



TUCSAR BUGLE

April 2017

The TUCSAR Bugle is a monthly publication (except during the months of June, July, and August when there will only be a special summer edition published sometime after the National Congress) of the Tucson Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution. It is published at the first of the month and will be distributed by the 7th of each month by email for those members with email and USPS for those without. Articles, suggestions, and ideas are solicited and welcome – please sent them to the editor, Bill Aurand, 10125 E Rainbow Meadow Dr, Tucson, AZ 85747 or email wraurand1@cox.net Visit our Tucson SAR Chapter Website at: <http://www.azssar.org/tucson/index.html>

A Message from the President



Rick Collins

Compatriots,

It was in April that the American Revolution began. A simple militia formed up to stand against the British military might. The British would lose almost 40 percent of their forces before the battles were done. After that initial success one has to wonder how long it took for the common soldiers to realize the immensity of the task that lay before them.

It was also in April that the American soldiers became an Army. Von Steuben's relentless drilling at Valley Forge created a solid fighting force that, despite the lack of resources, could hold its own and stand equal with the red coated opponents.

For our Chapter it is about individuals coming together for a worthy cause. For us, April finishes our year, ending with the Law Enforcement Awards, and many of you retreat to cooler climes. This summer I'm asking you to live your own Valley Forge, albeit while drinking wine on the patio and watching the sunsets. What we need are ideas and feedback. How can the Chapter better serve our membership, create an active membership, and host interesting and attractive meetings?

When we gather in the Fall I'm hoping we start the season with renewed vigor and the troops to carry our banner. The chapter needs your thoughts, your enthusiasm and your participation.

April 15 is the Law Enforcement Awards, an event worthy of your support and important to our mission. Junior ROTC continues, well-orchestrated, but always seeking help. The Color Guard is in desperate need of blood, whether uniformed or in civilian attire. State is looking for support for various projects and our Chapter always needs volunteers to work with State.

The Board will work through the summer, constantly redefining our missions, honing our communication tools and focusing on recruiting. In late April I will be attending the State meeting. President Monez is putting together working groups to brainstorm and streamline our structures and rules and bylaws.

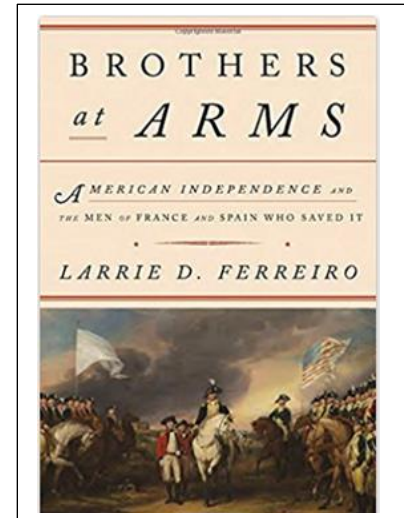
The Board and I wish you a safe and pleasant summer. Feel free to email me with ideas and suggestions as you enjoy yourself.

Rick Collins

Brothers at Arms

By Larrie D. Ferreiro

Submitted by Gerry Lawford



This is an excellent book that provides a behind the scenes look at France and Spain's actions to help bring about American victory in the Revolution. It provides an account of these countries' true motives in supporting the Revolution and how a colonial uprising grew into a world war fought from Gibraltar to Pensacola to Yorktown and on to Cuddalore, India. This was the winner of the Journal of the American Revolution 2016 Book of the Year Award.

Available within the Pima County Library system



March Chapter Meeting Recap

By Al Niemeyer

The Tucson Chapter, SAR, held its monthly Breakfast/Meeting at American Legion Post #7 on Saturday, 25 March 2017 with Chapter Vice President Jerry Lawford presiding. University of Arizona History Professor Benjamin Irvin was introduced and spoke on the life and tribulations of Revolutionary War Recruiting Officer, Captain Leonard Cooper. It was a most entertaining talk with a lengthy question and answer session afterwards. For his very informative talk, VP Lawford gave Prof. Irvin a Certificate of Appreciation and a Challenge Coin.



(Dr Gary Pettett welcomes Dr. Ben Chesebro, retired dentist, to our meeting)



(Speaker Benjamin Irvin receives Certificate of Appreciation from VP Jerry Lawford)



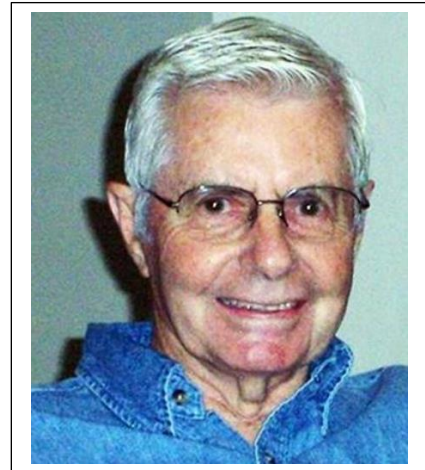
(Attendees Beth & Andrew Gregory)

No May Chapter Meeting this Year

There will be no May Chapter meeting this year. It is hoped that everyone will attend the Law Enforcement meeting on April 15th which will be our last scheduled meeting prior to the summer recess.

Chapter Member

John "Jack" Duffus Weiss
(February 2, 1925 - March 4, 2017)



For those of you who may not have seen the obituary in the Arizona Daily Star, a long time Tucson Chapter Member, John (Jack) D. Weiss passed away on March 4, 2017. He joined SAR in TN 6/25/1993 and transferred to Tucson Chapter/AZ SAR 5/24/2004. He was a current member until 12/31/2016 when he was dropped, likely due to health issues. He is survived by his wife Nancy, two sons Richard and Stephen Weiss (former members of TN Society), and other family including Braden Weiss-Grandson, Tucson Chapter Active Member who lives in Nashville TN. There will be no services in AZ according to the obituary,

Got a Patriot Ancestor Story?

Your editor would love to print your patriot ancestor or other historic story in the Bugle. Please send to Bill Aurand by April 28. We'd love to read about your ancestor's in-laws, outlaws and acts of bravery or otherwise!



UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 04/15/2017 Law Enforcement Brunch**
Arizona Inn, 2200 E Elm St, Tucson, AZ
Meeting time at 9 am to 11:30am
- 04/29/2017 April Arizona SAR State Meeting**
Holiday Inn, 777 N Pinal Ave, Casa Grande
Meeting time is 9am
- 07/04/2017 Independence Day Parade**
Details pending.
- 09/23/2017 September Chapter Meeting**
American Legion Morgan McDermott
post #7 , 330 W Franklin St, Tucson, AZ.
Meeting time at 9 am
- 10/28/2017 October Chapter Meeting**
American Legion Morgan McDermott
post #7 , 330 W Franklin St, Tucson, AZ.
Meeting time at 9 am
- 11/25/2017 November Chapter Meeting**
American Legion Morgan McDermott
post #7 , 330 W Franklin St, Tucson, AZ.
Meeting time at 9 am

LAW ENFORCEMENT RECOGNITION - APRIL 15



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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	5/2 Carlton Spain
4/3 Neil Anderson	5/4 Robert Spare
4/4 Gary Smith	5/6 Kay Curtis
4/4 Thomas Zeilman	5/7 Warren Alter
4/5 Gerard Lawford	5/8 Nicholas Ruman
4/6 Bryan Stacey	5/13 Stephen Harrington
4/13 James Kimbrough	5/16 James Kimbrough
4/16 Harper Coleman	5/17 Allan Church
4/18 David Fillman	5/20 John Wallace
4/22 Glenn Fogle	5/22 Dale Hodge
4/23 Jeffrey Coleman	5/22 James Williamson
4/25 Evan Stacey	5/27 Albert Niemeyer
4/26 Ronald McCreery	5/27 David Alter

HAPPY BIRTHDAY COMPATRIOTS!

Historical Quote

When they call the roll in the Senate, the Senators do not know whether to answer 'Present' or 'Not guilty.'
Theodore Roosevelt

"Theodore Roosevelt." BrainyQuote.com. Xplore Inc, 2017. 28 March 2017.
<https://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/t/theodorero122699.html>



Sons of the American Revolution Tucson Chapter

Special Meeting Apr 15 2017

Law Enforcement Recognition

Arizona Inn 2200 East Elm Street

Time: 9:00 AM-11:30 AM Breakfast, Program

Directions: East off Campbell North of Speedway

Menu: A buffet breakfast will be served Price \$30.00 per person

Reservations: **Please detach the coupon below and mail with a check payable to the Tucson Chapter/SAR before April 13 2017**

The earlier the better I do need to know who is attending. 608 444-2396

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

Member: _____

Guests _____

Total Number Attending _____ X \$30.00 = \$ _____

Please consider optional donation of \$30.00 to help pay for our honored guests

WARREN M. ALTER
Candidate for
SECRETARY GENERAL
2017-2018

**ENDORSED BY NATIONAL NOMINATING
COMMITTEE**



National Society Service

Treasurer General 2016-2017

Inspector General 2012-2016

Vice President General Rocky Mt District 2013

GWEF Board Two Terms – Each Four Years

- 2007-2011 Secretary all 4 years, Vice Chair 1 year
- 2012-2016 Secretary all 4 years, Vice Chair 1 year

National Trustee AZ 2007, 2011, 2012

National Alternate Trustee AZ 2008, 2009, 2010

National Congresses Attended: 12 (2005-2016)

National Leadership Meetings Attended: 26 (2004-Present)

National Committee Chairman:

Council of VPG 2013; Public Service 2006-09, 2012, 2013

National Committee Vice Chairman:

GWEF Board 2010, 2015; Public Service 2005, 2015, 2016;

Magazine Committee 2010-2016

National Committee Member:

Executive Committee 2016, SAR Foundation 2016, Minuteman

Selection Committee 2016, Anniversary of the 250th American

Rev War, Congress Planning Committee, Council of State

Presidents, Eagle Scout Committee, Public Service Committee,

Magazine Committee, GWEF Fund Raising, Library and

Archives, History Committee.

SAR-C.A.R. Supporter:

SAR: Life Member, George Washington Fellow, CAAH

Lamplighter Award, SAR 1776 Society, Founders Circle,

Eagle Scout Fund (3 Palms), JROTC Fund, Rumbaugh Orations

Fund (Patron Bar), Knight Essay Fund, Friends of Library-Ben

Franklin Subscriber, Conference of American Revolution

C.A.R.: Life Promoter, Voyager Fund, and Annual Patron Rocky

Mt Regional Meeting.

Society and Chapter Service and Membership

Arizona SAR: State Secretary 2007-2017

President 2005, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer.

State Committees: Eagle Scout, CAAH, Bylaws and
Constitution, Medals and Awards. 2012 AZ Congress Planning

Tucson Chapter: President 2003, Vice President, Registrar -
Genealogist, and Chaplain.

Dual Member: CA, FL, MI, MT, OH, OR, PA, TX, WA, German
Society, International Society, and Spain Society

SAR Awards

Minuteman (Class of 2014)

Patriot Medal

Distinguished Service Medals (State and Chapter)

Meritorious Service Medals (National, State, and Chapter)

Roger Sherman Medals (Gold, Silver, and Bronze)

Silver Samuel Adams Congress Medal

Silver Good Citizenship Medal

Silver Council of State Presidents Medal

Liberty Medal (w/9 oak leaf clusters – 107 new members)

Law Enforcement Commendation Medal

Personal

Married – Nancy Alter, President AZ Ladies Auxiliary 8 years.

Daughters Katie Alter and Amanda (Arndt). Son-in-law Richard
and grandsons Brayden and Ethan are all SAR Life Members.

All listed family members are GWEF Fellows.

Education and Training

University of Arizona, B.S. Public Administration

University of Phoenix, M.A. Organizational Management

Northern Arizona University, M.Ed. Educational Leadership

Arizona State University, Certified Public Manager

Graduate FBI National Academy and Certified Peace Officer AZ

Professional Experience

Law Enforcement Executive. Retired as Bureau Chief, Pima
County Sheriff's Department after 39 years. At various times in
my career, was responsible for \$110 million department budget
with its 1500+ employees. Also operated and managed a 2,200
inmate Correctional Facility as Corrections Director. Obtained
and managed numerous Federal and State Grants. Taught law
enforcement classes at department and state academies.

University/College Adjunct Faculty, 14 years, taught
undergraduate level courses in criminal justice, corrections, and
ethics; graduate level courses in corrections.

Community Activities

Criminal Justice and Non-Profit Boards/Leadership Experience

-Chairman, AZ High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area
(AZHIDTA) Executive Committee.

-Chairman, Counter Narcotics Alliance Board of Directors.

-Member, AZ Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

-Board Member and President, Pima Youth Partnership

-Board Member and Vice President, Brewster Domestic Violence

-Board Member, Crime Prevention League

-Board Member, Sheriff's Auxiliary Volunteers

-Member, Green Valley Rotary Club

-Member and advisor numerous Masonic Organizations
including DeMolay, Rainbow, Blue Lodge, York Rite, Shrine

Community Awards:

2014 Kentucky Colonel

2005 Greater Tucson Leadership Community Leadership Award

Endorsements

NSSAR Nominating Committee Endorsement

Districts: Atlantic Middle States, Central Dist, Great Lakes Dist,
South Atlantic Dist, South Central Dist., and Western Dist. **State**

Societies: AL, AZ, CA, FL, GA, IN, MI, NC, NM, PA, and TN.

*A proven leader willing to listen and work with others, willing to make decisions, and one whose education,
managerial and administrative experience enables him to get the job done.*

2/15/2017