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Sons of the American Revolution

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From The President's Desk

Compatriots & Friends,

In the last issue of the "Buckeye Patriot," I mentioned that I would like to accomplish two main goals in 2013. While I identified one of the goals, I forgot to mention the other. Of course, it may have been a bit presumptuous of me to set goals for 2013, prior to the election of our chapter officers for 2013.

Nevertheless, I would first like to thank everyone who attended our February 23rd meeting at Ferrante Winery. It was, by far, the largest attendance we've ever had at a chapter meeting. Thank you all for coming, and for your interest in our chapter, our society, and our mission. I hope that attendance will remain strong. Incidentally, our next chapter meeting will be held on Saturday April 13th at 11:30 am, at Chops Grille & Tap House (1752 Ohio 534, Geneva, Ohio 44041). Our program will be the "American Creed" presented by Compatriot Jim Pildner. As usual, guests are welcome, and I hope to see you there. If you haven't already done so, please RSVP by April 6th at tbailey@suite224.net or (440) 275-7829.

Also, please join me in welcoming our 2013 chapter officers: President - Troy Bailey; 1st Vice President - John McClellan, 2nd Vice President - Jim Pildner, Secretary - Bill Howe, Treasurer - Terry Robinson, Historian - Steve Hinson, and Chaplin - Vernon Palo. I'd like to offer special thanks to the above-mentioned compatriots for volunteering to serve as chapter officers.

Now, before I forget, I'd like to mention the second goal I have for 2013. "Committees!" In fact, I'd like our standing committees to become more active; for instance, the groups that are responsible for coordinating the Oration Contest, Poster Contest, Grave Registry, Eagle Scout Recognition, Flag Certification, Good Citizenship Award, and Wreaths Across America Ceremonies, just to name a few. If you're interested in volunteering or helping out, please let me know.

Lastly, the Ohio Society Annual State Conference will be held at Crowne Plaza Hotel in Dublin, Ohio April 26th-April 28th. All members are welcome to attend. For additional information, visit www.ohssar.org.

Patriotically yours,

Troy Bailey, President
Northeastern Ohio Chapter #12
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"A free people ought not only to be armed,
but disciplined." - George Washington

Welcome New SAR Members!

William "Red" Leonard
Patriot Ancestor: Daniel Leonard

Edwin Francis Mannion, Jr.
Patriot Ancestor: Samuel Shade

Authentic Military Uniforms & Colonial Attire for NEO Chapter #12 Color Guard Members



SAR Colorguardsman

It was great to see all the folks at our quarterly meeting in February, and I would like to thank our office-holders for the increase in members, as well as John's newsletter for generating interest.

Troy mentioned that we're always interested in recruiting more members for the Color Guard, and that we shouldn't necessarily worry about the "proper" uniform as initially, none would be needed, and some of us have extra items that can be borrowed.

If an authentic uniform is something you would be interested in acquiring, I'd like to recommend G. Gedney Godwin (<http://www.ggodwin.com>) and Jas. Townsend and Son, Inc. (<http://www.jas-townsend.com>).

The basic uniform can be purchased for about \$200.00, and that would include a tri-cornered hat, private's shirt, hunting shirt [rifleman's frock], and breeches. Additional items can be secured as time, funds, and interests dictate [gun, shoes, cartridge box, regimental coat etc.].

In any case, purchasing what the soldiers really wore will not only make you look good, but will make the organization look good as well.

With the correct gear, you also have the ability to offer a window in time to the general public, and a good look at what our ancestors wore in their fight for freedom.

Please feel free to contact me as I'm more than happy to offer my assistance to anyone interested in purchasing period-correct gear, and provide recommendations that my thirty years of living history and re-enacting can provide.



*The Jas. Townsend and Son, Inc.
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*Best Regards,
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U.S. Flag Display Dates 2013

*Patriots' Day: Monday, April 15th
National Day of Prayer: Thursday, May 2nd
Mother's Day: Sunday, May 12th
Armed Forces Day: Saturday, May 18th
Memorial Day: Monday, May 27th
Flag Day: Friday, June 14th
Independence Day: Thursday, July 4th*

*Labor Day: Monday, September 2nd
Patriot Day: Wednesday, September 11th
Constitution/Citizenship Day: Tuesday, September 17th
Columbus Day: Monday, October 14th
Navy Day: Sunday, October 27th
Veterans Day: Monday, November 11th
Thanksgiving Day: Thursday, November 28th
Christmas Day: Wednesday, December 25th*

New Member Induction & Election of Chapter Officers



*NEO Chapter #12 President Troy Bailey
& William "Red" Leonard*



*Compatriots Troy Bailey, Jim Pildner,
Steve Hinson & Vernon Palo*

At the February 23rd meeting of the NEO Chapter #12 SAR, William "Red" Leonard was inducted as its newest chapter member. Compatriot Leonard is a descendant of Daniel Leonard, who served as a Sergeant in the Maryland Militia.

In addition to new member inductions, the following 2013 NEO Chapter #12 SAR officers were elected and inducted; President Troy Bailey; 1st Vice President John McClellan, 2nd Vice President Jim Pildner, Registrar Time Ward, Secretary William Howe, Treasurer Terry Robinson, Historian Steve Hinson, and Chaplin Vernon Palo.

Ohio Society SAR Score Sheet

Each year the National Society requests the State Society and its chapters to file an activities report. The report assigns points to the activities and groups them into broad categories. From these score sheets the National Society awards the State Societies and Chapters streamers and certificates of recognition.

The State Society Score Sheet is a combination of the individual chapters. For 2012, only six of twenty-two chapters filed report for the Ohio Society. Under the Americanism categories, Ohio reported 14, 208 points. For the President General's Streamer, Ohio reported 32,930 points. Ohio had the largest number of points group under Youth Programs (2,185) and Public Service Programs (4,260), while contributions to the SAR Ohio received 30,000 points. Most likely, the Ohio Society should receive credit for more in the coming year but it will require a substantial commitment by its chapters. Even if the chapters do not want to compete nationally, they need to forward their score sheets to the state, as all the chapters combined help the State Society.

Chapters receive credit for individual members' participation as well. For instance, "did John make a contribution to the local CAR chapter? Did the Chapter Color Guard present the colors at a local DAR Chapter meeting?" "Did the chapter present a Flag Award to a local business or individual?" If so, then points are awarded to the chapter. To receive credit, the chapter needs to submit the corresponding score sheets.



Ohio Society Streamers

Thanks to the six chapters that completed and filed the 2012 Americanism score sheets, Ohio will have a respectable report at the National Society. Nevertheless, it's not too soon to begin planning for the 2013 year by downloading the spreadsheet from the National Society website at <http://www.sar.org> under "Americanism Committee."

Unfortunately NEO Chapter #12 did not submit a 2012 score sheet. If you would like to volunteer to maintain the chapter's score sheet, please email President Troy Bailey at tbailey@suite224.net.

National Society Spring Leadership Meeting

The National Society Spring Leadership Meeting was held in Louisville on March 1st and 2nd. On Saturday morning, the Trustee Meeting was held in the Crystal Ballroom of the Brown Hotel in downtown Louisville. Officers gave reports, bylaw changes were proposed, and financial support for the new headquarters was offered.

The Ohio Society SAR was represented by State President Steve Kelley, Registrar Troy Bailey, John Franklin, Steve Frash, Dan Haas, Tony Robinson, Tim Ward, Paul Wilke and Larry Perkins present along with Trustee James Fast.

Also from Ohio, Chris Bailey, Val Wilke, and Betty Franklin represented the National Ladies Auxiliary SAR.



*Steve Kelley, Tony Robinson,
Tim Ward & Dan Haas*

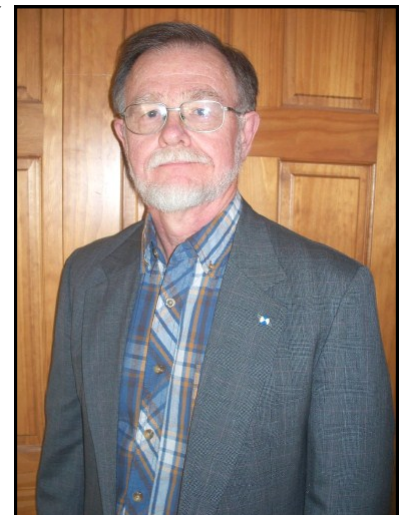
Stephen Hinson Elected NEO Chapter #12 Historian

Stephen Hinson was born and raised in central Indiana. He has an Engineering degree from Purdue University and an MBA from Baldwin Wallace. Stephen has worked both as an engineer and as an executive, and has traveled extensively.

Throughout Stephen's career, the Hinson family has lived on Long Island, New York; in Bucks County, Pennsylvania; and in Northeast Ohio. In fact, Stephen currently lives on the shores of Pymatuning Lake in Andover, Ohio. He has two children, six grandchildren, and one great-grand child.

Hinson's interest in genealogy began at the age of sixteen, when he enjoyed trudging through graveyards and inspecting old record books in various county offices and churches. Stephen's other hobbies include astronomy, sailing, local history, and physical fitness.

Stephen's colonial ancestry is Scotch-Irish, English, and German. His ancestors came to the colonies in the early 1700's, and settled in the southeastern part of Pennsylvania, near Delaware County. From there, they migrated along the Piedmont region toward backwoods of North Carolina. Then, in the early to mid-1800's, they migrated to Indiana.



Compatriot Larry Stephen Hinson

Hinson has three known Revolutionary War connections. All three were supporters of, or served in, North Carolina. His SAR ancestor is Joshua Hadley, who was a Quaker but was nevertheless an ardent supporter of the war. In fact, the Battle of Brandywine Creek was partially fought on his father's land.

Stephen is also working on a supplementary application for two other patriots, one of which participated in North Carolina's regulation movement and was therefore a member of the infamous Regulators of North Carolina. Fortunately, he wasn't hanged.

If you have questions for NEO Chapter #12 Historian, Stephen Hinson, feel free to contact him at stevhin@earthlink.net.

The David Library Upper Makefield's Archive of the American Revolution

Moments away from where Gen. Washington traversed the Delaware River, at a place overlooking the Delaware Canal and accessible only by way of a one-lane bridge, there sits a picturesque building housing thousands of documents and manuscripts from the Revolutionary War. The David Library of the American Revolution in Washington Crossing, a nonprofit institution founded by Sol Feinstone and open to the public, is hosting a series of events this winter and spring that will shed light on the country's past from a scholarly perspective.

"Feinstone wanted everyone to have easy access to these documents," said Meg McSweeney, the chief operating officer of the library. "The library is a one-stop shop for primary sources about American history from 1750-1800. The speaker series is a way to get a broader audience to the library and experience some history." The library contains 40,000 printed materials, 10,000 reels of microfilm containing original American, British and Loyalist records, and nearly 2,500 copies of original manuscripts, said McSweeney. Lithuanian-immigrant Feinstone, a businessman, philanthropist and collector of American historical documents, founded the library in 1959. He named it in honor of his grandson, David Golub, who was born with developmental issues.

The library's first location was in nearby Washington Crossing Historic Park. In 1974, a new library building was constructed at Feinstone's Buckstone Farm on River Road below the park. During this time, he donated his collection of Revolutionary War manuscripts, the 118-acre farm and an endowment to secure the future of the foundation he established. Feinstone's fascination with the Revolutionary War period began in the mid-1920s. He started collecting letters and manuscripts of America's founding fathers. Eventually the collection grew and about 80 percent covered 1774 to 1800. It included 260 letters by or to George Washington, 55 letters by Alexander Hamilton, 65 letters by Thomas Jefferson, 40 letters by the Marquis de Lafayette and some 10 to 20 each by John Adams, Nathanael Greene, Henry Knox and James Madison.



The David Library Manuscript Collection

His collection also includes hundreds of thousands of letters, newspaper clips, military records, diaries, British and American government records, contemporary books and microfilm. In 1945, Feinstone purchased what was then a 200 acre farm where the library now stands. He sold off some of the peripheral land in order to finance the David Library endowment. Feinstone passed away in 1980. Today the library hosts a fellowship program that attracts research scholars from around the world. Fellows receive a monthly stipend and housing in the Feinstone residence on the library campus.

Today the library hosts a fellowship program that attracts research scholars from around the world. Fellows receive a monthly stipend and housing in the Feinstone residence on the library campus. "This is the best archive in the country to study the American Revolution," said Judith Van Buskirk, a 2003 fellow with the library and professor at the State University of New York at Cortland. "It's an amazing clearinghouse of information from all over the place. Authors and scholars from as far away as London have come to Washington Crossing for this library." (www.phillyburbs.com)

The David Library of the American Revolution is a specialized research library dedicated to the study of American history circa 1750 to 1800. For more information, visit www.dlar.org.

Nathaniel Philbrick's *Bunker Hill* A City, a Siege, a Revolution

Nathaniel Philbrick, the bestselling author of "In the Heart of the Sea" and "Mayflower," brings his prodigious talents to the story of the Boston battle that ignited the American Revolution.



Battle of Bunker Hill, June 17, 1775

Boston, in 1775, is an island city occupied by British troops after a series of incendiary incidents by patriots who range from sober citizens to thuggish vigilantes. After the Boston Tea Party, British and American soldiers and Massachusetts residents have warily maneuvered around each other until April 19, when violence finally erupts at Lexington and Concord. In June, however, with the city cut off from supplies by a British blockade and Patriot militia poised in siege, skirmishes give way to outright war in the Battle of Bunker Hill. It would be the bloodiest battle of the Revolution to come, and the point of no return for the rebellious colonists.

Philbrick brings a fresh perspective to every aspect of the story. He finds new characters, and new facets to familiar ones. The real work of choreographing rebellion falls to a

thirty-three year old physician named Joseph Warren who emerges as the on-the-ground leader of the Patriot cause and is fated to die at Bunker Hill. Others in the cast include Paul Revere, Warren's fiancé the poet Mercy Scollay, a newly recruited George Washington, the reluctant British combatant General Thomas Gage and his more bellicose successor William Howe, who leads the three charges at Bunker Hill and presides over the claustrophobic cauldron of a city under siege as both sides play a nervy game of brinkmanship for control.

With passion and insight, Philbrick reconstructs the revolutionary landscape—geographic and ideological—in a mesmerizing narrative of the robust, messy, blisteringly real origins of America.

Ben Affleck May Continue Patriotic Streak

If Ben Affleck's Oscar-winning "Argo" raised eyebrows in some quarters for its staunchly pro-US stance on the Iran hostage crisis, his latest proposed project looks set to up the patriotic fervor considerably. The actor-turned-film-maker is being lined up to direct an adaptation of the forthcoming Nathaniel Philbrick historical book, "Bunker Hill: A city, A Siege, A Revolution," which tells the story of the battle that started the American revolution. Warner Bros has agreed a seven-figure deal for screen rights to the book, which is due to be published in April in the US, with Affleck in mind. It is set in Boston, the director's preferred location and the setting for his films "Gone Baby Gone" and "The Town," though the action takes place in distant 1775.



Ben Affleck on the Set of "Argo"

In the book, Philbrick describes how Bostonians and British troops came into conflict in the wake of the Boston Tea Party, with the colonial navy eventually blockading the city in an effort to maintain control. The subsequent Battle of Bunker Hill is credited for uniting the colonies and kicking off the War of Independence. Philbrick tells the story from the perspective of historical figures such as Joseph Warren, a 33-year-old physician who becomes a leader of the American cause, Boston-born American patriot Paul Revere, future president George Washington, British general Thomas Gage, and others.

(artshumanities.blogs.ie.edu)

Revisiting the Treaty of Paris

By Joseph C. Morton

On January 14th, 1784, the Continental Congress, meeting in Philadelphia, ratified the Treaty of Paris of 1783, which formally brought to a happy conclusion, especially for the war-weary, debt-ridden American patriots, the lengthy eight-year Revolutionary War against Great Britain. The Continental Congress, in September 1779, had appointed John Adams as its sole negotiator. However, in 1781, partly in deference to French Foreign Minister Comte de Vergennes's dislike of the argumentative Adams, Congress added the names of Benjamin Franklin, John Jay, Thomas Jefferson, and Henry Laurens to the peace-negotiating team. However, only three members of the American delegation actually took part in the sometimes dilatory negotiations that led to the final peace treaty.

Because of the illness and subsequent death of his wife, Martha, in September 1782, Jefferson did not participate in the negotiations. Henry Laurens was captured by the British while traveling to France and was imprisoned in the Tower of London for 15 months. Happily, the South Carolinian was freed in time to reach Paris to sign the Preliminary Treaty in November 1782. Each of the three participating American diplomats (Adams, Franklin and Jay) made positive contributions to what finally became the Definitive Treaty. The wily Dr. Franklin's main contribution was to act as a mediator between the irascible Adams, the dour Jay, and the British negotiators, Richard Oswald and Henry Strachey, and then to convince the French Foreign Minister (Comte de Vergennes) that he should support the treaty even though France played no role in its drafting.

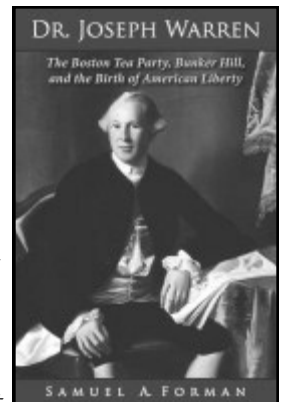
The Treaty of Alliance of 1778 with France had mandated joint Franco-American negotiations with the British: a provision that the Americans obviously violated in negotiating without French input. Adams' main contribution was his insistence that Americans retain their accustomed fishing "rights" in the north Atlantic and Jay's main positive contribution was his insistence to exclude France from the peace negotiations.

In the treaty, Britain first and foremost formally recognized U.S. independence. The other major terms of the treaty included a clause stating that all debts owed citizens of both countries were to be honored; a clause pledging Congress "to earnestly recommend" to the states a full restoration of the rights and properties of loyalists; a clause granting Americans the "right" to fish in their accustomed areas off Nova Scotia and Newfoundland; a clause granting generous boundaries, which made the new American republic one of the largest countries in the Atlantic World; and, finally, a clause that specified that all hostilities were to cease, and that all British land and sea forces were to be evacuated "with all convenient speed."

Adams, Franklin and Jay had negotiated a highly favorable peace treaty - a treaty that confirmed American independence and gave birth to the American republic. (www.nwherald.com)

Dr. Joseph Warren: The Boston Tea Party, Bunker Hill, and the Birth of American Liberty

Meticulously grounded in original scholarship, this ambitious project is the definitive biography of Dr. Joseph Warren. Making sense of the subject's opaque eighteenth-century physician's account books was a feat of both forensic analysis and medical historical scholarship. It was also the elusive key to understanding Joseph Warren's life experiences. Scholar-physician Samuel A. Forman has used his capabilities in history, medicine, and business accounting combined with his enthusiasm for the topic to produce a volume worthy of its subject. During the American Revolution, Dr. Joseph Warren was a nationally known figure. A Boston physician and hero of the Battle of Bunker Hill, he became known for his unconventional exploits in medicine. His hobby of obtaining dead bodies for anatomical study was picked up by the Harvard Spunkers Club, the forerunner of Harvard University's Medical School. Later, when Warren was running his own practice, he was allegedly heading up a spy ring out of his office. It was even rumored that he had an affair with the wife of an enemy general in order to collect military intelligence. Other newly proved information about him is recorded in the book's illuminating appendices, from personal associations to the truth behind the legend that his head was previously held on display (<http://www.goodreads.com>).



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Libertas et Patria!

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Important Dates to Remember

NEO Chapter #12 Meeting
Saturday, April 13th, 2013
Chops Grille & Tap House
1752 Ohio 534
Geneva, Ohio 44041
www.ne012sar.net

OHSSAR Annual Conference
April 26th — April 28th, 2013
Crowne Plaza Hotel
600 Metro Place North
Dublin, Ohio 43017
www.ohssar.org

Geauga County Maple Festival Parade
Saturday, April 27th, 2013
Main Street, Chardon, Ohio 44024
www.maplefestival.com

Derby Festival Pegasus Parade
Thursday, May 2nd, 2013
Broadway & Campbell
Louisville, Kentucky 40204
<http://kdf.org>

Chagrin Falls Blossom Time Festival
Sunday, May 26th, 2013
400 E Washington Street
Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44022
<http://cvjc.org>

Ashtabula Memorial Day Program
Monday, May 27th, 2013
Veterans Memorial at Point Park
Walnut Blvd, Ashtabula, Ohio 44004
<http://ci.ashtabula.oh.us>

NEO Chapter #12 Flag Day Program
Saturday, June 15th, 2013 (TBA)
www.ne012sar.net

Naturalization Ceremony
Saturday, July 6th, 2013
James A Garfield National Historic Site
8095 Mentor Ave
Mentor, Ohio 44060
www.nps.gov/jaga

NSSAR 123rd National Congress
July 5th — 10th, 2013
Kansas City Marriott Downtown
200 West 12th Street
Kansas City, Missouri 64105
<http://congress.sar.org>

**OHSSAR Board of Management Meeting
Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Memorial**
July 27th, 2013
11064 Fort Laurens Road
Bolivar, Ohio 44612
www.ohssar.org

