



ARIZONA SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION



BARRY M. GOLDWATER CHAPTER

NEWSLETTER

April 2011

Minutes of the March 17, 2011, Chapter meeting

Location:
Coco's Restaurant
4514 E. Cactus, Phx, AZ

Our March Chapter meeting was opened by President Earl Atwood at 6:30 p.m. with twenty-three Compatriots and guests in attendance.

After opening ceremonies and officer reports, Mike Jones sold raffle tickets for items at our upcoming April 23 wine-tasting, joint fundraiser with the DAR Paradise Valley Chapter.

Speaker: Jason Roberts PHD, gave a most interesting presentation regarding biomedical and health ethics. His presentation, "Medical tourism stem cells: from bench to bedside via, the Dominican Republic" explored the ethical medical difficulties which result from people going to foreign countries for unproven stem cell treatments.

50/50 raffle: Well our Chapter is \$24.00 richer thanks to those present at the meeting who participated and speaking of richer, Compatriot Bob Moore was the lucky winner.

Junior Member dues/fees: Compatriot Ed Karr addressed the members present and advised that in 2010 NSSAR reduced its annual fees for Juniors from \$10.00 to \$5.00. In February the AZSSAR at the annual Board of Managers meeting, voted to eliminate application fees and annual dues for Junior members and recommended that all AZ Chapters do likewise. The reason for these reductions is to encourage Junior memberships.

Our Chapter charges annual dues of \$9.00 but had no application fee.

The deletion of our \$9.00 fee for Juniors was voted on and approved by all members present.



New Barry M. Goldwater Chapter Compatriot

Brent J. Cooper had his membership in the NSSAR recently approved and is now a member of our Chapter. His ancestor is: Aaron Haynes, Captain MA.

Welcome Compatriot Brent J. Cooper!



2012 Congress in Arizona Report

ONLY 15 MONTHS TO GO!!!

New information is regularly being posted on the web site www.SAR2012Congress.com.

Three raffles (5 nights at the Biltmore during 2012 Congress, the 24" Bronze Minuteman statue, a handmade Powder Horn & pouch) are being held as fund raisers. The Biltmore Resort winning ticket will be drawn at the 2011 Congress Tuesday night banquet. NMSSAR has provided a ladies broach / pin as a raffle item.

Buy all your raffle tickets **NOW**.

The Committee Chairmen are looking for a few good men to **Volunteer**. You can help make the 2012 Congress a great success by **Volunteering** to help.

The Ladies Auxiliary is raising lots of money to help and will need volunteers also. Sign up your wife, daughter, girl friend, mother or ALL to be a Life Time members of AZSSAR Ladies Auxiliary for only \$50. **Ours is the best deal** as NSSAR Ladies Auxiliary Life Time is \$100.

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HOLD THIS DATE

Hold the date of April 23, 2011 from 2:00 – 4:00pm for a special SAR and DAR event (see attached flyer).

The Paradise Valley Chapter (DAR) and Barry M. Goldwater Chapter (SAR) are hosting a wine tasting event at Wine Styles, 10625 N. Tatum, suite D142 (winestylesstore.com).

The cost will be \$15 per person and will need to be **prepaid**. We are limited to 40 guests.

At our March meeting I will be selling raffle tickets (voices) on 6-8 items at \$5 each or 6 for \$25. Bring lots of *cash*. BMG will get 50% of the proceeds from this event.

Raffle items are still needed! If you have a raffle item to donate please contact me.

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SUPPORT YOUR CHAPTER

April speaker

Our speaker for the April 21st meeting will be Randy Derr from the “Military-Hospital” cooperative. This group provides military training for military personnel going to war. There is also a slide show of “million dollar” mannequins—sounds very interesting!

Ancestor Biography

The following biography of Private Ira Phillips, Minute Man from Bristol County, Massachusetts was submitted by DAR member Maura Mackowski who is the daughter of Past BMG President Carl Phillips:

“Ira was the 6th of 10 children of Nathaniel Phillips, Jr. and Mary (Pitts) Phillips of Berkley, MA, a farming town a day’s march from Rhode Island and a half day from the sea. Both parents descended from founders of Taunton, the county seat a few miles north. Whether Ira was a farmer himself is unknown. Records refer only to his work as a Deacon or Elder in the First Christian Church of Dartmouth after the war, but even the pastor farmed to support his family, so Ira might likewise have had a farm or sawmill.

Like most, Ira was not a career soldier. Records in Massachusetts Soldiers & Sailors of the Revolutionary War show him marching as a Berkley resident age 17 from Dighton, MA to Tiverton, RI with Capt. Elijah Walker’s Co. in Col. John Hathaway’s Regt., serving

21 days in April 1777. He did a second stint that year for 21 or 27 days under Capt. Philip Hathaway, as part of Josiah Whitney’s Regt. On a Taunton roster he served in Capt. Ichabod Leonard’s Co., Col. Thomas Carpenter’s Regt., for 1 month 8 days, commencing late July 1778 with a march to RI on a 6-week tour. Two years later he served 5 days, again at RI, as part of Capt. Job Cook’s (16th) Co., Col. Hathaway’s (2d Bristol Cty.) Regt. His roll was sworn to at Dartmouth, and since Ira married there in 1781, one can assume that 1778-80 is when this branch of the Phillips family migrated there. BGM member Carlton Phillips, Sr. was born in North Dartmouth, as were the intervening 5 generations of Phillipses, some 300 years of Phillips occupancy before Carl’s tribe “removed to” – as the old New England town histories put it – New York and later Arizona.

Records for Bristol County, Cape Cod, and Plymouth County Minute Men mention being “on alarm at Rhode Island,” or “on a secret mission to Rhode Island.” This is because of the nature of the war there. The Narragansett Bay estuary is a maze of islands, bays, coves and rivers navigable 15-20 miles inland and history books refer to “Rogue’s Island” as a nexus for smugglers. Actually Newport, New Bedford, and the many small ports around there served as export centers for the farm goods, iron, ships, and lumber the area produced, and for merchants to receive goods colonists did not manufacture. Periodically British ships would shell the coastal defenses and raid Martha’s Vineyard or mainland ports of livestock, fodder, weapons, and money, or would simply burn warehouses and docks or capture a few locals for ransom or protection. Local Tories used the waterways, too, so the Provincial Congress forbade ships to go out on customary merchant, fishing, or whaling voyages, granting only a few petitions by desperate towns. Congress required towns to send men and munitions to Washington’s Army, but Continentals fought elsewhere in the north – New York, Boston, Quebec, New Jersey – not along the south MA coast. That was left for the militia. The British occupied Newport, RI (Aquidneck Island) from Dec. 1776 to Oct. 1779, and Minute Men like Ira were called out to fight attempts to expand control. Likely he took some part in the Battle of Rhode Island (Battle of Quaker Hill) in August 1778, when the Continental Army tried to expel the British from Newport and retake Narragansett Bay. The result was a standoff. In 1779 the British abandoned Newport for New York and the French fleet arrived in 1780. For the most part, Bristol County’s Minute Men went to work trying to rebuild their lives and livelihoods.”

Editors note: Thanks for a great article Maura! OK, Compatriots it is your turn—submit your ancestor biographies for publication in the newsletter.

A little bit of AZSSAR, SAR and Arizona history--continued

In the previous newsletter I listed the members of the AZSSAR as of 1901. One of the members was James Frank Elwell. What was his tie to the AZSSAR and the territory of Arizona? Well, let's see what is printed in this excerpt of the publication *Los Angeles From The Mountains To The Sea 1921*.

James Frank Elwell, employing printer and a former newspaper man, came to Los Angeles eighteen years ago and established a commercial and job printing business at the corner of Third and Broadway. He has since made the J. F. Elwell Publishing Company a name significant of character, dignity, and the highest quality in all branches of the printing art. The business has gradually developed several complete compartments, including job printing, publishing and engraving. Throughout the history of this concern the personality of Mr. Elwell has been dominant. He is a man of the broadest technical knowledge and equipment in the printing art, has originality and long experience which enables him to give type forms an expressive quality that is itself a fine art.

Mr. Elwell was born in Bridgeton, N.J. and was educated in the public schools of his birthplace, and Camden. He learned the printer's trade at Bridgeton and subsequently was in newspaper work with The Bulletin in Philadelphia, and later engaged in the book and job business as a proofreader. In the early nineties he came west to Arizona, and at Phoenix was editor and publisher of a weekly called *The Independent*. From Arizona he came to Los Angeles in 1902, and ever since that date has been in the job printing business at 254 South Broadway under the name J. F. Elwell Publishing Company.

While in Arizona Mr. Elwell was a member of the National Guard and was assistant adjutant general of Arizona, with the rank of major, serving on the staff of Governor Oakes Murphy. He was also secretary and treasurer of the State Commission on Public Institutions for the Insane of Arizona. He was one of the organizers of the Arizona Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and was its state secretary for several years. His eligibility in that organization is due

from his descent from the Lummis family on his mother's side.

While in that territory he was prominent in church work. He was one of the organizers of the Arizona Christian Endeavor Society and its first secretary, also one of the organizers in Arizona of the State Baptist Young People's Union, and its first state president, serving for six years. Politically, Mr. Elwell is a republican. . .



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Arizona Society
Sons of the American Revolution

Chapter Meeting Notice

The next regular meeting of the BMG Chapter will be held on **Thursday, April 21, 2011, at 6:30 p.m.**

Location: Coco's Restaurant
4514 E Cactus Road
Phoenix, AZ (602) 953-9155

Compatriots, wives, prospective members, and guests are cordially invited to attend this and all meetings.

Dinner will be ordered from a menu specially prepared for us. There will be a choice of several different entrees, so there will be something for everyone. The cost is \$15.50 per person, which includes: dinner, soft drinks, tea, coffee, tax and gratuity. *(Please bring your check made out to BMG Chapter AZSSAR.)*

The meeting agenda is contained on the following page. (Please copy and bring it).

If you plan on attending, please notify me at Swanson1854@Yahoo.com or telephone (480) 515-2798 on or before April 18, 2011.

Just a reminder, we have chapter meetings on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Please mark your calendars. (No meetings during June—August and December)

Thanks. See you at the meeting!

David A. Swanson, Secretary/Treasurer
Barry M. Goldwater Chapter AZSSAR



Barry M. Goldwater Chapter Arizona Society, SAR

Agenda April 21, 2011

Call to Order 6:30 p.m.

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

SAR Pledge

We the descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution, who by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.

Business Session

Treasurer's Report
New member induction
Other officer reports or remarks

Dinner

50/50 Raffle

Program

The speaker will be Mr. Randy Deff from the military-hospital partnership at Scottsdale Healthcare.

Benediction

God Bless America

SAR Recessional

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men.

Adjournment



**The Barry M. Goldwater SAR
and
The Paradise Valley DAR**

Invite you to attend a wine tasting open house



10625 N Tatum, Suite D142

**April 23, 2011
2-4 pm**

Cost \$15 per person (prepaid)

Please make checks payable to Paradise Valley NSDAR and mail to
Carolyn Rearley
6301 E Kings Ave.
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
480-998-4226

Voices (raffle tickets) are available at \$5 each or 6 for \$25
They may be purchased from the SAR or along with your reservation.
You need not be present to win.

Bolo tie
Cheesecake Factory gift card
Amaryllis Hostess Set
3' Photo Ledge
and more

We are limited to 40 guests so please register by April 15th

Proceeds to benefit Veterans Projects