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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It was an honor to be elected President of the Ohio Society Sons of the American Revolution at the Annual Conference held in Dublin, Ohio on April 26-28, 2013. First, I would like to congratulate Steve Kelley on a successful year in office. Second, I wish to thank all the officers and committee chairmen for stepping up to serve this year. We have a great team! And lastly, I wish to thank all the well wishers that approached me at Dublin. I truly appreciate your encouragement and support. I pray that I can live up to your expectations.

My goal for this year is not new for the National Society or Ohio Society Sons of the American Revolution. Past President John Franklin gave us the 3 R's: **Recruitment, Renewals and Reinstatements** during his tenure as Ohio Society President. This is so an important project that John promoted that I decided to continue this goal.

From our experience in the past when we started a new Chapter we have had Genealogy Workshops in the area of the new Chapter and helped prospects in filling out the application. This helps bring awareness to the community about the SAR and assists in finding new prospects. I would like to ask that all our Chapters get involved in this project and set up Genealogy Workshops in your local area. I would also ask that the District Chairmen also get involved and help the Chapters that need your assistance.

I have asked 2nd Vice President James Schaffer to head up this important project. Please give him your full support. Jim has already reported to me that the Cincinnati Chapter has scheduled a workshop in their area. "Way to go Cincinnati!"

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The 124th Annual Conference of the Ohio Society Sons of the American Revolution



Ohio Society President Steven Kelley and Registrar General Michael Tomme, Jr. and their wives head up the receiving line.

Ohio Society Officers 2013-2014



Front Row (L-R) Richard L. Fetzner, Genealogist, James D. Schaffer, 2nd Vice President, George R. Ruch, President, Steven E. Frash, Secretary and Merlyn C. (Troy) Bailey, Registrar. **Back Row (L-R)** J. Michael Tomme, Jr., Registrar General, Steven R. Kelley, Past President and National Trustee, Rev. David B. Foster, Chaplain, and James E. Dunn, Historian



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT (Continued)

Renewals and Reinstatements have been a problem in the past in most Chapters and requires extra concentration and work by all concerned. Registrar Troy Bailey will be coordinating the renewals effort this year and will need your help and cooperation in making this task run smooth and in a timely manner. It is imperative that deadlines be kept.

I am sure that with everybody working together this will be a very successful year.

George R. Ruch



Awards Presented

Certificates of Appreciation

Joseph M. Prell	Terry M. Whetstone
John H. Franklin, Jr.	Richard L. Hartinger
Roger P. Jones	Gregg E. McCullough
Shawn A. Cox	Timothy E. Ward

Certificates of Distinguished Service

George R. Ruch	Paul M. Wilke
James D. Schaffer	Ted M. Minier
Merlyn C. Bailey	J. Atlee Horner III
Richard L. Carr, Jr.	David B. Foster
James E. Dunn	Richard L. Fetzner
Zachary K. Hoon	Daniel J. Haas
Elwin L. Spray	William A. Robinson
C. Jean Yost	Larry R. Perkins

Lamp Lighter Medal

John Irsak	David Thomas
Alan Norris	Ross Matlack III
Charles Sheets	George Welsh
Michael Kertes	

Silver SAR Color Guard Medal

Carl K. Roshong
Martin M. Byron
Paul A. Irwin

Bronze Good Citizenship Medal

Lynn McCann

Robert E. Burt BSA Volunteer Medal

William A. Robinson

Lafayette Volunteer Medal

Merlyn (Troy) C. Bailey

Silver Good Citizenship Medal

Ted M. Minier

Roger Sherman Medal

George R. Ruch
John H. Franklin, Jr.
Larry R. Perkins
Steven R. Kelley

Meritorious Service Medal

Robert E. Hackenberg (posthumously)
Daniel J. Haas
Ernie L. Moreland
David B. Foster

Patriot Medal

Merlyn (Troy) C. Bailey
James D. Schaffer
C. Jean Yost

State Medal of Distinguished Service

James O. Fast

Hub Scott Laurette

George R. Ruch

LADIES AUXILIARY UPDATE

The meeting was held at the Ohio State Conference in Dublin. New officers for the next year are:

President Darlene Ruch
Vice President Judy Minier
Secretary Shelia Perkins
Treasurer/Membership Betty Franklin
Chaplain Jan Whetstone

We had a great meeting and conference. We donated \$200.00 to Anthony Thompson from Cincinnati Chapter, the Oration Contest winner. And it was decided to donate \$1,000.00 to the CAAH at the National Congress in July. If anyone would like to donate to the Ohio Basket for Congress, please contact Valerie Wilke for details. Looking forward to a great time at the National Congress in Kansas City, hope to see some of you there.

Darlene Ruch,
President

Dates to Remember

July 5 - 10, 2013 NSSAR 123rd Congress, Kansas City, Mo.

July 26 - 27, 2013 Summer Board of Management meeting at The Sleep Inn, Bolivar, Ohio and Ft. Laurens Memorial Service.

Sept. 26 - 28, 2013 NSSAR Fall Leadership meeting, Louisville, Ky.

Oct. 4 - 6, 2013 OHSSAR BOM meeting, Point Pleasant, W.Va.

Feb. 7 - 8, 2014 OHSSAR Winter BOM meeting at the Newark Metropolitan Hotel, Newark, Ohio.

Feb. 28 - Mar. 2, 2014 NSSAR Spring Leadership meeting, Louisville, Ky.

May 2 - 4, 2014 OHSSAR 125th Annual Conf., Salt Fork Conference Center, Salt Fork State Park, Ohio



Incoming Ohio Society President George R. Ruch was awarded the Hub Scott Laureate by last years recipient Timothy E. Ward.



James O. Fast was presented the Distinguished Service medal by Ohio Society President Steven R. Kelley.



Receiving the Patriot medal L-R are Merlyn C. (Troy) Bailey, James D. Schaffer and C. Jean Yost.



Awarded the new Roger Sherman Silver medal are L-R George R. Ruch, John H. Franklin, Jr., and Larry R. Perkins



The Meritorious Service medal was presented to L-R Daniel J. Hass, Ernie L. Moreland and Rev. David B. Foster. It was also awarded posthumously to Robert "Howdy Doody" Hackenberg, who passed away November 2012.



Winners of the Distinguished Chapter streamer were L-R: Camp Charlotte, Cincinnati, John Hancock, General Henry Knox and Western Reserve.



Wm. Anthony Robinson was presented the Burt BSA Volunteer certificate medal for displaying outstanding dedication to the Scouting Program.



Merlyn C. (Troy) Bailey received the Lafayette Volunteer certificate and medal for volunteer service performed at the NSSAR Headquarters in Louisville.

Welcome New Compatriots

Western Reserve

Thomas Billig
Joseph Billig
Rollin Reiter
Wellington Reiter
Lawrence Hoyt

Cincinnati

James Day
Paul Day
John Day
Mark Day
John Imbus
Christopher McDowell
Edward Waltz
Thomas Cunningham
David Stoup
Coleman Oberli

Benjamin Franklin

Bret Bennett
Joseph Cunningham

Richard Montgomery

David McDaniel
Mark McDaniel
Robert Waldrop

Lafayette

Michael Pascoe
Justin Pascoe
Jack Cowgar
Terry Hardin
Terry Hardin, II
Christopher Suchan

Northeastern Ohio

Kyle Brown
Charles Fiffick
George Fiffick

Firelands Bicentennial

Chadwyck Douglass
Dennis Lee Null
Phillip Nathaniel Null

Arthur St. Clair

Steven Joe Patrick
Scott Patrick
Steven Patrick
Steven Patrick, Jr.

John Hancock

James Wagoner
Phillip Jewett
Michael Kelley

Northwest Territory

Wayne Weber
James Lowery
Ronny Betts

General Henry Knox

Dana McDaniel

Camp Charlotte

Joseph Stewart
Brian Stewart

Hocking Valley

Robert Stiles
John Shriver
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In Memoriam

Ebenezer Zane

Ernest W. Phillips, Jr. April 24, 2013

Western Reserve

Ralph M. Bound, Sr. May 13, 2013

John Hancock

Alan H. Sandford May 27, 2013





Youth Awards



These young ladies from Central Crossing High School in Grove City, Ohio presented the colors at our Award Luncheon in Dublin. This Naval JROTC unit was formed in 2002 and had distinguished its self every year. Its drill team has competed in the National High School Drill Team Championships and taken top ten awards over the last decade.. SgtMaj USMC (Ret) Donald Bocoock, is the Naval Science Instructor. The Benjamin Franklin Chapter is the Ohio Society's chapter supporter of this JROTC program.



The JROTC Award was presented to Marine Corp. cadet Zev Josef Lustgarten by Chairman Terry A. Whetstone.



The Americanism Poster contest winner was Toby Haas from Lincoln Elementary, Findlay, Ohio. He was sponsored by the John Hancock Chapter. This years subject was the "Declaration of Independence".



The winner of the Rumbaugh Oration contest was Anthony Thompson, sponsored by the Cincinnati Chapter.

Knights Essay Winner
The winner of the Knights Essay Contest was Ben Tiemann From Hudson High School, Hudson, Ohio. The title of his essay was the "Sons of Liberty: Reasoned Terror?"



Eagle Scout State Medal
The Eagle Scout State Medal was awarded to Josiah Ebert. Josiah was sponsored by the General Henry Knox Chapter.



Fort Laurens Memorial Service And Summer Board of Management Reservation Form

Please make your reservations by July 05, 2013

IMPORTANT NOTE: After this date we will lose our block of rooms.

Name _____

Address _____

Chapter _____ State _____

The individual should make reservations at the Sleep Inn at (330) 874-3435, but send payment to the OHSSAR Treasurer, J. Atlee Horner, III. Advise the Motel that you are with the Sons of the American Revolution. A block of rooms has been reserved for our organization.

Lodging (Sleep Inn) \$89.00 \$ _____

Dinner at Canal Tavern of Zoar \$25.00 \$ _____

Tavern Pork Loin Chop with spaetzle _____

Lemon Rosemary Chicken Breast with spaetzle _____

Walleye Filet with potato pancake _____

All dinners include vegetable of the day, salad, desert, (chocolate cake or bread pudding), soft drinks & coffee \$ _____

Vegetarian meal available upon request \$ _____

Lunch at Georgio's Grill \$20.00 _____ \$ _____

Make check payable to Treasurer, OHSSAR and mail to: **Total \$ _____**

Jay Atlee Horner, III
17511 Daleview Drive
Lakewood, OH 44107-1720

Directions to Canal Tavern of Zoar: Rt. I-77 toward Zoar. Go 3.1 mile. Turn right on Dover/Zoar Road. Go .4 mile. Turn right on Towpath. Tavern on left,

Address:
8806 Towpath Rd N.E.
Bolivar, OH

Telephone # 330-874-4444

Schedule of Activities

Friday, July 26, 2013

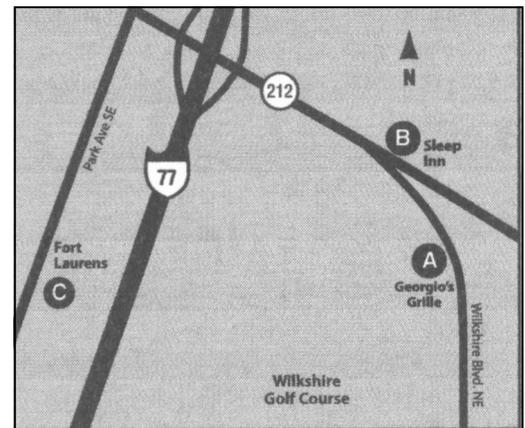
- 5:00 - 6:00 pm Social Time at Canal Tavern of Zoar (2nd floor)
- 6:15 Dinner, Executive Committee and Board Meeting at Canal Tavern of Zoar

Saturday, July 27, 2013

- Breakfast at Sleep Inn
- 8:00am - 10:00am Meeting at the Sleep Inn
- 10:45 am Color Guard to muster at Ft. Laurens (C)
- 11:00 am Fort Laurens Memorial Service
- Noon Luncheon at Georgio's

Sleep Inn (B)
11155 State Rt. 212 NE
Bolivar, OH 44612
(330) 874-3435
Just east of the I-77 and
State Route 212 interchange

Georgio's Grille (A)
10748 Wilkshire Blvd.
Bolivar, OH 44612
Across the Street and
to the left of The Sleep Inn



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