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# Bulletin

*The Ohio Society of the Sons of the American Revolution*

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This marks the end of the first quarter as your President and the time has really flown by. I have done some traveling but not as much as I had hoped. In May, I attended the Pennsylvania Annual Board of Management meeting held in Pittsburgh, Pa. to see how another state operates and to gather some new ideas.

I represented the Ohio Society at the 123rd National Congress held in Kansas City, Missouri this past July and was installed as Alternate Trustee. We received several Ohio Society awards in which I will list in this newsletter. Congratulations to Val Wilke and her Granddaughter Anna Insprucker for being recognized by the National Color Guard Commander, Mike Tomme, and receiving the new Molly Pitcher Award.

I had a great time at Congress especially meeting a lot of new people. I really enjoyed the famed Kansas City pulled pork barbeque and my tour to Independence, Missouri and the Truman Library.

At our Board of Management meeting in Bolivar on July 27<sup>th</sup> we had some notable events. We were honored by the presence of President General Joseph W. Dooley and VPG Lance Carter.

Secondly, the election for Vice President General was conducted by past-VPG's Paul Wilke and Larry Perkins. William Anthony (Tony) Robinson was elected VPG for 2014-2015. I extend my congratulations to Tony and wish him the best when he takes office next year.

And third, Bylaw No. 23, which an amendment was made and ratified at the 2013 Annual Congress to bring NSSAR's investment policy into line with "best practices" for nonprofit corporations and the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act of 2006. The Amendment needed to be ratified by 3/4 of the State Societies before it could be passed as

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*123rd National Congress attendees*



Front Row L-R : April Legler, Val Wilke, Shiela Perkins, George Ruch, Jane Cole, Lizbeth Kelley, Anna Insprucker, and Betty Franklin. Back Row L-R: Tony Robinson, T. Rex Legler, Paul Wilke, Larry Perkins, Jim Fast, Tim Ward, Jack Coles, Steve Kelley, John Franklin and Mike Tomme.

*Ohio Society Awards*



Seated L-R: Paul Wilke, Steve Kelley and Tim Ward.  
Standing L-R: Jim Fast Tony Robinson George Ruch and John Franklin.

**Awards received by the Ohio Society:**

- CAR Activities Award with streamer**
- Paul M. Niebell Award for state Societies newsletter with fewer than 10 pages.**
- Special Periodicals Award for the Society Activity Blog called OHSSARdispatch**
- Allene Wilson Groves Award to the State Society which presents evidence of best implementing SAR resolutions and principles,**
- Officers Attendance Award with streamer**
- President General's Activities Award with Streamer**
- Western Reserve Society received two awards for newsletter and PG Activities Award and Streamer.**



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explained by National Committee Executive member, Timothy Ward.

A motion was made to ratify it by the Ohio Society Board of Management and it and passed unanimously.

Lastly, good news was reported that the development of our new Ohio Society website was well under way. Our new Webmaster, Lance Beebe, informed us that the new site should be up and running in approximately 6 weeks. Our gratitude and thanks goes to Joesph Prell, who has been our webmaster for more than sixteen years.

Our Ft. Laurens Ceremony was not without event. For the first time in several years we were rained out and the ceremony had to be moved inside to the very small Tuscarawas County Visitor Center auditorium. I have to hand it to the Color Guard, who were packed in like sardines and stood for the entire ceremony in what felt like a sauna. A big thanks goes out to Compatriot Richard Fetzer who also weathered through our difficult circumstance very well.

Unfortunately, due to space constraints in the auditorium, we were unable to receive wreaths that were brought from long distances from the many representatives present at the ceremony. A list of those presenters were acknowledged and read by Compatriot Fetzer.

We reconvened at Georgio's Grill and had a great lunch. Awards that were received at the National Congress were presented to the recipients.

Mrs. Marcia Zawacky, President of the Friends of Ft. Laurens Foundation was our keynote speaker. She was presented checks for \$100.00 each for the Friends of Ft Laurens Foundation and the Tuscarawas County Visitors Center. She was also presented a replica of Ft. Laurens that was constructed by C. Richard Michael, who is a member of the Ebenezer Zane Chapter. She also received "Pigs" from several Ohio Society Chapters. The meeting was adjourned shortly thereafter.

I hope to see many of you at Gallipolis for the Point Pleasant Battle Days October 4 - 6, 2013

Thanks for your Support!

Respectfully,

George R. Ruch  
OHSSAR President 2013



### In Memoriam

Richard J. Haviland (Past Genealogist)	June 27, 2013	Western Reserve
John W. Brindo III	July 13, 2013	Samuel Huntington
Luther A. Reedy	July 30, 2013	George Rogers Clark
Charles G. Edwards (Past Historian)	August 3, 2013	Cincinnati



Hub Scott Laureate Awardees  
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## Welcome New Compatriots

### Cincinnati

- Gregory David Ballman
- Loy Wesley Jones, Jr.
- Prescott Bigelow
- David Cecil Hilliard

### Benjamin Franklin

- Frank Joseph Kemitzky
- Marshall Clarke Callahan
- Scott Timothy Callahan

### Richard Montgomery

- Lawrence Tweed Riesser

### Lafayette

- David Mark Alexander II
- Kevin Lee Sain
- Merlin Bradley Farnham
- Merlin Raymond Farnham
- Merlin Edward Farnham

### Northeastern Ohio

- Dylan Lee Sanzenbacher

### Firelands Bicentennial

- Kenneth Eugene Wilson

### Northwest Territory

- Charles Harrison Francis
- Joshua Charles Francis

### Ebenezer Zane

- Craig Lewis Cairns

### Hocking Valley

- William Robert Hill
- James Michael Colby
- James Michael Colby, Jr.
- James F. Stoner, Jr
- Robert Thomas R. Jones
- William Robert W. Jones
- Matthew Raymond M. Jones

### At-Large

- Brent William Haynie
- Calder William Haynie
- Larry Ray Hitchcock
- Michael Edward McKenzie





# Ft. Laurens 2013



Betty Franklin received the Joseph Warren Medal and Certificate from PG Steve Leishman. Betty also received a medal for her Ladies Auxiliary presentation at Congress and the Lydia Darragh medal as president of the Ladies Auxiliary.



The combined State Color Guard at Ft Laurens Memorial in Bolivar, Ohio on July 27, 2013



## 123rd Congress Awards

### Lampighter Awards

- George Walsh
- William Ellerman
- John Buffenbarger
- Steve Kelley
- Gregg McCollough

The Cincinnati and General Henry Knox Chapters were presented streamers.

### Liberty Medal Awards

(First timers)

- John H. Franklin, Jr.
  - Ricik Hartinger
  - Richard Rhodes
  - William West
- (Oak leaf clusters)
- Troy Bailey(2)
  - Jim Fast
  - Ted Minier(3)
  - David Nessley, Sr.
  - Tony Robinson
  - Tim Ward (4)\*
  - Terry Whetstone
  - Paul Wilke
  - Theodore Zajac, Jr.

Tim Ward has exceeded processing 240 applications as a first time signer.

Congratulations !



Filled "Pigs" from various Chapters donated to the Friends of Fort Laurens Foundation President, Marcia Zawacky



★ ★ **Around the State** ★ ★



**Opening Show of the 2013 National Boy Scout Jamboree at beautiful Summit Bechtel Reserve, W. Va.**



*Dan Haas and others staffed the Eagle scout booth for the first half of the Jamboree.*



*A plaque honoring thirty Patriots buried in Montgomery County was dedicated at Woodland Cemetery, Dayton. Ohio Society President George Ruch and Richard Montgomery Chapter President were present at the ceremony.*

*Western Reserve 1st Vice President, Duncan McVean, awards a Certificate of Appreciation to speaker, Stuart Shoaff, retired FBI Agent, for his wonderful presentation about his undercover work with the FBI. Stu holds a copy of a "Mug shot" he needed to trick the criminals that he had a police record.*



*The combined Color Guard of Firelands Bicentennial and John Hancock Chapters presented the Colors at the Berlin Heights Memorial Day Commemoration. Pictured are Dan Haas, his 2 children, Toby and Ellie, his father, Dan Cotter, and Lance Beebe.*



*The Firelands Bicentennial Chapter participated in a Grave Dedication ceremony for Patriot Pliny Kellogg at LaGrange Cemetery on July 13, 2013*



Around the State



*This Independence Day the family of a Northwest Ohio soldier and farmer who died in 1842 paid special tribute for his service during the Revolutionary War. ABC's Christine Long reported from the ceremony honoring John Waggoner at his grave near Fremont. This wasn't only a patriotic family reunion on Thursday to honor a man who served as one of George Washington's body guards. This was also a headstone correction ceremony. For more than a century there has been a mistake. The wrong name was engraved as his wife. Dozens of descendants of a Sandusky County pioneer and Revolutionary War soldier gathered this 4th of July at the grave site of John Waggoner. They lined up together pulling the rope to unveil their ancestor's headstone.*



*Orderly Sgt. Timothy Rose was honored on Saturday, July 21st in Granville, Ohio by the Granville Historical Society, Daughters of the American revolution, and the Hocking Valley Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. Sgt. Rose was a founder of Granville in 1805 and is buried in the Old Colony Burial Grounds. DAR Ohio State Regent, Sandy McCann and Ohio Society SAR President, George Ruch gave presentations. Compatriots Tom Hankins and Kevin Bennett of the Hocking Valley Chapter did the planning and legwork for the ceremony. Two pipers were on hand to lead the attendees from the Old Academy building to the burial grounds.*



*On July 22, 2013 the Early Settlers Association of the Western Reserve celebrated the 217th Birthday of the City of Cleveland, Ohio. This marks the date that Moses Cleveland landed on the shores of the Cuyahoga River to survey the area that would be the site of the City of Cleveland. Each year the Archibald Willard Color Guard of the Western Reserve Society, Sons of the American Revolution, posts the Colors for the event, and escorts descendants of Moses Cleaveland to his statue on Public Square where a wreath is presented. This year, Mary Bacon Artino and Joseph, her son, and Lauren, her daughter, placed the wreath.*



*The Camp Charlotte Chapter with the help of the Hocking Valley and Mariette Chapters dedicated a Minute-man Monument and marker to the Patriots of Pickaway County at the Forest Cemetery in Circleville.*



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

Please make your reservations by September 20, 2013

Hampton Inn Gallipolis, 444 State Route 7 South, Gallipolis, OH 45631

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City and State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Individuals should make SAR reservations at the Hampton Inn at **(740) 446-8000**, but send payment to OHSSAR Treasurer, J. Atlee Horner III.

Lodging (Hampton Inn) \_\_\_ \$105.00 per night (*includes breakfast*) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please reserve \_\_\_ Golden Corral \$15.00 (*Friday buffet*) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to Treasurer, OHSSAR and mail to:

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## Schedule of Activities

### Friday, October 4, 2013

5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Dinner at Golden Corral (Across the street from the Hampton)

6:00 p.m. Executive Board Meeting at Golden Corral

7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Candlelight Tour of Battle Monument State Park

### Saturday, October 5, 2013

Breakfast at Hampton Inn

8:00 -10:15 a.m. Meeting at the Hampton Inn

11:00 a.m. Battle Days Parade will commence on Main Street at 10th Street.

Noon Luncheon on your own.

6:00.- 8:00 p.m. \*Colonial Governor's Reception & Ball held at American Legion Post 23, 100 Second St. (Colonial attire encouraged)

8:00 -10:00 p.m. Colonial Ball at the same location.(This event is free of charge)

### Sunday, October 6, 2013

Breakfast at Hampton Inn

10:00 a.m. Early Colonial Church Service at Tu-Endie-Wei State Park

12:30 p.m. \*Luncheon at Trinity United Methodist Church, 615 Viand St.

2:00 p.m. Memorial Service to commemorate the Battle of Point Pleasant.

\* There are charges for these marked events by Point Pleasant Chapter WVSSAR. Send their Reservation form to P.O. Box 511, Point Pleasant, WV, 25550 if interested.



## Dates to Remember

**Oct. 4 - 6, 2013 OHSSAR BOM meeting, Point Pleasant, W.Va.**

**Feb. 7 - 8, 2014 OHSSAR Winter BOM meeting at the Newark Metropolitan Hotel, Newark, Ohio.**

**Feb. 28 - Mar. 2, 2014 NSSAR Spring Leadership meeting, Louisville, Ky.**

**May 2 - 4, 2014 OHSSAR 125th Annual Conf., Salt Fork Conference Center, Salt Fork State Park, Ohio.**

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