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President General Davis Lee Wright To Attend NJSSAR Meeting

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The NJSSAR is honored to have President General Davis Wright as our guest at the upcoming February 19, 2022 Board of Manager's Meeting and George Washington



Luncheon.

Compatriot Wright is currently a member of the Major Peter Jaquett Chapter, Delaware SAR, where he has served as Secretary, Treasurer and President. He has served the Delaware Society as Chaplain, Chancellor, Treasurer, Secretary, Vice President, President, Alternate Trustee and Trustee, along with being the Vice President General of the Mid-Atlantic District. Compatriot Wright has been involved at the National level for a number of years, attending District and National

Leadership meetings, along with several annual Congress meetings.

Compatriot Wright's community activities include being a Unit Commissioner for the Del-Mar-Va Council, Boy Scouts of America, volunteering with the Chesapeake Bay Council, Girl Scouts of America, the American Legion and others. Some of the 2021 activities PG Wright has been involve with include traveling the entire state to attend National and Statewide SAR events including laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier on September 18th and inducting Nick Clooney (brother of singer Rosemary Clooney and father of actor George Clooney) into the SAR as a member of the Kentucky Society.

President General Wright reminds us that the upcoming 250th Anniversary is an important milestone and critical to the future of the SAR. He asks that we continue to keep up the excellent work. Please come out to join us as we welcome him.

NJSSAR President's Message

YALLES

Charles Morgan - State President New Jersey Society Sons Of The American Revolution

New Jersey Compatriots,

I know you have heard it many times by now, but Happy New Year. I hope this letter finds you and your family in good health and enjoying the New Jersey winter. The Holidays of 2021 seemed a little more normal, but were still overshadowed by COVID.



The current news sound as if we are again moving in the right direction, but still need to be cautious.

The period right after Christmas was very busy for the NJSSAR. On the 26th of December we along with the PASSAR, DAR, Sons of the Revolution and the Society of the Cincinnati held wreath laying ceremonies at Washington Crossing, and Trenton. On the 2nd of January the same organizations held wreath laying ceremonies at Princeton and Assunpink Creek. All of these events

were under the direction of NJSSAR Historian Roger Williams. We were honored to have SAR President General Davis Wright participate in all of the ceremonies. The Color Guard had a good number of members participate in each event. These events were also attended by SAR members from Virginia, and Maryland, politicians, and members of the Military. On February 19th we have our Board of Managers meeting and George Washington Luncheon scheduled at the Princeton Marriott. SAR President General Davis Wright will be joining us for both the meeting and the Luncheon. At the Luncheon we will be awarding our Eagle Scout Contest winner with a Trophy and a check for \$1,000. We also have several other awards to deliver at the Luncheon. The notice of the meeting and Luncheon will be going out shortly. I hope many of you will be able to attend.

Looking even further into the future, the NJSSAR will be the host Society for the 2022 Atlantic Middle States Conference. Hosting the conference rotates among the 7 Societies making up the Atlantic Middle States, and it is now New Jersey's turn. The conference will be held at the Princeton Marriott on August 5 – 7, 2022. As the host Society we will need to have many of our members attend to help with the event. We have a Committee in place to work through all of the details of hosting this event (Registration, Program, Meals, Goodie Bags, etc), and Tim Ogline, President of the South Jersey Chapter, has accepted the responsibility of Chairing the Committee. The Committee is holding monthly Zoom meetings to keep moving forward with the planning for the event.I hope to see many of you at all the upcoming events **Charles F. Morgan, Jr. President NJSSAR**

To Unite and Promote Fellowship among the descendants 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. **SAR Mission**

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Vice President General Robert Meyer

Vice President General's Report

Jersey Patriot

Compatriots

i write to you today as your Vice President General for the Son's of the American Revolution and want to keep you updated on my activities in that regard. Much of December was focused on paying tribute to our fallen heroes through various wreath laying events. Wreaths Across America held an event in December and i was fortunate to join a number of NJSSAR members at that event. A special wreath laying event was held at Washington Crossing State Park on December 26th. we were joined there by members of the NJSSAR, th Virginia Society, the Pennsylvania Society and our President General Davis Wright. That event was coordinated and handled by our Princeton Cranbury Chapter. A week later on January 2, 2022 the same Societies participated in the wreath laying ceremony in Trenton, NJ. On that particular day we held ceremonies at both the Trenton site and the Assunpink Creek Site. Finally, on the 17th of January i participated in the Cowpens National Event along with the South Carolina Society and their Color Guard.

We are also preparing for the Atlantic States Conference which will be held and orchestrated by New Jersey this year at the Princeton Marriott.



NJSSAR at Battle of Princeton



NJSSAR at Battle of Assunpink Creek



NJSSAR at Battle of Trenton

Upcoming Meetings of the New Jersey Society Sons of the American Revolution

February 19, 2022	Board of Managers Meeting and NJ Society Ladies Auxiliary 10:00 AM	Luncheon 12:00 PM Speaker TBD
April 16, 2022	Board of Managers Meeting and NJ Society Ladies Auxiliary 10:00 AM	Luncheon 12:00 PM Speaker TBD
August 5-7, 2022	Atlantic Middle States Conference 2022, Princeton Marriott, Princeton NJ	Details Forthcoming
October 29, 2022	Board of Managers Meeting and NJ Society Ladies Auxiliary 10:00 AM	Luncheon 12:00 PM Speaker TBD
February 18 2023	Board of Managers Meeting and NJ Society Ladies Auxiliary 10:00 AM	Luncheon 12:00 PM Speaker TBD
April 15, 2023	Board of Managers Meeting and NJ Society Ladies Auxiliary 10:00 AM	Luncheon 12:00 PM Speaker TBD

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD

Strayed or STOLEN, near English-Town, the evening of the battle, a brown mare, about 14 hands and an half, no natural marks, branded on the near shoulder and thigh with a D and an s in the middle of it; she is something in years. Whoever secures said mare, so that the owner may get her again, shall have the above reward, and reasonable charges, if brought home, paid by me JAMES STOUT, in Hopewell, Hunterdon county.

July 6, 1778 New Jersey Gazette



Inspiring The American Spirit

By Roger S. Williams

"Inspiring the American Spirit...

...within all Americans and each American, grounded in our nation's founding principles, for our continuing

journey toward a more perfect Union." So reads the mission statement on page 13 of the 273 page report delivered to the Executive Branch on December 31, 2019, by the United States S e m i q u i n c e n t e n n i a l Commission (USSC), under its



more consumer-friendly moniker, "America 250". It is no surprise that the themes of the commission, "Educate, Engage, Unite" are so similar to goals to which we subscribe as members of the Sons of the American Revolution.

We are all proud of our patriot ancestors. We can only imagine the sacrifice they and their families endured from 1774 to 1783 and beyond. Our nation's war for independence was a civil war. Our ancestors had to make the commitment to join "The Cause", or remain loyal to their King. The decisions our ancestors made from that time to the present day have been about selfdetermination and the pursuit of happiness. As humankind will attest, comparatively, we live in freedom. But this freedom is not without the sacrifice by those before us, and among us, who fought to protect the enlightenment ideals and principles of our founding fathers. Our compatriots in other state societies and around the globe honor veterans, teach our children about our history and serve society. We, members of the New Jersey Society of the SAR have a unique charge to do the same ... and more.

We are stewards of the land on which more battles, skirmishes, and engagements were fought for our

nation's independence. George Washington's retreat through "The Jerseys" in 1776 was followed by his

resolve at Trenton, the encampment at Jockey Hollow, the Forage Wars, Connecticut Farms, and ultimately victory. As we march toward the Semiquincentennial we have both opportunities and challenges to fulfill our goals of the SAR in honoring our ancestors and promoting the

ideals of founding fathers to our fellow citizens.

Our towns, our land, our backyards were scenes of struggle, bloodshed, and pain. We are the Garden State. The forage from our farms fed Continental troops and militia from New England to North Carolina whom all came to the Jerseys to fight the Crown troops and the Tory regiments who ravaged our lands. Today, there are ghosts of these vicious struggles that survive. The Sutphin House. The Clarke House. The Benjamin Cooper House. Echoes of musket shot...shouts of Hessians Fusiliers, British Grenadiers, and Scottish Highlanders launching bayonet charges against our ancestors. Cannonade of artillery from Mahwah to Cape May – Elizabethtown to Ft. Mercer. As we march toward the Semiquincentennial now is OUR call to arms.

In 2018, the New Jersey legislature passed A-4194/S-2738, which, if fully funded, will allocate \$500,000 each

Above (L to R) State Senator, Andrew Zwicker, Roy Freiman (D NJ 16th), State Historian Roger S. Williams, Vice President General Robert C. Meyer. Presentation of NJSSAR Good Citizenship Awards.



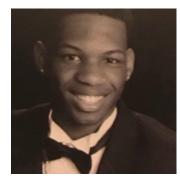
Inspiring The American Spirit (continued)

year until 2026 toward preparing New Jersey's sites for the 250th commemorations. In March the NJ Historical Commission (NJHC), and its non-profit partner, Crossroads of the Revolution has announced that approximately two dozen sites throughout the state will be benefiting from a public/private partnership fundraising initiative. Note the language in the last two sentences; "..if fully funded..." and "...two dozen sites...". We, the NJSSAR will need to engage here. Compatriots will need to lobby their local state representatives to see that this legislation fully funds this initiative each year. And, even if it is fully funded, \$500,000 only goes so far. There are about 140 sites that were assessed by NJHC/Crossroads. The fundraising focus will only be for about two dozen. Our mission will be to support those fundraising efforts, but also to support all other sites within our chapters to take advantage of the national focus on America 250.

Respectfully Submitted, Roger S. Williams, State Historian, President, Princeton Chapter, Chair, Semiquin Project, NJSSAR

South Jersey Man John Wallop To Be Honored By NJSSAR at February 19th Luncheon For Saving WAWA Customer's Life

What better story to follow Roger Williams story on "Inspiring The American Spirit" than the story of John Wallop.

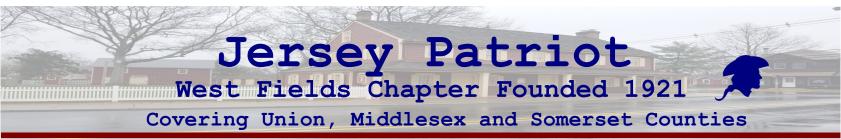


For John Wallop what started as a normal day at work on December 17th, ending up being anything but. John, a high school senior from Millville, N.J. reported to work that day like he does every other day. He was prepared to work a 16 hour shift at the WAWA on the corner of West Main and Sharp Street in Millville. For John, who will be graduating in June of this year, the job puts money in his pocket. It was a normal day for John but during his shift two patrons ran up to him while working at the deli counter to frantically alert him of a women who was having a seizure in the bathroom. John didn't hesitate or panick but instinctively sprang into action by locating the downed women and administering CPR on her for close to seven-(7) minutes until the paramedics arrived. While administering CPR he was also

periodically checking the womens pulse. During the procedure, according to John, the women "passed away" for a few moments, but he didn't give up on her and was able revive the women who then began to cough. Moments later paramedics arrived and took over.

According to John's mother Calvina, John's grandmother took the kids every summer and took John to CPR classes where he learned the life saving procedure he used on the WAWA customer that day. John believes all young people should learn CPR because you never know when you may need it.

Please join us in celebrating this brave and fast acting young man on February 19, 2022 at the Princeton Marriott Washington Luncheon where the NJSSAR will present John Wallop with the "Life Saving Medal" He is truly and inspiration to us all.



Chapter President's Report February 2022- Julian Hershey

Dear West Fields Chapter Compatriots,

It's a new year and, let's hope, a new beginning. We're not there just yet but perhaps 2022 will allow us to meet again in person soon. We have not had an official chapter meeting since our annual dinner in March 2020. This was particularly frustrating last year as 2021 marked the 100th anniversary of our SAR chapter's existence. Which leads me to report the following discovery, courtesy of Google, deep in the digital pages of the Official Bulletin of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, from December 1921:

WEST FIELDS CHAPTER, No. 11, New Jersey Society, Sons of the American Revolution, held forth on the evening of December 15 at the Congregational Church in Westfield in an old-fashioned patriotic rally. The occasion marked the presentation of the charter by the State Society to the Chapter. The beautiful flag of stars and stripes and the one of buff, white and blue were also presented during the evening by Compatriot Pearsall, of the West Fields Chapter. The occasion was graced by the West Fields Chapter of the D.A.R. and the evening was very happily spent in a program of addresses and music.

That is a gem of a report. Let's add to our chapter's history this year. Plans are being made for a renewal of our annual dinner and a long-overdue 100th anniversary celebration. For the duration of the pandemic, however, events will be scheduled as is deemed safe and possible. What follows is a brief account of chapter events and activities since our last president's report. But first, in addition to the 20 new members accepted into the West Fields Chapter last year, we welcome the following new members so far in 2022. Welcome to Compatriots George August Kircher, Bruce Burnet Clark, Stephen Porter Clark. Douglas Lawrence Clark.

Respectfully submitted, Julian "Jay" Hershey, President, West Fields Chapter



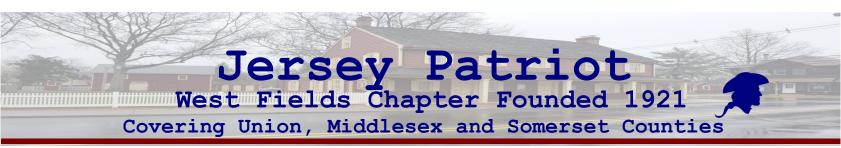
Left: Wreath Laying ceremonies on December 26, and January 2nd draw participants from around the county and Britain to pay honor to the Crossing of the Delaware and to those fallen in the Battles of Trenton, Assunpink and Princeton.







Right: Eagle Scouts from Troop 129, Green Brook, N.J. Dylan Vaidya, James T. Van Arsdale, and Ryan Patrick Britton recognized in a Court of Honor in Middlesex in January receive certificates from NJSSAR



Chapter President's Report February 2022- (continued)

NJ, Pa, Ceremonies Draw More Attention

Two weekends of wreath layings, on Dec. 26 and Jan. 2, drew participants from around the U.S. and even Britain to pay honor to the Crossing of the Delaware and to those fallen in the Battles of Trenton, Assunpink Creek and Princeton.

These events, while held in years 250th anniversary of our nation's ceremonies were led and organized Princeton-Cranbury Chapter of the others, SAR President General Davis Vice-President General Robert Meyer, New Jersey SAR President Charles Thomas, NSSAR Color Guard Commander Brooks Lyles. Color Pennsylvania and Delaware attended Persons and organizations laying Pennsylvania Society of the D.A.R., Society of the Cincinnati in New Jersey Society of the Sons of the At the Princeton Battlefield and at Battle of Trenton), original units that by current members of those same (Ben Franklin's Associators), the Artillery Battalion), the 198th Signal 1st Battalion, 5th Field Artillery

Provincial Artillery), 3rd Battalion 112th B (Leicestershire) Company, 2nd Poachers" (HM 17th Regiment of

What appears to be our original Chapter is not the same flag as the one earlier ("the one of buff, white and beautiful, historic and can well be used carried in the March to Yorktown Day example. But the years have taken a toll from dyed threads. So far, at least one that the flag cannot be professionally







past also, have grown in stature as the founding approaches, in 2026. The four by Roger Williams, President of the NJSSAR, and were attended by, among Wright, SAR North Mid-Atlantic Region Pennsylvania SAR President Andrew Lick, Morgan, Virginia SAR President Jeff Commander Lou Raborg and Vice Guard from New Jersey, Virginia, and carried their societies' flags.

wreaths included Beth Watkins, Regent, Logan Brown, Vice President of the Jersey, and T. Jeffery Clarke, of the New Revolution.

Assunpink Creek (the site of the Second fought in those battles were represented units, including 111th Infantry Regiment 103rd Engineer Battalion (Philadelphia Battalion (Haslet's Delaware Regiment),

("Alexander Hamilton Own", New York Field Artillery (NJ Militia, Neil's Battery), and Battalion The Royal Anglian Regiment – "The Infantry).

Flag is back—and it needs your help. If this mentioned in the 1921 account quoted from blue") then it must be a sibling. It is still on special occasions. Our venerable flag was Parade last August in Westfield, for in the form of water stains and color-runs professional cleaner has given the opinion cleaned. That is a shame because the hand-

stitching and embroidery make it so special. As a first step, this summer, my Belgian mother-in-law lent her considerable sewing expertise to the task of repairing the stitching in the Seal. (Her compensation: a cold beer.) Recommendations on how we can further restore this treasure are welcome.

At the February state meeting, I'd also like to propose we order a new chapter flag from the same company that Rob Meyer recommends so that it conforms with the look and material used for the state NJSSAR flag and other chapter flags.

Jersey Patriot Lexington Concord Luncheon

April 17, 2021 - Princeton Marriott



NJSSAR Color Guard assembles for presentation of the colors at start of luncheon



NJ State DAR Regent Bonnie Matthews receives the "Lydia Darragh " medal from President Morgan



President Charles Morgan's address to the membership, April 17, 2021, Princeton Marriott, Princeton N.J.



President Morgan and Monmouth Chapter President Glidden display the SAR 250th Flag



NJ State DAR Vice Regent Diane Waugh receives the "Lydia Darragh" Medal from Past PG Dooley



Board of Managers are sworn in by Past PG Dooley



ROTC winner and family receive award from Color Guardsman A. Edward Glidden



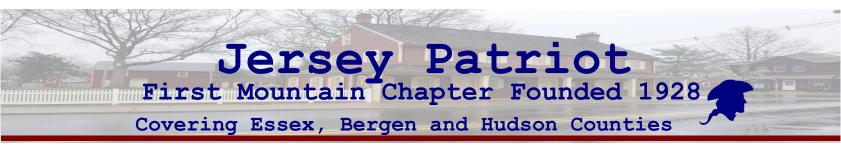
James Howard and Lawrence Nelson receive the Bronze Color Guard Medal



Larrison Jackson recognized for Rochambeau initiative



Heroism Award recipient Officer Ferren Winslow PD, Larry Nelson Secretary SJCSAR, Tim Ogline President SJCSAR, Charles Morgan President NJSSAR



Chapter President's Report February 2022 - Paul Ossou

Compatriots

The First Mountain Chapter returned to business this last fall. After holding a commemoration in August for Captain John Outwater who was honored in his hometown of Moonachie, NJ with a plaque. The chapter, which meets jointly with Cpt. Abraham Godwin Chapter also in September had a commemoration at the Liberty Pole in Englewood NJ. The chapter resolved in the shadow of that great monument to work with the township to erect some form of plaque on the Englewood War Memorial, which is in the middle of the circle overlooked by the pole, that would commemorate the service of Revolutionary soldiers from the Englewood area as no reference to them is found other then the plaque denoting the liberty pole. The chapters meet jointly the next month in October for the first time since the Pandemic began. The chapter resolved to return to participating in the activities that had been in motion before the pandemic including JROTC and Eagle Scout programs. Additionally the chapters resolved to take up several new projects including plaque commemorations and a yearly 4th of July Declaration of Independence reading in a public venue. The chapters met again on January 30th, and will be meeting again in May, final date TBA.



Godwin Chapter President George Wright explains the history of the Englewood Liberty Pole to attendees who came to honor this important site.







SAR Delegation including President Morgan and the State Color Gaurd joing honored guests including DAR members to commemorate a new plaque for a park near Moonachie Township Hall dedicated to Captain John Outwater, who was a local resident and militia commander.

Listen my children and you shall hear, of the midnight ride of Paul Revere, on the eighteenth of April ,in seventy five; Hardly a man is now alive who remembers that famous day and year.

He said to his friend "if the British march By land or sea from the town tonight,

Hang a lantern aloft from the belfry arch, of the North Church tower as a signal light -

One, if by land, and two, if by sea; and I on the opposite shore will be, ready to ride and to spread the alarm,

through every Middlesex village and farm, for the country folk to be up and to arm" Then he said "Good Night!" and with muffled oar, silently rowed to the Charlestown shore.....

......So through the night rode Paul Revere, and so through the night went his cry of alarm, to every Middlesex village and farm. A cry of defiance and not of fear, a voice in the darkness, a knock at the door, and a word that shall echo forevermore! For borne on the night wind of the past, through all our history, to the last, In the hour of darkness and peril and need, The people will awaken and listen to hear, the hurrying hoof beats of that steed, and the midnight message of Paul Revere.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Jersey Patriot Monmouth County Chapter Founded 1913 A Covering Monmouth County

Chapter President's Report February 2022- A. Edward Glidden

Compatriots

When the virus struck us in March of 2020 it seems the whole world had shut down. The Monmouth Chapter took some time to reflect and got right back to work. One of our first thoughts was getting the Color Guard out to events and we did, to the Battle of Monmouth where we participated in a wreath laying ceremony. After motivating some folks in Perth Amboy we "Let Freedom Ring" with our Color Guard participating in events there. We even had Color Guardsmen at Mount Vernon in Virginia. AS 2021 rolled around we turned out again in full force for the Battle of Monmouth.

The Monmouth Chapter continues to work with new Color Guard members and we volunteer our hours at

the Menlo Park Veterans Home and working with our sisters in the Daughters of the American Revolution we continue to work with St. Marks community center to provide underprivileged children with Christmas presents at Christmas time.

The Monmouth Chapter will be electing new officers in 2022, Please reach out to Clark McCullough if you are interested.



Ladies Auxiliary President's Report February 2022- Carolyn Kircher

"Ready to Move Ahead With More Contributions to the Society"



Dear Friends,

I hope that this message finds you in good health and good cheer. The pandemic has taken its toll on all of us and we are ready to move onto the next chapter! It is in this vein that I hope that we can see each other again, in-person, soon.

February 19: George Washington Annual Luncheon

Please join us for a coffee (or tea) and conversation starting at 10:00 am while the N.J.S.S.A.R. are in the business meeting. I am also happy to have another set or two of helping hands to manage the luncheon check-in from 11:30 until 12:00 noon.

August 5-7: The N.J.S.S.A.R. will host the Atlantic Middle States Conference

Please mark your calendars! We are excited that N.J.S.S.A.R. will host this year's Atlantic Middle States Conference (AMC). Please join us for one of the most compelling Revolutionary War historical tours of all times: Traversing 10 Crucial Days. We are fortunate to have Roger Williams, President, Princeton Chapter, New Jersey Society of the Sons of the American Revolution to organize and host this tour from the one of the epicenters of the American Revolution. During the AMC business meetings, the Ladies Auxiliary will also host other programming so there is always something fun to do. And, as always, we are grateful to volunteers to help with the registration desk and bookstore. Please let me know if you will join us.

Fondly, Carolyn Kircher on behalf of the Ladies Auxiliary - Carolynekircher@gmail.com

Jersey Patriot Pinelands Chapter-Joseph Hankins President Covering Ocean and Burlington Counties

Pinelands Chapter Sends Poster Winners to National Judging for 5 Years Running

For the past five-(5) years the Pinelands Chapter has participated in the National SAR Poster Contest. The poster contest is for 3rd, 4th and 5th Grade students. For 2021 the contest theme was "a revolutionary war person". The contest winner made it all the way to 3rd place nationally. The New Jersey Society State winner and national representative was Ms. Amelia Nash, a 4th grade student in Manchester Township's Whiting School. Ms. Nash's poster depicts

Molly Pitcher assisting the troops at the Battle of Monmouth. Ms. Nash's research provides a glimpse into the role women played in the Revolutionary War and was judged based on originality, evidence of research, artistic merit, accuracy and neatness. i particularly like the "Bombs Away" caption. NJSSAR thanks the Pinelands Chapter and Elementary School Principal Ms. Evelyn Swift for their continued support of our children's American history education and congratulates Ms. Nash for her success and a wonderful lesson on the role



women played on the American Revolution. Ms. Nash's narrative and poster follow:

"This woman was very brave. She served in the battlefields of the Revolutionary War. Her name is Molly Pitcher. There were many women known as "Molly Pitchers". They brought water to the men allowing the Americans to stay in the cannon fight longer. The cannons would get hot after

being fired many times. And the metal would swell not allowing the cannon to go all the way down the barrel. By cooling to metal with water the metal didn't swell as much. So the women cooled down the cannon to prevent swelling. The woman many associate with, as she took up her husbands position when he got injured in the Battle of Monmouth, was believed to be Mary Ludwig Hayes. The Battle of Monmouth was the largest cannon battle of the Revolution. Molly Pitcher was the nickname of many courageous women in history".

Did You Know.....The New Jersey Society Sons of the American Revolution is one of the only Societies in the SAR to have Honorary Color Guardsmen. The Honorary Color Guard idea was hatched by then President Rob Meyer of the Monmouth Chapter and coordinated with Commander Serfass after the delegation from Kansas and Ohio helped us to get the Battle of Monmouth on the map. The Honorary New Jersey Color Guards and their Society follows:

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Lee Wilkerson
Michael Gunn
Dan Schmitz
Ed Bonniwell
Ken Carpenter
Jack Bredenfoe
Bob Hill
Shaun Smith

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Ohio

Pennsylvania
Scott Wilson
Rich Lind
Chris Snyder
Spencer Snyder
Glenn Tyson
Fred Fonseca (Comr

Washington State Mick Hershey Michael Moore Mickey Benedickson South Carolina Caelb McMichael Dan McMichael California Skip Cox Florida Robert Anderson

Maryland Lou Raborg Virginia

Kansas Brooks lyles Virginia Joe Dooley Nevada

Charles Smith

South Jersey Chapter President's Report - Tim Ogline

Red Bank Memorial Event, 24 Oct 2021

The nationally recognized SAR Memorial Service &



Recognition of the 244th Anniversary of the Battle of Red Bank w a s conducted on 24

October at Gloucester County's 18th Century Field Day at the Colonel Greene Monument at the Red Bank Battlefield Park. We honored the fourteen Patriots from the 1st and 2nd Rhode Island Regiments who gave their lives in the Battle of Red Bank.

Joining us were the New Jersey Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard led by our own Rich Serfass. Our honored guests included SAR bret-hren National SAR President General Davis Wright, North Atlantic District SAR Vice President General Robert Meyer, and NJSSAR President Charlie Morgan. We were also graced with the presence of our sisters from the DAR including NJ Vice Regent Diane Oliver, Red Bank Regent Debbie Wilkins, and Ann Whitall Chapter Regent Susan Novalsky.

Additionally, we were joined by Eugene Hough of the Legacy Marker Project who led the 50-plus attendees in a flag folding ceremony that not one of us will soon forget.

Wreaths Across America Event, 18 Dec 2021

The NJ SAR Color Guard and the South Jersey Chapter participated in the annual Wreaths Across America event at the Beverly National Cemetery. Chapter and Color



Guard Members Rich Serfass, Larry Nelson, Ken McGill (and wife Margaret), Carl Hausman, and Sam Davis as General George Washington.

The Beverly

Cemetery has over 49,000 graves of veterans and their families, mostly from the Civil War and into the 19th century. NJS SAR Vice President and SJC SAR Past President Rich Serfass found that there was also one Revolutionary War soldier, and a me-morial to seven unknown soldiers from the Revo-lutionary War.

Our tasks were to place some of the 4000 donated wreaths on graves of veterans and place a special wreath on the Revolutionary War Soldier (PVT William Hoyt, 3 NH Regt - 1730-1777) and the Unknown Soldiers' grave.

Iron Works Hill Monument Ribbon Cutting Event, 11 Dec 2021

Writer, historian, and SJC SAR member Adam Zielinski has shared with our chapter the efforts that he and Revolutionary War Alliance of Burlington County have made to



create an enduring tribute and memorial to the Battle of Iron Works Hill. The Ribbon Cutting on Phase I of the project was recently held on 11 December and ushered in a new stage of develop-ment for this project.

Members of the NJS SAR Color Guard were joined by members of our chapter and Sam Davis in the role of General George Washington as well as local officials and dignitaries to commemorate the occasion.



Jersey Patriot New Jersey Society Color Guard

Richard Serfass Commander

G reetings NJSSAR compatriots and WELCOME from YOUR NJSSAR Color Guard, The Purpose of the New Jersey Color Guard is to provide a formal uniformed presence for posting and retiring the colors at NJSSAR State meetings AND to attend/participate in National, State and community Revolutionary War events representing the New Jersey Society SAR. You are welcome to join us in our 18th Century buff & blue Revolutionary War uniforms or in an 18th century attire of your Patriot Ancestor.

- Apr 10 Battle of Bound Brook Old Presbyterian Cemetery
- May 1 Tucker Grave Marking Tuckerton
- May 25 Middletown Fairview Cemetery
- Jun 19 Battle of Monmouth (Gen Von Steuben Monument)
- June 23 Battle Ground Cemetery, Springfield
- Jul 4 "Let Freedom Ring" Perth Amboy
- Aug 7 John Outwater Sign Unveiling Moonachie
- Aug 29 March to Yorktown W3R-New Jersey Westfield
- Sep 17 SAR Vigil at Washington's Tomb Mount Vernon
- Sept 26 Community Day, Springfield Oct 3 Englewood "Liberty Pole" Dedication
- Oct 9 Battle of Chestnut Neck
- Oct 24 Battle of Red Bank Special Memorial Service, National Park
- Nov 7 NJDAR Sunday at Valley Forge State Park, PA
- Nov 21 Battle of Fort Lee Wreath Laying Ceremony.
- Dec 18 WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
- Dec 26 Washington Crossing & Battle of Trenton Monument
- Jan 2, 2022 Princeton Battlefield & Battle of Assunpink, Princeton/Trenton



The annual SAR Vigil at Washington's Tomb, led by National Color Guard Commander Lou Raborg, was held September 18, 2021 in Mount Vernon at Washington's grave..



NJDAR Sunday at Valley Forge takes place annually at the Washington Memorial Chapel at Valley Forge and is organized by the New Jersey DAR. The Chapel's cornerstone was laid on 1903, the 125th anniversary of the evacuation of the Continental Army from Valley Forge. The Chapel's exterior was completed in 1917 and its interior in 1921.



January 2, 2022T The Battle of Princeton was fought near Princeton, New Jersey on January 3, 1777, and ending in a victory for the Colonials. General Lord Cornwallis had left 400 British troops under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Charles Manhood in Princeton. Following a surprise attack at Trenton early in the morning of December 26, 1776, General George Washington of the Continental Army decided to attack the British in New Jersey before entering the winter quarters.



The Trenton Battle Monument commemorates the American victory at the first battle of Trenton, NJ, which occurred on December 26, 1776. It was here, at the intersection of North Broad Street, Warren Street, and Brunswick, Pennington and Princeton Avenue, that the American artillery was placed. From this vantage point, the artillery dominated the streets of Trenton, preventing the Hessian troops from organizing an effective counterattack.

Jersey Patriot New Jersey Society SAR Color Guardsman of the Year

A. Edward Glidden, New Jersey Society Selected as Color Guardsman of the Year Nomination for National SAR Color Guardsman



Edward joined the SAR in 1998 and founded the Color Guard in the New Jersey Society primarily with the Monmouth and West Fields Chapters. They were uniformed in accurate reproductions of the unique uniform of the 3rd NJ Continental Line. In 2010, Edward began the New Jersey Society Color Guard and has participated in over fifty-(50) Color Guard Events (seventeen-(17) National) in New Jersey, New York, Virginia, Delaware, Pennsylvania, California, and Tennessee. He acted as the NJSSAR Color Guard Commander before a NJSSAR Color Guard Commander was appointed from 2010 to 2014.

He has been the lead honor guard at Leadership and Congress events and carried the New Jersey and other state flags. Edward has participated in three-(3) Patriot grave markings, five-(5) Compatriot grave markings, and presented many JROTC Medals in uniform and supported both the DAR and C.A.R. in Color Guard activities for State and Chapter events. He has attended two-(2) Congresses. As leader and founder of the NJ

Color Guard, he grew the NJ Color Guard from six-(6) to twenty six-(26) members by example and encouragement.





Honors and Medals of Edward Glidden Bronze Color Guard - 2018 Silver Color Guard Medal -2019 NJSSAR CG Sergeant – 2010-Pres







Portrait of an NJSSAR Patriot Ancestor



Levi Morse 4th Great Grandfather of Robert C. Fischer - NJSSAR Newsletter Editor

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Levi Morse was born 5 Jan 1762 in Sherborn, MA to Barnard Morse & Grace Fairbanks. Levi enlisted in the Revolutionary War on July 28, 1778 in Sherborn, MA as a



Captain Amos Perry's Company, Col. Haws's Regiment and General McIntosh Brigade

private

Levi Morse House in Union Maine as it stands today.

Massachusetts State Troops for a term of six weeks. On July 28, 1778, he marched to Rhode Island and joined the army under Gen. John Sullivan on the assault of the British position at Newport, Rhode Island. "In 1778", he says, "was engaged several days and nights in constructing redoubts, and exposed to cannon shot and shells, several days. We were overtaken with a severe storm whilst on the island, without tents to cover us." He was discharged on September 12, 1778. He enlisted five more times between September 1, 1776 and December 1, 1781. His served in Boston, West Point, Peekskill and Gallows Hill. He was in the expedition for the suppression of the Shay's Rebellion in 1786. In 1789, he brought with him to Union, Maine, John Locke, son of a former President of Harvard University. The agreement with Locke was to pay him, for six months, "six pounds twelve shillings in good rye at the market price", Sherborn, besides furnishing him with passage, provisions, washing, and mending, from the time of his sailing from Boston. For a considerable part of the time before his marriage, Levi cooked his own food, occasionally employing Mrs.

Josiah Robbins to bake his bread. He taught school in Meduncook (now Friendship, Maine) where he became acquainted with Mary Gay Bradford whom he married on March 1, 1792. Her father was Carpenter Bradford, a descendant of Governor William Bradford of the Plymouth Colony. On May 22, 1792 he set out from Meduncook to move his wife to Union and arrived there on May 23, 1792. He held many important positions in the town of Union including tithingmen, Fish-Warden, and a member of the school committee.

Levi is our 4th Great Grandfather but we have traced our heritage all the way back to Samuel Morse (not of the Morse Code) who came to America aboard the Destiny in 1640. Last, but certainly not least, by way of marriage of Levi Morse to Mary Gay Bradford the Fischer family are members of the Mayflower Society having descended from Governor William Bradford.

Page from Levi Morse Ledger Book of accounts

1810 Mr. Jacob Ring Debtor	1
13th June begun to board your 2 apprentices	
Nathan Carriel & John Bachelor and boarded them 10 w	eeks @ 11 Shillin
August 23 rd each pr week	\$36.66
10th October to boarding your 2 apprentices 3 weeks	
And 2 days @ 11 Shillings pr week each	
After you come from Bailey Grinnels	\$12.16
And then took your horse to pasture	
December to boarding Daniel McCurdy 1 week	
When you framed your house	\$ 2.00
To boarding Robert dickey 5 meals L. Robbins 2 meals	\$.66
To boarding yourself 1 week 5 days	\$ 3.50
To boarding your workmen 2 weeks when stoning	
Your cellar	\$ 4.00
To hauling timber for your Shop	\$ 4.00
November to haul lime hoggs head of mortar	\$.50
December to 2 basewood loggs	\$ 2.50
1811 Jan to haul basewood plank from the mill	\$.33
To half hoggshead lime & hauling to your house	\$ 1.00
28th Jan to 2 yd 1/2 Kezeymere @ 10 / pr yd	\$ 4.17
To half yard of cotton cloth $(a) 2 / 6 3$ quarts salt	\$.33
Self to haul 1 Ash log & joist from the mill	\$.25
7th March to 2 hoggshead lime @ 11 /	\$ 3.67
30th to 1 hoggshead lime @ 11 /	\$ 1.84
0	\$77.32
Mr. Jacob Ring Debtor to 3 Rakes	\$ 1.50
	\$78.82

Page from the Ledger book kept by Levi Morse dated 1810 for work he performed for Mr. Jacob Ring. Levi Morse's journals are in remarkable shape and maintained by the Union Historical Society in Union, Maine. New Jersey Society Sons of the American Revolution

NJSSAR WELCOMED OVER 100 NEW MEMBERS IN 2021

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