



TUCSAR BUGLE



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Message from the President



Scott Driver

The Canadian Campaign, ambitiously undertaken in 1775 in hopes of depriving the British of northern staging areas and bringing an additional territory to bear on the conflict, had many factors working against it: an excruciatingly long and anemic supply line, a relatively unseasoned body of soldiers and company-grade officers, smallpox, and formidable weather all come to mind. As significant as each of these problems was, they were by no means unusual for our Continentals and militia. However, the Canadian Campaign posed at least one more major challenge, nearly unique to the War -- it was attempted in a region mostly indifferent or opposed to the cause of Independence.

The (mostly) New York and New England soldiers who reached Montreal and Quebec late in 1775 arrived with their supplies, their numbers, and their resolve badly depleted by the arduous journey. Though pockets of support existed, the inhabitants of the region were mostly content with British rule. The gentry enjoyed similar privilege as under French rule, the clergy were universally content, and Canadian Catholics had more rights and security than Catholics anywhere else in the British Empire. The invaders from the southern colonies succeeded in raising two small Continental Regiments and winning over some militia and others, but generally failed to win over the population.

With the decimated Continentals retreating south in the spring of 1776, colonial governor Sir Guy Carleton launched a comprehensive investigation of the Quebecois collaborators, who'd largely been concentrated in the Trois Rivieres region. His three Commissioners eventually identified 757 men and women guilty of affording aid and comfort to the invaders, or of resisting the King's forces. The specific transgressions identified ranged from furnishing food and firewood to the soldiers, on up to treason by officers of certain local militia companies, and a variety of offenses in between. Unlike their southern neighbors, these nearly forgotten Patriots never received Independence for themselves and their children as a reward for their risks and sacrifice -- British rule continued in Canada for some 90 additional years.

The Commissioners' papers languished in a Canadian archive until the 1920's, when they were finally discovered and published -- in French. An English-language edition was released in 2005, complete with interpretive discussion: Quebec During The American Invasion, 1775-1776: The Journal Of Francois Baby, Gabriel Taschereau, And Jenkin Williams, edited by Michael P. Gabriel (Michigan State University Press, 140 pages). Nearly every one of these 757 Patriots identified in the Commissioners' accounts of their enquiry is eligible for representation in SAR and DAR. However, the long inaccessibility of the document and the various other challenges of French-Canadian genealogy have conspired to prevent all but a very few from having ever been established by members of our Societies. My wife Ariel, our guest presenter at this month's chapter meeting, is currently hard at work vetting the 757 names against her rich Trois Rivieres family tree.

A few of us are blessed with anecdotal evidence of the deeds of resistance furnished by our civilian Patriot ancestors. But this unique document is a veritable avalanche of such anecdotes, creating an extremely rich picture of what civilian resistance was like in Canada, and suggesting what it must have been like in much of the thirteen colonies.

Though heart-wrenching stories of sacrifice for the Revolution are innumerable, they're almost always presented in a context of eventual redemption. It's both sobering and edifying to remember these Patriots whose service to the cause of Independence was entirely unrewarded.

Our guest presenter this month, Ariel Driver, first became interested in pandemic illnesses while working for an AIDS researcher at Northwestern University in the mid-90s. She's continued to read widely about contemporary and historic pandemics -- everything from avian flu to yellow fever. At my request, she graciously agreed to focus her inquisitive mind on smallpox, and specifically its role in the Revolution. Some of the surprising points she'll discuss include: 1) Early religious objections to inoculation 2) Deliberate use of smallpox by the British as an early form of germ warfare 3) Inoculation treatments developed many centuries before the Revolution. Please join us for an informative talk that will enrich your understanding not only of the Revolution, but of the role of pandemics in shaping North America.

Hope to see many of you at our October 16 meeting!

Tucson Chapter Sept 18th Meeting

September 18th was the date of our first meeting following a long summer break. It was well attended and great to see so many of our compatriots and ladies in attendance.

Our guest speaker was local historian and author William Kalt who led us on a photograph-filled journey through the days when Tucson was a railroad town. The dusty adobe pueblo, only recently removed from Mexico, shook to its core when the first train arrived in Arizona's "ancient and honorable pueblo" on March 20, 1880. Her history forever changed, the town grew and prospered around the railroad and its people, fostering a fascinating tale of life on the Western frontier.

William Kalt's photos showed a far different Tucson that what any of us have experienced. His knowledge of the railroad and our history were extraordinary. For those of you interested in additional material on this subject, get a copy of his book, Tucson Was A Railroad Town – The Days of Steam in the Big Burg on the Main Line, published in 2007. It is filled with history and pictures of a time gone by. Our thanks to William for his presentation.

At the conclusion of the presentation, Chapter President Scott Driver presented Mr Kalt with an SAR Challenge Coin on behalf of the chapter.

Oct Meeting Tucson Chapter

October 16th, come join the members of the Tucson Chapter for our next meeting. As usual, the Board of Managers will begin their meeting at 7:30 a.m. and any member is invited to attend. The regular meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and as always, Skyline Country Club will provide a fabulous breakfast and a scenic view second to none. Reservations must be made with Secretary Roland Arnold.

Our guest speaker for the meeting will be someone near and dear to our hearts, particularly to President Driver because it is our very own Chapter First Lady, Ariel Driver. Our guest presenter became interested in pandemic illnesses while working for an AIDS researcher at Northwestern University in the mid-90s. She has become quite knowledgeable on all types of pandemics from avian flu to yellow fever. In tying the topic to the Revolutionary War, she narrowed her focus to smallpox and found many interesting points to share with our group. Who knew that "germ warfare was present even back then! Join us this Saturday and learn more.



(Tucson Chapter Chapter Members Left to Right
John Niemeyer, Albert Niemeyer, Scott Driver, John Lyons)

Eagle Scout Jacob Lavorn

The Tucson Chapter Color Guard was privileged to Present and Retire the Colors in a Monday, September 27th 2010 Court of Honor for Jacob Lavorn.

Chapter President Scott Driver and Past Chapter President Al Niemeyer addressed the assembled group extolling the accomplishments of Eagle Scout Lavorn and giving historical information about the SAR. The activity was held in the Sierra Vista Methodist Church. The Chapter Color Guard consisted of John Lyons, Al Niemeyer and John Niemeyer.



(Jacob Lavorn with his parents and Scout Leader)

In Memoriam

AZSSAR has lost a valuable member, John Arthur Williams (Palo Verde Chapter), a Life Member with 33 yrs in NSSAR passed away 10/4/10. John was a Past Vice President General, Rocky Mountain District; Past AZSSAR State President (1984-85); Past Palo Verde Chapter President (two terms 1980 and 1991), and contributor to the CAAH. He played a major role in the previous Phoenix Congress back in the 1990's and in the publication of the Centennial Register of the Arizona Society in 1996.

Former AZSSAR Secretary/Treasurer Tom Jacks reminded me that although John was old-school, he pioneered the use of computer databases to keep track of membership long before the National Society used one. He had a special program written and information entered which allowed the computer generation of the AZSSAR Annual report up until about 10 years ago.

He was 85 years of age and is survived by his wife Francis. Our thoughts and prayers go to his family.

CAAH Flag Streamer Award

NSSAR, and in particular the Virginia Society has issued a challenge to all states and Chapters. Virginia Society was the first state to have the Society Contribute \$1000 and each chapter contribute \$500 to the Center For Advancing America's Heritage. They have challenged each Society to do the same.

Not to be out done, and since AZSSAR has already stepped up and made the \$1000 donation as a State, the Tucson Chapter stepped forward, becoming the first chapter in Arizona to sent a \$500 contribution to CAAH. We are hopeful, the remaining seven chapters in AZ will find a way to do the same. Tucson Chapter will receive its Flag Streamer at a future Leadership Meeting or Congress.

2011 Dues Notices

Compatriots, your 2011 Dues notices have been sent and are now due to Warren Alter, AZSSAR S/T. A large number have already paid, have you? If you don't have a 2011 Dues Card yet, send your check in and stay current.

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 2010

10/16/10 Tucson Chapter Meeting–Skyline Country Club

7:30-9:00 a.m. BOM Meeting

9:00-11:00 a.m. Breakfast Meeting

Speaker: Ariel Driver – The Role of Smallpox in the Revolution.

10/28/10 Color Guard Event – Hermosa School 12051 E Ft. Lowell. Show and Tell with 4th-6th Graders.

10/30/10 Color Guard Event – White Elephant Parade Green Valley – Contact G. Lipphardt for details

November 2010

11/5-7/10 Annual Tucson Celtic Festival – Chapter SAR Booth will be set up by Dr. Byrd – all members encouraged to attend/assist

11/6/10 Color Guard Event – Veteran’s Day Parade Casa Grande Contact G. Lipphardt for details

11/11/10 Color Guard Event – Tucson Veteran’s Day Parade – Contact G. Lipphardt for details

11/12/10 Banquet for President General Sympson

6:00 -9:00 p.m Palo Verde Room

Embassy Suites Hotel

4415 E. Paradise Village Parkway

Phoenix, AZ 85032

11/13/10 AZSSAR Board of Managers/ Ladies Aux Meeting

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Set up/Registration Cont Breakfast

9:00-11:45 a.m. BOM

9:00-11:45 a.m. Ladies Aux Meeting

12:00 – 2:00 p.m. Lunch – Guest Speaker PG Sympson

2:00 – 3:00 p.m. 2012 Congress Planning Meeting

11/20/10 Tucson Chapter Meeting–Skyline Country Club

7:30-9:00 a.m. BOM Meeting

9:00-11:00 a.m. Breakfast Meeting

Speaker: Martha and J. Michael Jones – 2012 NSSAR Congress – Spain’s Contribution to the American Revolution

December 2010

No Meeting of Tucson Chapter, however, we are planning a Holiday luncheon that month – all members, spouses, and guests invited.

12/12/10 Tucson Chapter Holiday Luncheon – Skyline Country Club

12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m.

January 2011

01/15/11 Tucson Chapter Annual Meeting / Law Enforcement Awards Banquet
6:00 – 10:00 P.M. Skyline Country Club

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Tucson Chapter WEBSITE LINK:

Your chapter's website has a great deal of information. Visit it at: <http://www.sar.org/azssar/tucson/index.html> Copy this address to your favorites' page on your web browser and visit it often; thanks to Rudy Byrd and George Lipphardt we hope to update it often. Want to check the latest calendar events, go to: <http://www.sar.org/azssar/tucson/calendar.html>

Tucson Chapter Birthdays

Oct Birthdays

Nov Birthdays

10/13 Robert Rentschler	11/3 James Kerr
10/18 William Aurand	11/6 Ed Boyles
10/20 Roger Anderson	11/11 Paul Niemeyer
10/22 Phillip Pettett	11/12 William Lincoln
10/26 William Singleton Jr	11/24 Raymond Stafford
10/31 Lance Dickinson	11/30 George Lipphardt Sr



HAPPY BIRTHDAY COMPATRIOTS!

Historical Quote

All mankind is divided into three classes: those that are immovable, those that are movable, and those that move.

Benjamin Franklin

Statesman, 1706-1790

Benjamin Franklin. (n.d.). BrainyQuote.com. Retrieved October 12, 2010, from BrainyQuote.com Web site:
http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/b/benjamin_franklin.html



Arizona Society Sons of the American Revolution

**STATE DINNER
TO HONOR
PRESIDENT GENERAL J. DAVID SYMPSON**

**EMBASSY SUITES
PALO VERDE ROOM
4415 E PARADISE VILLAGE PARKWAY S
PHOENIX, AZ 85032**

**FRIDAY EVENING, 12 NOVEMBER 2010
6:00-9:00 P.M.
(ATTIRE – SEMI-FORMAL, NO TUXES REQUIRED)**

**ENTRÉE CHOICES
PROSCIUTTO WRAPPED CHICKEN
OR
MARINATED LONDON BROIL**

From North - Take I-17 South to Thunderbird exit going east/left. Thunderbird turns into Cactus Rd. Continue east eight miles. Make a right on Paradise Village Pkwy. Hotel is on the right one quarter mile.

From Scottsdale - Take Scottsdale Rd. North to Shea Blvd., turning left on Shea. Go four miles to Tatum Rd., turning right on Tatum. Drive one mile to Paradise Village Pkwy. South. Turn left and hotel is 1/8 mile on the left.

From Tucson – Take I-10 west toward Phoenix. Take the AZ-51N/AZ-202-Loop E exit, EXIT 147A-B. Merge onto AZ-51 N, exit 147B on the Left. Go north on Hwy 51 Squaw Peak Parkway for nine miles. Exit 10 off 51 - Cactus Rd. East - Turn right. Drive 1 1/4 miles to Paradise Village Parkway West. Go right on Paradise Village Pkwy West and hotel is 1/4 mile on the right.

**ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN TUESDAY
Monday, 8 Nov 2010**

-Please Detach and Mail-

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6743 E. Rosewood Place

Tucson, AZ 85710-1217

Compatriot: _____

Guests: _____

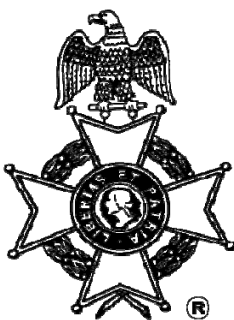
Prosciutto Wrapped Chicken _____ @ \$60.00 Per Person \$ _____

Marinated London Broil _____ @ \$60.00 Per Person \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Please make checks payable to the Arizona Society, SAR or "AZSSAR"

PG DINNER



Arizona Society Sons of the American Revolution

BOARD OF MANAGERS' MEETING (ALL SAR AND THEIR LADIES INVITED)

WITH SPECIAL GUESTS

PRESIDENT GENERAL J. DAVID SYMPSON

FIRST LADY AND NATIONAL LADIES AUX PRESIDENT MRS. EVELYN SYMPSON

VPG ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT DANIEL H. HELLER, M.D.

EMBASSY SUITES HOTEL

4415 E. PARADISE VILLAGE PARKWAY S.

PHOENIX, AZ 85032

PHONE: (602) 765-5800

SATURDAY 13 Nov 2010

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM ARRIVAL/SET UP—CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

9:00 TO 11:45 AM: BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING (ALL SAR INVITED) (PALO VERDE ROOM)

9:30 TO 11:45 AM: LADIES AUX. MEETING (ALL LADIES WELCOME) (KAYENTA CONF SUITE)

12:00 TO 2:00 PM: LUNCHEON BUFFET AND GUEST SPEAKER J. DAVID SYMPSON

(PALO VERDE ROOM)

Carving Board Buffet Luncheon

Roast Beef, Turkey, Ham, Cheeses, Assorted Breads, Potato Chips, Lettuce, Tomatoes and Condiments Cookies for Dessert

(PLEASE NOTE THERE IS A \$20 Registration Fee for all attendees of the BOM/Ladies Aux Meetings to offset costs of meeting and meeting rooms. This fee is already included in choice one Luncheon price, and is listed separately under choice #2 for those not planning on staying for the luncheon)

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Monday, 8 Nov 2010

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Tucson, AZ 85710-1217

Name: _____

#1 Carving Board Luncheon and BOM Meeting

#2 BOM Meeting Only - no lunch

(520) 886-1980

warrenalter@cox.net

_____ @ \$50.00 Per Person \$ _____

_____ @ \$20.00 Per Person \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

BOM MEETING/LUNCHEON

Guests: _____

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