hotel will not be available for the Constitution Week Celebration on September 21, 1980. Instead, the celebration was held at the Holiday Inn, Downtown. The Color Guard paraded 12 flags with several volunteers helping out. The report states it was a most impressive sight and was signed by Col Paul K Brown, Captain of the Color Guard. Also, it states the Washington Birthday Celebration, February 23, 1980, both Independence Hall and the Unknown Monument at Washington Square were visited. Obviously under Col Brown the Guard has made a vast improvement.

For reasons unknown I cannot find additional material for year 1980—Perhaps it will show a bit later.

PCC History Review 1980-1981

At the 79th Annual Installation Dinner held in the Philadelphia Room of the Engineers Club Wednesday November 12, 1980, Warren G Hayes, Jr., Secretary General NSSAR, installed the officers. Past President Theodore Clattenburg presented the gavel and neck insignia to President Ammon L Hollinger. The total budget for 1981 is \$2750. Dues have been increased, National by \$2 to \$8, State by \$2 to \$7 and Chapter by 50 cents to \$8 making a total of \$23. According to the audit of fiscal year ended October 31, 1980 the total cash balance including checking account, savings account, General Fund and Memorial Fund is \$11,155. The budget for 1982 has increased to \$3700.

The Washington Birthday Celebration was held February 21, 1981 at the Engineers Club. As with past years, busses were chartered to haul folks down and back from Independence Hall for the wreath setting at the Washington Statue. A wreath was also placed at the Unknowns Tomb in Washington Square. President Hollinger spoke briefly at both locations. The two wreaths were left over from Christmas and cost the chapter zero. It was suggested this procedure be followed in the future. A reception and luncheon followed. The speaker for this occasion was Robert Trucksess, Esq, who earned himself a Silver Good Citizenship Medal for his effort. His talk was excellent and was entitled “A Tribute to the American Flag”. Apparently the Color Guard is doing much better under the leadership of Col Paul K Brown. They paraded the colors at all three locations.

Sunday April 26, 1981, 32 persons including members of the Order of Founders and Patriots and wives attended the Annual Memorial Service at Arch Street Presbyterian Church. The Rev Dr G Hall Todd, Chaplain of the Chapter, conducted the service. Loyalty and Patriotism, the theme of the day, were beautifully expressed in the prayers, hymns and songs. Following the service the group moved to the nearby Sheraton Hotel for luncheon.

Sadly, at the September 14th meeting, President Hollinger reported the death of Compatriot C Leslie Hunsberger. His arduous keeping of chapter minutes, communications of all kinds typewritten and preserved in vinyl jackets then put in a three ring binder make the composition of this history project possible. He was a workhorse who was involved in chapter activities at all levels and was Chapter President in 1961-62. Nothing got by Les Hunsberger.

The 12th Annual DAR/SAR Constitution Week Celebration was September 19, 1981 at the Center City Holiday Inn. Guest speaker was Honorable Joseph C Bruno, Court of Common Pleas, City of Philadelphia. His oration earned him the Silver Good Citizenship Medal. Cost \$12 per plus \$2.50 parking. A report states some 300 members and guests attended this affair.

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A Memorial Service was held at Pennwynne United Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 11th. Both SAR and DAR members attended. This was to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Victory at Yorktown. Following the service the members hosted a Colonial Reception in the church auditorium.

The 80th Annual Meeting was held in the Philadelphia Room at Engineer's Club on Wednesday November 11, 1981. President Ammon L Hollinger welcomed the attendees after the dinner hour. The meeting followed with the reading of reports by committee chairmen. President Hollinger presented the Gavel and Insignia to newly elected president William G Dorwart after the installation by Warren G Hayes, Jr., Secretary General NSSAR. Henry B Brown, Jr., Genealogist PSSAR, presented the Past Presidents badge to Mr Hollinger.

Jim Willis, Historian of the Chapter



George Clarke, John Coleman, and Frank O'Donnell

On February 8, George Clarke, president and Frank O'Donnell, 1st vice president presented the William J. Yearsley Award to John Coleman, a machine tool technology junior at the Williamson College of the Trades. Mr. Coleman was presented with a cash award, a SAR Certificate "in recognition of his outstanding Citizenship and his Support of the Williamson College," and a "Leadership Medallion." The award is given annually to a junior for demonstrating the qualities of industry, self-discipline, personal integrity, reliability, contributions above the call of duty, and having a GPA above 3.25. John has come up with innovative methods of selling candy bars at Booth's Corner as a class fundraiser. He is an active member of St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Glen Mills and enjoys volunteering to help churches. He works weekends for Lia's Catering in Boothwyn.

Did You Know?

Valley Forge NHP is part of the Schuylkill River National & State Heritage Area, which stretches 128 miles from Philadelphia to Pottsville. The region is nationally significant for the roles that its people, places, and events played in the American, industrial, and environmental revolutions

None of the original soldier huts remain. The huts that you see in the park today are reproductions based on the model that General Washington wanted the soldiers to follow. Despite a lack of tools and the relative haste in which they were built, most served as decent shelters for the troops.

Philadelphia Continental Chapter - SAR

Calendar of Events 2018

Event	Day	Date	Time	Location
May B.O.M.	Thursday	5/10/2018	6:00 PM	Charlotte's Restaurant
Picnic	Sunday	6/10/2018	11:30AM	Fenimore Woods, Radnor
September B.O.M	Monday	9/10/2018	10:00 AM	Charlotte's Restaurant
October Annual Meeting	Tuesday	10/2/2018	5:30 PM	Glenhardie Country Club
Installation Banquet	Friday	11/9/2018	6:00 PM	Overbrook Golf Club

Annual Patriots Picnic Sunday June 10, 2018 Fenimore Woods Park

This is to announce to all members of Philadelphia Continental Chapter the Annual Patriots Picnic will be held at Fenimore Woods Park on Sunday June 10, 2018. Plan to arrive by 11:30 AM to enjoy the lavish offerings. We will feature a 110 pound pig as well as the traditional hot dogs and hamburgers. We will have beer and wine and assorted cold soft drinks to satisfy your thirst. Bring your wife and family and friends. All are welcome to enjoy the program we are planning. The park is located at 1194 Eagle Road, Wayne, PA 19087.

Please call or email John Mitchell, notifying him with your name and number of guests you are bringing.
610-630-1575 or 484-557-9270 (cell phone)
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If you are interested in helping in some way with the picnic please contact John Mitchell at 610-630-1575 or johnfmtc@aol.com

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Remember the picnic, June 10th
Fenimore Woods Park
1194 Eagle Road
Wayne, PA

11:30 AM until 2:30 PM
Pig Roast
Hamburgers and Hot Dogs
Soft Drinks

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