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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

In President General Brock's recent inaugural address, he advised that one of his projects will be to establish a patriot biographies database. The purpose of this database will be to perpetuate the memory of our Revolutionary War Ancestors by providing a place for SAR members to archive biographies of their patriot ancestor(s). This will enhance recruitment of new members for SAR. The effort will be Chaired by Douglas T. Collins. To submit a biography, visit patriotbios@sar.org.

Please note that effective immediately fees for supplemental applications were increased at the recent congress from \$40 to \$60. The Family Plan was also increased from \$20 for the first supplemental, same line to \$30.

OHSSAR membership as of July 24, 2014 was 1,627. Thirteen compatriots were recognized at the recent congress for bringing a total of 284 new members to OHSSAR in 2013. This effort was led by Tim Ward with 72. The other 12 compatriots were Troy Bailey, Jim Fast, Tom Geimeir, Paul Griffith, Ed Hamblin, Ted Minier, Ernie Moreland, David Nessley, Terry Whetstone, Paul Wilke, Jean Yost and Ted Zajac. All brought in at least 10 new members.

If your chapter has participated in recent events that you would like publicized, please e-mail me. Send an attached photo and I will try to include it in the next issue of the Ohio Country Bulletin. Thank you.

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Around the State



OHSSAR members giving donations to Friends of Fort Laurens Foundation (FFLF): L to R Duncan McVean, WRSSAR; David Rieder, Arthur St. Clair; John H. Franklin, Jr., WRSSAR; Marcia Zawacky, President FFLF; L. Stephen Hinson, Northeastern; Tim Ward, Northeastern; Ted Minier WRSSAR, Jack Bredenfoerder, Cincinnati Chapter (same people below)



Tim Ward presents Friends of Fort Laurens President, Marcia Zawacky with several pigs full of cash.

On July 4, 2014 The Northeastern Chapter OHSSAR conducted grave marking ceremonies at four Ashtabula County cemeteries. The related activities involved fifteen Revolutionary War Patriots.

To the right, we have the new grave stone of Patriot Seth Hilyer. Standing behind the stone are three of Seth's 7th Great Grandchildren, who unveiled the stone just before this picture was taken.

The three great Grandchildren are L to R: Maggie Stasiak, Andrew Root and Hannah Root.





124th NSSAR Congress



2014 OHSSAR National Congress attendees, their ladies and a few of their friends.



Wm. A. Tony Robinson, newly elected Vice President General, Central District and wife Vicki



Above — L to R President General Joe Dooley, newly inducted Minuteman Tim Ward and his Escort Paul Wilke



OHSSAR Color Guard participants at National Congress L to R Jim Fast, John H. Franklin, Jr. Anna Insprucker, Steve Kelly and Tim Ward



Steve Kelley OHSSAR Orations Chair and NSSAR 2nd place Contestant Lydia Richardson — Ewings Chapter



Wm. A. Tony Robinson shaves the head of President General Joe Dooley as settlement of a wager related to the \$1.3 mm in funds raised during his term.

OHSSAR Awards 124th NSSAR Congress

William A. (Tony) Robinson was elected NSSAR Vice President General, Central District

Timothy E. Ward was elected to the 2014 Class of Minutemen

OHSSAR AWARDS

Certificates of Participation—ROTC/JROTC Contest, George S. and Stella Knight Essay Contest and Arthur M. King Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest.

Admiral Furlong Memorial Award

The C.A.R. Activities Award

Officers Attendance Award

President General Initiatives:

Initiative Number 3— Memorials and Monuments

Cincinnati Chapter

Northwest Territory Chapter

Firelands Bicentennial Chapter

Initiative Number 4— Helping the USO Help America's Military

Firelands Bicentennial Chapter

Hocking Valley Chapter

2014 Congress Lamplighter Awards:

Ian MacLaren Cunningham

Joseph Harry Cunningham

Edgar J. Rennoe, Jr. D.O.

Partners in Patriotism:

OHSSAR

Camp Charlotte Chapter

Centennial Chapter

Cincinnati Chapter

General Henry Knox Chapter

Hocking Valley Chapter

Lafayette Chapter

Northwest Territory Chapter

Western Reserve Society



FORT LAURENS UPDATE

OHSSAR members John H. Franklin and Ted M. Minier are Trustees on the Friends of Fort Laurens Foundation Board (FFLF).

Currently, the Ohio Historical Society is 1) Developing a Site Plan, 2) Preparing a Cost Estimate (due by 8/31/2014), 3) Finalizing an Operations Plan. 4) Determining the Operating Funding Gap and 5) Deciding on future Fund Development. We will keep you updated on progress via the Ohio Country Bulletin.

If you wish to contribute to the reconstruction of Fort Laurens, please send your tax deductible donation to:

Marty Zawacky, Treasurer
Friends of Fort Laurens Foundation
P.O. Box 272
Bolivar, Ohio 44612

TOGETHER, WE CAN REBUILD IT!

IN MEMORIAM

Robert Nicholas — Rufus Putnam

Chapter

James Edgar Smith —

Arthur St. Clair Chapter

Bruce Gail Harper - WRSSAR

TAX FREE DONATIONS

Each year, OHSSAR spends about \$5,000 on its youth programs. Strangely enough, we also annually run over budget by about the same amount.

We are asking members to consider a tax free donation to one or more of our youth programs. If you are interested, please send your check to: L.. Steven Hinson, OHSSAR Treasurer, 5863 Beech Street, Andover, OH 44003.

Donors of at least \$100 will receive a white rosette shield. Donors of \$500 will receive a blue shield. Donors of \$1,000 will receive a gold shield.

New Members

Western Reserve Society

John Kirk Hayden

Cincinnati

Samuel David Gilkison

Andrew Alan Henrich

Emil Thomas Henrich

Rhett T. E. Henrich

Robert E. L. A. Henrich

Ronald T. A. Henrich

Ryan Andrew T. Henrich

James Horner Houston, Jr.

James Madison Jordan

Samuel B. Melvin, Jr.

Jared Robert Stone

Benjamin Franklin Chapter

Andrew Joseph King

Timothy Earl Mills

Ryan Scott O'Dell

James Scott Stevenson

Christopher Scott Swisher

Stanley Bernard Swisher

Kevin D. Teaford

Richard Montgomery

Charles Stephen Flickinger

James Frances Martin

George Rogers Clark Chapter

James Preston Welsh

Firelands Bicentennial Chapter

Gary Wallace Kelling

John Roger Skelley-Watts

Royden Hiram Smith

Christian M. W. Workman

Kyle M. L. Workman

Centennial Chapter

Jay Weldon Martin

Rian Carl Rainey

Arthur St. Clair Chapter

James Edgar Smith

At-Large Chapter

Brett William Pettiford



Ladies Auxiliary Update

Congratulations to Betty Franklin, who was awarded the Molly Pitcher Medal at the 124th NSSAR Congress in Greenville, SC. Betty joins Valerie Wilke and Anna Insprucker (Valerie's granddaughter) who previously received this award. All have been instrumental in assisting our Color Guardsmen.

Valerie Wilke is asking everyone to assist with the National Patriots' Project where items are sent to our service men and women overseas. We will be working on this project at the September Leadership meeting in Louisville and the October OHSSAR Board of Management meeting in Gallipolis. Please bring some items that would be useful to our service people. If you know of a soldier that we can add to our mailing list, please contact Valerie Wilke at tinman01@fuse.net.

We hope to see you in October at Gallipolis where we will participate in Battle Days. The Ladies Auxiliary welcomes new members and renewals. We hope you will join us. Dues are \$5.00 annually. Please send your dues to our Membership Chair, Betty Franklin, 338 Simon Road, Hudson, OH 44236. Please e-mail Betty if you have any suggestions or questions.

Thank you, Judy Minier

2014 Fort Laurens Rededication of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier



The combined state color guard at Fort Laurens Memorial in Bolivar, OH on July 26, 2014



The Color Guard advances the colors.



The audience and speaker Thad Hartman of the VASSAR



NSSAR VPG Tony Robinson places a wreath at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier



L to R — Sharon Myers, Registrar, OH Society War of 1812, Brenda Cooper, Sr. President OHSCAR, Sandy McCann, Regent OHS DAR, Ted Minier, President OHSSAR, Anastasia Demor, Jr. President OHSCAR, Wm. A. "Tony" Robinson, Vice President General NSSAR Central District and Bill Broadus, President VASSAR.



Around the State



Welcome Home Ceremony for a Findlay 2014 Honor Flight in late June. L to R: Lance Beebe, President, Firelands Bicentennial Chapter & OHSSAR District Chairman Northeast. His wife, Connie Beebe (DAR). Thomas Putnam, Treasurer, John Hancock Chapter, Toby Haas (CAR), son of Dan. Dan Haas, President of the John Hancock Chapter & OHSSAR District Chairman Northwest. Irene Putnam, wife of Thomas.



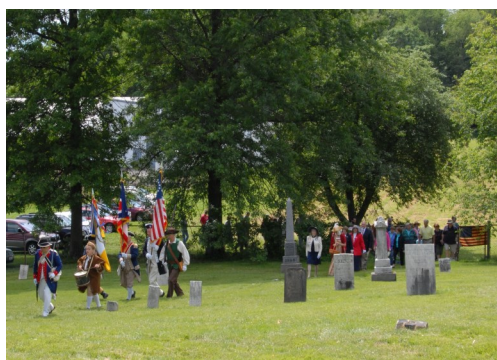
A session at the week long "Liberty Camp" held in June by the John Hancock Chapter OHSSAR. Attendees enlisted in the 8th Pennsylvania Regiment and received five days of training in period accurate camp practices. The camp was visited by Congressman Bob Latta Ohio House Rep Robert Sprague and other local Hancock Co., Officials..



John Franklin of the WRSSAR chapter receives a hug from the Cleveland Indians mascot "Slider" at the annual Gates Mills Parade on July 4th 2014



The WRSSAR Color Guard participated in the annual Gates Mills 4th of July Parade. Here Fred Watkins of WRSSAR awards a Good Citizenship Pin to the 4th grade Essay Contest Winner. John H. Franklin, Jr., Hugh Harris, Lee MacBride, Stan Thomas and Claude Custer tend the colors.



Left and above, a Grave Marking Ceremony in Suffield Twp., Portage County, OH. Held in late June, 2014.

This ceremony was sponsored by the DAR and the Firelands Chapter of the OHSSAR.

Fall Board of Management and Point Pleasant Memorial Service Reservation Form*

Please make your reservations by September 20, 2014

IMPORTANT NOTE: After the above date, we will lose our block of rooms*

Name _____

Address _____

Chapter _____ State _____

***The individual should make a reservation at the Hampton Inn at (740) 446-8000; but send payment to the OHSSAR Treasurer, L. Stephen Hinson. Advise the Motel that you are with the Sons of the American Revolution. A block of rooms has been reserved for our organization.**

Lodging (Hampton Inn) \$105.00 \$ _____

Please reserve _____ seats @ Golden Corral \$18.00 (Friday Buffet) \$ _____

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

L. Stephen Hinson	Hampton Inn	Golden Corral
5863 Beech Street	444 State Route 7 South	307 Upper River Road
Andover, Ohio 44003	Gallipolis, OH 45631	Gallipolis, OH 45631

Schedule of Activities

Friday, October 3, 2014

5:00—6:00 pm	Dinner at Golden Corral (Across the street from the Hampton Inn)
6.00 p.m.	Executive Committee meeting at Golden Corral
7:30—9:30 p.m.	Candlelight Tour of Battle Monument State Park

Saturday, October 4, 2014

	Breakfast at Hampton Inn
8:00—10:15 am	Board of Management Meeting at the Hampton Inn
11:00 am	Battle Days Parade will Commence on Main Street at 10th Street
Noon	Luncheon on your own
6:00—8:00 p.m.	** Colonial Governor's Reception & Ball held American Legion Post 23, 100 Second St. (Colonial attire encouraged)
8:00—10:00 p.m.	Colonial Ball at the same location. (This event is free of charge)

Sunday, October 5, 2014

	Breakfast at the Hampton Inn
10:00 a.m.	Early Colonial Church Service at Tu-Endie-Wei State Park
12:30 p.m.	**Luncheon at Trinity United Methodist Church, 615 Viand St.
2:00 p.m.	Memorial Service to commemorate the Battle of Point Pleasant

** There are charges for these marked events by Point Pleasant Chapter WVSSAR. Send your reservations to P.O. Box 511, Point Pleasant, WV, 25550, If interested.

Dates to Remember

Oct. 3-5, 2014 — OHSSAR BOM meeting,

Gallipolis, OH (Battle Days — Point Pleasant, WV)

Sep. 25, 2014 — National Leadership, Louisville, KY

Oct. 31 — Nov. 1, 2014 - Central District Meeting

Blue Ash Crowne Plaza, Metro Cincinnati, OH

Feb. 6 — 7, 2014 — OHSSAR Winter BOM meeting,

Courtyard by Marriott, Stow, OH

Feb. 28 — Mar. 1, 2014 — NSSAR Spring Leadership

Meeting Louisville, KY

**May 1-3, 2014 — OHSSAR 126th Annual Conference, Hope Hotel, Wright
Patterson AFB (Dayton)**

Return Service Requested

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