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IMPORTANT

CHANGE OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2009 BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING

The September 2, 2009 Board of Management Meeting will be at 6:15 PM at the Golden Corral, 5325 Ridge Road, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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Resolution

WHEREAS, We the People did ordain

**and establish a Constitution for the United States of America to secure the
blessings of liberty for ourselves and our posterity; and**

WHEREAS, it is important that all

**citizens fully understand the provisions, principles and meaning of the
Constitution so they can support, preserve and defend it against encroachment;**

and

WHEREAS, Constitution Week

**provides an opportunity for all Americans to learn about and to reflect upon
the rights and privileges of citizenship and its responsibilities; and**

**WHEREAS, September 17, 2009 marks
the two hundred and twenty-second anniversary of the signing of the Constitution
of the United States by our Nation's founders; and**

**WHEREAS, The Congress, by a joint
resolution of February 29, 1952 designated September 17 as "Citizenship Day"
and by joint resolution of August 2, 1956 requested that the President proclaim
the week beginning September 17 and ending September 23 of each year as
"Constitution Week;" and it is fitting to accord official recognition to this
important anniversary.**

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED
that September 17, 2009 be proclaimed as Citizenship
Day, and the week of September 17 through September 23, 2009 be proclaimed as
Constitution Week.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all
leaders of civic, social, educational, historical, and patriotic organizations conduct
ceremonies and
programs that celebrate our Constitution and reaffirm our rights and
obligations as citizens of our great Nation.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cincinnati Chapter of the Sons of the American
Revolution be commended for lending its leadership to promoting this historic and
patriotic
observance and preserving our cherished American heritage.**

Flag Day Luncheon: The Cincinnati Chapter held its Flag Day luncheon at The Golden Lamb on June 13, with one of the largest attendance.

>A Flag Certificate was awarded to Frederick L. and Maxine Riggs.

>Two new members were inducted: Larry Jay Denny II and William Joseph Fowler.

NSSAR CONGRESS AWARDS - CINCINNATI CHAPTER:

Liberty Bell Americanism Award -- Cincinnati Chapter

Partners in Patriotism Certificate -- Cincinnati Chapter

President General's Activities Award -- Cincinnati Chapter

Liberty Medal -- George W. McCain

Certificate of Appreciation -- Paul M. Wilke

Congratulations to PAUL M. WILKE who was nominated NSSAR Vice President General of the Central District for 2010-2011 at the July Board of Management Meeting at Bolivar, Ohio -- a well-deserving compatriot. The election will be held at the 2010 Congress at Cleveland.

Naturalization Ceremony was held July 17 at the Cincinnati Art Museum with Judge Dlott presiding. There were fifty-four new citizens who took the oath. Cincinnati Chapter SAR Nolan Carson Memorial Color Guard presented the Colors.

Montgomery's July 18th Bastille Day Celebration:

Compatriots,

SAR had a successful program at Montgomery's July 18th Bastille Day Celebration. The Mayor of Montgomery, Mrs. Gerri Harbison, stopped by and had her picture taken with the SAR display. Charles Edwards and family stopped by and took pictures of SAR's display that included Flags and Banner provided by Paul Wilke.

Paul's efforts added just the right touch to our SAR table and display of Muskets and accoutrements. Paul, let me know when to return the equipment to you. OK?

Several people expressed the desire to join SAR. Our theme reminds the public of the historical connections and interdependence between America's 4th of July Independence Day and France's Bastille Day Celebrations. Both American and French citizens made several positive comments about SAR's efforts to remind citizens of events linking our two nations.

Mr. Frank Davis, Director of Community Development, conducted his yearly Walking Tour of Montgomery's Historic District. Frank allowed our SAR Color Guard to participate, and he mentioned that the city of Montgomery was founded by Revolutionary War Soldiers Terwilliger, Snyder, Weller, and others. Hopefully, Montgomery and Cincinnati SAR will expand next years program to include a brochure with Revolutionary War information. SAR will follow up on a brief discussion held on this subject between Mayor Harbison and Gerry Houchell of SAR.

Gerry Houchell

Member, Cincinnati Chapter, SAR

Fort Laurens Memorial: Richard L. Fetzer gave a brief history of Fort Laurens. "The skeletal remains of 21 men have been discovered in the archeological investigations. The remains of 20 of those men are interred in a crypt in the museum. Thanks to the efforts of the State of Ohio, the Ohio Historical Society, and especially the late George Carmer and the Western Reserve Society Sons of the American Revolution, one, the Unknown Patriot of the American Revolution lies within the sarcophagus. This man and his comrades made the supreme sacrifice that gave us the freedoms we enjoy today."

Memorial wreaths were presented by the National Society SAR, Ohio Society DAR, Ohio Society SAR, Chapters of the Ohio Society SAR, Pennsylvania Society SAR, General Arthur St. Clair Chapter and George Washington chapters of the Pennsylvania Society SAR

Purple Heart Day was observed August 7 on Fountain Square with Nolan Carson Memorial Color Guard presenting the Colors.

DAR/SAR Flag Retirement Ceremony was held August 8 at Camp Dennison's Waldschmidt House.

Revolutionary War Graves: Charles Edwards, Chairman

Compatriots,

The Ohio Genealogical Society (OGS) Cemetery Committee has started a project to collect as much information as possible on all Revolutionary War Patriots who are buried in Ohio. The purpose is to put all information on a database which would be located in Mansfield at the OGS Library. If you visit cemeteries, please take your camera along and, if you discover headstones of Revolutionary War veterans, take pictures and mail or e-mail them to me with the name of the cemetery - or - provide me with the name of the veteran and cemetery. Also, any stories of Revolutionary War veterans would be most helpful.

I, as Chairman of the Revolutionary War Graves Committee, on behalf of the Cincinnati Chapter SAR, have submitted biographies of twenty-two Revolutionary War Patriots buried in ten cemeteries, together with photos of their headstones.

>Ayer Cemetery: I visited Ayer Cemetery on May 17 and found it in a deplorable condition. I took pictures and left a flag at the grave site of Revolutionary War Patriot Ebenezer Ayer. I contacted Richard Shelley, Anderson Township Public Works Director, and was informed that the township took over maintenance this year and have been mowing on a regular basis.

>Dunlap Cemetery: I answered an inquiry regarding Revolutionary War Veteran Michael Hahn, researched and identified his burial place as Dunlap Cemetery. The information I provided Wanda Samek enabled her to be approved for membership in the DAR.

>Woodmansee Cemetery: The Revolutionary War Grave Markers have been received by the Butler County Historical Society. They will be installed and a ceremony will take place next year.

>Wesleyan Cemetery: I have identified the burial location of Andrew Cox and have contacted Hamilton County Commissioner Todd Portune for permission to install a VA headstone. Approval is pending.

I have identified the cemetery where Patriot Samuel Pierce is buried and will answer the e-mail from Mary Kay Ross.

Congressmen Look Back to Founding Fathers, Draft Spiritual Heritage Resolution

May 17, 2009

by Drew Zahn, *WorldNetDaily*

WASHINGTON, DC - While Barack Obama has repeatedly claimed that the US is "no longer a Christian nation," several members of Congress have taken a stand to boldly disagree.

A bipartisan group of 25 members of the House of Representatives earlier this month submitted House Resolution 397, which calls on Congress to affirm "the rich spiritual and religious history of our nation's founding and subsequent history" and to designate the first week of May as America's Spiritual Heritage Week for "the appreciation of and education on America's history of religious faith."

Representative Randy Forbes, R-VA, specifically challenged the president's claims that America is not a Christian nation in a news conference announcing the bill immediately following last week's National Day of Prayer observance.

"The overwhelming evidence suggests that this nation was born and birthed with Judeo-Christian principles," Forbes told reporters, "and I would challenge anybody to tell me that point in time when we ceased to be so, because it doesn't exist."

The bill itself cites over 70 historical references and quotes from past presidents, Founding Fathers and Supreme Court decisions as proof that Judeo-Christian principles have been the foundation of our nation.

H.Res. 397, which has now accumulated 41 cosponsors, not only calls on Congress to affirm the nation's spiritual heritage, but also resolves that the US House of Representatives "rejects, in the strongest possible terms, any effort to remove, obscure or purposely omit such history from our nation's public buildings and educational resources."

The [full text of H.Res. 397](#) begins by asserting that "religious faith was not only important in official American life during the periods of discovery, exploration, colonization and growth but has also been acknowledged and incorporated into all three branches of the federal government from their very beginning."

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 2, 2009:	Cincinnati Chapter Board of Management - 6:15 PM Golden Corral, 5325 Ridge Ave., Cincinnati, OH (change)
September 12, 2009:	Constitution Day Luncheon - Commonwealth Hilton, Florence, KY (Please see flyer)
September 24-26, 2009:	Fall Leadership Meeting, Louisville, KY
October 2-3, 2009:	OHSSAR Board of Management Meeting, Nelsonville, OH
October 2-4, 2009:	Battle Days, Point Pleasant, WV
October 7, 2009:	Cincinnati Chapter Board of Management Meeting - 6:15 PM Golden Corral, 5325 Ridge Ave., Cincinnati, OH
October 23-24, 2009:	Central District Meeting, Huntington, WV
November 4, 2009:	Cincinnati Chapter Board of Management Meeting - 6:15 PM Golden Corral, 5325 Ridge Ave., Cincinnati, OH
November 14, 2009:	Thanksgiving Day Luncheon - Cincinnati Art Museum
December 2, 2009:	Cincinnati Chapter Board of Management Meeting - 6:15 PM Golden Corral, 5325 Ridge Ave., Cincinnati, OH

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The Cincinnati Chapter
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Constitution Day Luncheon

September 12, 2009

12:00 Noon

Commonwealth Hilton Hotel, Florence, KY

Directions – I-75 south to Turfway Rd. Exit ...right at 1st light
right at 2nd light onto Turfway Rd....entrance 4th bldg. on your right

Program

“Defending the Constitution”

*** Speaker – James Butler, Ass’t Ham. Co. Prosecutor; Maj. Vietnam SOG**

Chapter Medal Presentations - Induction of New Members

National Award Presentations – Recognition of the Col. Dan’l Boone Color Guard

Menu- Hot Buffet

Pasta, cole slaw & garden salads

Fresh baked rolls & butter

Entrees:

Sliced roast beef and boneless breast of chicken

Scalloped potatoes, vegetable medley

Coffee, hot & iced tea

Assorted cakes & pies

*** Make checks payable to the Cincinnati Chapter (SAR) Sons of the American Revolution.
Please make reservations by Monday, September 7 at \$22.00 per person.**

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Name _____ Spouse/Guest _____