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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It has been my honor to serve as your 2008-2009 President. I have enjoyed visiting our Chapters throughout Ohio and participating in local, state and National events on behalf of the Ohio Society. Although our Nation may be undergoing some rough economic times, our Patriotism continues to shine. Our country has been through some tough times before and we always seem to persevere. It has been my pleasure to meet many SAR members throughout Ohio. I must state that my experience is that SAR members are always friendly and outgoing and care about their country. Please remember that our Founding Fathers had their share of political disagreements and national crisis. Our country always finds a way to get past our troubles and move forward. The members of the SAR continue to perpetuate the memory of the American Revolution and the ideals upon which our country was founded. I'm proud to be a member!

Our Winter Board of Management meeting held in Columbus, Ohio went well and had a good turnout! Our guest speaker for the luncheon was Mr. Douglas Hamilton who is a direct descendant of Alexander Hamilton. Doug shared his experience of portraying his Patriot Ancestor in the reenactment of the 200th Anniversary of his duel with Aaron Burr. His presentation was very informative and enlightening. Thank you Doug!

At the Spring Leadership meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, the Trustees voted to move forward with the build out of the Library portion of the new Center For Advancing America's Heritage. We will finally be

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moving forward with part of the renovation of the new building in Louisville. At the same time, we will continue our fundraising efforts in order to renovate the entire building. I'm looking forward to the opening of the Library and eventually the Center.

I'd like to invite all of you to join me in Warren, Ohio May 1st through the 3rd for our Annual Ohio Society Conference. The National Secretary General will be joining us and speaking to us at our Saturday evening Banquet. We will also have a visit from a direct descendant of Patrick Henry who will portray his Patriot Ancestor. I'm looking forward to a great evening. We will also be electing and installing our new Ohio Society Officers that weekend. Please join us!

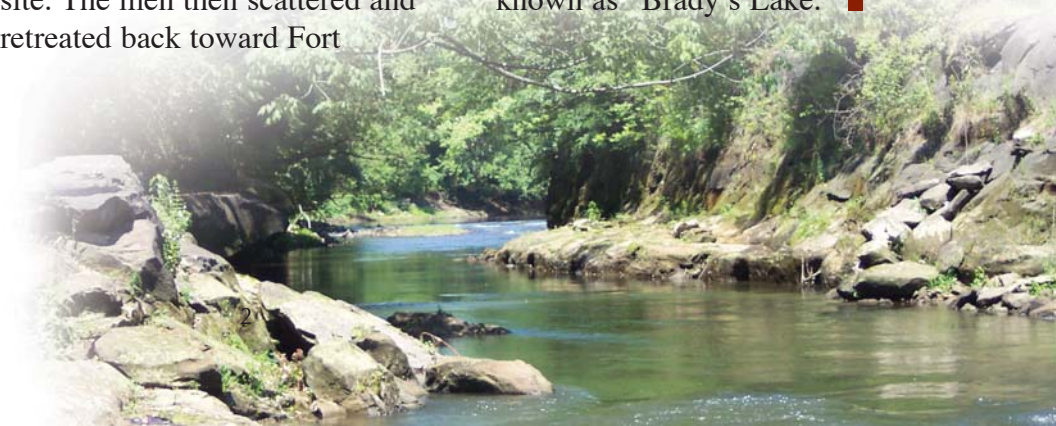
Patriotically yours,
Timothy E. Ward



BRADY'S LEAP

In October of 1781 Captain Samuel Brady led about 40 of his "Brady's Rangers" up the Beaver River to the Mahoning River near present day Niles, Ohio in search of a large war party of Indians. They followed signs of them westward and found about 60 warriors camped east of Breakneck Creek near present day Kent, Ohio. They set up an ambush site and then a few of their group attacked the camp and retreated to the ambush site. About 10 Indians were killed at the camp and about 30 were killed or wounded at the ambush site. The men then scattered and retreated back toward Fort

McIntosh (located at present day Beaver, Pennsylvania) on their own. Captain Brady was captured and taken to the Mingo Village of Honnia near Kent, Ohio where he was made to run a gauntlet. He broke through the line and made a 22-foot leap across a gorge over the Cuyahoga River. The Indians did not make the leap and had to cross farther downstream to continue the pursuit. Brady hid under a hollow log in a lake until nightfall and then made his escape. The spot on the Cuyahoga is now known as "Brady's Leap" and the lake is known as "Brady's Lake." ■





THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION IN OHIO

In March of 1782 about 90 Moravian missionary Indians were massacred near present day Gnadenhutten, Ohio. The massacre was committed by a group of about 100 men that had been led into Ohio by Colonel David Williamson. These men were on a retaliatory mission as they blamed these Christian Indians for the raids against their settlements along the upper Ohio River.

In June of 1782 Colonel William Crawford and Colonel David Williamson led about 480 troops across the Ohio River near their rendezvous point of Mingo Bottom (present day Mingo Junction, Ohio south of Steubenville) and continued westward through present day New Philadelphia, Mansfield, and Crestline, Ohio to conduct a preemptive strike upon Wyandot and Delaware Indian villages along the Upper Sandusky River. On June 4, 1782

they were attacked and surrounded near present day Upper Sandusky, Ohio and were badly beaten in the two day "Battle of Sandusky." The troops attempted to breakout of the encirclement by the Indians and flee back toward the Ohio River. Colonel Crawford was captured on June 7, 1782 and taken to the present day city of Crawford, Ohio where he was tortured and burned at the stake on June 11, 1782.

On June 6, 1782, about 250 men in the retreating forces under Colonel Williamson fought the "Battle of Olentangy" on the headwaters of the Olentangy River near present day Bucyrus, Ohio. They were then able to continue their retreat back across the Ohio River and they arrived at Mingo Bottom on June 13, 1782.

These two battles resulted in about 135 American deaths. ■



*Pictured top, left to right: Colonel Crawford Monument, Battle of Sandusky Monument
bottom, left to right: Gnadenhutten Monument, Battle of Olentangy Monument (Seccaium Monument)*

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AROUND THE STATE

Ohio Society Color Guard advances the Colors to begin the Wreaths Across America Program at the Ohio Western Reserve Cemetery in Rittman, Ohio on December 13, 2008.



Wreaths Across America



The Ebenezer Zane Chapter participated in the Wreaths Across America Program on December 13, 2008 at the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies in Bridgeville, Pennsylvania.

Ohio Society Color Guard at the Dayton National Cemetery in Dayton, Ohio, December 13, 2008 for the Wreaths Across America Program.

OHSSAR President Timothy Ward with Alexander Hamilton descendants Douglas and Alexander Hamilton at the Winter Board of Management meeting in Columbus, Ohio on February 7, 2009. Douglas Hamilton was a guest speaker regarding his portrayal of the 200th anniversary of his ancestor's duel with Aaron Burr.



Past OHSSAR President Robert Mayne presents Walter Hoy a Certificate of appreciation for his talk on the "Wright B Flyer" at the Richard Montgomery Chapter's George Washington Birthday Banquet on February, 22, 2009.





Jonathan C. Schneider receives an Eagle Scout Award from Rodger Moore of the Richard Montgomery Chapter on March 4, 2009.



On March 5, 2009 Compatriot Gary Timmons receives the "History Hero" award from the West Virginia Division of Archives and History for his work in preservation and promoting West Virginia History in the Wheeling and Ohio County area. Pictured left to right are WV State Delegate Timothy R. Ennis, Archives and History Commission Chairman Robert Conte, Gary Timmons, Secretary of Education and Arts Kay Goodwin, and Delegates Roy Givens and Orphy Klempa.

Past Chapter Presidents Tom & Harry Geimeier with Major Thomas C. Griffin who took part in Doolittle's Raiders bombing mission over Tokyo, Japan in WWII. Major Griffin was the guest speaker at the Cincinnati Chapter President's Day Luncheon on February 28, 2009.



Rufus Putnam Chapter President, Brian McKee, presents the Law Enforcement Commendation Award to Sgt. Douglas McGrath of the Morgan County Sheriff's Department with Sheriff Tom Jenkins.

Mary Regula receives a Martha Washington medal from Western Reserve Society President Ted Minier at their George Washington Birthday Banquet on February 21, 2009.





WELCOME NEW COMPATRIOTS

Western Reserve Society

William Irving Franco*
William Leslie Shanklin
Harry B. Shimp
Troy Daniel Welty

Cincinnati

William Joseph Fowler
Larry Jay Denny, II
John Alber Ludwig
Nicholas Gregory Ludwig
Donald C. McGraw, Jr.
William Franklin Sprague

Benjamin Franklin

Jeffrey Robert Allen
John Joseph Beck
Philip Wesley Romine
Mark Vincent Runyon

Richard Montgomery

Emery Paul Phipps, Jr.
Howard Porter Holmes

John Stark

William Gail Farber

Lafayette

John Brian Gilford

Northeastern Ohio

David P. McIlrath Cavanaugh*
Robert Gerald Chestnutt
Scott William Goodhue
Ethen Jeffrey Pitts*
Dakota Van Buren Roby*
Devan Russell Michael Treharn*
Ayden Preston Hippo Warmoth*

Firelands-Bicentennial

Ronald Edward Tennant

Arthur St. Clair

Vincent Matthew Billock*

John Hancock

Daniel James Haas
James Richard Haas
Floyd Paul Kasler

Bill of Rights

Joseph McDivitt Rogers

Northwest Territory

Patrick Charles Dean France
Rodney Clayton France

Ebenezer Zane

Jerry Lee Bruhn
Kenneth James Gilcrest

Camp Charlotte

Michael G. McGinnis

**Junior Member*

IN MEMORIAM

Western Reserve Society

Dwight Edward Crawford
3/08/09
Kenneth Hauser Rahn
4/18/09

Cincinnati

Roy L. Anderson
11/07/08
Laurence Fisher Gard
11/21/08

Benjamin Franklin

Robert P. DeBenedictis
5/23/08
Thomas Theodore Williams
11/05/08

Richard Montgomery

Kirby Lee Bauman
12/07/08
George E. Trumpore
12/19/08

John Stark

Richard Curtis Morrow
10/19/08

Lafayette

Brice E. Gustin
9/27/08

George Rogers Clark

William Robert Werst, Sr.
11/24/08

Constitution

David Richard Ralston
2/09/08

Ewing

James Cleveland Cline
5/07/08
James Jarvis Dorr
9/06/08

Firelands-Bicentennial

Joseph S. Dowman
12/23/08

Rufus Putnam

Marion Edward Bluck
1/13/09

Centennial

Dick Gene Neu
1/27/09

Arthur St. Clair

John Frank Mace
7/27/08

OHIO LADIES' AUXILIARY UPDATE

The Ladies Auxiliary will be holding a meeting on Friday evening (May 1, 2009) at the Ohio Society Conference in Warren, Ohio while the men conduct their Executive Committee meeting. We will be conducting a raffle on Saturday afternoon (May 2, 2009) to raise money to support SAR functions. Please bring items to contribute toward the raffle. We will also have our ladies outing on Saturday while the men conduct their Board of Management meeting. We will be going to the Butler Institute of Art. A \$10.00 charge will cover the admission and our lunch. We look forward to seeing you there!

Beth Ward

President, Ohio Society Ladies Auxiliary



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ANNUAL MEETING RESERVATION FORM

Please make your reservation before April 1, 2009

Make reservations at the Avalon Inn (330) 856-1900. Send payment to the OHSSAR Treasurer.

Name _____

Address _____

City and State _____ Zip _____

Chapter _____

If you have made your Avalon Inn room reservation check here: _____ \$91.00/night \$_____

Please reserve _____ Dinner(s) at \$24.00 each for Friday, May 1 \$_____
(Flank Steak)

Please reserve _____ Dinner(s) at \$32.00 each for Saturday, May 2 \$_____
(Beef/Chicken Combo)

Make check payable to Treasurer OHSSAR and mail to: \$_____ TOTAL

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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE OHIO SOCIETY

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Friday, May 1

4:00 - 6:00PM: Registration

4:00PM: Hospitality Suite opens

6:30PM: Dinner, Executive Committee Meeting follows

Saturday, May 2

7:30 - 8:30AM: Registration

7:30AM: Breakfast at Inn (included in room rate)

8:30AM: Board of Management Meeting

8:45AM: Ladies Gather

9:00AM: Ladies Outing:

3:00 PM: Oration Contest

6:00: Receiving Line (Cash Bar)

6:30PM: Dinner Banquet

Banquet Speaker: NSSAR Secretary General Edward Butler

Banquet Guest: A visit by Patrick Henry

LOCATION

Avalon Inn

9519 East Market Street

Warren, OH 44484

(330) 856-1900

Sunday, May 3

7:30AM: Breakfast

8:30AM: Memorial Service followed by
installation of 2009-2010 Officers

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OHSSAR'S OWN FUNDRAISING PROGRAM

The Ohio Society SAR is undertaking an annual fundraising program to help support our youth programs and assist in hosting a National Congress in 2010. Each contributor will be recognized in a future edition of the Bulletin and will receive a letter acknowledging their contribution. Additionally, donors of \$100 to \$499 will receive a white Century Club shield to wear behind their SAR membership rosette; \$500 to \$999 will receive a blue Century Club shield; and \$1000 and up will receive a gold shield. Annual giving donation amounts will be tabulated for a lifetime so that Compatriots can obtain the different Century Club shields as their yearly contributions are totaled. All donations are tax deductible. Help Ohio Shine in 2010!

MY DONATION

I wish to donate \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

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