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A Message from the President



Gerald Lawford

New member, Compatriot Jon Hitchcock, recommended to me a book about the birth of the U.S. Constitution. It's called "A Brilliant Solution: Inventing the American Constitution" by Carol Berkin. I thoroughly enjoyed reading it. It's a well written, concise and enlightening account of the lead up to the Constitutional Convention, the creation and adoption of the Constitution and its ratification. From time to time, one hears reflections on that time, which would lead one to believe that, as a nation, we moved smoothly from the Treaty of Paris in 1783 to the formation of a government that is the envy of the world. It depicts the Framers as of one mind, in sync, locked arm in arm, singing Kum-Ba-Ya perhaps, as they constructed the Constitution. Nothing could be further from the truth. Understanding post Treaty of Paris America provides context and perspective to the Constitution, and the debates that accompanied its' creation

It's fascinating that many of the debates of today regarding States' rights vs Centralized Government, Executive vs Legislative powers, abuse of powers etc. were being conducted with as much if not more ferocity, in 1787, by our Founding Fathers and Constitutional Framers.

It's a wonderfully easy read that offers great insight into the hearts and minds of the Framers and offers new appreciation for the wonder that is the U.S. Constitution. Its' reading is well worth the time. Thanks Jon.

Reminder: The April Meeting is at the Old Pueblo Grille on North Alvernon.

March Chapter Meeting Notes

The Tucson Chapter held it's monthly board meeting and breakfast on March 21st , 2015 at a new venue, the Old Pueblo Grill at Broadway and Alvernon. The speaker for the morning

was El Presidio San Agustin del Tucson docent Jean Baxter. Docent Baxter gave a very enlightening talk and slide show about the Presidio plus a very entertaining re-enactment from an earlier time at the Presidio. President Gerry Lawford gave a Certificate of Appreciation to Jean Baxter after her talk. Bill Aurand introduced a new fund raising raffle for the chapter featuring a Jim Click 50th Anniversary Mustang as the item being offered. The tickets sell for \$25.00 each or five for \$100.00. The chapter would keep all the money from the tickets sold. This raffle was being offered to all 501 3c organizations. Submitted by Al Niemeyer



(View of the Chapter Meeting in our new location)



(Docent & Storyteller Speaker, Jean Baxter)

Color Guard gives Colonial presentation(s) to CHET-SE homeschoolers

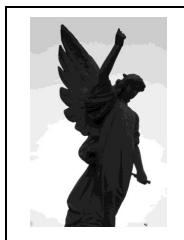
The Tucson Chapter Color Guard consisting of Rudy Byrd, Gerry Lawford, Al Niemeyer, Jim Williamson and ladies auxiliary Theresa Williamson gave presentations on Colonial Life and the Revolutionary War to the CHET-SE Home Schoolers on Thursday, 26 March 2015. A musket salute was given by the Color Guard and two of the schools administrators also fired muskets. The well received event at the Sunrise Chapel was attended by forty-five individuals.



(Al Niemeyer and Theresa Williamson with student)



(Musket salute, Rudy Byrd, Gerry Lawford, Al Niemeyer)



In Memoriam – Kenneth Hales Past Tucson Chapter President

A funeral service was held for Compatriot Kenneth Glyn Hales at the Tucson Sumter Building on March 14th, 2015. Compatriot Hales served as Tucson Chapter President in 1992 and State President in 1992/1993. Among those attending the service was State President George Lipphardt and Compatriot Albert Niemeyer. Interment was in the LDS Cemetery.



(Honor guard presents cremains at the Columbarium)



(Tucson Chapter Color Guard presents a musket salute)

Missing In America Project Veteran Interment Service

The Tucson Chapter Color Guard honored our departed veterans at the March 28th, 2015 Missing in Action Project (MIAP) at Ft Huachuca, AZ. Seventeen veterans were honored at this year's solemn ceremony. The Color Guard anchored twin columns that were formed for members of the different services to pass through with the departed veterans remains. after an opening ceremony the remains were escorted to the columbarium for interment. After interment the Color Guard fired a musket salute. Tucson chapter members attending were: Bill Aurand John Bird, Rudy Byrd, Gerry Lawford, Albert Niemeyer and John Niemeyer. The Tucson Chapter ladies auxiliary were represented by Marcia Aurand and Sandra Lawford. We thank all our members and ladies for attending this worthy cause. Thanks to Sandra Lawford for taking all the nice photos.

New Citizens Abound in Tucson

On March 20th, 2015 the Color Guard posted the Colors and greeted new citizens in both morning and afternoon Naturalization Ceremonies in the Special Proceedings Courtroom of the Federal Courthouse. Judge Bruce G. MacDonald presided in the Morning with Al Niemeyer giving a welcoming speech to the new citizens and Judge Raner C. Collins presided in the afternoon with Lance Dickinson speaking to the new citizens. Submitted by Al Niemeyer.



(Lance Dickinson, Jim Bly, Gerry Lawford with family)

And Justice for All

Earlier this year our chapter was privileged to hear a talk about our court system and the Criminal Justice Act of 1964 by the Honorable Leslie A Bowman, US Magistrate Judge US District Court. For those who missed that February Meeting, here is my take on John Adams and the Boston Massacre Trial.

On March 5th, 1770; a group of British soldiers fired into an angry crowd in Boston, killing five people. The soldiers were captured, including Capt. Thomas Preston and over the next year, John Adams (yes, our future second President), worked to give them effective legal counsel and representation at their trial. Remember, John Adams' took considerable risk taking on British soldiers as clients. The soldiers could barely afford to pay the equivalent of a pair of shoes for the year long ordeal. So why did John Adams help out these hated British? Because he believed that "Justice for all is secure only when every accused, no matter how unpopular the cause, how low his station, or how heinous his charge, receives a fair and impartial trial: Fairness guarded with the representation of counsel".

I found it interesting that back then, English law did not give a right to having a lawyer for felonies, only misdemeanor crimes could have a lawyer – if they could afford one. In the colonies, twelve of the original thirteen colonies had a guaranteed right to legal counsel. In 1789, the Judiciary Act provided that legal counsel be allowed in all courts in the United States. In 1790, the Federal Crimes Act guaranteed it. Regrettably, it took the Criminal Justice Act of 1964 to fully implement the U.S. Constitution's Amendment IV intent.

On January 14, 1960, President John F. Kennedy gave his final State of the Union address. In it, he stated that the "right to competent counsel must be assured to every man accused of crime in federal court, regardless of his means." After 30 years of struggle to pass and the day after passage of the Act of 1964, Clarence Earl Gideon was acquitted with the assistance of his appointed lawyer, after remand from the Supreme Court's decision in Gideon vs Wainwright.

Treasurer's Report

March 2015

By Sec-Treas John Bird

Monthly Report

Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Statement of Cash Flows January through February 2015

	Jan - Feb 15
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Net Income	1,324.51
Net cash provided by Operating Activities	1,324.51
Net cash increase for period	1,324.51
Cash at beginning of period	2,958.91
Cash at end of period	4,283.42



C.A.R. Kachina Society Gains Another Member

The Kachina Society added one more member to their ranks last year, bringing their total new member count to TEN new members.

Mrs. Bev Giordano is the new Senior President of Kachina Society, replacing Margo Caylor.

Patriot Ancestors in the Newspaper

You may have noticed an AP article in your newspaper on March 8th. Two Virginia State Senators both claim to have Patriot Alexander Hamilton as their ancestor. State Senator Chap Peterson – Fairfax is White and State Senator Donald McEachin – Richmond is black. Alexander Hamilton was born in 1755 on the British West Indies Island of Nevis and also spent time on St. Kitts and St. Croix before moving to New York. Donald McEachin's maternal grandfather named Aston Hamilton was born on St. Kitts. The Caribbean and African-American communities have a wide spread presumption that Hamilton had African blood.

Jim Click Raffle Benefiting Tucson Charities – Like us!

Jim Click has donated a 2015 Ford Mustang 50th Anniversary Edition as the featured prize. The Mustang is valued at \$48,190. Only 1,964 of the Anniversary Edition Mustangs were built. ALL money we raise selling the raffle tickets stays in our club treasury. This is a no lose raffle for our chapter. Any unsold tickets just need to be returned prior to the raffle drawing. We have until November 6th to sell tickets with the raffle being held on November 13th. The price is \$25 for one ticket / five tickets for \$100.

If each member sold five tickets, we would sell out and earn at least \$2,000. This is a voluntary fundraiser, if you want to participate, great. If you don't want to, that is fine too.

The purchase of tickets by non-Arizona residents and businesses is OK.

There are a limited quantity of glossy card stock promotion flyers available. See the front side shown in the right column.

Bill Aurand has our block of 100 each of the tickets and would be overjoyed to check them out to any member to sell. Just contact the editor.

We now have a Podium Banner!

Making its debut at the March Chapter Meeting, our new S.A.R. podium banner adds a touch of class to our meetings. We hope you appreciate it.



RAFFLE BENEFITING TUCSON CHARITIES

100% FOR LOCAL CHARITIES

TICKET PRICE

\$25

OR 5 FOR \$100

Exclusive:
Only 1,964 of these cars were made!

50th

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50th Anniversary Edition

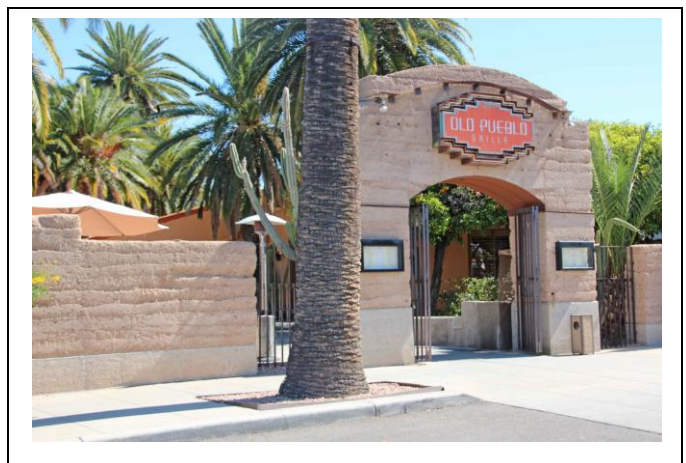
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RAFFLE

The Jim Click Automotive Team is presenting a new **2015 Ford Mustang, 50th Anniversary Edition**, to the entire community... to be used as the featured prize in our ongoing effort to raise millions of dollars for non-profit organizations in Greater Tucson.

With your \$25 contribution (or 5 tickets for \$100) you could win a **2015 FORD MUSTANG, 50th Anniversary Edition**. The best part is that 100% of your contribution will support Tucson charities – that keep all the proceeds from the maximum 100,000 tickets which will be sold. The drawing will be held November 13, 2015. Entries must be received by November 6, 2015.

For campaign and ticket information, contact the Ford Mustang Raffle Team at 520.342.5210 or at: mustang@russellpublic.com

Don't Forget Our New Meeting Venue Old Pueblo Grill on Alvernon



UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

04/18/15 AZSSAR BOM Meeting

The Property, Casa Grande, AZ.
 Speaker: Merrilyn Ridgeway, Father Kino
 Check in time at 9am / BOM at 10am / Lunch from noon to 2pm

04/25/15 Tucson Chapter Meeting

Old Pueblo Grille, Tucson, AZ.
 Speaker: Amy Fee, Veteran's Programs
 Meeting time at 9am / BOM at 7:30am

05/16/15 Tucson Chapter Meeting

Old Pueblo Grille, Tucson, AZ.
 Speaker: Major (Ret) DeWitt, ROTC
 Meeting time at 9am / BOM at 7:30am

05/25/15 Memorial Day

06/26 – 7/1/15 125th SAR Congress

Louisville, KY

7/4/15 Independence Day

09/19/15 Tucson Chapter Meeting

Old Pueblo Grille, Tucson, AZ.
 Meeting time at 9am / BOM at 7:30am

Tucson BOM Contact Information

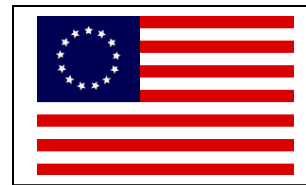
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April 1775 – Lexington & Concord

The American Revolution started on April 19, 1775 when the British troops, commanded by Maj John Pitcarn tried to capture Sam Adams and John Hancock in Lexington. They failed, but the shot heard round the world was fired that day. After the skirmish at Lexington, the British troops marched to Concord to search for the hidden munitions. The minutemen were ready and attacked, winning the North Bridge. The minutemen harassed the British all the way back to Boston, inflicting losses of 73 men and 174 wounded while American losses were 49 killed and 41 wounded.



Tucson Chapter WEBSITE LINK:

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

April Birthdays

May Birthdays

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY COMPATRIOTS!

Historical Quote

When the sword is once drawn, the passions of men observe no bounds of moderation.

[Alexander Hamilton](#)

"Alexander Hamilton." BrainyQuote.com. Xplore Inc, 2015. 22 March 2015.

http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/a/alexander_hamilton.html



**Sons of the American Revolution
Tucson Chapter
Monthly Meeting April 25, 2015**

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

7:30 AM- BOM Meeting for Chapter Officers

Place: NEW NEW OLD PUEBLO GRILL NEW NEW

Directions: 60 N Alvernon From south just north of Broadway on the east side of Alvernon. From north it is 1/3 mile south of 5th St. Turn left on E Elmwood (just past the La Quinta Inn) and turn right into the parking lot.

Program: Amy Fee, US Army Veteran (Medic) and currently a nurse at the Southern AZ VA hospital (Tucson) will speak to us about several programs benefiting Veterans and Active Military personnel that she is involve with.

Menu: A buffet breakfast will be served

Price: \$16.00 per person

Reservations: Please detach the coupon below and mail with a check payable to the Tucson Chapter/SAR by Apr 21, 2015

Next Events: Monthly Meeting May 16, 2015

The earlier the better I do need to know who is attending.

Mail To: John Bird 2507 E Sky Creek Dr Green Valley AZ 85614 johnfbird@tds.net

Member: _____ NOTE NEW PLACE

Guest #1 _____

Guest #2 _____

Total Number Attending _____ x \$16.00 = \$ _____