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A Message from the President



Lance Dickinson

Please attend our chapter meeting on April 12 and show your support when our Rocky Mountain Vice President General, Warren Alter, conducts a new member initiation for two New Mexico Society members.

I've also asked Warren to install 5 new members into our Tucson Chapter at that time. By any standard, this is a large class of new members into our society. It got me thinking about recruitment and how we might help Warren. He is also our chapter registrar.

One way we can help is to use Junior Memberships. These are available for male family members from birth to eighteen years of age. Yes, you can take the initiative and start the membership process early. Because you are a member, the research and genealogy is completed. You need only update the proof from your application to document their lineal relationship to you. To enroll those family members you need only follow three steps.

- First, obtain a copy of your completed application (a record copy) as your record.
- Second, contact Warren. He will help you as he has helped many others.
- Third, you need to start with a copy of your descendant's birth.

Warren will help you through the rest of the process. I've got three grandsons' to bring in this year. Please join me. Let's work together to keep the chapter membership dynamic and growing—Thanks.

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SONS OF THE REVOLUTION

Did you know that there is an organization called the Sons of the Revolution? Its aims and purposes are nearly identical to the SAR. How did this happen?

The SR was formed by John Austin Stevens, in December 1883, at Fraunces Tavern in NYC. This is the site where George Washington took leave of his Officers after the Revolution. The SR's reluctance to expand beyond New York as well as its narrow membership requirements frustrated some members. William O. McDowell, a wealthy New Jersey businessman, finally broke from the SR and formed the Sons of the American Revolution on April 30, 1889 at the same Fraunces Tavern.



Efforts over the years to merge the two organizations have failed due to the differing membership requirements between the SR and SAR. The SR, for example, will not recognize a Patriot sailor with only shore duty credentials. Also, numerous civilian contributions that are recognized by the SAR are not recognized by the SR.

Nonetheless, the two organizations peacefully coexist to this day. The SR has 30 Societies in 27 states and in Europe. Its headquarters is in Williamsburg, VA. William McDowell went on to help form the Daughters of the American Revolution in 1890...but that's a story for another day.

Gerry Lawford

The First Spy Company

American Movie Classics premiered a new series called TURN. Based on Alexander Rose's book, Washington's Spies, the show tells the untold story of America's first spy ring. The show premiered on April 6 at 8pm and continues weekly.

Naturalization Ceremony

The Tucson Chapter Color Guard once again presented the colors and congratulated the new citizens at the morning and afternoon Naturalization Ceremonies on Friday, March 28th, 2014.



Niemeyer and Lawford with new citizen and family

Tucson Chapter Birthdays

April		May	
4/3	Neil Anderson	5/6	Curtis Kay
4/3	Roy Christiansen	5/7	Warren Alter
4/4	Gary Smith	5/8	Nicholas Ruman
4/4	Thomas Zeilman	5/10	Edwin Bruck
4/5	Gerard Lawford	5/13	Stephen Harrington
4/13	James Kimbrough	5/16	Jim Kimbrough
4/22	Glenn Fogle	5/17	Allan Church
4/23	Scott Driver	5/22	Dale Hodge
4/25	Charles Stup	5/22	James Williamson
4/26	Ronald McCreery	5/26	Dick Holloway
4/28	Patrick Brock	5/27	David Alter
		5/27	Albert Niemeyer
		5/28	Reginald Bland



Battle of Bennington. Engraving, 1874, from painting by Alonzo Chappel, 111-SC-96740 National Archives and Records Administration

Missing in Action Project

The Tucson Chapter Color Guard once again had the privilege of honoring our departed veterans at the March 22nd, 2014 Missing in Action Project (MIAP) at Ft Huachuca, AZ. The activities began with Motor Cycle Riders escorting the remains of 14 veterans to the cemetery. The Color Guard anchored the twin columns that were formed for members of the different services to pass through with the departed veterans' remains. After prayer the remains were escorted to the columbarium for interment. The Color Guard then fired a musket salute followed by the bagpipes playing "Amazing Grace."



“The distinctions between Virginians, Pennsylvanians, New Yorkers, and New Englanders are no more. I Am Not A Virginian, But An American!”

— [Patrick Henry](#)

Fire Safety Commendation



On a beautiful Wednesday morning on April 9, 2014 a presentation was made to two members of the Drexel Heights Fire Department. The members received the Fire Safety Commendation and the EMS medal which were given by John Lyons, Gerry Lawford and Jim Kimbrough of the Tucson Chapter, SAR. The recipient for the Fire Safety Medal is Captain Hugh McCrystal and the EMS Medal went to FF/EMT Samuel Scott (Scotty) McKenzie.

John Lyons

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4/11/14 Tucson Naturalization Ceremonies

All ceremonies will be held at 10:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. at: Evo A. DeConcini U.S. Courthouse in Jury Assembly.

4/12/14 Chapter Meeting –

Skyline Country Club, 9am (BOM at 7:30am)

4/19/14 AZSSAR BOM Mtg –

The Property, in Casa Grande; 1251 N. Gila Bend Hwy. Check-in 0915-1000; meeting to begin at 1000. Menu & price to be determined. 10:00AM – Noon. BOM Meeting. 12:00-2:00PM, Lunch and other Society matters.

5/17/14 Chapter Meeting –

Skyline Country Club, 9am (BOM at 7:30am)

7/17-23/14 124th Congress

124th Congress, in Greenville, SC. Event will be held in the Hyatt Regency Hotel. Make your reservations online at: <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/NSSAR2014> or contact the Hyatt Hotel Central Reservations at 1-888-421-1442.