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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I wish to thank everyone for their vote of confidence in allowing me to serve as your 2009-2010 State President and for your kind words and understanding as to why I was unable to attend the state meeting after the death of my sister. I think it very fitting that Trustee Richard Fetzer and Past President Timothy Ward chose the Arthur St. Clair chapter where I began my journey to the presidency as the place where I was sworn into office. I thank both the Arthur St. Clair chapter members for their hospitality and the members who attended that evening for making it a memorable event for me. I want to take this opportunity to congratulate Past President Timothy E. Ward for a successful year and to recognize Beth Ward for serving as our Auxiliary President and giving Tim her support throughout this past year. I wish to thank the new officers of our society for being willing to step up and serve. I know that I have an excellent team supporting me and that is thanks to the Nominating Committee. I also wish to thank my wife, Vickie, because, without her support, I would be unable to perform the tasks ahead of me.

I am very proud of our Ohio Society and the chapters that make it up. We have hard working members who are out marking the forgotten graves of our patriot ancestors, helping youth learn the value of freedom through programs such as the Eagle Scout award and the oration and essay contests, and recognizing the unsung heroes of our state who serve in law enforcement, EMT and fire fighting. Your efforts are greatly appreciated within your communities and by your state

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT CONTINUED

officers. Because of this I am continuing to sponsor the “Distinguished Chapter” award started by Past President Ward. This award is to recognize those chapters that are striving to represent the SAR in a positive fashion within their communities and to give all chapters a chance to say “I am one of the best in Ohio.” For the guidelines for this award, see our Ohio Society website at [www.ohssar.org](http://www.ohssar.org).

I have also added two new committees to our program. One will be the Grants Committee headed by Compatriot Robert Grim. I believe that VPG Ed Butler is planning to start one nationally and I want to follow his lead and find new sources of operating money here in Ohio. The second new committee is the Spirituality of Our Founders which will look for what made our founders great men who looked forward with courage, strength and hope, perhaps inspiring us to do the same. This committee will be chaired by Compatriot Robert Farling.

One of the committees that I have special plans for this year is our Veterans Affairs Committee. Paul Schenck will chair this committee with Co-chairman James Dunn. Paul is a retired captain in the Air Force and James has been doing a great job on the “Honor Flights” coming into Columbus. I encourage all chapters to find some way to say thank you to our veterans by remembering those veterans in the nursing homes and those coming home from service. I, along with Larry Perkins, will be bringing back ideas presented at national meetings for chapters to participate in.

The Membership Committee is another one I feel will need special attention. I have asked Tim Ward to stay on as chairman and Dick Fetzer to assist on this committee to promote growth. Each of us has friends, family and associates who are eligible for membership in the SAR. Let’s invite someone to attend our meetings this month.

The Congress 2010 Committee is another committee that will need all our help to promote Ohio’s Cleveland Congress. I hope that every time you speak to people in neighboring states you take the time to invite them to our great state.

In closing, let me say that I look forward to the future. My wife asked me a couple of weeks ago if I had a motto that I believed in for my life direction. I told her yes, “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.” I want our officers, chapters and members to believe this along with me. I hope to hand out many flag banners in May of 2010 to distinguished chapters who “Got ‘er done.”

Your humble servant,  
Wm Anthony Robinson



2009-10 OHSSAR Officers - top left to right: Paul. M. Wilke, Steven R. Kelley, Greg McCollough, Charles G. Edwards and Zackary K. Hoon. bottom left to right: James O. Fast, John H. Franklin, Vice President General, Edward Butler, Timothy E. Ward, Rev. Patrick N. Kelly. not pictured: Wm Anthony Robinson

## THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The 2009 Ohio Society Annual Conference was held at the Avalon Inn in Warren, Ohio on May 1-3. The conference began on Friday night with registration and the Executive Committee meeting and dinner. The Ohio Society Board of Management meeting was held on Saturday afternoon.

The winners of our youth contests were announced during the day. The Saturday evening banquet included greetings from the Ohio DAR Corresponding Secretary Sandra Mc Cann, Kristina Marion; CAR President and Ohio Society CAR Senior State President Brenda Cooper. The Guest speakers at the Banquet were the National Society Secretary Edward Butler who discussed his future plans for our Society and Patrick Henry jolly who portrayed his Patriot Ancestor Patrick Henry, and provided his entire "Liberty or Death" Speech.

The Sunday memorial service paid tribute to forty-three members of our Society who passed away during the previous year upon conclusion of the memorial service, our new 2009-2010 State Officers were installed by NSSAR Secretary General Edward Butler. Our new Ohio Society President Wm Anthony Robinson received the State President's neck ribbon and Society gavel made from the Logan Elm tree from Past President Timothy E.

Ward and was sworn in at the Arthur St Clair meeting in Chillicothe, Ohio. Past President Timothy E. Ward received his Past President's certificate and pin from the OHSSAR Trustee Paul M. Wilke on behalf of President Wm Anthony Robinson. Although I was not in attendance physically, I was in attendance in Spirit. I encourage everyone to attend next year's Conference in Chillicothe, Ohio. May 2nd - 4th. ■



Tim Ward swears in Wm Anthony Robinson as the new Ohio Society SAR President.

## AWARDS PRESENTED

**OHSSAR Medal of Distinguished Service**  
Paul M. Wilke

**Distinguished Chapter Awards**  
Cincinnati Chapter, Richard Montgomery Chapter, Ewing Chapter, Northeastern Ohio Chapter, Lafayette Chapter, Ebenezer Zane Chapter

**Silver Good Citizenship Medal**  
Richard Michael, James O. Fast

**Bronze Good Citizenship Medal**  
Patrick Henry Jolly, Richard Fowler

**Good Citizenship Pins**  
Sarah Ward, Kevin Ward, J.T. Ward

**Meritorious Service Award**  
Jean Yost

**Martha Washington Medal**  
Elizabeth Ward, Linda Langlitz

**SAR Medal of Appreciation**  
Sheila Perkins, Patsy Gaines, Valerie Wilke (Oak Leaf Cluster), Betty Franklin (Oak Leaf Cluster)

**Bronze CAR/SAR Medal**  
Anna Insprucker, Alex Muetzel

**Patriots Medal**  
George Ruch, Timothy E. Ward, James Pildner

**Hubb Scott Laureate**  
Paul M. Wilke

## YOUTH CONTEST WINNERS

**Oration Contest**  
Ashley Brewster  
Camp Charlotte Chapter Sponsor

**Poster Contest**  
Nicholas Peecher  
Camp Charlotte Chapter Sponsor

**Essay Contest**  
Samantha Patterson  
Ewing Chapter Sponsor

**Eagle Scout Contest**  
Peter Francis Tyree  
Arthur St. Clair Chapter Sponsor

**JROTC Contest**  
2nd Lt. Nicole Cline  
Centennial Chapter Sponsor



Oration contest winner Ashley Brewster with John H. Franklin, left and Timothy E. Ward, right.



AROUND THE STATE

May 3, 2009, OHSSAR members and family mark the grave of Henry Lingo after the Board of Management meeting.



Marvin Spradlin and Wm Anthony Robinson at the Circleville Memorial Day service.

The Cincinnati Chapter celebrates Patriot's Day 2009 at the Montgomery Terwilliger Lodge and Hopewell Cemetery. Pictured are Jack Langlitz, SAR member, and Connie Pillich, State Representative 28th House District.



General Henry Knox Chapter members Ernie Moreland and Steve Kelley stand with horse Lil Girl at the Memorial Day parade.



Randy Krueger playing the fife at Patriot's Day 2009.



## HONOR FLIGHT PROGRAM

On May 29, 2004, President Bush dedicated the World War II Memorial to honor “The Greatest Generation.”

Regrettably today, very few of these elderly veterans have the funds, knowledge or strength to complete a conventional trip to Washington D.C. via commercial airline, car or bus.



Honor Flight is a national, non-profit organization dedicated to

honoring selfless “ordinary people who saved the world” by providing FREE trips to visit their memorial. In addition to World



War II veterans, Honor Flight hopes to provide free transport for

Korean and Vietnam

War veterans in the future.

In support of this program, color guard and members of the SAR are encouraged to meet these Veterans, shake their hands and tell them “JOB WELL DONE.” It doesn’t cost anything and the reward to SAR members is tremendous.

For dates and times of planes arrivals for your area, check out [www.HonorFlight.org](http://www.HonorFlight.org). Planes are scheduled in Cincinnati, Springfield, Cleveland, Dayton, Columbus, Akron-Canton, Toledo and Defiance.

For further information, contact James E. Dunn at [dunn1776@aol.com](mailto:dunn1776@aol.com).



## NEW ON THE WEBSITE

Troy Bailey, our Grave Registry Chairman, has made it easier for you to register your grave markings by having the registration form added to the website. This is a PDF file that can be filled out on line and sent to Troy along with a picture of the stone. All chapters should send this information to Troy when they have a grave dedication service.

## OHSSAR.ORG

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## GIVING TO THE CENTER FOR ADVANCING AMERICA’S HERITAGE

Each state society attaining a 20% giving level at an average of \$250 per member will be recognized with their State Societies name and year of qualification on a plaque which will be prominently displayed in The Center for Advancing America’s Heritage.

Remember, donations made at the local and state level will count toward the average per member donation. Please make checks payable to the SAR Foundation, Inc. when making donations to The Center for Advancing America’s Heritage.



## IN MEMORIAM

### Western Reserve Society

Charles E. Spahr  
4/7/2009

Ralph C. Keller  
4/27/2009

David Charles Munhall  
9/20/2008

Johathan Z. Hull  
5/30/2007

### Nathan Hale

Fred Tod, Jr.  
9/3/2008

### Richard Montgomery

Donald Scott Taylor  
4/30/2009

Herbert Godfrey Webb  
5/21/2009

## WELCOME NEW COMPATRIOTS

### Western Reserve Society

Bradley William Blake  
Liam Henry Franklin

### Cincinnati

Jeffery Jay Sanders Cornwell

### Benjamin Franklin

Antonio Lee Picciano  
Nicholas Irwin Picciano  
Timothy Edward Picciano

### Northeastern Ohio

Bradley Michael Frank  
Lowell Seth Zurbuch  
Marion Claire Zurbuch

### Samuel Huntington

Timothy Allan Cusick

### General Henry Knox

Richard Royal Price

### Marietta

Michael Albert Givens

### At Large

Dudley Silas Debolt, Jr. Paul  
Donald Starling McCullough  
Kelly David McCullough  
Kenneth McCullough  
Thomas Paul Rogers

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**July 4-8, 2009** National Congress - Atlanta Ga.

**July 25, 2009** Fort Laurens - Tomb of Unknown Soldier and Ohio SAR Board of Management

**July 31, 2009** Madison Old Fashioned Day Parade, NEO chapter

**August 29, 2009** Patriot Gideon Braley Grave Marking 10:00AM Union Cemetery Fulton Co.

**September 5, 2009** Austinburg Country Days Parade - Austinburg, Ohio, NEO chapter

**October 2-3, 2009** Fall Board of Management Meeting - Nelsonville, Ohio

**October 4, 2009** Point Pleasant Battle Days marking of unknown soldiers grave

**October 10, 2009** Central District Meeting

**November 14, 2009** Thanksgiving Day Luncheon Reception Banquet Center, Cincinnati chapter

**February 5-6, 2010** Winter Board of Management Meeting - Findley, Ohio

**April 30 - May 2, 2010** Annual State Meeting - Chillicothe, Ohio

## OHIO LADIES' AUXILIARY UPDATE

The ladies had a great time at the state conference in Warren, Ohio last month.

Our new officers for the Auxiliary are

**President** Vickie Lynn Robinson

**Vice President** Betty Franklin

**Secretary** Linda Langlitz

**Treasurer** Betty Franklin

**Chaplin** Jan Whetstone

**Membership** Valerie Wilke

We now look ahead to the national Congress in July, in Atlanta. We will be doing baskets for the raffle, and collecting beanie babies of all kinds for the "luncheon for the underprivileged children," that Raylene has set up. It should be a great time.

Please be sure to buy a ticket for the drawing and help us support the Youth Programs.

Vickie L. Robinson

*The Ladies' Auxiliary  
of the Ohio Society  
of the Sons of the  
American Revolution*





# FORT LAURENS MEMORIAL SERVICE RESERVATION FORM

Please make your reservation before July 18, 2009.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Please call the Sleep Inn to make a reservation under the rooms reserved for the SAR. Please send payment to OHSSAR Treasurer Greg McCullough.

If you have made your Sleep Inn room reservation check here: \_\_\_\_\_ \$68/room \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ dinner(s) at \$30 each for Friday July 24 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ luncheon(s) at \$15 each for Saturday July 25 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL

Make check payable to OHSSAR and mail to:

Greg McCullough

4551 Foley Road #1

Cincinnati, OH 45238

(717) 676-2969 or cell (513) 244-5671

betspetcfs@yahoo.com

## FORT LAURENS MEMORIAL SERVICE

Please join us at our annual service to honor the 15 known and 5 unknown soldiers who gave their lives in defense of our country.

### SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

#### Friday, July 24

5:45 PM - Executive Committee Social Time

6:15 PM - Executive Committee Dinner & Board Meeting

Georgio's Grille

#### Saturday, July 25

7:30AM-8:00AM - Coffee and Danish at Sleep Inn

8:00AM-10:30AM - BOM Meeting at Sleep Inn

10:45AM - Color Guard to muster at Fort Laurens

11:00AM - Fort Laurens Memorial Service

12:15PM - Luncheon at Georgio's Grille – Presentation of Piggy Banks to Friends of Ft. Laurens

#### Sleep Inn

11155 State Rt. 212 NE

Bolivar, OH 44612

(330) 874-3435

The Sleep Inn is just east of the intersection of I-77 and State Rt. 212

#### Georgio's Grille

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Bolivar, OH 44612

(Across from Sleep Inn)



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## OHSSAR'S OWN FUNDRAISING PROGRAM

The Ohio Society SAR is undertaking an annual fundraising program to help support our youth programs and assist in hosting a National Congress in 2010. Each contributor will be recognized in a future edition of the Bulletin and will receive a letter acknowledging their contribution. Additionally, donors of \$100 to \$499 will receive a white Century Club shield to wear behind their SAR membership rosette; \$500 to \$999 will receive a blue Century Club shield; and \$1000 and up will receive a gold shield. Annual giving donation amounts will be tabulated for a lifetime so that Compatriots can obtain the different Century Club shields as their yearly contributions are totaled. All donations are tax deductible. Help Ohio Shine in 2010!

### My OHSSAR DONATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to donate

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Send this form with your check made to:

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