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Arizona Society Sons of the American Revolution



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Minutes of the April 16, 2015, Chapter meeting

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

Our April 16, 2015, Chapter meeting was opened by President William Hearter MD at 6:30 p.m. with 23 Compatriots and guests in attendance.

Business session

President Bill Hearter briefly discussed the upcoming 50th Anniversary Vietnam celebration of service that our Chapter and the Paradise Valley DAR are conducting at the American Legion on Saturday, April 25, 2015.

Secretary/Treasurer David Swanson gave an overview of our Chapter finances which are in great shape.

Military Service Medal Presentation: Compatriot Gerald W. Mead was presented with his well earned SAR Military Service Medal and certificate by Chapter President William Hearter and Veterans Committee Chairman Ed Karr.



(L-R) Compatriots Ed Karr, Jerry Mead, and Dr Bill Hearter
Thank you for your service Compatriot Mead!



Program speakers:

Our Chapter was very fortunate to have Bill and Sandi Wilson who were in period clothing

portraying Kentucky settlers Thomas and Catharine Wilson during the American Revolution. They are members of the ASDAR Speaker's Staff. This was a first rate presentation and if you missed it, you missed a great one!



Bill and Sandi Wilson



Compatriots receiving manual-at-arms training: (L-R) Bill Hearter, Bill O'Brien, drill instructor Thomas Wilson, Dana Abbott, Bob Young, and Jerry Mead





In Memoriam



Barry M. Goldwater Compatriot Rev. Donald Karl Smith Dale 78, of Scottsdale, Arizona passed away on April 4, 2015. Compatriot Dale was the 73rd AZSSAR President. He joined the AZSSAR on 2/22/89 and dropped from active membership on 12/31/2012. He is survived by his wife of 54 years Beatrice B. Dale.



Compatriot Rev. Donald Karl. Smith Dale

Welcome to the 50th edition of our Chapter newsletter!

By David Swanson S/T & Newsletter Editor

This is the 50th newsletter that I have written for our Chapter and with any luck I might have a couple more left in me! I am shure that you have noticed a total lack of misspellings or other grammatical errors due in part to my kean grasp of righting skills learnt at an early age.

The first newsletter was written in February 2010 at which time we were still meeting at Coco's. Officers at the time were: President, John Conrad; Vice President, Dennis Weiland; Secretary/Treasurer, David Swanson; Registrar Genealogist, Bill Orr; Public Affairs Officer, Byron Limbers; Chaplain, Robert Bohannan; Sergeant-at-Arms, Earl Atwood; Chancellor, Gerald Richards; and State Board of Managers H. Robert Young.

Our program speaker for January 2010 was Mike Jones and as reported in the newsletter:

“BMG Compatriot Mike Jones is the 2012 Planning Committee Chairman and gave a very thorough presentation on the 122nd NSSAR Congress which will be held at the Arizona Biltmore Hotel from July 6, 2012, through July 11, 2012” . . . [I understand that this is something he wanted to do on an annual basis—or was is something he did not want to do annually; time dulls the senses.]

Seven articles have been printed regarding Compatriots patriot ancestors and these proved to be very interesting. (If any more Compatriots want their ancestor information printed, just send it in and I will have one of my staff jump on it—if I can drag one of

them away from the break room.) Oh, speaking of articles, I just noticed that I must have been so infatuated with an article about our membership badge that I printed it in two successive newsletters—what I do for filler is amazing!

A lot has changed over the last five years but one thing hasn't—the camaraderie of the Compatriots of our great Chapter!

Oh, one other thing. I know you have the option of reading other competing Barry M. Goldwater Chapter newsletters and yet *my* polls show that this one is the most read—so thank you!



A Grateful Nation Thanks and Honors Our Vietnam War Veterans

The Paradise Valley Chapter DAR and our Chapter conduced a reception honoring Vietnam veterans at the American Legion Post No. 107, located at 20001 N. Cave Creek Rd, on Saturday, April 25, 2015, between 2 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

The efforts of Carolyn Rearley, Regent of the Paradise Valley Chapter DAR and our Chapter representatives Earl Atwood and Bob Rearley really paid off in a well orchestrated and fitting ceremony for the Vietnam War veterans, their families, and guests.

The opening remarks by Regent Carolyn Rearley and BMG Chapter President Dr. William Hearter were very appropriate for the ceremony and well delivered.

The guest speaker, Adjutant General of the State of Arizona David Ratacazak (Retired), drawing on his experience both in Vietnam and as the Adjutant General of Arizona during the Global War on Terrorism, laid out a very heartfelt comparison between the nation's acceptance of returning Vietnam veterans and the homecomings experienced by our current veterans along with the possible reasons for the difference.

The following BMG Compatriots and wives were in attendance: Dr. Bill Hearter, Ed Karr, Earl and Betty Atwood, Win and Marilyn Orr, Bob and Carolyn Rearley, and David and Jan Swanson.

The following BMG Compatriots received a DAR certificated for their Vietnam service: **Earl Atwood, Ed Karr, Bob Rearley, and David Swanson.**



Honor Flight

On April 23, 2015, BMG Compatriot Mike Jones, representing our Chapter, volunteered for four hours at the Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport, welcoming home WWII veterans.



Compatriot Mike Jones standing—far right
Thanks Mike!

Who is the “Father of the US Constitution”?

I would give you a multiple guess test before going into an overview contained in *Wikipedia Article of the Day* but I am sure that you would have answered correctly, so without further ado I introduce James Madison.

“On this day in history [March 16, 1751], James Madison is born. He would become one of the most influential of the Founding Fathers, the 4th US President and most importantly, the "Father of the US Constitution."

“Madison first distinguished himself as a student at the College of New Jersey (now Princeton University), where he successfully completed a four-year course of study in two years and, in 1769, helped found the American Whig Society, the second literary and debate society at Princeton (and the world), to rival the previously established Cliosophic Society.

“Madison returned to Virginia with intellectual accolades but poor health in 1771. By 1776, he was sufficiently recovered to serve for three years in the legislature of the new state of Virginia, where he came to know and admire Thomas Jefferson. In this capacity, he assisted with the drafting of the Virginia Declaration of Religious Freedom and the critical decision for Virginia to cede its western claims to the Continental Congress.

“Madison is best remembered for his critical role in the Constitutional Convention of 1787, where he presented the Virginia Plan to the assembled delegates in Philadelphia and oversaw the difficult process of negotiation and compromise that led to the drafting of the final Constitution. Madison’s published Notes on the Convention are considered the most detailed and accurate account of what occurred in the closed-session debates. (Madison forbade the publishing of his notes until all the participants were deceased.) After the

Constitution was submitted to the people for ratification, Madison collaborated with John Jay and Alexander Hamilton on *The Federalist Papers*, a series of pamphlets that argued for the acceptance of the new government. Madison penned the most famous of the pamphlets, *Federalist No. 10*, which made an incisive argument for the ability of a large federation to preserve individual rights.

“In 1794, Madison married a young widow, Dolley Payne Todd, who would prove to be Washington, D.C.’s finest hostess during Madison’s years as secretary of state to the widowed Thomas Jefferson and then as the fourth president of the United States from 1809 to 1817. Dolley Madison earned a special place in the nation’s memory for saving a portrait of George Washington before fleeing the burning White House during the War of 1812.

“The War of 1812 tested Madison’s presidency. The Federalists staunchly opposed Madison’s declaration of war against the British and threatened to secede from the union during the Harford Convention. When the new nation managed to muster a tenuous victory, the Federalist Party was destroyed and America’s status as a nation apart from Britain was secured.”



The first president’s house was named Franklin House after . . .

The first presidential mansion to house our very first president and his family was named the Franklin House located in New York City. And it was a busy place as pointed out in Wikipedia: “Steward Samuel Fraunces, former owner of nearby Fraunces Tavern, managed a household staff of about 20: wage workers, indentured servants, and enslaved servants. Slavery was legal in New York, and Washington brought seven enslaved Africans from Mount Vernon to work in his presidential household: William Lee, Christopher Sheels, Giles, Paris, Austin, Moll, and Oney Judge.”

Oh, and for those who think it was named after Benjamin Franklin, well . . . you’re wrong. The owner/politician was Samuel Osgood who married Marie Franklin who just happened to be the widow of the original builder and owner Mr. Walter Franklin.

BMG Chapter meeting notice

The next meeting of our Chapter will take place on May 21, 2015, at Coco’s Restaurant, 4514 E. Cactus.

Our speaker will be our chapter president Bill Hearer who will give the presentation: “Battle of Cowpens” North Carolina 1781.

This will be our last meeting before our summer break—no meetings June, July, or August.

SEE YOU THERE!

Compatriot's ancestor information—wanted for publication in our newsletter

If you would like to see your Revolutionary War ancestor's information printed in this newsletter (your Chapter certainly would—and so would the millions of readers throughout the free world) send it to the newsletter editor. Please limit your material to one double sided page or less.

Changed your phone number, address, or email address? Please contact our secretary/treasurer so that everything can be updated

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Compatriots, here is an opportunity for your involvement in your Chapter. None of these activities take a great amount of time. All committees need more assistance. Please call or email David Swanson or any officer or committee member to volunteer.

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Chapter Meeting Notice

The next regular meeting of the BMG Chapter will be held on **Thursday, May 21, 2015**

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 or have correct change and please give it to David Swanson S/T before the beginning of the meeting or at the latest, the dinner portion of it.

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

If you plan on attending, please notify David Swanson at: swanson1854@yahoo.com or telephone him at (480) 515-2798 on or before May 18, 2015.

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)

Thanks. See you at the meeting!

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



Barry M. Goldwater Chapter Arizona Society, SAR

Agenda May 21, 2015

Call to Order 6:30 p.m.

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

SAR Pledge

We 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
Other officer reports or remarks
New member inductions (if any)

Dinner

50/50 Raffle

Program

BMG President Bill Hearter will give the presentation: "Battle of Cowpens" North Carolina 1781.

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.