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Message from the President



James A. Williamson

Well, another month has come and gone. The last month has been a good one for our chapter. The color guard was very active as detailed by Al Niemeyer and we have a very schedule upcoming.

We have been invited to attend, and participate in, the living history recreation of the Revolutionary War held at Pioneer Village just north of Phoenix known as Rebels N Redcoats on November 2, 3, 4, 2012. Attendance is not mandatory for all three days; we may attend as our schedules permit. A special request has been made for our outstanding color guard and we have been invited to set up a booth, tent, or whatever and solicit members.

I am told they are expecting attendance of 800 school children and numerous rein actor groups from across the country. Among them east coast SAR color guards and Morgan's Riflemen of Virginia who are to send 20 men in full over mountain regalia. I have heard the rumor that Morgan's men have challenged all comers to meet them at Ben Avery Range in open competition.

The event will consist of encampments for British and Patriot forces and two battles utilizing the town will be fought each day. Should you wish to participate, all you need to do is be there with your outfit on. Directions will be given just prior to the conflict, which is more historically accurate than you might think.

Booths will be allowed for craftsmen, artisans, and merchants. Sounds like a golden opportunity to find accoutrements and those special little things for you persona. Firewood, water and bathrooms (how out of period is that) will be provided. For further information see: www.RebelsnRedcoats.com and www.Pioneeraz.org.

"There are two ways to conquer and enslave a nation. One is by the sword.

The other is by debt". John Adams

Until next time;
Jim



(Al Niemeyer, Jim Kimbrough, John Lyons, & John Niemeyer at Ft Huachuca for MIAP ceremony)

Color Guard participates in MIAP at Fort Huachuca

On Wednesday, September 12th, 2012, the cremated remains of nineteen veterans were solemnly accompanied by a long procession of vehicles from Tucson, Arizona to their final resting place at the Fort Huachuca, Arizona cemetery. The Tucson Chapter Color Guard, and an array of Flag bearing veterans, stood at attention on both sides of the memorial walkway as burial urns were marched, two by two, from a hearse to the altar. A bagpipes wailed as members of all of the armed forces presented the remains. During the service the name, rank and tour of each fallen service member was read followed by the ringing of a bell in their honor. A musket salute was given during the interment process by the Tucson Chapter Color Guard. This ceremony was part of the Missing in America Project (MIAP) which has a mission to locate, identify and inter the unclaimed cremated remains of veterans through the joint efforts of private, state and federal organizations. This is to provide honor and respect to those who have served the United States. The Tucson Chapter Color Guard is proud to be a part of this process.

September Chapter Meeting Highlights

After a three month summer hiatus the Tucson Chapter held a board meeting and breakfast on Sept 15th. The chapter welcomed two new members: John Francis Bird whose patriot ancestor was John Samson, Jr. and George Carl Allison whose patriot ancestor was a colonial woman, Susanna (Davis) Barrett. Compatriot John Lyons was given a belated "Bronze Congress Appreciation Medal by Dr. Rudy Byrd. The featured speaker was LTC Michael Murray (USMC Retired). Col Murray is a Ambudsman for the organization "Employer Support of Guard and Reserve" assisting our returning servicemen and women.



(Pres. Jim Williamson and Ambudsman Speaker Michael Murray)



(Pres. Jim Williamson and John Lyons greet new member John Bird



(Pres. Jim Williamson and John Lyons greet new member George Allison

November State Meeting is Medal Nominations Time

Please remember the November BOM is also the meeting that any state award nominations need to be presented and voted upon. So if your chapter has someone they wish to recognize on a State Level, award nominations need to be submitted prior to the meeting to our AZSSAR Awards Chairman, Daniel Heller (danheller@cox.net) or the State Secretary, Warren Alter (warrenalter@cox.net)



(Al Niemeyer, Jim Williamson, Rudy Byrd & Theresa Williamson) with Mackie College faculty instructor and student)

Tucson Color Guard Instructs Brown Mackie College Students on Constitution & Colonial Life

Dr. Rudy Byrd, together with James Williamson and Albert Niemeyer taught classes on the Constitution and Colonial Life to Students at Brown Mackie College, Tucson, Arizona. Honorary Color Guard member, Theresa Williamson, in her best Colonial Dress, instructed a class on the women of the American Revolution and their vast contribution to the war's success. The Constitution Day classes were held Thursday, September the 13th. This is the straight third year that the Tucson Chapter has participated in the Brown Mackie Constitution Day classes. Brown Mackie staff are very enthusiastic about the classes and the positive impact that it has had on the students.

Tucson Veteran's Day Parades

Tucson will be holding Veterans Day Parade on Monday 12 November 2012 at 8:45 am. We are inviting all members who wish to march to contact John Lyons at 520-518-5688 or email at lyonsj5267@yahoo.com We encourage your participation to honor our forefathers as the first Veterans of this great country. Come on down it will be fun, the more the merrier. You do not have to have a uniform for this.

Don't forget there is also a parade in Casa Grande on Nov 10th.

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

10/20/12 Chapter Meeting

Skyline Country Club, BOM 7:30, Mtg 9:00am

11/17/12 CANCELLED - No Chapter Meeting -

11/17/12 State Meeting with NSSAR PG Stephen Leishman & Rocky Mountain District VPG, Jim Thornton

Tucson location TBD, Time TBD

12/08/12 Chapter Christmas Party - Luncheon

Skyline Country Club, Time TBD

01/19/13 Chapter Meeting - Law Enforcement Dinner

Skyline Country Club, TBD

02/23/13 Annual State Meeting - Tentative Date

TBD, Time TBD

October 20, 1775, Washington wrote a letter suggesting to the Congress that a flag be adopted, so that "the vessels may know one another." This idea was a flag with a white ground, a tree in the middle, and the sentence: "An Appeal to Heaven" on it

Taken from The True Story of the American Flag, by John Henry Fow; a Gutenberg Project book



Washington's Cruisers Flag

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Your chapter's website has a great deal of information. Visit it at: <http://www.azssar.org/tucson/index.html>
 Want to check the latest calendar events, go to: <http://www.azssar.org/tucson/calendar.html>

Tucson Chapter Birthdays

October Birthdays

November Birthdays

10/7 Jerry Bowen	11/1 Darrell Mills
10/13 Robert Rentschler	11/11 Paul Niemeyer
10/18 Bill Aurand	11/12 William Lincoln
10/20 Roger Anderson	11/16 Alexander Brock
10/22 Phillip Pettett	11/18 Braden Weiss
10/31 Lance Dickinson	11/24 Raymond Stafford
	11/26 Kevin Sharp
	11/30 George Lipphardt

HAPPY BIRTHDAY COMPATRIOTS!

Historical Quote

Do not separate text from historical background. If you do, you will have perverted and subverted the Constitution, which can only end in a distorted, bastardized form of illegitimate government

[James Madison](#)

"James Madison." BrainyQuote.com. Xplore Inc, 2012. 29 September 2012. <http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/j/jamesmadis136359.html>



**Sons of the American Revolution Tucson Chapter
Monthly Meeting October 20, 2012**

Time: 9:00 AM-Meeting, Breakfast, Program

7:30 AM- BOM Meeting for Chapter Officers

Place: Skyline Country Club, 5200 E. St. Andrews Dr., Tucson

Go 1.1 miles north of Sunrise Rd. on Swan Rd. Country Club entrance is on right. Stop at guard house for check in and directions to clubhouse

Program: Lt. Colonel Ron Stenstrom (Retired) will speak to us on the Revolutionary War. He is a West Point historian and is currently teaching at Pima College.

Menu: A buffet breakfast will be served

Price: \$15.00 per person

Reservations: Please detach the coupon below and mail with a check payable to the Tucson Chapter/SAR by October 17, 2012

Mail To: John Niemeyer, 101 School Dr. Unit 111 Huachuca City, AZ 85616

SAR Member: _____

Guest #1 _____

Guest #2 _____

Total Number Attending _____ x \$15.00 = \$ _____