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MESSAGE from the CINCINNATI CHAPTER PRESIDENT

Greetings Fellow Compatriots,

While we do not meet formally in July & August that does not mean your Chapter takes those months off. We have been quite busy – We had representation at the NSSAR Congress earlier this month, participated in the OHSSAR ceremony at Ft Laurens and coming up in August we post the colors in Fountain Square for the Military Order of the Purple Heart (Aug 4th) and have a Patriot grave dedication, Patriot Joel Green, at St. Francis Seraph Church (Liberty & Vine St) on Aug 16th (Please join us there at 10AM). As always, if anyone has any suggestions, questions or just general comments, please do not hesitate to contact me. You may email me at Donald.c.mcgraw@gmail.com or call me at (513) 404-4982.

Fraternally and Patriotically,

2014 CHAPTER OFFICERS & BOARD of MANAGEMENT

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STAYING CONNECTED on the WEB

1. Cincinnati Chapter website: www.cincinnati.sar.org
2. Cincinnati Chapter Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/cincinnati.sar>
3. OHSSAR Activities from around the state: <http://ohssardispatch.wordpress.com/>
4. OHSSAR website is recently up-dated at: <http://ohssar.org>
5. NSSAR website is recently up-dated at: <http://www.sar.org>

2014 COMING CHAPTER EVENTS

- Aug 8, 29 Naturalization Citizenship Ceremonies in Cincinnati, see page 4.
Aug 9 Cincinnati Chapter breakfast at the Crowne Plaza, tour of the Betts House to follow.
Aug 19 Honor Flight takes off from CVS and returns at 11:00pm.
Sept 10 Cincinnati Chapter BOM, supper at 6:00, meeting follows at 7:00pm..





CINCINNATI CHAPTER SAR ACTIVITIES

* On July 11th a Naturalization Citizenship Ceremony was held at U.S. District Court in Cincinnati. Magistrate Judge Stephanie K. Bowman, was the presiding judicial officer. Compatriots Gerald Knight and Ken Carpenter were present at the ceremony, greeting the new U.S. citizens.

* On July 12th, a dozen Chapter Compatriots gathered for breakfast at 9:00am at the Crowne Plaza. President Don McGraw then led a leisurely tour of the Columbia Pioneer Cemetery, near the corner of Kellogg and Wilmer Avenues, across from Lunken Airport.



On November 18, 1788, Major Benjamin Stites and 26 men and women from New Jersey founded the town of Columbia, in this vicinity. Major Stites had purchased, the previous year, 20,000 acres at the mouth of the Little Miami River.

Sgt. William Brown was the first American soldier to be appointed a non-commissioned officer by General George Washington, and one of the first two American soldiers to receive the Purple Heart, then called the Badge of Military Merit, pinned on him by George Washington. The ceremony was witnessed by General Anthony Wayne. Tradition says that Martha Washington made the ribbon for Sgt. Brown's medal. The Purple Heart, as we know it today, was revived in 1932 as a decoration to honor the wounded or killed in action. Sgt. Brown received the Badge of Military Merit from General George Washington on May 3, 1783 at Washington's Headquarters at Newburgh, NY.

Born in Stamford, Connecticut, Sgt. Brown was only 16 when he enlisted with the 5th Connecticut Regiment in 1777. He later was a member of Captain Samuel Comstock's Company of the 8th Regiment, Connecticut Line. These men fought at Germantown October 4, 1777 and wintered at Valley Forge. Sgt. Brown was also at Yorktown in 1781.





* July 18-24 the 124th Annual Congress of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution was held at Greenville, South Carolina. <http://congress.sar.org>

Anna Insprucker, C.A.R. holds Ohio's Flag in the state line up between Kentucky and Indiana for the march to the church for the National Memorial Service.



* On July 25th, two Naturalization Citizenship Ceremonies were held at the U.S. District Court in Cincinnati. Magistrate Judge Newman officiated at the 10:00am ceremony, and Judge Spiegel officiated at the 2:00pm ceremony.

Compatriots Gerald Knight and Ken Carpenter attended, and passed out patriotic literature to each new citizen.

* July 25-26 the Ohio Society, Sons of the American Revolution conducted their summer meeting at Bolivar Ohio, and near-by Fort Laurens State Park, where the annual wreath-laying took place. Attending were Don McGraw, Paul Wilke, James Schaffer, Mike Gunn, Jack Bredenfoerder, & Ian Cunningham.



Thirty Color Guardsmen from OH, KY, WV



Compatriot McGraw at Tomb of Unknown RW Patriot





OPERATION ANCESTOR SEARCH

Ohio Veterans Home resident Sam Gilkison has been approved for SAR membership. Additional veteran interest at OVH is under way for continued OAS activity there.



MEMBER APPLICATION STATUS

New Members 17, Supplementals 13

COMPATRIOT	TYPE	PATRIOT	STATUS
JAMES HOUSTON	REGULAR	WILLIAM EWING	APPROVED
JAMES SCHAFFER	SUPPLEMENTAL	JACOB MASSEY	APPROVED
JARED STONE	JUNIOR	THOMAS HOUSTON	APPROVED
FRANZ OTT	SUPPLEMENTAL	HENRY BRAY	AT NSSAR
MICHAEL SIMS	REGULAR	WILLIAM SIMS	AT NSSAR
ELLIS SIMS	JUNIOR	WILLIAM SIMS	AT NSSAR
JOSEPH SIMS	JUNIOR	WILLIAM SIMS	AT NSSAR
LEE WILKERSON	SUPPLEMENTAL	JOHN BRADLEY	AT NSSAR
SAMUEL GILKISON	REGULAR	GEORGE WILSON	AT OHSSAR
AARON DAVIS	REGULAR	THOMAS CHADWICK	AT OHSSAR
JACK BREDENFOEDER	SUPPLEMENTAL	JOHN HOPPER	AT OHSSAR
JIM ZIEGLER	REGULAR	ELEAZOR ALLEN	AT OHSSAR
TODD ZIEGLER	REGULAR	ELEAZOR ALLEN	AT OHSSAR
COREY ZIEGLER	REGULAR	ELEAZOR ALLEN	AT OHSSAR
WILLIAM ZIEGLER	JUNIOR	ELEAZOR ALLEN	AT OHSSAR
FRANZ OTT	SUPPLEMENTAL	FRANCIS STURGILL	PROCESSING
WILLIAM BROADWELL	REGULAR	NATHANIEL MEAD	PROCESSING
ROSS WHARFIELD	REGULAR	DENNIS HUDSON	PROCESSING
WILLIAM RYBOLT	REGULAR	JACOB RYBOLT	PENDED
JERRY WIGGINS	REGULAR	CHRISTIAN GISH	PENDED
JEFF HARTMAN	SUPPLEMENTAL	CONRAD CLAYCOMB	PENDED

***** REMINDERS*****

- * On August 8th at 2:00 PM, the naturalization ceremony is away from the Courthouse, to be held at the Healing Center located at 11345 Century Cir. W., Cincinnati, OH 45246. Magistrate Judge Stephanie K. Bowman is the presiding judicial officer.
- * August 16th – Patriot Joel Green grave marking ceremony at 10AM (St. Francis - Liberty & Vine St).
- * On August 29th there are two ceremonies set, at 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM, which will be held in Courtroom 842 on the east side of the building. Magistrate Judge Stephanie K. Bowman will again be the presiding judicial officer, for both ceremonies.
- * The remaining Honor Flights take off and return to CVG on August 19th, September 16th, and October 21st. Remember that the Veterans arrive from DC before 11:00pm, so be at CVG early in order to find convenient parking. And parking is free, if you ask inside for a voucher.

