



Ladies Auxiliary for the **Pennsylvania Society of the** **Sons of the American Revolution**

NEWSLETTER

Fall 2025

Ladies Auxiliary of the Pennsylvania Society Sons of the American Revolution (LAPASSAR) supports the mission of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution (see link below for more information). The ladies actively participate in SAR activities, attend board of management and leadership meetings, as well as an annual National Congress held in various host states in the United States, and internationally (France). LAPASSAR members are both descendants as well as friends of early American war veterans.

For more information about joining, please e-mail Maribeth Wilt-Seibert at mwtseibert@aol.com. Also see the auxiliary drop box at [PASSAR Ladies Auxiliary](#).



President's Message -

Dear Ladies, I hope that you all have a delightful and enjoyable summer. It was a pleasure to see many of you at the NSSAR Congress meeting July 12 to July 17, 2025, in Connecticut, and the SAR Quarterly Meeting in Altoona, PA Friday August 1 to Saturday August 2, 2025. We had a wonderful tour of Fort Robedeau. The Atlantic Middle States meeting from August 15 to 16, 2025 was also an enjoyable event. Special thanks to Aleta Keck for her wonderful picture taking abilities, many of the pictures from the events are included in this Newsletter.



Thanks in part to our own Bobbi and Joe McMullen, my spouse (known as Mike the PASSAR Treasurer) and I also attended the Lafayette 200

Bicentennial Closing Ceremony and Grand Sendoff at the Drumore Estate

Pequea, Pennsylvania on July 29, 2025. Some of our PASSAR members appeared in the Color Guard. I appreciate all who attended to make this a delightful experience only slightly challenged when Mike and I got lost on the way home.

At the LAPASSAR meeting in May, the Ladies approved offering Lifetime dues for LAPASSAR in the amount of \$20.00. This offer is only good until the end of 2025, so if you know of any Ladies that are interested in joining for a very reasonable Lifetime fee, please let them know. Also, if you are interested, you may convert your yearly fee into a Lifetime fee. Please email Randi for more information at Randifons@msn.com.

I am looking forward to seeing you at the SAR Quarterly meeting on November 8, 2025, at the 1863 Inn of Gettysburg Hotel. We will be meeting at 9:00 AM in the room off the Lobby. At 10:00 AM we hope to leave for a tour of the Beyond the Battlefield Museum in Gettysburg. We will have to carpool, but it is a short drive to the Museum.

Very Sincerely Yours, **Maribeth Wilt-Seibert, President LAPASSAR**



Pennsylvania Society
Sons of the American Revolution
Fall 2025 Board of Management Meeting
Friday, November 7 and Saturday, November 8, 2025



Friday, 7 November 2025

3:00 ~ 6:00 PM Registration
5:00 ~ 7:00 PM Dinner on your own
7:00 ~ 9:00 PM Social Gathering in the Meade Room

Saturday, 8 November 2025

6:30 ~ 10:00 AM Complimentary "Rise & Shine" breakfast for motel guests
8:00 ~ 9:00 AM Registration
9:00 AM ~ 12:00 PM Board of Management Meeting [in the Meade Room]
12:00 ~ 2:00 PM Luncheon catered by Mission BBQ [Speaker: Avellina Balestri, historical presentation on the American Revolution]

1863 Inn of Gettysburg Hotel

516 Baltimore St, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, 17325

When making reservations call Phone: **(866) 953-4483** and mention **Sons of American Revolution**

All Room Rates: \$149 + tax

Rooms available: 2 Queen size beds. All rooms are non-smoking.

Deadline for room reservations is 24 October 2025

Meeting and Activities Registration Form

Registration Fee (Compatriots Only): _____ @ \$40.00 _____
Zoom Attendance (Compatriots Only): _____ @ \$40.00 _____
Saturday Luncheon: _____ @ \$29.00 _____
Total: _____

The deadline for registration for the BoM meeting is 5 November 2025

Name _____ Chapter _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____ Email Address _____

Chapter and/or State Title _____ Guest _____

Please make checks payable to **Continental Congress Chapter** and mail along with your registration form to: Russell L. Mills, 255 Ulricktown Road, Littlestown, PA 17340-9761
Phone: (717) 965-3348 Email: rustymills61@gmail.com



With sincere sympathy and sadness

This summer we mourned the loss of a great friend and woman, Stephanie May Troutman.
(June 14 1952-July 18 2025) [Obituary](#)

St. Thomas Church, Bernville PA

Stephanie was a founder of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

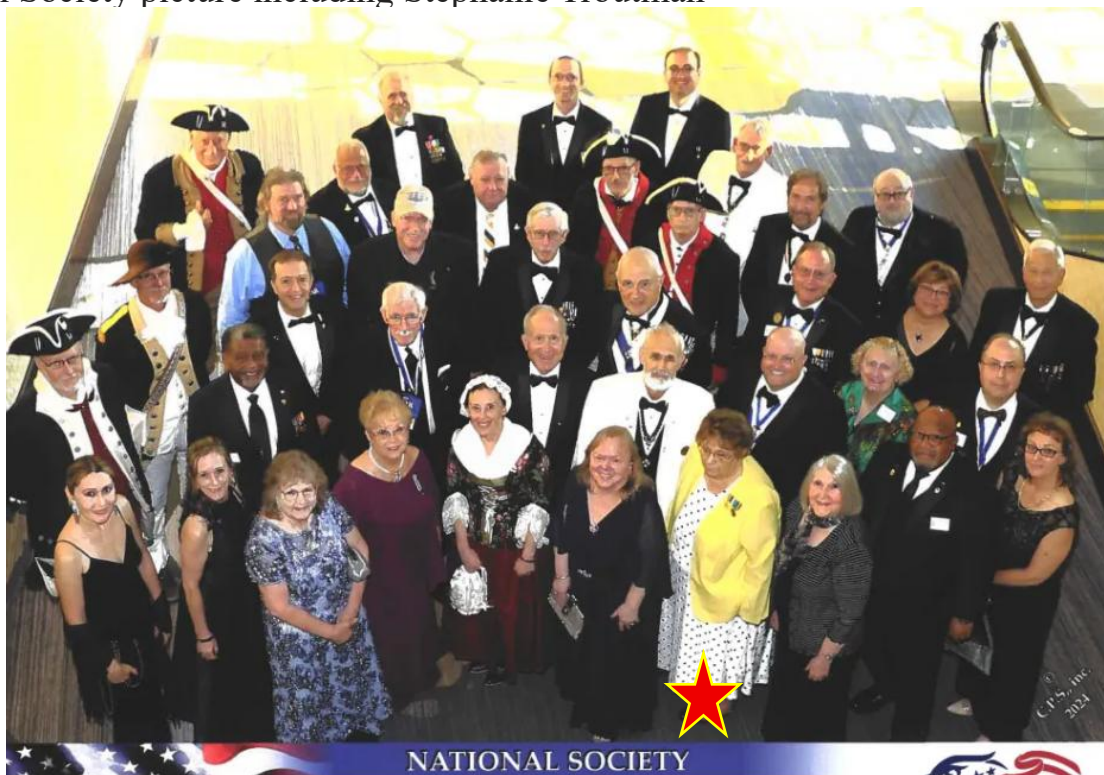
Wife of Mid-Atlantic District Vice President General Eric Troutman, and past President of LAPASSAR. In addition to serving two years as president of the Auxiliary, she was also an active member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Husband, Eric Troutman, served as PASSAR President in 2014 and 2023. Eric is now in his fourteenth year as Registrar for PASSAR in addition to being V. Pres. General for the Mid Atlantic District. Stephanie will be forever missed.

The loss of Stephanie remains a great loss in all of our hearts, and a loss to our society.

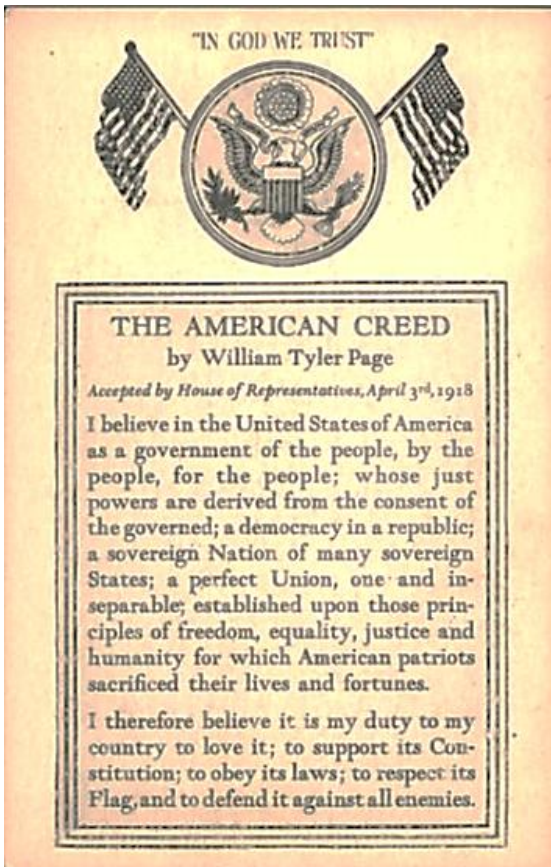
Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.



2024 National Society picture including Stephanie Troutman



The Pennsylvania Delegation



Pledge to the LAPASSAR

We the Ladies Auxiliary of the Pennsylvania Society Sons of the American Revolution carry the weight of tradition, the love of country and of liberty. We believe in the Constitution and recognize the sacrifices of our forefathers. We give our blessing of peace, liberty, and our devotion to the United States of America.

LAPASSAR Recessional

We shall be faithful and summon all citizens to walk in the way of our forefathers and honor this great nation. We go in peace of heart and the safety of God's blessing.

Fort Robedeau was built in 1778 to support and protect lead mining and smelting operations to supply ammunition to the Continental Army. The reconstructed site hosts historical exhibits and was added to the National Register of Historic places in 1974. fortroberdeau.org



Minutes for LAPASSAR meeting 8/2/2025

President Maribeth Wilt Seibert called the meeting to order at 0900.

Members present:

Maribeth Wilt Seibert

Denise Reinhart

Pat McKim

Aleta Keck

Cindy Mills

Michelle Bower- Guest -bowermichelle@hotmail.com

Myriah Troutman granddaughter of Eric Troutman -myriahtroutmasn23@gmail

Blessing was given by Pat McKim

Reports given by officers:

Denise Reinhart -stated that we have centerpieces left from Lancaster in the following quantities and we will reuse them for York AMSA

Large quantity of ivy to be used on head table

Large mirrors 11

Small mirrors 48

Blue arrangements 12

Wine glasses 51

Small glasses 39

Decorated candles 300

Plain candles 100

Denise will have a question to win a centerpiece or mark a plate. We are trying to recycle the centerpieces so that they are not stored

Randi Fonseca submitted a budget which was accepted and attached

Aleta Keck stated that we have pins, earrings, and bracelets that she will sell at AMSA.

Pat McKim sent a get-well card to Becky Moyer and a condolence card to Eric Troutman for the passing of his wife Stephanie.

A donation of \$200.00 was sent to the church Stephanie Troutman attended to honor one of our founding members passing.

Maribeth talked about the arrangements for AMSA weekend of August 15th and 16th.

There will be a buffet on Friday night and a sit-down meal on Saturday evening. A table will be provided at the registration site for Aleta to sell merchandise. Denise and Aleta will decorate with our centerpieces

There will be a speaker on Friday night.

The National Ladies Newsletter was mentioned, and all were encouraged to read it.

Please send pictures to Tiffany for inclusion in the newsletter.

The next meeting will be in November at 1863 Inn in Gettysburg. Details will be put out soon. Aleta will look for a guest speaker.

Pat McKim gave a closing blessing

Respectfully submitted

Aleta Keck





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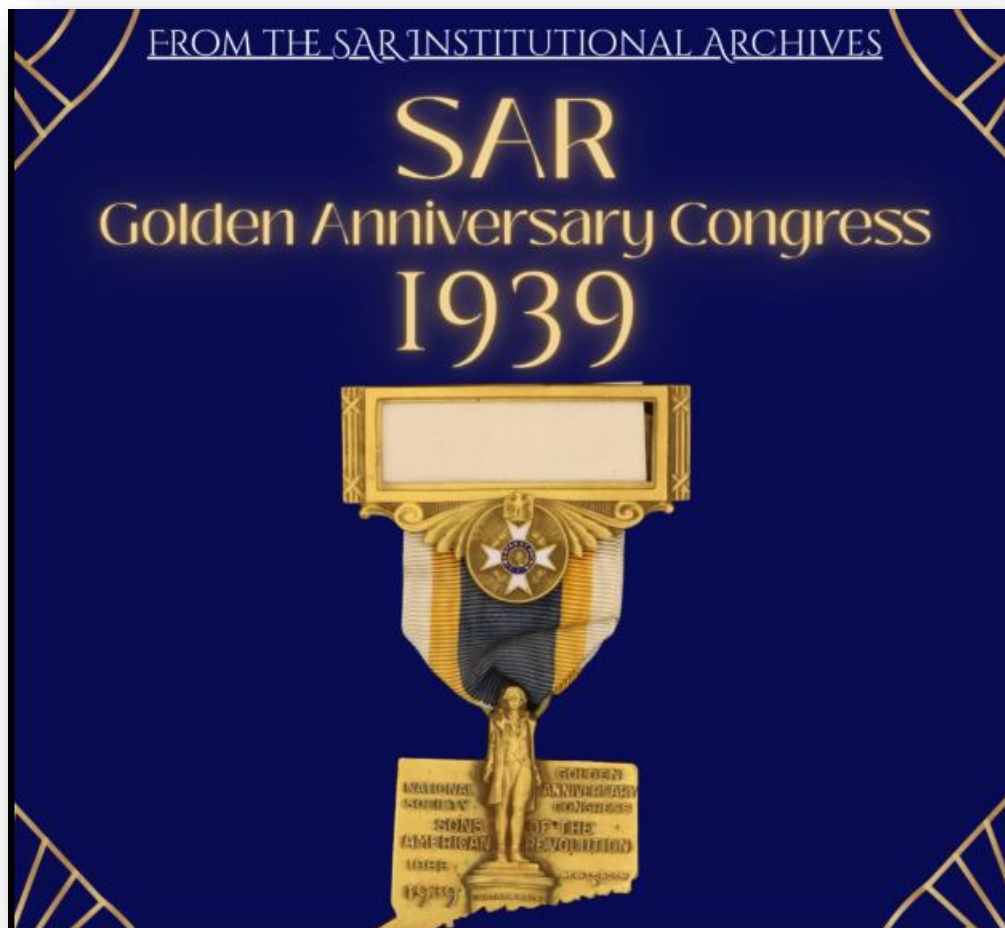


From 2025 SAR Congress in Connecticut

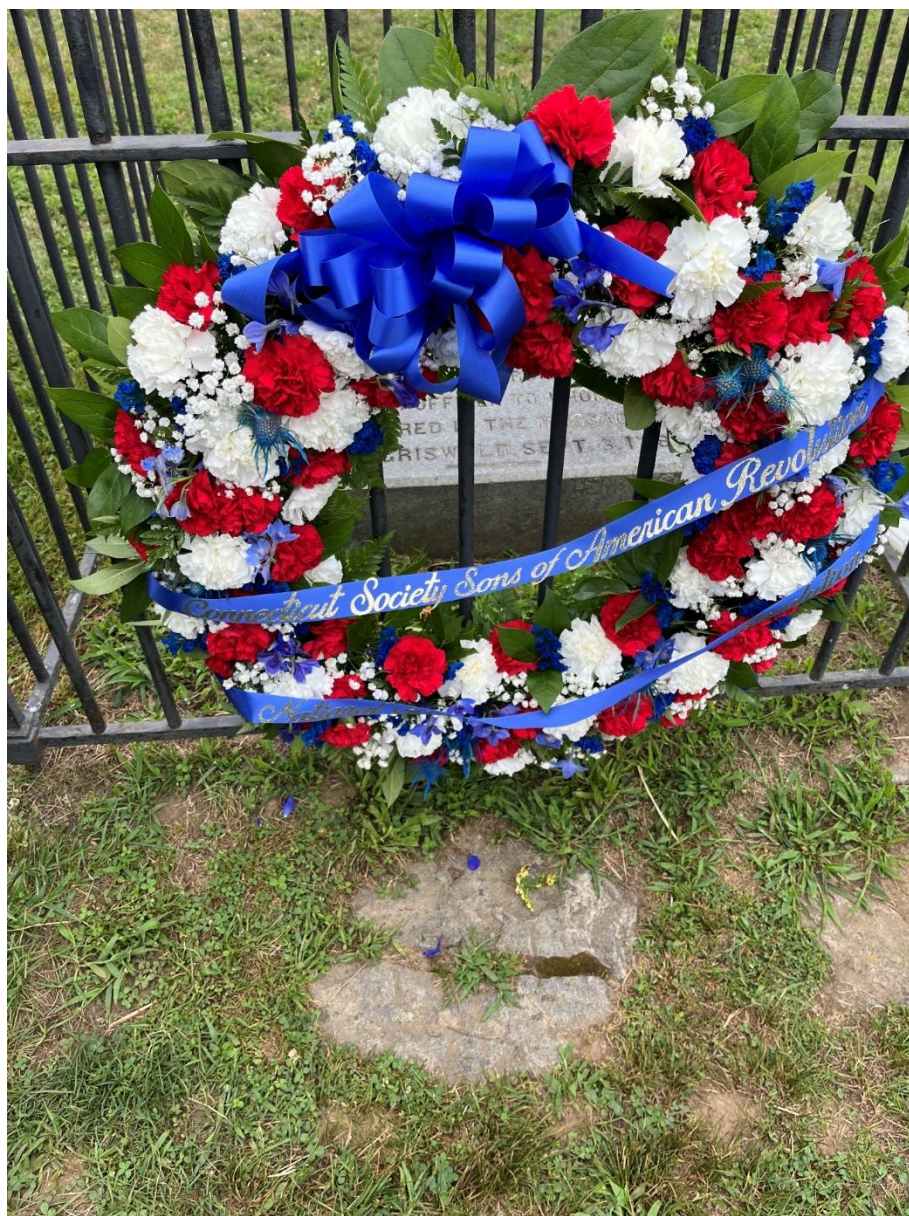


“Way Back When” (via Facebook)

Photo of 1939 congress program cover



Fort Griswold by SAR to honor
Revolutionary War Soldiers



SAR color guard at Norwich Cemetery to honor Revolutionary War Veterans





Marilyn Henry shares with us this photo from Congress:

DAR/SAR/SR Relations Committee attended the 135th SAR Congress in Uncasville. CT.

Representing the LAPASSAR is Maribeth Wilt-Seibert, front row, third.



The next regular LAPASSAR meeting will be in Gettysburg at the 1863 Hotel on November 7 to 8, 2025. Please see aforementioned registration, page 2.

This year marks the 250th Anniversary of the Army, Marines, and Navy!

Image of commemorative pin (available through [Walmart](#) and other suppliers)



In 2025, as America marks its 250th birthday, three of its oldest military branches – the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps – will celebrate the same milestone. These institutions have shaped American history. They stand as symbols of national defense, resilience, and service.

-Wounded Warriors Project

According to [Stars and Stripes](#), We the Veterans and Military Families, we propose one more powerful resolution for 2025: to be active, service-driven citizens. This resolution is not just about fulfilling our civic duties but about embracing the patriotism and pride that unite us as Americans. This year, we are launching **Military250**, a national campaign...Learn about the [homecoming gala](#).
[Honoring Service through Service](#)

Reminder to all lifetime members. Please update your contact information with the LAPASSAR for 2025. Thank you in advance to those who have already responded.

*****If any member wishes to highlight themselves, spouses, or veteran ancestors in the newsletter, please feel free to send in your information.*****





BIRTHDAYS

From our last newsletter and until the next, we wish most happy birthdays to all celebrating at this time. Happy Birthday, ladies!



For your convenience, your officers for 2025-2026 are listed here with their contact information. Please do not hesitate to be in touch with questions, concerns, and ideas.

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Denise Reinhart, Vice-President, parrots@ptd.net or 610-965-5389 (H), 610730-6465 (Cell)



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Sue Brown, Secretary KVKrusader@aol.com or 215-659-1686, 215-287-2679 (Cell)

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Pat McKim, Chaplain, pmmckim@consolidated.net or 412-736- 2673

Please note that SAR and LAPASSAR holds four board of management meetings annually in February, May (annual meeting and elections), August and November. These meetings are scheduled the first Saturday of those months.

**Thank you to our

veterans and military!**

*Pennsylvania Society Sons of the American Revolution website, available at <http://passar.org/>
Sons of the American Revolution have been inspiring American Patriotism since 1889.*