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ROCK FORD – Home of General Edward Hand By Thomas R Carnahan

When my wife and I go on vacation, or on a long weekend, we seem to always visit a historic location. I've always had an interest in American History. Since I've been in SAR, if there is a Revolutionary War site in the vicinity, we try to visit. Recently we went away for a long weekend to Lancaster PA. In doing our advanced planning, we discovered a tour of Rock Ford, the home of Edward Hand. We bought our tickets on line and toured the home and grounds.

Edward Hand was born in Ireland in 1744. He went to Trinity College in Dublin, where he received his medical certificate. He then enlisted in the Royal Irish Regiment as a Surgeon's Mate. In 1767, his regiment sailed to Philadelphia. In 1772, now Ensign Hand, he marched with the British Army to Fort Pitt. He resigned his commission and settled in Lancaster practicing medicine in 1774. In 1775, he married Katherine Ewing. They had 8 children, 7 of which survived. Edward Hand was active in forming a militia, the Lancaster County Associators.

During the Revolution, Hand served as Lt Colonel, Colonel, Brigadier General, Adjutant General and finally Major General. Over that period, he was Commander of Ft Pitt. He served in Major General La Favette's Division and served during the Siege at Yorktown. He resigned from the Army in 1783. In 1785, he purchased and operated the Rock Ford Plantation until his death in 1802.

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Please remember to tell your Chapter President and Secretary so we can stay in touch!!

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President's Remarks



Rev. Andrew Lick, President

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Dear Compatriots,

of the AME The Annual Meeting & Banquet in Beaver Falls was a very special weekend for my family and I. It was remarkable to see such talented and dedicated citizens receive awards for their work in our communities and it was an honor to be installed as President. As I relayed to those in attendance, I first came to the SAR ten years ago, and since that time my wife Melanie has become active in the DAR and my daughter Madeleine has joined the CAR. This has become a family pastime of ours that has brought us together as a family and renewed our sense of patriotism. I think most of us can agree, that at this point in time, preserving our history and heritage for future generations is more important than ever. With this in mind, I will dedicate myself to serving our mission and making our organization as strong as we can be. This year, I look forward to working with all of our chapters to accomplish that.

With the festivities behind us, it is now time to get to work. Throughout the year, we will be giving our full support to our 2024 Congress Committee as they continue to plan for this historic event. It is a great privilege for our Society to be able to host this celebration of American history on the anniversary of the First Continental Congress and the lead up to the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. Members of that committee will begin visiting our local chapters to keep you informed of ways to get involved. One blessing of the past year is the emergence of Zoom technology that will enable us to have greater participation at our meetings. We will continue to utilize that technology to foster better communication between chapters and plan for the future. In the coming weeks, I will be working with our Chapter Presidents to promote greater member participation through active member engagement and mentorship programs. We are committed to developing the next generation of SAR leaders.

This July, I will be travelling to Washington state to attend the SAR Annual Congress. I look forward to meeting with other Compatriots from around the country and learning from them. Remember the importance of the bond we share and the work that we do. As SAR gentlemen we are called to preserve the founding principles of our nation. We are a brotherhood that honors the virtues that built the greatest nation on Earth. Our mission is to educate and inspire the next generation so that those virtues live on. Please know that the leadership of PASSAR is here to support you in that mission. With our own determination and the grace of God we will prevail.

In Patriotic Service,

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Andrew L. Lick President, PASSAR



RAMADA INN, BEAVER FALLS, PA

The quarterly Board of Management (BOM) meeting was held on Saturday, May 1, 2021 at the Ramada Inn of Beaver Falls, Pa. It was hosted by the Anthony Wayne Chapter; President David Felts in command. There were 30 compatriots present and 8 participated by zoom, all with voting privileges, a quorum was declared.

The meeting was called to order at 0900 by Compatriot Gary Timmons, who was recognized for his attendance to 75 consecutive BOM Meetings. The colors were presented by the color guard and the Beaver Area JROTC. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Compatriot Timmons, followed by the singing of the National Anthem led by J. Thomas Showler. Compatriot Robert K. Grumbling, Jr. gave the Invocation. The Pledge to the SAR was led by President Rev. David J. Felts and he asked for prayers for Francis A. O'Donnell, Jr. and his family due to the recent passing of his father-in-law.

There were 38 compatriots in attendance (30 in-person and 8 Zoom).

Roll Call

Officers of the Society:

President, Rev. David J. Felts Second VP, Michael E. Siebert Third VP, Francis A. O'Donnell, Jr. (unavailable)

Treasurer, Donald E Mengle Secretary, Russell L. Mills

First VP, Andrew L. Lick

District Deputies:

#8 Francis Stillman #11 Vacant

Former Society Presidents:

J. Thomas Showler – 2002 & 2010 A. Duane Miller – 2009 Ernest L. Sutton, MD – 2013 2015 Donald E. Mengle – 2016 Wayne R. Strasbaugh, Esq. - 2019

#9 Vacant #10 William J. McKim, Esq.

Raynold L. Prusia, Sr. – 2018 William J. McKim, Esq. – 2012 Eric H. Troutman – 2014

Joseph B. McMullen -

Chapters

- Benjamin Franklin FP Raynold L. Prusia, Sr. (dual),
- Centre County FP Donald E. Mengle
- Continental Congress FP Joseph B. McMullen, Michael Seibert, Russell Mills, Richard McGeary, Robert M. Gosner, Jr. Esq.
- Erie William E. Harry, FP J. Thomas Showler
- Gen Anthony Wayne President Rev. David Felts, Ronald B. Bruce, Donald Inman, John Inman, John L. Carroll, J. Max Lewis, Kenneth Hoover, Rob Guy, Stephen E. Gray
- Gov. Joseph Hiester FP Eric H. Troutman, Peter Reinhart
- George Washington Gary Timmons, Kurt J. Winter, Esq., Ronald E. Miller, Robert K. Grumbling, Jr.
- Gen. Arthur St Clair FP Col Ernest Sutton, MD., FP A. Duane Miller, Francis D. Stillman

- Harris Ferry Andrew Lick, Forrest C. Myers
- Philadelphia Continental FP Wayne R. Strasbaugh, Esq., George M. Clarke, Jr., Michael W. Freeland John Francis Mitchell, III.
- Northeast Eugene R. Moyer, Maryland Society President (dual)
- Somerset Cambria William Lehman (dual)
- Great Glades Robert K. Wrigley, William L. Lehman
- **Pittsburgh** FP William J. McKim, Esq.

CHAPTERS WITH NO REPRESENTATION

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Gov. James Potter
Frontier Patriots
Fort Jackson
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<u>President's Remarks</u>: (17-19) President Felts recognized Past State President (2009) A. Duane Miller in attendance. Reflections on the past year: God is in charge; Hidden blessings of the pandemic; Don't give up as in the military. Thanks for this privilege, promoting confidence and encouragement.

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<u>Minutes of the Winter BOM</u>: No list of attendee addendum was included. An addendum will be added; however, no contact information will appear. FP Dr. Ernest Sutton suggests the use of generic email addresses. Other state societies are doing that for protection. Secretary Mills will send contact information upon request.

No further additions or corrections – APPROVED.

Officers & Committee Reports

Note: Officers Reports are presented in the BOM booklet, however, those officers who have additional comments are shown below. (NTA = nothing to add).

1st Vice Presidents Report: (page 20) NTA

2nd Vice Presidents Report: (page 21-22) NTA

<u>**Treasurer's Report:**</u> FP Don E. Mengle submitted a report (pages 24 - 28). He additionally reported that the 2020 PASSAR expenses will be provided at the August BOM Meeting for review. The 2021-22 Budget was presented, but no vote was taken to approve. Approval will be voted at the August BOM.

Secretary's Report : (page 23) NTA

<u>Registrar's Report</u>: FP Eric Troutman submitted the registrar's report (see page 29) and a supplement will be forthcoming. A motion was made by FP J. Thomas Showler, (2nd by FP Joseph B. McMullen) for approval – Unanimous.

DAR/SAR Liaison: (page 66 - 68) NTA

Flag Report: (page 71) 5 active chapters presented Flag Certificates. 12+PASSAR are required for Furlong Award.

CAR/SAR Liaison: (page 56) NTA

Medals & Awards: (78 – 79) Delete 5th paragraph of report.

Friends of the Library: (page 72) PASSAR did not qualify for the Franklin Flyer Flag Streamer this year.

Legislation and Resolutions : (page 77) NTA

<u>Americanism</u>: (page 52 - 55) FP Raynold Prussia, Sr. asks each chapter to appoint a contact secretary for the America 250-year anniversary.

George Washington Endowment : (page 73) Please become a member.

Color Guard : (page 60-62) NTA

2024 Congress Planning : George Clarke, Jr. reported on the ongoing work of the Planning Committee for the 2024 Congress. Hotel will be decided in August. He will participate in upcoming Georgia Congress for the experience to apply to the Pennsylvania Congress.

JROTC/ROTC : (page 74 - 75) NTA

SAR Education Center and Museum : FP Dr. Ernest Sutton reported on the SAR Museum Adopt an Artifact Program.

<u>Chapter Activities</u>: (page 57 - 58) FP Dr. Ernest Sutton announced 2021 changes for next year. Categories reduced from 16 to 12 and chapter size reduced. Training on the website.

Veterans Committee : (page 90) NTA

Veterans Recognition Committee : (page 91) NTA

Pennsylvania Minuteman Newsletter : (page 85) NTA

Knight Essay: (page 76) NTA

Public Service and Heroism Awards : (page 87) Emmett Haralson, Jr. reports 23 medals in May.

Finance Report: (page 70) NTA

District Deputy Reports: NTA.

Eagle Scout: (page 69) 1. Youth Protection Training. Dr. Sutton will assist if you need help completing. 2. The Robert E. Burt Scout Volunteer Award will be presented to Frances D. Stillman of the Gen. Arthur St. Clair Chapter at the banquet. 3. The 2017 winner was Mark E. Burt of the Philadelphia Continental Chapter. Sadly, his wife passed away due to COVID. Rev. Felts requested prayers for him and his family.

Patriot Records: (page 82 - 83) NTA Need a Chairman

<u>Poster Contest</u>: Compatriot George Clark, Jr. reported that only two entries for the Poster Contest and only one entry for the Brochure Contest. Suggestion that Chapters award 1st through 3rd place and then all other entries get Honorable Mention and a ribbon/certificate for participation. Compatriot John Inman added that Chapters should not be overwhelmed in trying to get to many schools. Just concentrate on one or two schools to get started.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: A motion to adjourn was made by William E. Harry, (2nd by Robert K. Grumbling, Jr.) – Unanimous.

128 th	Annual	Meeting
The Annual meeting was called to order and the follow	ing slate was offered for election:	2
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Office	Nominee	5
President	Andrew L. Lick	\sim
1 st Vice President	Michael E. Seibert	
2 nd Vice President	Francis A. O'Donnell, Jr.	
3 rd Vice President	Kurt J. Winter, Esq.	
Secretary	Russell L. Mills	
Assistant Secretary	James F. Hall	
Treasurer	FP Donald E. Mengle	
Assistant Treasurer	(to be nominated from floor)	
Registrar	FP Eric H. Troutman	
Historian	FP Ernest L. Sutton, MD	
Genealogist	Don N. Drewry	
Chancellor	FP William J. McKim, Esq.	
Chaplain	Rev David J. Felts	
Assistant Chaplains	Rev Dr. William R. Hearter, Jr. (Eastern Region)	
	Robert K. Grumbling, Jr. (Western Region)	
National Trustee (Past Pres.)	(to be nominated from floor)	
Alternate Trustee (1 st VP)	Michael E. Seibert	
Reserve Manager – expires 2022	William H. Haynes	
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)	Francis A. O'Donnell, Jr.	
District Deputy #2 (3 year term expires 2022)	Don N. Drewry	
District Deputy #3 (3 year term expires 2022)	Robert M. Gosner, Jr., Esq.	
District Deputy #4 (3 year term expires 2024)	Forrest C. Myers	

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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)	(to be nominated from floor)
District Deputy #10 (3 year term expires 2023)	FP William J. McKim, Esq.
District Deputy #11 (3 year term expires 2023)	(To be nominated from floor)
Executive Committee Bylaw 7.01 provides that 5	Bolded names are to be elected at this meeting.
members-at-large are to be elected for 1 yr. terms and in	Unbolded names have a remaining term.
addition to the 5 elected members, the President, the 1 st	
Vice President, the Secretary and the Treasurer shall	CONC
also serve.	JOIND OF th

Resignations: Compatriot Gary Timmons had resigned as District Deputy #9; Compatriot Gary Wiser had resigned as Assistant Treasurer; FP Wayne R. Strasbaugh, Esq. resigned as National Trustee due to a conflict; Compatriots William Harry and William Aulenbacher had resigned as District Deputy #11.

Motion to nominate Rev. David Felts for National Trustee by Robert K. Grumbling, Jr., (2nd by Andrew L. Lick) – UNANIMUS.

President Felts called for nominations from the floor 3 times.

Motion to close nominations by William E. Harry, (2nd by Robert K. Grumbling, Jr.) – UNANIMUS

Motion to elect the slate of officers by William E. Harry, (2nd by FP Donald J. Mengle) – UNANIMUS

<u>Old Business</u>: President David Felts recognized Gen. Anthony Wayne Chapter President, Ron Bruce and John Inman and all the BOM Host Chapter volunteers. Ron Bruce and John Inman received certificates of appreciation.

Compatriot Emmett Haralson, Jr. is recognized for his generous purchase of medals for his committee.

<u>New Business</u>: FP Dr. Ernest Sutton discussed the issue with the A.G. Trimble Trophy and motions that only active chapters should qualify for the trophy, (2nd by Gary Timmons) – Unanimous.

Compatriot Ronald Miller presented:

The "Chapter Involvement Survey." This is good information to share between chapters as to what practices work to increase membership and participation and what practices may not work. Asks leaders to think about how their decisions affect the membership.

PCN, PA Cable Network, Battlefield, PA interested in SAR for individual programs featuring SAR activities. Asks for Chapters to submit activities for consideration. Great opportunity to get SAR exposure to the public. A video committee has yet to meet. Looking at California, PA University for a school project.

- Patriot Cemetery Initiative by the George Washington Chapter Constructing and installing Revolutionary Patriot identification signs for selected Washington County cemeteries. Project exemplifies Core Objectives:
 - a. Remembering and Honoring Patriot Ancestors
 - b. Educating the public Code on sign used by smart phone to access chapter, PASSAR, and NSSAR websites.
 - c. Gives recognition to the SAR organization

Explained cost, cemetery sign location and provided a summary publication as a resource for other chapters. Would like to see this project expand state wide.

Compatriot Emmett Haralson, Jr. provided a Veteran's Committee Publication for the Chapters.

<u>Good of the Order</u> : President Felts announced Beaver Memorial Day Parade and a July 3, 2021, Service at the Gazabo in the Park in Beaver, PA.

Compatriot Richard McGeary announced the Chapter Activities Plaques: Mid-size chapter, Continental Congress; Large chapter: George Washington

Motion by Ronald Miller for a Resolution to allow individual chapters to decide if they want new member certificates mailed directly to the member or to the chapter for presentation at a chapter meeting. A good practice is to have the new member come to a meeting,

if possible, (2nd by Gary Timmons) – Unanimous. Chapters should contact Secretary Mills as he will provide the new member packets either directly to the chapter or mailed to the individual.

President Felts closed the meeting and led the Recessional.

Robert Grumbling, Jr. gave the Benediction.

Meeting adjourned until evening banquet

Memorial Service: A memorial was held at the Ramada Inn. President Rev. Felts officiated at the service and our departed members were eulogized.

Evening Banquet with greetings and introductions by President Rev. Felts.

Awards and Presentations:

the AM The Ladies Auxiliary presented a check for \$500 to PASSAR for the 2024 Congress.

Compatriots Ron Bruce and John Inman presented a Geneva College Outstanding Graduate Award to Rebecca Mack, RN. College Professor, Dr. Nicar, was recognized. Good Citizenship Awards were presented to David Lozier, Beaver County District Attorney and Tony Guy, Beaver County Sheriff.

A.G. Trimble Award (in absentia) presented by President Rev. Felts to the Christopher Gist Chapter.

Chapter Activity Flag Streamers were presented to Continental Congress, General Arthur St. Clair and George Washington Chapters.

The Keystone Chapter Activities Plaques were presented: Mid-size chapter, Continental Congress; Large chapter, George Washington.

Youth Awards

Knight Essay Contest Winner, Compatriots John L. Carroll and J. Max Lewis, a published author himself, presented the award to Samuel Everson.

Eagle Scout Trophy presented by FP Ernest L. Sutton, MD to Mason Hughey Five Rivers Council, sponsored by the At-Large Chapter. The scoutmaster, Gregory Hughey was recognized with an SAR/BSA Partners for Good Citizenship Patch.

JROTC Outstanding Cadet Award presented by FP Raynold L. Prusia, Sr. and FP Donald J. Mengle to JROTC Cadet Major Emmaline Lombard, sponsored by Harris Ferry. Keystone JROTC Unit Plaque: Cumberland Valley Highschool, Mechanicsburg, PA.

Poster Contest Winners presented by Compatriot George Clark, Jr. to: Samantha Persuitte, Our Lady of Fatima School, Hopewell Twp., Beaver County, General Anthony Wayne (first place) and Philadelphia Continental Congress (second place).

Brochure Contest: Presented by George Clark, Jr. to Sophia Meglio, home schooled, sponsored by Harris Ferry.

Compatriot Awards

Small Keystone Top-Line Signer Plaque presented (in absentia) to C. Kilsey Brown of Philadelphia Continental Chapter

Patriot Medals were presented to FP Raynold L. Prusia, Sr. (Erie) and Compatriot George Clark, Jr. (Philadelphia Continental).

State Distinguished Service Medal was presented to Compatriot Gary Timmons (George Washington) for his dedication as District Deputy.

National Society

Robert E. Burt Scout Volunteer Award presented by FP Ernest L. Sutton, MD. to Frances D. Stillman of the Gen. Arthur St. Clair Chapter.

Installation of officers; As Vice President General, FP Ernest L. Sutton, MD., presided over the installation.

At the conclusion of the installation, as Chaplin General, Rev. Felts recited the prayer first given at the First Continental Congress in Philadelphia in 1774.

The gavel was handed over to President Andrew L. Lick.

President Lick thanked Rev. Felts for his leadership and spiritual guidance throughout a difficult year and presented him with a Past President Pin and a personal gift of the book, "Sacred Scripture, Sacred War: The Bible and the American Revolution."

President Lick gave his remarks and pledged to serve our SAR Mission.

Robert Grumbling, Jr. gave the Benediction

The Colors were retired and the installation came to a close.

Respectfully submitted,

Kurt J. Winter, Esq., 3rd Vice President

Attest,

Russell L. Mills, Secretary

GROUP SEEKS TO PUT SIGNS IN CEMETERIES TO MARK REVOLUTIONARY WAR GRAVES

Brad Hundt/Observer-Reporter

A Revolutionary War veteran's grave in Washington Cemetery shows the inscription has largely been worn away over the decades.

In the part of Washington Cemetery where you find the oldest graves, there are flags flying at the resting places of early settlers who left their trades or farms and took up arms against the British in the Revolutionary War. But on several stones, the names are all but lost, rendered illegible by two punishing centuries of variable weather.

But at least the graves in Washington Cemetery can be found. The graves of other Revolutionary War veterans remain infinitely more elusive.

In the decades after they left the battlefields at Brandywine, Bunker Hill, Ticonderoga or Fort Necessity, the soldiers who booted the British out of the colonies tended to their



families and livelihoods and grew older. When they died, they were often interred on the farms they owned, or in nearby family cemeteries. In the decades since, the markers on those farms have disappeared, and many of the family burial grounds have been swallowed up by weeds and woods, perhaps only rediscovered when a hunter stumble upon them.

"Over time, a lot of these graves have been lost, or the tombstones have been stolen," said Gary Timmons, secretary of the George Washington Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Timmons and other members of the organization have been rigorously tracking down the graves of Revolutionary War soldiers within Washington County and so far, have found more than 1,000. There could be more, of course, and there could be some that will never be found no matter how much detective work they carry out. But they've been on the case, trying to track down additional gravesites.

They've also launched a drive to place signs in Washington County cemeteries where Revolutionary War veterans are buried, with each sign offering names of veterans and a QR code that visitors can scan with their phones to find additional information on each of the veterans. They will also be able to access links to ask questions and find out more about the Sons of the American Revolution.

The chapter hopes to have 15 of the signs in the ground by the end of June, according to Ron Miller, the chapter's past president, in such places as Mingo Creek Cemetery, Upper Buffalo Cemetery in Hopewell Township, Paris Cemetery near Burgettstown and Purviance Cemetery in Claysville. The group's goal is to get the signs in about 70 cemeteries in Washington County. Before placing the signs, they have to get approval from the boards that oversee the cemeteries, and so far, "the reception from the cemetery boards has been better than we anticipated. The reception has been exceptional."

Revolutionary War veterans were part of a relatively exclusive group. It's estimated that 231,000 Americans served in the eight-year fight for independence, while more than 2 million Americans fought in the Civil War, and 16 million served in World War II. Many of them are buried in the original 13 colonies, but some ended up in western territories like Ohio, Michigan or Illinois as the country expanded. It's been determined, for instance, that 356 veterans of the Revolutionary War are buried in Michigan.

Noteworthy finds have been made in recent decades. In 1995, for instance, remains that were unearthed by a construction crew in Bethlehem were found to be those of Revolutionary War soldiers who were most likely interred in a mass grave. Meanwhile, local members of the Sons of the American Revolution are continuing their work to find graves and let people know about the role of the Revolutionary War in our history.

"The revolutionary history is right here," Miller said. "It is in the community.

PASSAR Spring BOM / Annual Meeting -- Roll Call 1 May 2021

Chapter	Name	Title	In-Person	Zoom
Benjamin Franklin (Dual)	Raynold L. Prusia, Sr	FP PASSAR & Chapter President	1	
Centre	Donald J Mengle	FP PASSAR	1	
Continental Congress	Joseph B. McMullen	FP PASSAR		1
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Continental Congress	Richard McGeary			1
Continental Congress	Robert M. Gosner	Chapter President		1
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Gen Anthony Wayne	Rev. David J. Felts	PASSAR President	1	
Gen Anthony Wayne	Ronald B. Bruce	Host Chapter President	1	
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Gen Anthony Wayne	Kenneth Hoover			
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Gen Anthony Wayne	Stephen E. Gray		L.	
Gen Arthur St. Clair	A. Duane Miller	FP PASSAR	1	
Gen Arthur St. Clair	Ernest L Sutton	FP PASSAR & Vice President General	1	
Gen Arthur St. Clair	Francis D Stillman		172	
George Washington	Gary W. Timmons		1 1	
George Washington	Kurt J. Winter	Chapter President	1	
George Washington	Robert K Grumbling		1 <	T
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Gov. Joseph Hiester	Peter Reinhart	Chapter President		1
Great Glades	Robert K Wrigley		1 (T
Great Glades	William L. Lehman		1	T
Harris Ferry	Andrew L. Lick		1	T
Harris Ferry	Forrest C. Myers	Chapter President		1
Northeast (Dual)	Eugene R Moyer	Maryland Society President	1	
Philadelphia Continental	John Francis Mitchell III	Chapter President		1
Philadelphia Continental	George M Clarke, Jr		$1 \leq$	
Philadelphia Continental	Michael W. Freeland			1
Philadelphia Continental	Wayne R Strasbaugh	FP PASSAR		1
Pittsburgh	Emmett J. Haralson, Jr.		1	
Pittsburgh	William J McKim, Esq	FP PASSAR	1	
		Totals	30	8



CONTINENTAL CONGRESS CHAPTER LEGACY TO GUARD THE UNION

The Pennsylvania Counties of Lancaster, York and Adams have had a distinctive and enduring legacy of guarding the Union. Since 1949, these counties have encompassed the home of the Continental Congress Chapter of the Pennsylvania Society of the SAR. Yes, this history to Guard the Union does in fact repeat itself!

Former president of the Continental Congress Chapter, Joseph T. Coleman, Ed.D., has been the National Commander-in-Chief of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States (MOLLUS) for the term of 2019 through 2021. After the American Civil War, 20 April 1865, a meeting of Union Officers was held in Philadelphia to pledge a renewed allegiance to Guard the Union immediately after the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln. It was at this meeting of Union Officers that MOLLUS was formed.

As National Commanderin-Chief of MOLLUS, Dr. Coleman continues to carry the torch that has been passed down from notables such as Major General Winfield Scott Handcock (Battle of Gettysburg), and Major General and President of the United States Rutherford B.

Hayes. In fact, five former Presidents of the United States were members of MOLLUS, in addition to numerous Union officers.

MOLLUS continues to this day as a heritage organization of members that descend from Union Officers of the American Civil War. Further, every year in November, MOLLUS commemorates Remembrance Day of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, which took place at Gettysburg Nation Cemetery, in Adams County. It was at the Battle of Gettysburg 1 through 3 July 1863, in Gettysburg, Adams County, PA, that the fate of the United States (the Union) hung in the balance.

In addition, during the American Revolution in September 1777, the British Army invaded and occupied Philadelphia. To avoid capture, members of the Continental Congress fled Philadelphia to the town of Lancaster, PA, and it held session for one day in the Lancaster County Court House on 27 September 1777. Then, the Continental Congress fled further west over the Susquehanna River to the town of York, PA, and it held session in the York County Court House from 30 September 1777 through 27 June 1778. The Continental Congress used the York County Court House at its lifeboat to preserve the Union.

The Continental Congress Chapter continues to commemorate and cultivate the legacy as the enduring Lifeboat to "Guard the Union", namely, a legacy that formed during the American Revolution at York, PA, and that continued during the American Civil War at Gettysburg, and again through MOLLUS

during the national leadership of Dr. Joseph T. Coleman.

At a recent Remembrance Day commemoration at Gettysburg Nation Cemetery, Dr. Coleman and Steve Sims, also a member of the Continental Congress Chapter, and the Superintendent of the National Park Service at Gettysburg

National Battlefield and Cemetery continued to honor this enduring legacy, to wit: "Guard the Union."

In the photo, the current President of the Continental Congress Chapter, and District # 3 Deputy PASSAR, Bob Gosner, Esq., awarded Dr. Joseph T. Coleman, the SAR Good Citizenship Medal. The second photo also depicts Dr. Coleman wearing his MOLLUS insignia as Commander-in-Chief of MOLLUS. Dr. Coleman continues to be an active member of the SAR, MOLLUS, PA Society Sons of the Revolution, St. Andrew Society of Philadelphia, Friendly Sons of St. Patrick of Philadelphia, Society of Colonial Wars, Colonial Society of Pennsylvania, Society of the War of 1812, and the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.



Book Reading: <u>Complicated Lives, Free Blacks in Virginia,</u> [1619-1985]

By Sherri Burr, Author

"Would the United States have developed differently if Virginia had not passed a law in 1670 proclaiming all subsequently arriving Africans as servants for life, or slaves? *Complicated Lives* upends the pervasive belief that all Africans landing on the shores of Virginia in late August 1619, and thereafter, became slaves. In reality, many of these kidnap victims received the status of indentured servants. Indeed, hundreds of thousands of free African Americans owned property, created businesses, and engaged in public service." [Source: back cover of *Complicated Lives, Free Blacks in Virginia, 1619-1865*]

Complicated Lives is the latest book written by Professor Sherri Burr, former Law Professor at the University of New Mexico, which has been



Professor Sherri Burr speaking at the Headstone Consecration for John Pierre Burr at Eden Cemetery, Collingdale, PA in 2019

nominated for a Pulitzer Prize in History. Professor Burr was the speaker at the January 2021 Chapter Meeting of the Philadelphia Continental Chapter, and began by recounting her personal journey to explore her genealogy. Sherri Burr is a graduate of Mount Holyoke College, Princeton University, and Yale Law School. She has authored or co-authored 27 books and published hundreds of articles for the general public in newspapers and magazines.

The second portion of her presentation had to do with Professor Burr's ancestor, Vice President Aaron Burr. She tells a story of arriving at Princeton University as a graduate student and being invited to a Burr family meeting, which she did NOT attend. Later she researched her lineage, then presenting her evidence to the Aaron Burr Society that her ancestor John Pierre Burr was indeed the son of Aaron Burr. We met Professor Burr when she was one of the speakers at the consecration ceremony of the new gravestone for John Pierre, where the PCC Color Guard provided its services. Professor Burr also wrote about Burr family history and John Pierre Burr, which was accepted as one of the stories which comprise the "Princeton and Slavery Project".

Finally, Professor Burr let us know that she was very appreciative of the services provided by the Color Guard and shared a number of recollections about individual Color Guard members, much to our amazement. She also had a kind word for our former Color Guard Captain Phil Anders who led the call on that day back in August, 2019. Additional information on Sherri Burr and the Color Guard event is available at <u>www.PCCSAR.org/color-guard</u> and scrolling down to 2019. There you will also find an article from the *Washington Post* which covered the John Pierre Burr gravestone consecration ceremony.

"We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

Thomas Jefferson

Source: https://www.azquotes.com/quote/145672?ref=american-revolution

Pennsylvania Society Sons of the America Revolution May 2021 Awards

Chapter Awards:

- Certificate of Appreciate: BOM Host Chapter Gen Anthony Wayne
- Arthur Garfield Trimble Membership Trophy: Christopher Gist Chapter For highest percent increase in new members in the preceding year
- **Chapter Activities Flag Streamers**
 - **Continental Congress** 0
 - Gen Arthur St Clair 0
 - George Washington 0
- Chapter Activities Keystone Plagues
 - Medium-Size Chapter Continental Congress
 - Large-Size Chapter George Washington

Youth Awards:

Elementary School Poster (3rd through 5th Grade): Samantha PERSUITTE School: Our Lady of Fatima in Hopewell Township, Beaver County, PA Sponsor: Gen Anthony Wayne

Middle School Brochure (6th through 8th Grade): Sophia MEGLIO School: Home Schooled, Loysville, PA Sponsor: Harris Ferry

Essay Neck Medallion (9th through 12th Grade): Edison Tang School: Nazareth Area High School, Nazareth, PA Sponsor: Valley Forge

par Enhanced JROTC Neck Medallion (11th - 12th Grade): Cadet Major Emmaline LOMBARD Keystone JROTC Unit Plaque: Cumberland Valley High School, Mechanicsburg PA Sponsor: Harris Ferry

Eagle Scout Trophy: Mason HUGHEY SAR/BSA Partners for Good Citizenship Patch: Scoutmaster Gregory HUGHEY Five Rivers Scout Council Sponsor: At-Large Chapter

Compatriot Awards:

- Keystone Top-Line Signer Plague: C. Kilsey BROWM (Philadelphia Continental)
- Past State President Pin: David J. FELTS (Gen Anthony Wayne)
- State Distinguished Service Medal: Gary W. TIMMONS (George Washington)
- Patriot Medal: Raynold L. PRUSIA (Benjamin Franklin)
- Patriot Medal: George M. CLARK, Jr. (Philadelphia Continental)

National Society:

Robert E. Burt Scout Volunteer Medal: Frank D. STILLMAN (Gen Arthur St. Clair)

The Pennsylvania Minuteman Newsletter ROCK FORD – Home of General Edward Hand By Thomas R Carnahan

(continued from page 2) The Rock Ford Plantation is a 177-acre farm close to the Conestoga River. It is a 3-story Georgian style mansion that we toured. Our tour guide took us through the first and second floors of the mansion, in addition to the basement where the kitchen was located. Upon entering the home, you notice the wide hallways, these hallways were made large as a waiting area for guests. At times of celebration, a band would play on the second-floor landing and the hallways became the dance floor. The front and rear doors could be opened at either end of the hallway to provide cross ventilation during the hot summer days.

There was also a large portrait of General Hand placed as a focal point in the first-floor hall.

The first parlor we went into was where the Hand Family would receive guests. There were several mirrors in the room, located higher than ones you would have in your home. Our

guide explained that they were placed high to reflect the natural light from the windows and candlelight at night. There was marble appearing cove baseboard along the floor. Since marble at the time was very rare and expensive, we came to learn that it was wood painted to appear as marble. There was a piano in this parlor that the Hand daughters would play to entertain guests. There were also 2 large closets in the room that were used for storage. On July 4th 1791, George Washington was entertained by the Hand's in Lancaster. It is generally assumed (but not confirmed) that this visit took place in this parlor.

Moving across the hall to the second parlor, we found Edward Hand's desk. This parlor had a large sitting area for family to congregate. It was pointed out that Hand had two enslaved servants, as well as many free servants and laborers. The guide explained that one of the slaves (Frank) did escape after assuming the identity of a free man who had passed away.

The next room we went into was the formal dining room. There was a large portrait of George Washington above the fireplace. It was explained that many colonial homes had pictures of the President as a carryover from their home countries where a picture of the King would be prominently displayed. Across from the dining room was General Hand's Medical Office.



The second floor contained another wide hallway for the family to assemble, and three bedrooms. There was a master suite, a girl's bedroom and a boy's bedroom. The most fascinating was the 4th room, which had been largely untouched, so it had appeared as it would have in the early 1800's. In this room was Katherine Hand's gown encased in UV resistant glass. The gown, which was made in London, was a gift to Rock Ford in 2012 from a Hand descendant. Also in the room were the uniform epaulets of General Hand, again encased in glass.

The house now has an additional room (which was

most likely an addition from Hand's time) which contained a chair with a removable seat, with a pot under it, so one did not have to go outside the house to use the outhouse. This room also had additional bedding and such for guests. The 3rd floor was closed off to the public, but contained additional sleeping quarters.

The basement consisted of the kitchen. The first thing to note were the wide doors. The doors were made wide to accommodate barrels. Barrels were how staples were sold and stored during this period. Even the pantry doors were wide as this is where the barrels would be stored. There was no stove, cooking was done in a huge fireplace in the kitchen. Some pans in the kitchen had long legs on them, (referred to as spider pans) to protect the cook from the heat. There was even a crude rotisserie made up of pulleys and weights. Rodents were an issue during this time, there was even an early mouse trap under the kitchen table.

Outside the kitchen door was a garden that the kitchen staff would have kept, where fresh produce, herbs and spices would be grown. The house had a wrap around porch (which was one of the only parts of the house that was replaced since Hand's time). There were outside shutters on the first floor of the home, and inside shutters on the second floor. This was due to the porch and not being able to close outside shutters above the porch roof line. Another interesting feature was the birdhouses built onto the third-floor gable as a sanctuary for Purple Martins. Also on the grounds is a barn (not original, but in the original location) and a typical period house (much smaller than the Hand mansion).

If you are in the area and have the opportunity, a tour of Rock Ford will prove very interesting.

Mountaineer Fifes & Drums to Perform at Summer BOM



By Ernest Sutton, PASSAR Historian

Mountaineer Fifes & Drums, Friendship Hill NHS, Port Marion, PA Friendship Hill NHS is 16.3 miles (27 minutes) from Uniontown, PA

Lead by Professor of Percussion Music George R. Willis, College of Creative Arts, West Virginia University, the Mountaineer Fifes & Drums will perform at the Friday evening reception of the Pennsylvania Society's summer meeting on August 6th at 7 PM at the Hilton Garden Inn, Uniontown, PA. Founded in August 2014, the Fifes & Drums ensemble is a unique group that specializes in traditional music such as the Revolutionary War's *Yankee Doodle* and the Royal Navy's *Sailor's Hornpipe*, as well as folk songs from the Appalachian region. The Mountaineers are well known in southwestern Pennsylvania from their performances at the annual Whiskey Rebellion Festival and at the Festifall, Friendship Hill National Historic Site.

During the Revolution War, the army used music not only to boost morale but also for communication and regimentation. Drum signals were standardized for the army's purposes by the drillmaster Baron Friedrich Von Steuben. At the 2018 summer BOM, color guard drummer James P. Smith demonstrated with these signals. The higher registers of the fife have piercing sounds that could also be carried above a fracas. Fife and drum signals also told soldiers in camp when to wake up, fetch wood or provisions, and show up for church.

Hear them play before the meeting: < <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ts6q7buCdSU</u> >.

Hidden Historical Gems Near the Summer BOM **By Ernest Sutton, PASSAR Historian**



from stone from a distance. Blythe used an engraving of the Lafayette portrait by French artist Ary Scheffer as his model. Today the portrait hangs in the US House of Representatives. Lafayette handed out these engravings during his three-day visit in May 1825. The 8 feet 2 inches tall statue stood atop the courthouse for forty years until the new courthouse was built in 1890. The statue was then moved to the new courthouse lobby. In 1947 it was repainted in polychrome for visitors to admire today.

Standing 6 feet tall is Julien Icher, Founder of The Lafayette Trail, viewing the 8 feet 2 inches tall

statue of Lafayette (1848) displayed in the lobby of the Uniontown Courthouse, Fayette County.

Another hidden historical gem is at nearby Brownsville (12 miles and 16 minutes away) from Uniontown. St. Peter's Catholic Church located at 118 Church Street has an amazing stained-glass window created by Pittsburgh artist George W. Sotter celebrating the first Mass offered west of the Allegheny Mountains on July 1, 1754. French troops disembarked from the Monongahela River at Brownsville on their way to capture Fort Necessity from the Virginia Militia lead by George Washington. Below the site of the present Church is where their chaplain Rev. Denys Baron held mass

Located in southwestern Pennsylvania is Uniontown the site of our summer BOM and county seat of Fayette County. It also has several hidden historical gems not to be missed.

The Cumberland portion of the National Road (US 40) completed in 1818 runs through Uniontown and Brownsville. Fayette County was created on September 26, 1783 from the division of Westmoreland County into five counties and named in honor of the Major General Lafayette. Traveling on the National Road from Wheeling to Uniontown Lafavette arrived at the county courthouse on May 26, 1825 to meet his old friend former Ambassador to France and Secretary of the Treasury Albert Gallatin. Today the courthouse lobby holds a surprise for BOM attendees and fans of Lafayette.

Sometime in the mid-1840s, officials in Fayette Country commissioned local artist David Blythe to carve a wooden statue of Lafayette to top the octagon shaped belfry of the courthouse in Uniontown. Completed in 1848, the statue was carved from two poplar wood planks and finished with a tin top hot. Originally it was painted in gun-metal gray which makes it

appear carved



and prayed for victory. Call for opening hours and tour at 724-785-7781.

Stained-glass window of the first mass West of the Allegheny Mountains of French soldiers and their native American allies before going into battle at Fort Necessity. St. Peter's Historic Catholic Church (1843), Brownsville, PA.

CONSTITUTION WEEK CELEBRATION



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and

Southeastern District Pennsylvania State Society Daughters of the American Revolution

You are cordially invited to the 51st Annual Luncheon celebrating the Signing of the Constitution of the United States of America. Guests are welcome!

Guest Speaker: Chef Walter Staib of City Tavern and "A Taste of History" on PBS

Saturday, September 11, 2021 11:30 AM Social Hour (*cash bar*) 12:00 PM Plated Luncheon

Alloy formerly Hilton Double Tree Hotel 301 West DeKalb Pike (Rt 202) King of Prussia, PA

> **\$52 per person** Payable to "SAR-DAR Constitution Week Committee"

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Representative (s) Request



By Larry Smith

would like to request representative(s) from PASSAR to attend and participate in a Remembrance Ceremony at the Phillips Rangers Massacre Memorial along Route 26 in Liberty Township, Bedford County. The ceremony will take place on Saturday, 17 July 2021, beginning at 11:00am.

The Bedford County Militia Rangers under Captain William Phillips were scouting through the forests covering Tussey Mountain and had spent the night at a cabin in Woodcock Valley, on the east side of Tussey. When they arose the next morning, they found themselves surrounded by Seneca Indians led by British soldiers. A battle ensued and the militia had to surrender or be burned to death when flaming arrows lit the cabin's roof on fire. Captain Phillips and his son, Elijah were led away and eventually to Fort Niagara. The rest of the militia soldiers were tied to trees in a clearing and shot with arrows and muskets. It occurred on 16 July 1780.



If anyone from PASSAR could give a few remarks, it would be greatly appreciated. Would you please disseminate this info to other PASSAR officers? I can be reached by phone at 814-695-5400 ~ Larry Smith



Source: https://www.azquotes.com/picture-quotes/quote-the-american-revolution-was-a-beginning-not-aconsummation-woodrow-wilson-53-29-82.jpg

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Continental Congress	Jay William Roth	Charles Smith	Michael E. Seibert
Continental Congress	William Conrad Seibert	Christian Seybert	Michael E. Seibert
George Washington	Clark John Hagan	James McCoy	Michael D. C. Merrymar
George Washington	Julian Bennett Lombardi Thomas	Jacob Thomas	Michael D. C. Merrymar
George Washington	Louis Edward Whitefield	Abraham Shoemaker	Michael D. C. Merrymar
Gov Joseph Hiester	Kevin Scott Shaw	Timothy Meeker	Eric H. Troutman
Great Glades	Matthew Chad Mosholder	John Mosholder	Jack E. Mosholder
Harris Ferry	Alan Keith Blackledge	Ichabod Blackledge	Robert J. Bakelaar
Harris Ferry	Scott Keith Blackledge	Ichabod Blackledge	Robert J. Bakelaar
Harris Ferry	Glen Lawrence Dunbar	Seth Snow	Robert J. Bakelaar
Harris Ferry	Donald Scott Marencic	Paul Bowersox	Robert J. Bakelaar
Harris Ferry	Jason Pierce Marencic	Paul Bowersox	Robert J. Bakelaar
Harris Ferry	John Alexander Marencic	Paul Bowersox	Robert J. Bakelaar
Harris Ferry	Jack Minnier	Samuel Auchmuty	Robert J. Bakelaar
Philadelphia Continental	George Harley Siems Bernhard	William Faris	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	James Morton Blackman	David Blackman	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Christopher Bradlee	Nathaniel Bradley	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Cameron Jan Cummins	Richard Caswell	Jan P. Cummins
Philadelphia Continental	David Bernard Harper	Abel Lanham	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	William Oliver Leonard, Jr	Daniel Poffenberger	Adam T. Berry
Philadelphia Continental	Christian Keith Simpson	Robert Cardwell	C. Kelsey Brown
Philadelphia Continental	Steven Michael Simpson	Robert Cardwell	C. Kelsey Brown
Valley Forge	James Edward Miller	Dr. Christian Frederick Martin	Don N. Drewry, MSC
Washington Crossing	Alexander James Versfeld	Christopher Fennell	Edward G. Elgart
Washington Crossing	Grant Douglas Versfeld	Christopher Fennell	Edward G. Elgart
William Maclay	Gordon Rodney Calvert	John Walters	Eric H. Troutman

War is when the government tells you who the bad guy is. **Revolution** is when you decide that **for yourself.**

Benjamin Franklin

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

Please note that you'll have to log in to the SAR Website before you can access to contest and NSSAR links

Date/Time	Event	Comments
Jun. 01, 2021	Deadline: NSSAR Elementary School Poster Contest	Information and Application
Jun. 04, 2021	Deadline: NSSAR Middle School Brochure Contest	Information and Application
Jun. 10 – 15, 2021	Continental Congress Chapter BOM Meeting	County Club of York/ York Direction
Jun. 11, 2021 @ 6:00 pm	Center County Chapter – Flag Day Picnic	PA Military Museum/ Boalsburg Directions
Jul. 12, 2021 @ 12:00 pm	NSSAR 131 st . Congress	Link to Information: Renton, WA
Aug. 6 – 7, 2021	PASSAR BOM Meeting (Great Glades)	Information and Registration
Sep. 19, 2021	NSSAR Fall Leadership Meeting	Louisville, TN
Sep. 23 – 25, 2021	NSSAR Fall Leadership Meeting	Louisville, TN
	Deadline: NSSAR Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest	Information and Application
Nov. 05-06, 2021	PASSAR BOM Meeting (Continental Congress)	Details to be announced
Dec. 11, 2021 @ 12:00 pm	Continental Congress Chapter BOM Meeting	County Club of York/ York Direction
Feb. 4-5, 2022	PASSAR Winter BOM Meeting	Host: Governor Joseph Hiester SAR Chapter

The Frontier Patriots Chapter,

Frontier Patriots, Sons of the American Revolution, Chapter President Larry Smith (Center) recently presented S.A.R. Military Service Medals to Chapter Vice President Bob Williams (Left) and Chapter member Bill Mock.



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). It is a 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 ancestor, will not be forgotten.

Name	Full Name	Chapter	Date of Change
Fisher	Barry W Fisher	Centre County	03/26/2021
Lehman	Lloyd Eugene Lehman	Fort Halifax	12/11/2020
McCauley	Edward Stephen McCauley	Frontier Patriots	03/21/2021
Moore	Malcolm Wallwork Moore	Pittsburgh	12/06/2020
Darby	Donald Weston Darby, Jr	State at Large	09/05/2020

Scouting Partnership Soars at Annual Meeting By Ernest Sutton, PASSAR Eagle Scout Chair



Lt to Rt: Color Guard Commander George Clark, Scoutmaster Hughey, Mason Hughey, Frank Stillman, and VPG Ernest Sutton Eagle Scout Chairman at 2021 Annual Meeting, Beaver Falls, PA.

Representing President General Jack Manning at the Beaver Falls Annual Meeting, Vice President General Ernest Sutton presented the National Society Robert E. Burt Scout Volunteer Medal to District Deputy Frank Stillman of the General Arthur St. Clair Chapter. Authorized in 2006, Stillman is only the ninth Pennsylvanian to receive the medal. Stillman holds scouting's Silver Beaver Award and is currently Scout District Chair of the Eagle Scout Board of Review where he actively promotes the SAR and Scouting partnership.

State President David Felts presented the winner of the Pennsylvania Society Eagle Scout Scholarship winner Mason Hughey of the Five Rivers Scout Council the Eagle Scout Trophy. Sponsored by the At-Large Chapter, Mason placed 10th among the 57 state societies at the national level contest.

Mason is a High School junior and plans to study engineering in college.

Chapter participation in the Eagle program counts in the new 2021 Americanism/PG Chapter. Activities Combined Score Card in Category 4B and possibly Categories 4A & 4C.



Tiadaghton Elm - Fair Play Men Medal

The Pennsylvania Society, SAR proudly presents a Pennsylvania Society Medal honoring brave patriots known as the Fair Play Men and their fight for freedom declared under an elm tree. These struggling settlers, battling a vast wilderness 200 miles from Philadelphia, were forced to fend off British and Indian attacks. On July 4th, 1776, unaware of the actions of the Continental Congress, they signed their own Declaration of Independence. Compatriots and historians see this concurrent event as a sign of the hand of God on the Revolution. Many of the Fair Play Men would die fighting to create a new nation.

This medal may be purchased and worn by any active member of the SAR, not limited to members of PASSAR or to descendants of the Fair Play Men who signed their Declaration under the Tiadaghton Elm. Medal sets of large and mini medals enclosed in official SAR medal cases will be struck. The medals are offered at \$40.00 per set (postage included).

to:

PASSAR Tiadaghton Elm – Fair Play Men Medal Order Form

Name	Please make check or money order payable
Address	Tiadaghton Chapter Mail order form with payments to:
Phone: ()	Don Knaus, President
Email Address:	31 Nichols Street
Number of Medal Sets Ordered: (\$40.00 per set)	Wellsboro, PA 16901
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PASSAR Summer BOM Meeting Host Great Glades Chapter Uniontown, PA

Friday, August 6, 2	2021 SONS of
3:00-6:00 PM	Registration & the board of the
Dinner on you own	Hotel: Garden Grille & Bar opens 5:00 PM/Area Restaurant List
7:00 PM	Social Hour- Cash Bar Entertainment at 7:30pm
	West Virginia Mountaineer Fifes & Drums
Saturday, August	7 2021
6:30 to 9:00 AM	
8:00 to 9:00 AM	Breakfast: On-Your-Own (Available in Garden Grille area for hotel guests) Registration
9:00 to 12:00 Noon	Registration Board of Management Meeting Business Casual Ladies Program: Searights Tollhouse, National Historic Landmark Luncheon Deli Delight (plated, choose on Registration Form)
10:00 to 11:00 AM	Ladies Program: Searights Tollhouse, National Historic Landmark
12:00 to 1:30 PM	Luncheon Deli Delight (plated, choose on Registration Form)
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Make checks payable to: Great Glades Chapter SAR

Mail check and registration form to: Everett Sechler,7758 Kingwood Road, Confluence, PA 15424 Contact Info: Phone 814-395-3200, Email: <evsechler@yahoo.com> Meeting contact: Phone 717-475-5451 Bob Wrigley, Email: bobpsu1966@gmail.com

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Junior Member	\$ 5.00
Pennsylvania Society	\$ 25.00
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Pennsylvania Society	\$ 12.00
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Note: Chapter fees must be added to all above categories.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

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

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