

A NEWSLETTER OF THE NEW JERSEY SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION



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Major Victory at Princeton Battlefield

Famous Battlefield Saved With Help From NJSSAR Princeton NJ, May 2018

Members of the Sons of the American Revolution have fought hard alongside the Civil War Trust for the preservation of Princeton Battlefield and have won a glorious victory. This recent battle, so to speak, has resulted in preserving forever Maxwell's Field, 14+ acres in Princeton, NJ where General George

Washington rode to within 90 feet of the British line, rallied his troops, and eventually won the Battle of Princeton.

Originally owned by the Institute for Advanced Studies in Princeton and slated for dorms and housing, the battlefield is now preserved thanks to the efforts of the



Civil War Trust and their partners in the effort including the NJSSAR. The Civil War Trust raised \$3M dollars and the NJSSAR and other partners raised an additional \$1.5M to secure the necessary funds for this truly monumental transaction. NJSSAR President Rob Meyer has been a major part of the NJ effort and found support on a national level. At the Mid Atlantic Conference in 2017 he helped raise \$17,000 from other SAR's in attendance. Says President Meyer, *"New Jersey feels very strongly about preserving battlefields, not just in our own backyard but around the country".*

Fought on Jan. 3, 1777, in a series of daring maneuvers, Washington successfully attacked isolated elements of the British army. His decisive charge at Princeton marked his army's first victory over British regulars and revitalized the cause of American independence.

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JERSEY PATRIOT NJSSAR President's Message

Robert C. Meyer - State President New Jersey Society Sons Of The American Revolution

Compatriots of the New Jersey Society, many great things have happened

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since our February meeting. If you did not attend the February meeting you missed our President General Larry Guzzy as well as an awesome presentation of clothing from the 1700s.

This presentation was put on by Patricia Sanftner of the New Jersey Daughters of the American Revolution Society. Our women's auxiliary is up and running and has a lot of good plans for the future. The SAR is a family-orientated society. I think it is important that we open up programs for our wives and partners. It gives them an opportunity to meet other

women whose husbands are in the Sons of the American Revolution. I would very much like to see our society and our State luncheons have more of a female presence. New Jersey has participated in and won the Admiral Furlong award for handing out flag certificates to individuals and businesses in our local community. We had 100% chapter participation. Recently at the Spring Leadership I was approached and asked why New Jersey does not have any historically recognized Battlefields on the historic sites and celebrations committee. I have just completed and sent a report to National. It appears that the Battle of Monmouth meets the qualifications needed. The other battles; Princeton, Trenton, Springfield, Bound Brook, and Fort Lee will need future representation by our State Chapters and other States societies to get them recognized. Hopefully, we will work on that in the future. I hope you all enjoy a wonderful summer. And will come out and support other Chapter projects and events until we meet again in October.

In our Patriots cause I remain,

Robert C Meyer. President

New Jersey Society Sons of the American Revolution.

To Unite and Promote Fellowship among the decendents of those who sacrificed to achieve the independence of the American People, to inspire them and the community at large with a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers; to foster true patriotism; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom.

President General Guzy Attends NJSSAR February State Meeting

Tours Princeton Battlefield with NJSSAR Leadership

It is not often that you meet and dialogue with the **President** of an historic national organization; even less frequent that the President decides to travel to your location, spend a couple days getting to know you better



and attend your Board meeting and Luncheon. Amid the backdrop of many firsts for the NJSSAR that is what h a p p e n e d . P r e s i d e n t

General of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution Larry Guzy was the honored guest of the Society at the February 24, 2018 meeting and spent the day prior traveling with the NJSSAR leadership to tour



the Princeton Battlefield.

Compatriot Guzy served 3 years in the US navy on the U S S Independence Aircraft Carrier. Says President

Top Left Photo - President General Larry Guzy receives Sword as a "gesture of good will" on behalf of the NJSSAR. Sword provided by Gary Beauregard of the Monmouth County Chapter

Bottom Left Photo- President General Guzy presented with Princeton Battlefield artwork by NJSSAR President Robert Meyer during the February 24, 2018 State Meeting. General Guzy " I was drawn to the SAR for the ability to preserve my link to the American Revolution and only later found the joy of friendship and the ability to reach out to others through recruiting and education". The NJSSAR was proud to have PG Guzy visit our State SAR.

During the Board of Managers meeting President Meyer informed the Board of Managers that the Princeton Battlefield Society has placed the NJSSAR symbol on their official mug. This move demonstates

t h e connection the NJSSAR has with o t h e r important historical societies throughout N.J. On their



part, New Jersey SAR also announced that they have recently donated \$1,000 to the Swan Historical Foundation and an additional \$1,000 to the Summerseat Historical House. \$17,159 was sent to the Civil War Trust for the Princeton Battlefield with \$5,000 of that sum coming from the NJSSAR in memory of John Moller.

During the luncheon the attendees were treated to a demonstration of Period Clothing of the 18th Century by DAR State Hisorian Patricia Santfner.

Center Right Photo - Patricia Santfner describes one of the many layers of dress worn by colonial women in the 1800's.

April Board of Managers Meeting and Annual Luncheon

A Board of Managers meeting was held on April 14, 2018 at the Princeton Marriot in Princeton, NJ. President Robert Meyer presiding.



During the B o a r d meeting the P r e s i d e n t asked for participation at the u p c o m i n g "Battle of Monmouth"

reenactment which will be commemorting the 240th anniversary of the Battle. A discussion took place on the feasablity of holding meetings using electronic communication such as "Go to Meeting". Registrar Bruce Ryno reported that registration is up with "More and More registrations coming in every day". Registration information will be posted in all future Newsletters as well. The Scout contest award will be raised from \$500 to \$1000 in the future and efforts made to boost participation in that and the Oration and JROTC competitions. A discusson was held on the purchase of Insurance for certain reenactments, and on contributiong a match share towards the First Mountain efforts to install a plaque to commemorate the Baylors

Photo Top - Eagle Scout Essay award winner Jacob Mangeri.

Photo Right - State President Robert Meyer with JROTC Leadership Award winner Nicole Dado, Major G.J. Penczak USMC (Ret) of Colts Neck and Rumbaugh Oration Contest winner Nick Fischer. Massacre near Tappan. The Treaurer, Warren Fristensky reported they have completed the Reconciliation of dues with the National Society and reports 591 active members an increase of 48 over last year (which is an 8.8% increase). All files have been backed up to ensure against lost data and the expense voucher system is in place which requires formal approval of all expenses backed up with reciepts.

At 12 noon the Board and many other patriots convened in the large banquet room for a luncheon and afternoon of entertainment. Among the many attendees were three special guests. Nicole Dado of Colts Neck High School, was the JROTC Leadership Award winner this year for her award winning essay. Nick Fischer, also of Colts Neck High School presented his 6-minute Oration Contest entry titled "Our First Freedom" and Eagle Scout Jason Mangeri was present to recieve his award. All three recieved a \$500 award for their patriotic works and the full room rose to their feet for the youths and their parents with a champagne cider toast proposed by Edward Glidden.



Actor-Playwright Stu Richel Presents

"Vietnam...through my lens" At NJSSAR Meeting in Prnceton

For those who have not attended NJSSAR meetings or luncheons you should really consider attending one of them in the near future. Surrounded by patriots whose lineage dates back to the Revolutionary War makes one feel closer to the history itself. During the April meeting it was the Vietnam War that we all felt a little closer to thanks to Stu Richel, Author and Playright. Mr. Richel was the guest speaker at the New Jersey Society Sons of the American Revolution's April 14, 2018 Luncheon at the Princeton Marriot. "Vietnam through my lens"...is written and performed by Stu and is a soldier's reflective journey as a combat photographer through Vietnam and beyond. Stu, a graduate of Cornell Law School who abandoned the corporate life in 1987 to follow the arts, was a combat photographer wth the U.S. First Infrantry Division in Vietnam (1969). He took the audience through a captivating journey as he served in Vietnam, at one point finding the courage to descend a dark tunnel no larger than his physical frame to search for hidden Vietcong. He later explained to me that he just needed to feel like he was part of the mission.

If you would like to see the presentation or get more information visit



Stu Richel with members of the NJSSAR at the April 14, 2018 Luncheon at the Princeton Marriot.

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Vietnam... *through my lens*

Chapter Presidents Report May 2018 - Warren C. Fristensky

Dear West Fields Chapter Compatriots,

Since my last report in April, I have attended several Chapter and State events, and I am preparing to attend the National Congress in Houston in July as well as the Atlantic Middle States Conference in August. We have a busy spring and summer ahead of us, particularly with work on the Abraham Clark House, and we could use some volunteers to supervise some of the work at the house. Please be sure to look at the events calendar at the end of the report and plan on attending as many events as you can.

While I am the Chapter President, I also serve as the State Treasurer and am the National Vice-President General of the North Atlantic District (2016-2018). As such I attend the National Congress, Fall and Spring Leadership meetings and preside over the Atlantic Middle States Annual Conference. I have therefore provided information about all of these events in this report.

Several of our new members have become active and have also acquired Color Guard uniforms (3rd New Jersey) so that they can participate in uniform should the occasion call for it. Our Chapter Color Guard, led by Captain Richard Blundin, is the core of the State Color Guard and many of our members participate at the State level also. Should you wish to join the Color Guard, please let me know. Respectfully submitted,

Warren C. Fristensky, President, West Fields Chapter, NJSSAR

Atlantic Middle States Association Annual Meeting Newport News, VA

Each year the AMS, which consists of seven member states (DE, DC, MD, NJ, NY, PA, VA), convenes its annual meeting to elect officers and provide a Candidates Forum for those seeking National Office. It is the first such meeting of the year for the candidates and almost all National Officers and Candidates attend. The annual meeting of the AMSA will be 10-12, August 2018 in Newport News, VA. This meeting is open to all compatriots and is a wonderful opportunity to explore what other states are doing and to meet new friends. All are welcome.

VPG Louis Raborg is seen here with NJ State Regent Karen Stroever at an event in Maryland, in the Middle Atlantic District of the AMS.

JERSEY PATRIOT Dr. Robert A. Selig Visits West Fields Chapter

Internationally Respected Historian Speaks at Annual Dinner

The West Fields Chapter held their annual dinner at the Echo Lake Country Club on Wednesday, 18th April (rescheduled from March due to inclement weather). About 35 Compatriots and friends enjoyed a festive evening with the Color Guard presenting the colors . The dinner Featured a special speaker: **the award-winning and internationally respected historian Dr. Robert A. Selig**, who has distinguished himself with his extensive



historical consulting work on the **Washington-Rochambeau National Historic Trail** (<u>https://www.nps.gov/waro/index.htm</u>), part of which passes through Westfield. Dr. Selig has worked for some 17 years with the National Park Service and each of the nine states (plus Washington, D.C.) through which the "Revolutionary Route" passes, striving to honor and help preserve this national treasure.

The trail's importance to the victory of the American and French forces at Yorktown in 1781 is widely recognized, and in recent years led to the creation of the National Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route Association Inc. (W3R-US.org) dedicated to the preservation of the route and its history. Partial funding for Dr. Selig's appearance has been provided by The Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route-NJ Association (W3R-NJ.org) and by the national organization.

In recognition of his efforts, Dr. Selig in 2012 received the Distinguished Patriot

Award from National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and, from the French Government, *Les Palmes Académiques*.

Repairs and Improvements To Be Made To Abraham Clark House

Joint Meeting Planned with Westfields Chapter

The Abraham Clark Memorial House is supported by several of our members who are also members of the Abraham Clark Chapter. Located in Roselle, on a portion of the property owned by Patriot Abraham Clark, the

house participates in the Four Centuries Weekend program run by Union County. A joint meeting is again planned for the West Fields and Abraham Clark Chapters.

Volunteers will be needed to assist in organizing a series of repairs and improvements to the house. Planned projects include: Exterior painting, new gutters and leaders, sprucing up the landscaping, repairing the driveway, installing a new roof and painting the tenant apartment. A very busy year at the Abraham Clark House!

The Abraham Clark Board meets at the house to manage the various projects.



Covering Essex, Bergen and Hudson Counties

Chapter Presidents Report April 2018 - Phillip Berg

Chapter Meetings & Trips

- Chapter met on Sunday, April 8, 2018 at Zeppelin Beer Hall of Jersey City.
- Chapter field trip to Washington's Crossing scheduled for Sunday, May 6, 2018.
- Chapter field trip to Morristown area rescheduled for mid-July due to snow in March.
- Chapter meeting will be scheduled over the summer for the fall and winter of 2018.

Chapter News

- Chapter meetings continue to rotate between Bergen, Essex and Hudson Counties.
- Compatriot George Davis is leading efforts to work with the BSA NNJC Council to supply certificates to Eagle Scouts. Funds were approved to purchase certificates from SAR store.
- Jeremiah Murnane IV will be presented on Sunday, 4/15 with the Chapter's flag certificate in honor of his Eagle Project, which revolved around proper erection and maintenance of our nation's flag at North Caldwell Borough Hall.
- The Chapter continues to work with Google to take advantage of free services provided to nonprofit organizations such as SAR chapters. There appears to be a disconnect in the registration process and it is taking far longer than anticipated.
- Communications have been opened with the Bergen County Parks Department to ask permission to place a plaque commemorating the 240th anniversary of the Baylor Massacre in River Vale. A formal update will be made to the Board of Governors in April.
- http://www.historycarper.com/1778/10/03/skirmish-near-tappan/
- https://books.google.com/books?id=zDEUAAAAYAAJ&dq=Knyphausen%20tappa n%201778&pg=PA57#v=onepage&q=Knyphausen%20tappan%201778&f=false
 First Mountain will seek financial assistance from NJSSAR at the 4/14 meeting in order to make this happen.
- The Chapter will alternate between outside speakers and Chapter members explaining the history of their ancestor(s). We are calling this new meeting segment "MyAncestor". Communications with Captain Abraham Godwin Chapter
- Multiple members of our neighboring chapter are attending our meetings and trips.

The First Mountain Chapter Remembers The Baylor's Massacre

The Baylor Massacre took place on September 28, 1778 when Lt. Col George Baylor's 3rd Regiment of Continental Dragoons were attacked as they slept in several barns in Hackensack, NJ by Sir James Bairds Company. It is believed Tories betrayed their whereabouts to the British who surrounded the barn. Sixteen privates from Baird's company were lodged in a barn, nine of them were bayoneted and a number of the Americans were killed after they had surrendered.

The First Mountain Chapter has taken special interest in this Battle and is working on a commemoration of the attack. September 28, 2018 will mark the 240th anniversary of this dark moment and the First Mountain Chapter wishes all Compatriots to remember the sacrafice of those who perished that day.

JERSEY PATRIOT Monmouth Chapter Founded 1913

Covering Monmouth County

Chapter Presidents Report May 2018 - Edward Glidden

The Monmouth County Chapter met on March 16, 2018 and again on May 18th. Both meetings took place at the Town and Country Diner in Keyport NJ and were



well attended. The March meeting afforded Nicholas Fischer, Junior at Colts Neck High School, an opporunity to present his Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest entry titled " Our First Freedom". Nick's oration is a look back at George

Washington's concern for the religous liberty of even the conquered peoples and a look present on the intolerence of many towards our right to defend those religous liberties. At the May 18th meeting the attendees were treated to a story titled "The Battles of White Plains: A Conflict Between Armies and Siblings in the Fall of 1776". The story was delivered by Robert Hoch, Esq, Chairman of the White Plains

Preservation Commission and native of White Plains. Robert delivered a well detailed account of the happenings over a critical time period in the



battle, complete with past and current maps and photos. Included here is a Battle of White Plains commemorative stamp and Dinner plate depicting the Old Court House at White Plains, the first Capital of New York State.



Ed Glidden, Clark McCullough, Susan Luczu-NJDAR Central District Director, Robert Hoch, Presenter for the evening, Colonel Samuel Fuoco, USAR (Ret) and Robert Meyer at the May 18th Monmouth County Chapter meeting in May 2018.



Billy Locke and Robert Meyer with Kraus family members from the Monmouth, Westfield and Princeton Chapters during a cleanup of Princeton Battlefield in March.

Chapter President's Report May 2018 - Richard Serfass

South Jersey Chapter Founded 1922 Covering Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, Salem and Cumberland Counties

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South Jersey has been an involved Chapter under President Serfass. In the past few months a number of initiatives have moved foward including ROTC and JROTC competitions, collaborative efforts with the DAR including a joint recruiting/informational booth at the South Jersey History Fair and efforts to identify the Battle of Redbank at National Park as a Sons of the American Revolution Site. Below is additional information on those initiatives.

There are 21 High Schools in the South Jersey Chapter area with JROTC programs. At this time 15 of the schools are participating. Members of the Chapter are making the presentations of the JROTC Bronze Awards at the

ROTC / JROTC Competitions



school's Award Night. This year 4 schools participated in the SAR Enhanced JROTC competition (Bridgeton, Delsea, Lenape, and Sterling High Schools). The winner of the Chapter competition was Cadet Kayleigh from Lenape High School.

SJCSAR/DAR Partnerships

Spreading Patriotism and the SAR



Chapter PresidentSerfass made presentations to DAR Chapters in the SJCSAR area. Hoddonfield Chapter DAR & Reynolds Chapter DAR. Additionally, the SJCSAR and the Haddonfield DAR had a joint recruiting.informational booth at the South Jersey History Fare on May 19 and a joint booth with the Moorestown DAR at the

The Battle of Redbank at National Park, NJ is one of the significant battles during the 1777 year. The South Jersey SAR is promoting the identification of this Battle, in the hopes that the Battle of Redbank be considered a Sons of the American Revolution Site. The picture shows President Rich Serfass conducting battlefield tours with area schools.



Moorestown Fare on June 2.

Upcoming South Jersey Meetings and Activities

- 2, June Moorestown Festival Moorsetown Day, Annual Main Street Celebration Partner Booth with DAR
- 23, June SJCSAR Meeting, West Deptford Library Pre-Meeting 9:30 am, regular meeting 10 am
- 4, July Moorestown Parade and recruiting
- 22, September, SJCSAR Meeting, West Deptford Library Pre-Meeting 9:30 am, regular meeting 10 am
- 22 October, Redbank Battlefield Festival and recruiting
- December Wreaths Across America Beverly National Military Cemetery, Beverley, NJ

Richard W. Serfass, President & JROTC Awards Chair, South Jersey Chapter SAR, Lt. Col., USAF (Ret)

JERSEY PATRIOT Jockey Hollow Chapter Founded 1914

Covering Morris, Hunterton and Somerset Counties

Chapter President's Report May 2018 - Roger B. Loomis

Upcoming events of the Jockey Hollow Chapter

June 14, 2018, 7:00 PM Commemoration Church and Cannon Chapter NSDAR Annual Commemoration of the Battle of Springfield Wreath Laying Ceremony at SAR Monument DAR Cemetery - 39 Mountain Ave, Springfield, NJ June 14, 2018, 8:00 PM Presentation Battle of Springfield, Connecticut Farms and Elizabeth Immediately Following Wreath Laying Ceremony By John Kieser and David Siegfried - NJSSAR Springfield Library - 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield, NJ Almost directly across Mountain Ave We look forward to seeing you at this important event.

John Kieser & David Siegfried Jockey Hollow Chapter NJSSAR 201 - 317 - 8241 cell johnfkieser@gmail.com



Jockey Hollow Preseident Roger Loomis, Past State President Norman Goos, President Robert Meyer, and Board of Managers Jim Naisbey. Roger and Jim recieved the Meritorious Service Medal during the February State Meeting in Princeton, N.J.

Portait of an NJSSAR Member Patriot Ancestor - Isaiah Loomis

Isaiah Loomis, was born 11 September 1749 in Lebanon, CT and died 20 November 1834 in Lebanon, CT. Isaiah is my Great x4, Grandfather and along with his two brothers, Joseph and Thomas, served in Captain Clark's Company of the Lebanon Militia. Their father Thomas, 1714 - 1792 is also considered to be a Patriot of the American Revolution through his recruitment efforts with the War Office in Lebanon.

The Loomis' of Lebanon during the eighteenth century were largely a farming family with some involved in local and state politics. They are the descendants of Joseph Loomis b. 1590 in Braintree, England who immigrated to Boston in 1638, settling in Windsor, CT the next year. Joseph, my Great x9 Grandfather, and his son John, my Great x8 Grandfather built their home in Windsor where it stands today, on the campus of the Loomis Chafee School. **Roger Loomis**

240 years ago in July

STOLEN or STRAYED from the subsciber at the camp, 4 miles from Englishtown, a dark brown MARE, full fifteen hands high, four years old last spring, trots and canters well, has a small star not plain to be seen, one of her hind feet white above the fetlock. Whoever takes up said mare, so that the owner may get her again, shall have THIRTY DOLLARS reward, and, if stolen, SIXTY DOLLARS for mare and thief, paid by JOSEPH GREEN, jun. near Trenton, June 28, 1778

JERSEY PATRIOT Battle of Monmouth Re-enactment Grand Affair Again

Weather for 240th Anniversary proves milder than 1778

The names read like a who's who in American Revolutionary History; Marquis de Lafayette, Major General Friedrich von Steuben, Major General Charles Lee, Lieutenant General Charles Cornwallis Lieutenant General Sir Henry Clinton, Brigadier General "Mad" Anthony Wayne and General George Washington. With the exception of



the Marquis, all in their 40's, all fighting for a cause they were wiling to die for, all figthing the oppressive NJ June heat and all meeting in Freehold NJ, in what was then known as Monmouth Courthouse. They would fight to a draw that day with both sides counting causualties around 360 in what would be the largest and longest single day battle of the entire Revolutionary War. No other large battle would be fought in the north after Monmouth and the Continental Army was buoyed by the fact they remained on the battlefied after the British fled north to Sandy Hook.

The British after hearing of the recent French involvement to aid the Continental side decided to remove themselves from Philadelphia and concentrate their troops instead in their New York City stronghold. Around 20,000 British troops marched from Philadelphia to Sandy Hook with rest stops along the route. On June 27th one of those stops found them in Monmouth Courthouse. General Washington and the Continentals left Valley Forge on June 19th camping near Englishtown on the 27th. On the 28th his continental forces attacked the rear guard of the British in what would forever be known as the "Battle of Monmouth".

On June 17th and 18th the Battle was re-enacted once again to a large crowd of spectators. The New Jersey SAR was present in strong numbers and commemorated the day with a wreath laying ceremony at the monument to General Friedrich von Stueben. NJSSAR member Sam Davis portrayed General Washington. Mr Davis, a man of size and presence, did much to add to the authentic feel that permeates this incredible event. Also present to join NJSSAR President in the wreath laying ceremony was Ohio SAR Vice President Lee Turner Wilikinson III and 8 other Ohio SAR members. The NISSAR presented Chapter Regent Kathleen Evans with the Martha Washington Award.



JERSEY PATRIOT Battle Of Monmouth



Lee Turner WilKinson III, Ohio and NJ President Robert Meyer Salute.



Mark Hurwitz, Clark McCullough ED Glidden and Robert Meyer discuss the day.



Patriots on the move.



Honor Guard Salute during von Stueben ceremony.



"Young man you remind me of the Marquis"



Richard Serfass and DAR member talk to scouts in pavillion.

National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Central District Director - Susan G. Luczu

JERSEY PATRIOT N.J. State Society

DAR HOSTS STATE CONFERENCE

The Central District Chapters of the New Jersey State Society of the *National Society Daughters of the American Revolution* (*NSDAR*), hosted the State Spring Conference, held April 26-28, 2018, at the Hyatt Regency in Princeton, NJ. The event is one of two state-wide meetings, held each year in the Spring and Fall. The New Jersey State Society (NJDAR) was organized on April 29, 1891. Today, there are forty-six chapters located throughout the state. NJDAR State officers, chapter members, NJ Children of the American Revolution (NJCAR); NJ Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (NJSSAR) and NJ Sons of the Revolution (NJSR) members, and guests attended the 3-day event.

NJDAR State Regent, Karen F. Stroever, presided and welcomed invited guests; Cornelia Olde, NSDAR Reporter General; Holly Stone Blair, Massachusetts State Regent; Judy Newell Mason, Wisconsin State Regent, all gave greetings from their respective offices. The keynote talk at the Friday luncheon was given by Carolyn Hart, Chief Advancement Officer, Crossnore School & Children's Home, in North Carolina, one of the several DAR schools supported by fundraising within the DAR. Friday night the Awards ceremony and banguet honored Christy Viszoki, (Jersey Blue Chapter) the Outstanding NJ History Teacher of 2018, and student Award winners from throughout the state. Congratulations and greetings were given by NJSSAR State President Rob Meyers, and Warren Fristensky, Vice President General, NSSAR.

Saturday programs included business sessions and the Patriotism Luncheon, keynoted by Dr. Melissa Ziobro, Specialist Professor of Public History, Monmouth University, who spoke on *"New Jersey and World War 1."* Other activities during the conference included Thursday afternoon training workshops for DAR members; exhibits, sales tables and Service Project tables; a "WW1 Memory wall" that featured photos and descriptions of family veterans of DAR members that served during the Great War; and a canned food drive to support homeless veterans throughout the state, for distribution in cooperation with the VFW food pantry network in New Jersey.

The **NSDAR** is a volunteer women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history and securing America's future through better education for children. Any woman 18 years or older who can prove lineal, bloodline descent from an ancestor who aided in achieving American independence is eligible to join Each DAR applicant must provide the DAR. genealogical research that documents her lineage back to an ancestor from the Revolutionary War era. For more information about joining the Daughters of American Revolution, the visit: http://www.njdar.org/membership or http://www.dar.org. ###



Left to Right: Warren Fristensky; Karen Stroever; Christy Viszoki; Rob Meyer

JERSEY PATRIOT NJSSAR Ladies Auxiliary

"A message from Carolyn Kircher, President, NJSSAR Ladies Auxiliary"

The Ladies Auxiliary has resumed its regular meetings during the N.J.S.S.A.R. Board of Management Meetings before its annual luncheons. The Auxiliary has been reconvened under the encouragement of President Robert C. Meyer, N.J.S.S.A.R State President of New Jersey. It is his wish that the ladies join their partners who are members of the Board of Managers and encourages the ladies to join at the next N.J.S.S.A.R. October 20th State Board of Management Meeting at 10 am with the 12:00pm State Luncheon to follow: Marriott at Forrestal, 100 College Road, Princeton, NJ. The objective of the Ladies Auxiliary is to support the New Jersey Sons in their mission and to assist with their annual luncheons. Please invite your ladies to join the Ladies Auxiliary for pleasant conversation, coffee and tea prior to the annual luncheons and assist with preparations by making name tags and helping with

registration and seating arrangements. The ladies also seek to support the New Jersey Sons in their mission to restore and recognize historic battlefields that were critical to the success of the patriot cause that occurred in New Jersey.

The Auxiliary was previously under the leadership of Mrs. Marie Moller. She was recognized at the N.J.S.S.A.R. Lexington-Concord luncheon on April 14, 2018 for her 10+ years of service and dedication to the N.J.S.S.A.R. I was asked to assume responsibilities for the Ladies Auxiliary by the State President of New Jersey and I hope to have the opportunity to meet more of the ladies who have Sons of the American Revolution. Please feel free to reach out to me with any suggestions or questions about your interest in joining the Ladies Auxiliary at <u>CarolynEKircher@gmail.com</u>.



Wishing all compatriots a safe and happy summer until we meet in October. Robert C. Meyer



"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".

second sentence of the Declaration of Independence

New Jersey Society Sons of the American Revolution



Organized March 7, 1889



Upcoming Meetings of the New Jersey Society Sons of the American Revolution Princeton Marriot - Hotel and Conference Center 100 College Road East, Princeton, NJ 08540

October 20, 2018

Board of Managers Meeting	10:00 AM
NJ Society Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	10:00 AM
Luncheon Speaker TBD	12:00 noon

November 17th and 18th

Wreath Laying at Fort Lee Historic Park Time TBD

December 31st

Wreath laying Ceremony to Commemorate Battle of Princeton 5:30 AM

February 23, 2019

Board of Managers Meeting	10:00 AM
NJ Society Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	10:00 AM
Luncheon Speaker TBD	12:00 noon



THE JERSEY PATRIOT

A Newsletter published by the New Jersey Society Sons of the American Revolution (NJSSAR). The newsletter is published in January , May and September. Past newsletters can be found on the Archives link of the NJSSAR website at www.njssar.org.

Articles for inclusion should be submitted to Secretary A. Edward Glidden at eglidden@yahoo.com and Newsletter Editor Robert Fischer at bfisch59@optonline.net Deadlines for artilcles are December 15th, April 15th and August 15th.

Directions to the Meeting

From the North take GSP south to exit 130 to Rt 1 South for 21 miles. Merge onto College Road East for Forrestal Center, **Or** take NJTP south to Exit 9 for Rt 18N for 1.5 miles to Rt 1. Take Rt 1 south for 13.7 mi. Merge onto College Rd. East for Forrestal Center.

From the South: take 295 North to exit 67A towards New Brunswick. Merge onto Rt 1 N for 7 miles. Take College road east towards Forrestal Center, 609-452-7800.