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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is my honor to have been elected to serve as your 2008-2009 State President of the Ohio Society Sons of the American Revolution. I would like to congratulate Past President Richard Fetzer on a successful year in office. We are all happy that you were able to persevere through some difficult times and you are back to good health.

I am very proud of the Ohio Society. We have some great Chapters and hard working members throughout the state. The Marietta Chapter recently completed a successful program entitled “12 Days with Patriots & Pioneers of Washington County, Ohio”. The Chapter’s efforts are to be commended. The Ebenezer Zane Chapter recently installed their 60th Grave Stone for a Revolutionary War Soldier. Their efforts to mark the gravesites in their area are a great example for chapters throughout the country. Many of our other chapters have participated in parades, grave markings, flag certificate presentations, SAR youth programs, and are presenting medals to law enforcement, EMT, and fire fighters in their areas. Your efforts are all greatly appreciated within your communities and by your State Officers.

During my term as President, I have decided to sponsor a “Distinguished Chapter” award to recognize those chapters that are striving to represent the SAR in a positive fashion within their communities and to give all chapters something to shoot for. Each

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chapter who meets eleven specified criteria will receive an “OHSSAR Distinguished Chapter 2008/2009” streamer for their chapter flag at the OHSSAR Conference which will be held in Warren, Ohio on May 1st through May 3rd of 2009. I have established criteria which I believe every chapter could accomplish and I am hopeful that the awards committee may continue this award after this year. The awards criteria for this year are:

- 1) Chapter must have at least one representative (primary dues paying member of the chapter, not a dual member) present at all four OHSSAR meetings (3 BOM's & OHSSAR Conference).
- 2) Chapter must have elected Officers and must submit their names and positions to the OHSSAR Secretary with a telephonic and email contact for the chapter (email contact can be any Chapter Officer).
- 3) Chapter must submit their dues and Chapter Reconciliation Report to the OHSSAR Treasurer by December 15, 2008.
- 4) Chapter must present at least one Flag Certificate and report the presentation to the OHSSAR Flag Committee Chairman.
- 5) Chapter must submit at least one New Member application (Regular or Junior Member) which is accepted by the OHSSAR Registrar and forwarded to NSSAR for review and approval.
- 6) Chapter must submit an Americanism Scoring Sheet to the OHSSAR Historian by January 15, 2009.
- 7) Chapter must present at least one Contestant for any of the SAR Youth Contests (Eagle Scout, Junior ROTC, Knight Essay, D.G. High Oration, Poster Contest).
- 8) Chapter must hold at least two Chapter meetings and print at least one Chapter Newsletter, a copy of which must be submitted to the OHSSAR Historian (Newsletter may be distributed to members by email or regular mail). Chapter must present photos, Newspaper Articles, or other documentation regarding Chapter Activities to the OHSSAR Historian for use in the State Scrapbook.
- 9) Chapter must participate in a least one Community event (i.e.: Parade, Grave Marking, Naturalization Ceremony, etc).
- 10) Chapter must have at least one liaison with the DAR and/or the CAR (i.e.: Parade, Grave Marking, Joint Meeting, etc).
- 11) Chapter must have at least one Color Guard member participate in a community event (i.e.: Parade, Flag Certificate presentation, Grave Marking, School presentation, etc.).

The completion of the above criteria must be reported to the OHSSAR President and Secretary and verified by the OHSSAR Treasurer/Registrar and Historian as applicable. Every chapter meeting the criteria will receive a streamer for their flag. I am hopeful that all of our Ohio Chapters will attempt to meet the criteria and obtain this award. I look forward to serving you this year and hope to present a streamer to a representative of your chapter at the OHSSAR Conference at the end of my term.

Timothy E. Ward



2008-09 OHSSAR Officers - top left to right: Henry T. S. Heckman, Paul M. Wilke, James O. Fast, Zackary K. Hoon, Charles G. Edwards, Richard L. Fetzer
bottom left to right: John O. Langlitz, W. Anthony Robinson, Timothy E. Ward, NSSAR Secretary General David N. Appleby, John H. Franklin Jr., Rev. Patrick N. Kelly

THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The 2008 Ohio Society Annual Conference was held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Twinsburg, Ohio on April 25-27, 2008. 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. Three National Society Officers joined us for our meetings: Secretary General David Appleby, Genealogist General Charles Bragg, and Historian General James D. Simpson. The ladies auxiliary visited the Kent State University Fashion Museum while the men held their meeting. The winners of our youth contests were announced during the day. The Saturday evening banquet included greetings from the Ohio Society DAR Secretary, Sandra Mitchell McCann; CAR President Alex Muetzel and Ohio Society CAR Senior State President Brenda Cooper. The National Historian General, James D. Simpson, spoke about the history of the SAR and our featured speaker, the National Secretary General, David N. Appleby, spoke about the new SAR Headquarters building which was recently purchased.

The Sunday memorial service paid tribute to thirty-three members of our Society who passed away during the previous year. Upon conclusion of the memorial service, our new 2008-2009 State Officers were installed by NSSAR Secretary General Appleby. Our new Ohio Society President, Timothy E. Ward, received the State President's neck ribbon and Society gavel made from the Logan Elm tree. Past President Richard Fetzer received his Past President's certificate and pin. President Ward then revealed his "OHSSAR Distinguished Chapter 2008/2009" award and criteria. We were blessed with great weather, good food, productive meetings, and fantastic fellowship at the Ohio Society Conference and invite everyone to attend next year's Conference in Warren, Ohio. ■



AWARDS PRESENTED

Certificates of Appreciation

Paul Schenck, Richard L. Carr, Steven R. Kelley, Ernie Moreland, Edward Hamblin, Scott Fisher, and Tom Pieper

Distinguished Service Certificates

Timothy E. Ward, W. Anthony Robinson, John O. Langlitz, James O. Fast, Rev. Patrick N. Kelly, Charles G. Edwards, Walter Golladay, Joseph M. Prell, John H. Franklin Jr., and Paul M. Wilke

Former State President Certificate

Paul M. Wilke

Former Chapter President Certificates

Frederick Watkins, Thomas Geimeier, Edward Hamblin, William Ellerman, John Buffenbarger, Timothy E. Ward, Robert G. Parvin, Keith Kaufman, W. Anthony Robinson, Curtis Fleisher, and Randall G. Crumpler

SAR Medal of Appreciation

Valerie Wilke

Meritorious Service Medals

James O. Fast, Zackary Hoon, and John Langlitz.

State Medal of Distinguished Service

Timothy E. Ward

Patriot Medal

Richard L. Fetzer

Hub Scott Laureate

Larry Perkins

YOUTH CONTEST WINNERS

Poster Contest

Nicole Camponeschi
Arthur St. Clair
Chapter sponsor

JROTC Contest

Justin Pinn
George Rogers Clark
Chapter sponsor

Knight Essay Contest

Brent Bishop
Cincinnati
Chapter sponsor

Eagle Scout Contest

Andrew Waits
Cincinnati
Chapter sponsor

D.G. High Oration Contest

Nate Blevin (pictured above, right)
Western Reserve Society
Chapter sponsor





AROUND THE STATE



Rufus Putnam Chapter Honors Crooksville Middle School Student. Pictured left to right - June Kaufman, OHDAR member; Ronald Rosser, Congressional Medal of Honor recipient; Georgia Rosser, SAR Outstanding Citizenship recipient; and Keith Kaufman, OHSSAR Central District Chairman, Rufus Putnam Chapter member.



Northeastern Ohio and Samuel Huntington Chapters are represented at the Maple Festival parade in Chardon, Ohio.

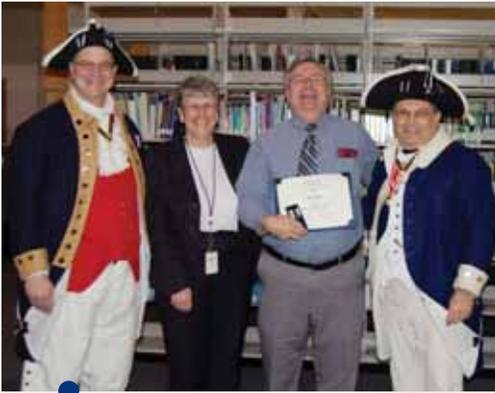
Rufus Putnam Chapter President, Brain McKee with meeting speaker Ada Woodson Adams, a descendant of Thomas Jefferson & Sallie Hemmings.



May 24, 2008, Organizational meeting for Lancaster, Ohio Chapter.

Ewing Chapter marks the grave of John Wyman, Jr. on May 24, 2008 in McArthur, Ohio.





State Library of Ohio Research Services Librarian, Paul Immel, receives the SAR Silver Good Citizenship Medal from General Henry Knox Chapter President Steve Kelley and OHSSAR 1st V.P. W. Anthony Robinson.

George Rogers Clark Chapter marks the grave of Benjamin Bridge on May 18, 2008 in Enon, Ohio.



Centennial Chapter President, James Fast presenting Auglaize County Sheriff, Allen F. Solomon the Law Enforcement Commendation Award on January 10, 2008.

The Richard Montgomery Chapter presented a law enforcement award to Miami County Deputy Sheriff Dave Hall. He was also the last Marine to leave Saigon when the embassy in Vietnam was evacuated.



Ebenezer Zane Chapter members Randall Crumpler, Phil Lewis, George Livingston, Walter Kinsey, and Mike Michael mark the grave of Samuel Leech, Sr. in Jefferson County, Ohio. This is the 60th grave marking by the chapter since its inception.



OHSSAR President, Tim Ward presents William Ellerman the Past Presidents Certificate for serving as President of the Richard Montgomery Chapter from 2004 thru 2007.



WELCOME NEW COMPATRIOTS

Western Reserve Society

Kirby Price Colwell, II
John Thomas Cross
George Mercer Dise
Brian Arthur Kiel
David Matthew Kiel
Richard Walter Kornblum
Alexander Leavitt Krill
Giles Leavitt Krill
Michael Scott Mattoon
Thomas Moore Stickney
Jonathan G. Whipple

Cincinnati

John Warren Dells, II
Gerald Patrick Knight
Andrew McClintock
John Woodward Painter
Paul Anthony Schmid
Craig Daniel Sonnenberg
Scott Douglas Sonnenberg
Jeffery L. Steele
Leon Claude Strickland
William Lawrence Townsend
David Leigh Wheeler

Benjamin Franklin

Carl Anthony Long
Jeffery Allen Myers
Thomas Theodore Williams

Richard Montgomery

Richard Lines Carr, Jr.
Samuel Douglas Dodson
David Allen Livingood
Ross Richard Livingood
Charles Edward Tobey

John Stark

Paul Lester Richardson

Lafayette

Thomas Donald Bertler
Ronald Keith Morgart
Mark Hilding Nelson
Theodore Eric Svenson

George Rogers Clark

James Denny Albright
Daniel Eugene McDonough
Michael David Rieger

Northeastern Ohio

Shelby Lee Lewis
James Franklin Kirtley
Dakota Edward Ward
Donald Frank Waterhouse

Ethan Allen

David William Byers

Samuel Huntington

Brian Lee Sacash
Jason Lawrence Sacash

Centennial

Aaron Michael Lusk
Robert Gene Stripe

Arthur St. Clair

Allen Dale Griffiths
Maurice Lee Vititoe

John Hancock

James Conrad Finch

Bill of Rights

James Edward Morgan
Richard M. Rogers
Byron Leslie Stickles
William Carl Waggoner

At Large

Thomas Caine White

AROUND THE STATE CONTINUED



Larry Perkins becomes the 2008 Ohio Society Hub Scott Laureate. He is accompanied by past Hub Scott Laureates present at the OHSSAR Annual Conference.



Richard L. Fetzler receives the Patriot Medal presented by Paul Wilke and Larry Perkins.

IN MEMORIAM

Western Reserve Society

William Bingham Cleveland
5/16/2008

Cincinnati

Frank Clinton O'Bannon, Jr.

Northeastern Ohio

George Mark Chambers
4/26/2008

Centennial

Rev. Paul Leonard Boyer
6/3/2008



*The Ladies' Auxiliary
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OHIO LADIES' AUXILIARY UPDATE

The National Ladies Auxiliary 2nd V.P., Valerie L. Wilke, would like to remind those members planning to attend the 2008 National Congress in Sacramento to pack one item for the raffle.

The ladies will have a get together after the Executive Committee diner at the Zoar Tavern on Friday evening July 25th, 2008.

We welcome new members to join us. For membership inquires contact Valerie Wilke, Membership Chairman at 513-941-7878 or email tinman01@fuse.net. ■



FORT LAURENS MEMORIAL SERVICE RESERVATION FORM

Please make your reservation before July 19, 2008.

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 James O. Fast.

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

Please reserve _____ dinner(s) at \$25 each for Friday July 25 \$ _____

Please reserve _____ luncheon(s) at \$16 each for Saturday July 26 \$ _____

\$ _____ TOTAL

Make check payable to OHSSAR and mail to:

James O. Fast

11809 Hollywood Place

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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 25

5:45 PM - Executive Committee Social Time, Zoar Tavern and Inn

6:15 PM - Executive Committee Dinner & Board Meeting
Zoar Tavern and Inn

Saturday, July 26

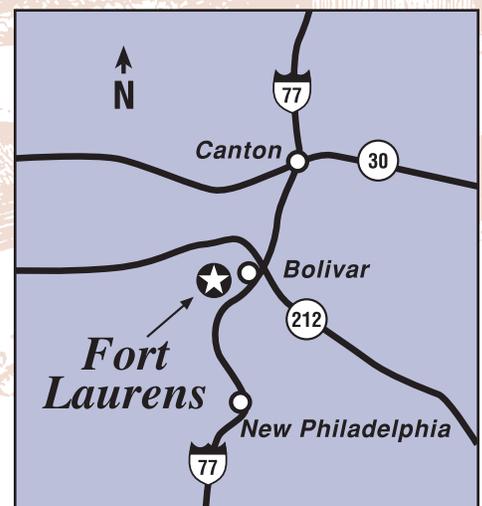
7:30AM-8:00AM - Coffee and Danish at Sleep Inn

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

Zoar Tavern

162 Main Street

Zoar, OH 44697

(330) 874-2170

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 relieve 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

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I wish to donate

Address _____

\$ _____

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