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The Stamp Act

The Stamp Act, cited in the Statutes at Large at 5 Geo. III Cap 12, was enacted on 22 March 1765. The Act was intended to raise approximately £60,000 per year to offset the £350,000 for maintaining the British Army in the American Colonies.

The first item of the Act stated: *“For every Skin or Piece of Vellum or Parchment, or Sheet or Piece of Paper, on which shall be ingrossed, Written, or printed, any Declaration, Plea, Replication, Rejoinder, Demurrer or other Pleading, or any Copy thereof, in any Court of Law within the British Colonies and Plantations in America, a Stamp Duty of Three Pence.”*

The stamp was attached to the piece of vellum or paper by means of a small piece of tin foil pushed through the stamp and underlying material, with its ends folded over similar to a modern staple. In the example shown on the cover, what looks like a stain is the tin foil ‘staple’. On the backside of the document, a small piece of paper (shown below) bearing the King’s insignia and a number would be pasted over the ends of the tin foil staple to secure them.



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President's Remarks

Michael E. Seibert, President



Dear Compatriots,

First and foremost, I want to thank all of you for electing me as your new President. I am both honored and, as I begin my journey as your leader and spokesperson, humbled by the daunting task before me.

There will be more to say about that task but before I go on, let me take the time to thank the members of the Harris Ferry Chapter for hosting a very patriotic and inspiring Board of Management and annual meeting in Camp Hill in May 2022. There, we did a little bit of everything good about being a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. We were honored by the presence of National Society President Davis Lee and Vice President Troy Foxwell, and by Beth Watkins, Pennsylvania DAR State Regent. We were entertained, we participated in a Flag Certificate Presentation at the hotel, we attended a very memorable Memorial Service at the Paxtang Presbyterian Church, and we learned more interesting stories and memories of our early days as colonists and the revolutionaries in Central Pennsylvania.

Now the daunting task. Our goal is to share good news that the Patriots who we continue to remember and honor, can still be role models for the United States of America of today. Those patriots fought for independence. Included in that fight was a desire to be free, and a desire to establish a just nation, not one based on tyranny or oppression. They started the revolution that was and still is a continuing experiment in Freedom. We have learned from the lessons learned over the past 250 years that we as a free nation can still do better. Now, it is time for us to continue that experiment.

In Patriotic Service,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael E. Seibert". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Michael E. Seibert
President, PASSAR



Highlights of the Spring Quarterly Meeting Pennsylvania Society Sons of the American Revolution



The quarterly Board of Management (BOM) meeting was held on Saturday, May 7, 2022 at the Penn Harris Hotel in Camp Hill, Pa. It was hosted by the Harris Ferry Chapter; President Andrew L. Lick in command. There were 43 compatriots present and 3 participated by zoom, 27 with voting privileges, a quorum was declared.

The meeting was called to order at 0900 by President Lick. The colors were presented by the PASSAR Color Guard. A Black Mourning Streamer was presented and a Proclamation was delivered to remember Past Presidents John H. Bell, DDS and Theron D. Conrad. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kurt J. Winter, Esq., 3rd Vice President, followed by the singing of the National Anthem led by President Lick. Chaplin Rev. David Felts gave the Invocation. The Pledge to the SAR was led by Michael E. Seibert, 1st Vice President.

There were 46 compatriots in attendance (43 in-person and 3 Zoom). The Chapters which were represented included: Benjamin Franklin, Centre County, Conococheague, Continental Congress, Erie, Gen. Anthony Wayne, Gov. Joseph Heister, George Washington, Gen. Arthur St. Clair, Harris Ferry, Philadelphia Continental, Pittsburgh, Tiadaghton, William Maclay, Valley Forge, Washington Crossing and Washingtonburg.

President Lick welcomed everyone and shared the highlights of his travels since the Winter Meeting: Center County Chapter guest speaker at George Washington Luncheon; CAR Conference in King of Prussia and DAR Conference in Scranton; Represented our Society at French Alliance Day at the George Washington Chapel at Valley Forge; Philadelphia Continental Chapter Meeting in Newton Square.

President Lick noted that he has been privileged to serve as president and is pleased with the goals which have been achieved and the progress made during his term.

President General Davis Lee Wright, in attendance at the BOM meeting, noted a great year with the America250 project. He was honored to present the Oneida Nation with the Distinguished Patriotic Leadership Award and establish a relationship with American Battlefield Trust.

George Clarke, Jr reported on the 2024 Congress Planning committee. If special importance is the need for someone to volunteer to serve on the committee as Assistant Congress Planning Chair. Publicity, advertising and web page development assistance is also needed. Volunteers to work at the Congress are also needed.

An item of new business was the viability of the General James Potter Chapter. Compatriot Don E. Mengle stated that he knows some of the Chapter's members and they wish their Chapter to remain active.

During the 129th Annual Meeting, the following slate of officers was approved by unanimous vote.

Office	Appointee
President	Michael E. Seibert
1 st Vice President	FP Eric H. Troutman
2 nd Vice President	Kurt J. Winter, Esq.
3 rd Vice President	Thomas Edwards
Secretary	Russell L. Mills
Assistant Secretary	
Treasurer	Michael E. Seibert
Assistant Treasurer	
Registrar	FP Eric H. Troutman
Historian	SG Ernest L. Sutton, MD
Genealogist	Don N. Drewry
Chancellor	FP William J. McKim, Esq.
Chaplain	
Assistant Chaplains	Rev Dr. William R. Hearter, Jr. (Eastern Region) Robert K. Grumbling, Jr. (Western Region)
National Trustee (Past Pres.)	FP Andrew L. Lick

Alternate Trustee (1 st VP)	FP Eric H. Troutman
Reserve Manager – expires 2025	Thomas Edwards
Reserve Manager– expires 2023	FP Lanny R. Patten
Reserve Manager– expires 2024	FP William J. McKim, Esq.
District Deputy #1 (3 year term expires 2022)	John F. Mitchell, III
District Deputy #2 (3 year term expires 2022)	Don N. Drewry
District Deputy #3 (2 year term expires 2022)	Peter Reinhart
District Deputy #4 (3 year term expires 2024)	Forrest C. Myers
District Deputy #5 (3 year term expires 2024)	Fred L. Whitenight
District Deputy #6 (3 year term expires 2024)	Donald E. Knaus
District Deputy #7 (3 year term expires 2024)	Gary A. Wiser
District Deputy #8 (3 year term expires 2023)	Francis D. Stillman
District Deputy #9 (3 year term expires 2023)	Ronald E. Miller
District Deputy #10 (3 year term expires 2023)	FP William J. McKim, Esq.
District Deputy #11 (3 year term expires 2023)	William M. Aulenbacher, Sr.
Executive Committee Bylaw 7.01 provides that 5 members-at-large are to be elected for 1 yr. terms and in addition to the 5 elected members, the President, the 1 st Vice President, the Secretary and the Treasurer shall also serve.	
Bolded names were elected at this meeting. Unbolded names have a remaining term.	



The Continental Congress In Exile [Article suggested by Ernest L. Sutton]

Many scholars of American Revolutionary War history are aware that the threat of British invasion of the Philadelphia region at the end of 1776 and into 1777 forced the delegates meeting in the Second Continental Congress to flee and hold their deliberations elsewhere. Between 20 December 1776 and 27 February 1777 they met at the house of Henry Fite in Baltimore, Maryland. On the 23rd of February 1777, John Hancock, then President of the Congress, made the decision to return to Philadelphia. He wrote to General Washington noting that “As I am impowered to adjourn the Congress from Baltimore to Philad^a on next Tuesday, and shall set out myself on Wednesday, I must request you will please to direct your Letters to me at Philad^a...” A quorum could not be assembled at first resulting in no business being conducted until the 4th of March. The Congress continued at the State House in Philadelphia until the 18th of September.

During the session held by the delegates on Sunday, 14 September, the threat of British invasion once more was brought up and a resolution was made “*That if Congress shall be obliged to remove from Philadelphia, Lancaster shall be the place at which they shall meet.*” Later that day, it was resolved “*That the public papers be put under the care of Mr. [Abraham] Clark [of New Jersey], and that he be empowered, upon the Congress removing to Lancaster, to procure wagons sufficient for conveying them thither...*”

On Thursday, 18 September, President Hancock received a letter from Colonel Hamilton, an aide to General Washington, that “*intimated the necessity of Congress removing immediately from Philadelphia.*” The entry for that date in the eighth volume of the *Journals of the Continental Congress*, stated that upon the reading of that letter, “*the members left the city, and, agreeable to the resolve of the 14, repaired to Lancaster.*” According to a letter dated 20 September 1777 from Thomas Burke to Governor Caswell, “*The question for adjournment from Philadelphia was daily agitated in Congress, but always overruled. On the night before last it received a complete decision. Intelligence was received... that the Enemy were then attempting to cross, [the Schuylkill] and that they could not be prevented, and advising the Congress immediately to remove from the City. The movement was not made by a vote, but by universal consent, for every member consulted his own particular safety.*”

The delegates meeting in Continental Congress next were called to order on Saturday 27 September 1777 at the Court House in Lancaster. They discussed the contents of eight letters and made two resolutions. The second of the resolutions was: “*That the Treasury Board direct the treasurer, with all his papers, forms &c. to repair to the town of York, in Pennsylvania.*” They next met at the Court House in York on 20 September 1777, where they remained until 27 June 1778.

The Taxed Tea

A Song About The Boston Tea Party

In 1773 this song appeared in response to the incident known as the Boston Tea Party. The colonists objected to the tax imposed on the importation of tea into the colonies, while the tax on the exportation of it had been rescinded. In cities all along the eastern seaboard shiploads were either simply refused permission to unload their cargoes, or it was destroyed. In Boston, on 16 December, 1773, upwards of 8,000 people disguised themselves as Mohawk Indians and boarded the ship, *Dartmouth*. They broke open 342 chests of tea and dumped their contents into Boston Harbor.

This song was published soon after the Boston Tea Party in the *Pennsylvania Packet* under the name of *A New Song*, but it became known as *The Taxed Tea*. The song was said to have been sung to the tune of *Hozier's Ghost*.

Compatriot Russell Mills recently found the song, bearing the title: "A New Song", in Dunlap and Claypoole's *American Daily Advertiser*, published at Philadelphia on 2 January 1794



Hold down on the Control key and Click this icon, or visit the webpage:
<https://motherbedford.com/Music049> to hear the song *Hozier's Ghost* on the motherbedford.com website.

As near beauteous Boston lying, On the gently swelling flood,
Without jack or pendant flying, Three ill-fated tea-ships rode.

Just as glorious Sol was setting, On the wharf, a numerous crew,
Sons of freedom, fear forgetting, Suddenly appeared in view.

Armed with hammers, axe and chisels, Weapons new for warlike deed,
Towards the herbage-freighted vessels, They approached with dreadful speed.

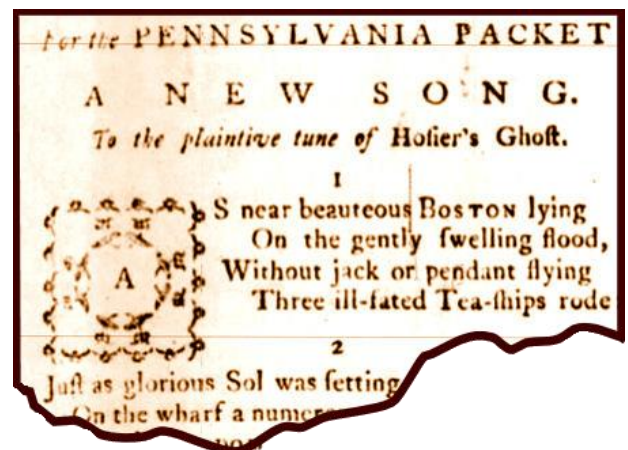
O'er their heads aloft in mid-sky, Three bright angel forms were seen;
This was Hampden, that was Sidney, With fair Liberty between.

"Soon," they cried, "your foes you'll banish, Soon the triumph will be won;
Scarce shall setting Phoebus vanish, Ere the deathless deeds be done."

Quick as thought the ships were boarded, Hatches burst and chests displayed;
Axes, hammers help afforded; What a glorious crash they made.

Squash into the deep descended, Cursed weed of China's coast;
Thus at once our fears were ended; British rights shall ne'er be lost.

Captains! Once more hoist your streamers, Spread your sails, and plough the wave;
Tell your masters they were dreamers, When they thought to cheat the brave.



French Alliance Day

On Sunday, May 1st, the Pennsylvania Society SAR attended French Alliance Day at the Washington Memorial Chapel at Valley Forge. This yearly church service honors the ongoing cooperation of the nations of the United States and France that began during the Revolutionary War. Michael Scullins, the Honorary Consul of France in Philadelphia, and Lieutenant Lauriane Pire of the French Navy were guest speakers. Pictures of the day's events are posted online at the url address: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/q7vCXyAY64tzbedL9>.



Editor's Note

You might have taken notice that the name for the editor of *The Pennsylvania Minuteman* is no longer listed as William E. Harry, but rather it says: Larry D. Smith. The newsletter has been produced for quite a number of years now under the very capable hands of Mr. Harry. He deserves many thanks for his years of work for the good of the Society. I am sure that many PASSAR Compatriots will join me in extending my heartfelt wishes to Mr. Harry for happiness in his retirement from his duties as editor.

Now about me ~ in my new role as the editor of *The Pennsylvania Minuteman*, I hope to prove as capable and trustworthy as Bill Harry. I plan to continue with the basic format passed on to me by Bill, but my own sense of design and composition will no doubt seep into the magazine. This two-column format is just one example of some minor design changes I plan to bring to the newsletter. The use of Caslon Antique font that I have used for the header text is another. I might also, from time to time, introduce a photo of one of the antiques from my personal collection of American Revolutionary War artifacts. I hope that you, the Compatriots, will be receptive to my additions to the basic format of *The Minuteman*.

And just to introduce myself to those of you who don't already know me, I live in the foothills of the Allegheny Mountain in Freedom Township, Blair County. My house is on the property homesteaded in 1828 by my maternal ancestor, John Jacob Nofsker, a son of Heinrich Naftzger, a Patriot from Lancaster County. I live just two miles east of the homestead property of my paternal ancestor, Jacob Schmitt Sr., who moved into this region from Lebanon Township, Lancaster County in the year 1774. Jacob served in the Bedford County Militia during the War and continued to reside in this region until his death in 1797. Jacob and his wife, Rosana and their three children resided 15 miles west of Frankstown, thirty miles east of Conemaugh / Johnstown and thirty-five miles north of Bedford. They were the only family within a ten mile radius from 1774 until 1785 and were self-sufficient with their own cider press and blacksmith shop. The eldest son, Jacob Jr was the blacksmith while the youngest son, Jacob Peter was a cooper. The daughter, Agnes Elizabeth married

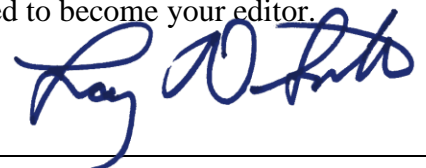
Johannes Mack, a son of Patriot Alexander Mack. Johannes and Agnes Elizabeth moved to the state of Indiana where they established the first Dunkard congregation in the Ohio Valley.

In addition to Johann Tobias Holtzel, the Patriot upon whom I entered the SAR, I have proven eight additional Patriots. The most recent Patriot for whom I had a supplemental approved was Barbara (Imler) Walter. My SAR-proven ancestral Patriots include Barbara who supported the Patriot Cause by working to pay the Supply Tax after her husband died, a number of farmers who served multiple tours of duty to safeguard their neighbors on the Pennsylvania frontier and Johan Simon Clar who served as a Captain in the York County Militia.

I graduated in 1977 from IUP with a BS degree in Art and I worked for 28 years at the Roaring Spring plant of Appleton Papers. There I was the Stores Manager for twenty of those twenty-eight years and Watermark Designer for four years. I am proud to note that I redesigned the watermark image for the US Treasury. If you have ever received a paper check for your Income Tax Refund and noticed the watermark that read "US Treasury" on the paper, it might have been produced with the re-design I created. If you looked carefully you would have noticed that the two 'R's in the word 'Treasury' are of different fonts. I also am very proud to have designed the watermark designs for the official stationary for the Canadian government of British Columbia and also for the South American nation of Argentina.

I utilized my artistic background to create my personal website, motherbedford.com ~ covering the periods of the American Revolutionary War and the Colonial Era. In addition to the original text, for my website I created all of the backgrounds, buttons and icons. I own many antiques, including thirty-eight authentic Revolutionary War artifacts, and I photograph them and then turn those photos into the graphic elements that I employ on my website. For many years I have maintained a separate website for the Frontier Patriots Chapter and recently updated all of the pages associated with it. It is located at the url address: frontierpatriots.com .

I am pleased to become your editor.



PASSAR 2022 Annual Banquet Awards Dedicated Compatriots

By Andrew Lick, Past PASSAR President



(Forrest Myers accepts A.G. Trimble Trophy)

The 2022 Annual Meeting & Banquet of the Pennsylvania Society, Sons of the American Revolution was hosted by Harris Ferry Chapter at the Penn Harris Hotel in Camp Hill on May 6th and 7th. The Memorial Service was held at Paxton Presbyterian Church, which included a wreath laying ceremony to honor the forty-two Patriots buried in its historic graveyard. Harris Ferry Chapter members planted a Liberty Tree on the church property to commemorate the event.

The height of the weekend festivities was the black-tie banquet that awarded dedicated Compatriots and friends of the SAR. Harris Ferry Chapter President Forrest Myers accepted the A.G. Trimble Trophy for the chapter with the highest increase in membership. Keystone Plaques were awarded to Great Glades, Continental Congress, General Arthur St. Clair and Philadelphia Continental Chapters in

recognition of Americanism activities. President Michael Seibert and District Deputy John Mitchell received Silver Roger Sherman Awards. Outgoing PA Minuteman Editor Bill Harry and outgoing Treasurer Don Mengle were recognized with State Meritorious Service Medals for their long-standing service to PASSAR. Ladies Auxiliary President Becky Moyer received the SAR Medal of Appreciation. District Deputy Ron Miller was honored with the State Medal of Distinguished Service by the outgoing President for his outstanding services rendered throughout the past year. Past Presidents David Felts and Andrew Lick were both awarded the Patriot Medal for their service as State Society Presidents and National Trustees. A comprehensive list of all PASSAR Awards is included in the Meeting Minutes.



(Ron Miller receives State Medal of Distinguished Service)



(VPG Foxwell installs President Seibert & New Officers)

Guests of honor included President General Davis Lee Wright, Vice President General Troy Foxwell, DAR Regent Beth Watkins, CAR Senior State President Liz Ciarrocchi, CAR State President William Gresh and PASSAR Youth Awards winners William Pan and Mason Hughey. VPG Troy Foxwell installed PASSAR President Michael Seibert and newly elected officers 1st Vice President Eric Troutman, 2nd Vice President Kurt Winter and 3rd Vice President Thomas Edwards. The gentlemen of PASSAR are to be commended for another successful year of honoring the legacy of our nation's founders.

Welcome New Members

Chapter	New Member	Ancestor	Sponsor
Christopher Gist	Joshua Landon Edmonds	Samuel Fulton	John M. Cook
Christopher Gist	James Lee Wharton	Caleb Pyle	John M. Cook
Conococheague	Joshua Paul Brown	Jost Wiant	Ned A. Little
Continental Congress	Andrew Russell Mills	Henry (Hal) Webb	Russell L. Mills
Continental Congress	Lacy Ray Mills	Henry (Hal) Webb	Russell L. Mills
Continental Congress	Kylen Lee Paulus	Henry (Hal) Webb	Russell L. Mills
Continental Congress	Logan Ray Paulus	Henry (Hal) Webb	Russell L. Mills
Continental Congress	Mylles Russell Paulus	Henry (Hal) Webb	Russell L. Mills
Erie	Gary Patrick Sullivan	Noah Hershey	Raynold L. Prusia, Sr
Erie	Patrick Charles Sullivan	Noah Hershey	Raynold L. Prusia, Sr
Fort Halifax	Brian Steward Snyder	Johann Nicholas Schneider	Eric H. Troutman
Gen Arthur St Clair	Jonathan Lee McAfoose	Jacob McAfoose, Sr	Eric H. Troutman
Gen Arthur St Clair	George Leslie Marino	Robert Morgan Roberts	Adam M. Puhak
Gen Arthur St Clair	John Kirk Renner	Peter Shaffer	Harry R. Leasure
George Washington	John Paul Bruner	Ezekiel Lewis	Michael D.C. Merryman
George Washington	Alvin Luther Rogers	Richard Tennant	Michael D.C. Merryman
Gov Joseph Hiester	Jacob Nathaniel Dicks	Mathias Wenrich	Eric H. Troutman
Gov Joseph Hiester	Russel Wayne Dicks	Mathias Wenrich	Eric H. Troutman
Gov Joseph Hiester	James McCartney George II	Ichabod Randolph	Eric H. Troutman
Gov Joseph Hiester	Gordon Andrew Gunniss	Aaron Hayes	Eric H. Troutman
Gov Joseph Hiester	Hugh Raymond McAfoos	Jacob McAfoose, Sr	Eric H. Troutman
Gov Joseph Hiester	Craig Ernest Mortensen	Peleg Billings	Eric H. Troutman
Gov Joseph Hiester	Dean Norman Sunday	Adam Dietrich	Eric H. Troutman
Gov Joseph Hiester	Matthew Richard Wenrick	Mathias Wenrich	Eric H. Troutman
Philadelphia Continental	Patrick Adam Araya	Enoch Strout	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Wyatt Earl I'Brien Bixby	Andrew Yeager	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	John Jeffrey Brazil	Simeon Avery	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Daniel Thomas Cox	John Bridgham, Sr	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	John Thomas Cox	John Bridgham, Sr	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Thomas John Cox	John Bridgham, Sr	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Luke Django DiBonaventura	Weyrich Seltzer	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Albert Forte	Benjamin Caudell	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Stephen Cordell Forte	Benjamin Caudell	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	John Haynes	Daniel Easley	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Thomas Herbert Infield	Andrew Moore	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Lowell Thomas McKinney	Abner Lester	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Guy Engelhard Millard*	Robert Millard	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Robert Samuel Morgan	Thomas Stewart	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Christopher Brian Quinn	William Colvard, Sr	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Daniel Matteo Reiser	John Kimball, Sr	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Joseph Francis Sheldon	Benjamin Edson	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Brennan Wesley Sibel	Auke Wikoff	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Christian James Sibel	Auke Wikoff	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Stephen Christopher Sibel	Auke Wikoff	C. Kelsey Brown

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Philadelphia Continental	Scott Miller Verrei	George Weisel, Sr	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	John Francis Wiedmayer, III	Wilhelm Johnson	C. Kelsey Brown
Pittsburgh	Corey Randall Choate	Isaac Choate	William P. Boswell
Pittsburgh	Andrew Bass Gray	Thomas Eastland	William P. Boswell
Valley Forge	Charles Allen Conklin, III	Jonathan Slocum	Don N. Drewry, MSC
Valley Forge	Patrick Francis Conklin	Jonathan Slocum	Don N. Drewry, MSC
Valley Forge	LTC Noel David Grubb (Ret)	John Grob	Don N. Drewry, MSC
Valley Forge	Scott Matthew Lewis	Jonas Lewis	Don N. Drewry, MSC
Valley Forge	Andrew Michael Nechetsky	Holben Lorentz	Don N. Drewry, MSC
Valley Forge	Arlo William Nechetsky	Holben Lorentz	Don N. Drewry, MSC
Valley Forge	George Reuben Weiser	Bartholomew Massey	Don N. Drewry, MSC
Washington Crossing	Brian Harrell Whitehurst	Solomon Butt	Edward G. Elgart

Flowers in the Forest

The “Floo’ers o’ the Forest (are a’ wede away)” is an old Scottish song that was brought about when the Scots lost their battle of Flodden (1513). The song tells the story of a young lass who lost someone she loved so dear. We, as brethren, take this time to remember those who have gone before us with our hopes and wishes that they, like their patriot ancestors, will not be forgotten.

Full Name	Chapter	Date of Change
Henry Hoover Yount	Continental Congress	01/25/2022
Carl Stephen Uehlinger	Gov Joseph Heister	07/04/2022
Lewis Charles Shaw, III	Harris Ferry	04/08/2022
Richard B Abell, Esq	Philadelphia Continental	11/21/2019
Edwin William Ross	Philadelphia Continental	04/25/2022
Robert J Vanderbeek	Philadelphia Continental	08/02/2022
William E. Corson	Tiadaghton	06/23/2022
Owen Hugh Neff	Tiadaghton	02/28/2022
Arthur Edwin Mayhew	Washington Crossing	01/20/2022
Archie William Sheaffer	William Maclay	02/12/2022

An Exhibit of the American Revolutionary War

In the year 2015, I (Larry Smith) staged an exhibit of the 39 authentic American Revolutionary War artifacts that I am privileged to own at the Bedford County Historical Society. As part of the exhibit I created large (3 feet by 4 feet) informational panels. Each of the panels described some aspect of the War and Bedford County’s role in it. Included on each panel is the image of one or more of the artifacts. When space permits, I plan to include one of the panels in future issues of the *Pennsylvania Minuteman* newsletter. On the following page is the first of the panels.

This first panel features the Stamp Act stamp that illustrates the cover of this newsletter.

Prelude to the American Revolutionary War



The Parliamentary Acts

1764 ~ 1774

1764 Currency Act

The colonies are prohibited from issuing and using their own currency.

1765 Stamp Act

All 'public' papers, such as legal documents and newspapers or broadsides, were required to have a stamp affixed, for which a duty was to be paid.

1765 Quartering Act

If there was not sufficient space in the barracks, then soldiers would be housed in any 'public' building, such as a tavern. But if that were not adequate, then soldiers could be housed in private dwellings or their outbuildings.

1766 Declaratory Act

Parliament has the right to issue laws that would be binding on the Colonies in all cases whatsoever.

1767 Townshend Acts

Existing Acts to be enforced, additional customs officials to be hired, and additional taxes to be levied on certain items.

1773 Tea Act

The British East India Company may sell its tea at a cheaper rate than the Dutch East India Company.

1774 Coercive Acts *aka* Intolerable Acts

A series of Acts intended to punish the Colonies, Boston in particular, for not complying with the previous Acts. & To serve as a warning that continued non-compliance would not be tolerated!

Frederick,
Lord North

King George III

Charles,
2nd Marquess of
Rockingham

George Grenville

Lord George
Sackville Germain

Charles Townshend



'Stamp Tax' Stamp

This stamp shows that it was issued for the amount of 1 shilling and 6 pence. The staple that firmly affixed the stamp to the document has slightly rusted, causing the discolored spot. The smaller stamp would be pasted over the staple on the backside of the document.

1775 New England Restraining Act

Since the British Colonies had halted their trade with Great Britain, then they should not be permitted to trade with any other nation.

Fall PASSAR Board of Management Meeting ~ 4-5 November 2022

Friday 4 November 2022

3:00 ~ 6:00 Registration
5:00 ~ 7:00 Dinner on your own
7:00 ~ 9:00 Social Gathering [in Hampton Inn conference room]

Saturday 5 November 2022

6:00 ~ 10:00am Complimentary full hot breakfast for motel guests
8:00 ~ 9:00 Registration
9:00 ~ 12:00 Board of Management Meeting [in Hampton Inn conference room]
10:00 ~ 11:00 Ladies Auxiliary meeting [in Hampton Inn board room]
12:00 ~ 2:00 Luncheon at The Casino at Lakemont Park [Speaker: Larry D. Smith
 Occupations, Professions and Offices of Our Colonial Ancestors]

Hampton Inn ~ Altoona

180 Charlotte Drive, Altoona, PA 16601 [Phone: (814) 941-3500]

All Room Rates: \$134 + tax

Rooms available: 1 King size bed; 2 Queen size beds. All rooms are non-smoking.

Guest are to make their reservations directly with the Hampton Inn ~ Altoona.

Deadline for room reservations is 14 October 2022

Meeting and Activities Registration Form

Registration Fee (Compatriots only) ____@ \$25.00 ____

Saturday Luncheon ____@ \$25.00 ____

The deadline for registration for the BoM meeting is 14 October 2022

_____ Name	_____ Chapter	_____ Office
_____ Address		_____ Phone
_____ Email	_____ Guest(s)	

Make checks payable to **Frontier Patriots Chapter, SAR** and mail along with registration form to:

David G. Hammaker Treasurer Frontier Patriots PO Box 313, East Freedom, PA 16637

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SAR Application Workshop ~ Washington Crossing Chapter

The Washington Crossing Chapter PA Society Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) sponsored an SAR application workshop on Saturday May 14th. Chapter Registrar/Genealogist Ed Elgart gave a presentation titled "How to Become a Compatriot in the Sons of the American Revolution". He spoke about the history of the SAR, the SAR mission, types of acceptable service performed by patriot ancestors, getting started, acceptable and unacceptable documents, getting help, and an example application. There was a question-and-answer session after the presentation. There were 14 people in attendance, including 6 prospective members seeking information about the application process.

The meeting was held at the historic Summerseat building in Morrisville PA. Summerseat served as Washington's headquarters from December 8-14, 1776, during the time plans were being made to cross the Delaware River on December 25, 1776 to attack the British in Trenton. The building also was the home of 2 signers of both the Declaration of



Independence and U.S. Constitution. Robert Morris lived there from 1791-1798 and George Clymer from 1798 to 1805. Member Steve Ware, who is also a member of Historic Morrisville Society, the organization who manages the property, gave a tour of Summerseat after the meeting.

SAR Bronze JROTC Medal Awarded

On Friday May 13, 2022 the Bensalem High School Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer

program at Bensalem High School is a Naval Honors School that is ranked among the top 20%



Training Corps (JROTC) held its annual awards and Change of Command ceremonies. The

in the country. Cadet Liam Robinson was recognized by the Washington Crossing Chapter with the SAR Bronze JROTC medal and certificate and SAR challenge coin. Col J.C. Church, Senior Marine Instructor, selected Cadet 1st Lieutenant Robinson to serve as Cadet Company Commander in the 2022-23 academic year. The recipient of the SAR award is a junior cadet chosen by the Senior Instructor for superior leadership abilities, military bearing and academic excellence. Bob Reiser, Washington Crossing Chapter First Vice President, presented

the award to Cadet Robinson.

PASSAR FEES & DUES

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NEW APPLICANT

National Society	\$ 80.00
1st Calendar Years Dues NSSAR	\$ 35.00
Pennsylvania SAR	\$ 25.00
+ First Calendar Years Dues PASSAR	\$ 25.00
Transfer from CAR under age 22	\$ 35.00
= 1st Calendar Year Dues, NSSAR	
Calendar 1st Year Dues PASSAR	\$ 25.00

ANNUAL DUES

National Society Dues	\$ 35.00
Junior Member	\$ 5.00
Pennsylvania Society	\$ 25.00
Chapter Fees	vary
Family Application (2nd & additional Applications on the same line)	\$ 35.00
National Society	\$ 35.00
+ First calendar year dues, NSSAR	
Pennsylvania Society	\$ 12.00
+ First calendar year dues, PASSAR	

REINSTATEMENT

Current year dues	\$ 56.00
+ late fee	\$ 10.00

TRANSFER & REINSTATEMENT

\$ 56.00

SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION

National Society	\$ 60.00
Pennsylvania Society	\$ 10.00

DUAL MEMBERSHIPS

Note: Chapter fees must be added to all of the above categories.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Life Memberships are available for the National, State and Chapter levels. The exact cost is based upon the member's age. Please contact your Chapter Secretary or Treasurer for costs and information.

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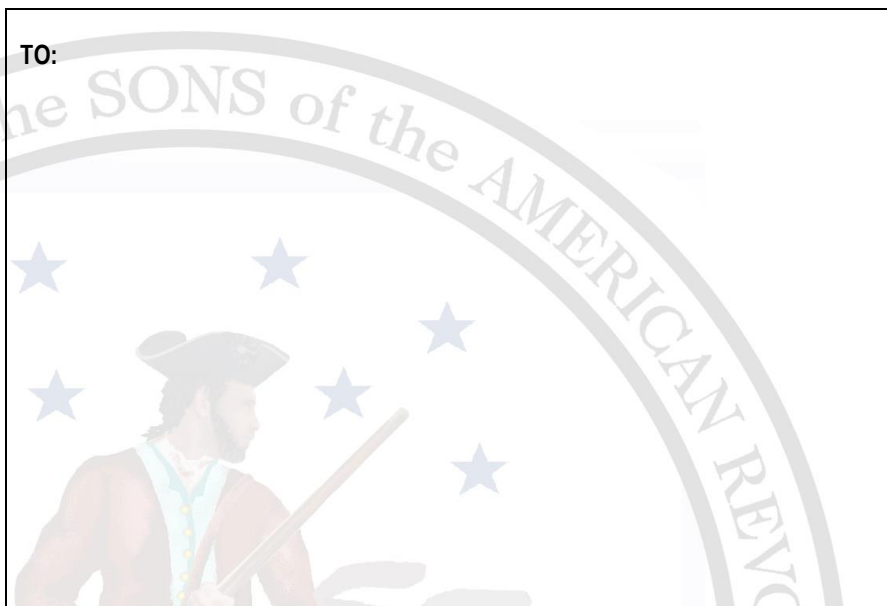


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