

# Cincinnati PATRIOT

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### Cincinnati SAR Celebrates George Washington's Birthday

Michael B. Gunn, Ph.D. Past President, Patriot Graves Chair CCSAR Photos by Compatriot Gary Duffield



On Sunday, February 18th, the Cincinnati Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution (CCSAR) hosted a Luncheon to honor President's Day and elected to focus on our first President of the United States of America. The ceremonies were opened by chapter president John H. Bredenfoerder. He then ordered acting commander of the Nolan Carson Memorial Color Guard, Bradley Jarard, to post the colors. Nine members of the Color Guard then posted while the Pledge of Allegiance and National Anthem were presented by attendees. He then introduced distinguished guests and led us in the pledge to the SAR.

This was followed by the pleasure of inducting two new members into the CCSAR and awarding supplemental memberships to five of our members.

Also part of the celebration was a more somber presentation by Colonel Donald C. McGraw (Ret'd.) and sitting Ohio Society SAR President of a MIA POW Remembrance. This was a very moving reminder of our veterans who have yet to be returned, and not to ever be forgotten.

We then had a tasty luncheon buffet of beef and chicken with trimmings worthy of a presidential celebration.

In addition to the 44 people attending at the RSVP Event Center, 453 Wards Corner Road, Loveland, Ohio, we were pleased to welcome Dr. Peter M. Robinson, Ph.D., professor of history at Mount St. Joseph University. He presented a unique perspective on "Washington's Precedency". Dr. Robinson addressed how Washington constructed a process for his future successors to become effective and respected leaders without the excessive pomp that prompted the Revolution. Washington's new leadership model satisfied the need for both respect and accountability.

Dr. Robinson's perspective was a refreshing insight into the sensitivity of our first national leader. Attendees were appreciative of the historical truth that Dr. Robinson shared, but intertwined with just the correct amount of humor to enhance the lunch and cherry pie.



Cincinnati SAR President Jack Bredenfoerder and Dr. Peter Robinson.

Finally, after belated recognition of two members who received awards at the December's Awards night, supplemental memberships were presented to five of our members. The Colors were retired by the Color Guard. A recessional and benediction by our Chaplain ended our Washington's Birthday celebration.



#### 2018 CCSAR Officers

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### **Presidents Message**



March 7, 2018

Compatriots,

The entries are pouring in from our youth contest programs! Many thanks are due to our Youth Contest chairmen: Ed Bonniwell, Mike Gunn, Zac Haines, Scott Snow and George Stewart. Their hard work will once again make it possible for the Cincinnati Chapter to have a full slate of entries to send on to the Ohio Society contests, including an entry for the American History Teacher Award. In fact, our American History Teacher candidate, Mr. Matt Wilson from Hamilton Garfield Middle School, has already won the Ohio Society Award. He will represent Ohio in the National Society American History Teacher Contest. You may remember Matt as the teacher who coordinated the amazing Constitution Day event at Hamilton Garfield Middle School. We believe he is an excellent choice and we look forward to seeing how his entry is received at the National Society contest.

Our Cincinnati SAR Eagle Scout winner, Trenton Borders, has placed second in the Ohio Society Eagle Scout Contest. Trenton also independently entered the Cincinnati SAR Essay Contest, chaired by by Compatriot Zac Haines, and was awarded First Place. Trenton's essay will represent the Cincinnati SAR at the Ohio Society Contest. This achievement of winning two Youth Awards in the same year is an outstanding accomplishment!

We will honor Matt and Trenton at our Annual Youth Awards Dinner on April 4<sup>th</sup>. Our Poster, Brochure and Oration contest winners will also be honored. Our Oration winner will deliver the chapter's winning oration and all the winners will be presented their awards and recognized for their accomplishments. The Awards Dinner was a great celebration last year and this year's dinner will be an even greater celebration of our Cincinnati area youth. Please save the date and make your reservations by sending in your reservation request via the attached flyer as soon as possible.

In patriotism, Jack



#### President William H. Harrison's Birthday Commemorated by CCSAR

Michael B. Gunn, Ph.D. Past President, Patriot Graves Chair CCSAR

The Cincinnati SAR commemorated President William Henry Harrison's 245th Birthday on Friday, February 9, 2018. Cincinnati compatriots marched in a dignified procession with several other local civic and patriotic organizations to the tomb of President Harrison. The tomb is situated under a stately memorial that overlooks the Ohio River in North Bend, Ohio. Once the procession arrived at the destination, they were greeted by Mayor Doug Sammons who lead the annual birthday wreathlaying ceremony.



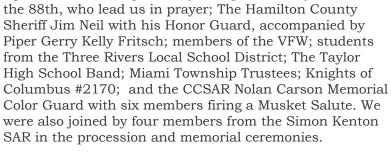
Wreaths were presented by: The Daughters of the American

Revolution; Cincinnati SAR President John H. Bredenfoerder; Highlanders SAR President Kenneth G. Carpenter; and Major General Patrick J. Reinert, commanding the 88th Readiness Division, Fort McCoy, WI who was representing President Donald Trump. Also present were: Chaplain Major Stephen Pauley, with



(Left to Right) Shaun Smith, Emma Hartman, Josh Hartman, Jeff Hartman, CCSAR President Jack Bredenfoerder

President Harrison exemplified the finest of personal characteristics, serving his country in several different ways. He was a military officer, a territorial governor, and despite having embarked on a well-earned retirement, he agreed to serve as President of the United States of America. This outstanding expression of dedication to country was well worth our double volley from six flintlock weapons, as well as an appropriate honor President Harrison would have recognized in his time.





(Left to Right) Ohio Society Color Guard Commander Tony Robinson, CCSAR President Jack Bredenfoerder, Bob Bowers, Past CCSAR President Mike Gunn, Highlanders SAR President Ken Carpenter, Shaun Smith, Jerry Knight

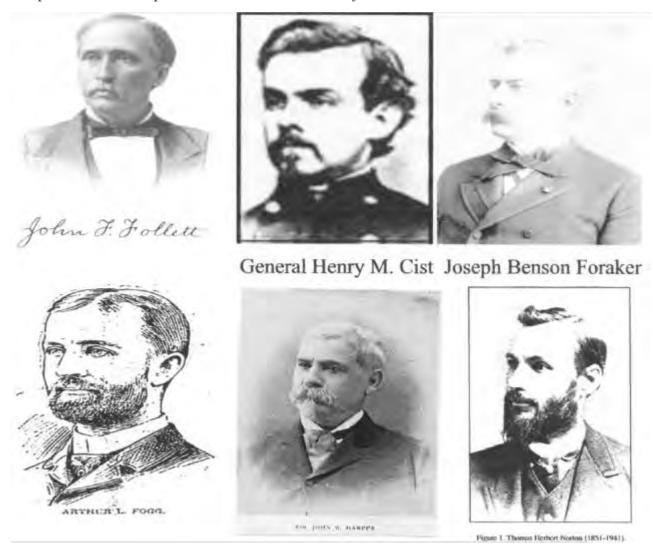


### The First Meeting of the Cincinnati Chapter SAR

George Stewart, Chapter Historian

The Cincinnati Chapter, Ohio Society, Sons of the American Revolution was organized March 14, 1896, at the office of the Hon. John Fassett Follett, with fifteen members. The following officers were elected at this meeting: President, George Kinsey; 1st Vice President, Prof. Thomas H. Norton; 2nd Vice President, Col. John W. Harper; Secretary, Thomas D. Rhodes; Treasurer, James A. Collins; Board of Managers: Col. Arthur L. Fogg; George Mortimer Roe; Joseph Benson Foraker Jr.; Edward Ritchie; General Henry M. Cist.

Today the Cincinnati Chapter is thriving and is active as ever. Today we have a membership more than 230 compatriots and take part in more than 90 events a year.



George Kinsey was a prominent steel broker in Cincinnati. James A. Collins was secretary for the Cincinnati Street Railroad Company. Edwards Richie was a Lawyer and Financier. George Mortimer Row was an author who wrote two books about the history of the City of Cincinnati. Col. John W. Harper became the Ohio Society Vice President in 1898 and President in 1899. No information about Thomas D. Rhodes has been found other than that he is buried in Spring Grove Cemetery.

# Awards Presented at Washington's Birthday





Inducted were new Compatriots Dave Holland and Jim Crane.



**Compatriot Larry Collins received** the Chapter Meritorious Medal.





Jerry Knight (top) and Connor Smith received the Bronze Roger Sherman Medal.



Receiving Supplemental Cerificates from President Bredenfoerder were Ervin Leon Chaney, Jr., Charles Fisher, Robert Bowers, Shaun Smith and Connor Smith.



### **Naturalization Ceremony**

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Photos by Michael B. Gunn and Jack Bredenfoerder



The Cincinnati SAR attended the Naturalization Ceremony held "off campus" from the United States District Courthouse at the St. James the Greater School located at 3565 Hubble Rd., Cincinnati, OH at 11:00 AM on February 23, 2018 with six members of the Nolan Carson Memorial Color Guard present. Sixty-nine new citizens from 35 different countries became our neighbors during this session of the Southern Ohio District Federal Court with Judge Michael R. Barrett presiding.

Also present were members of Cincinnati DAR, The League of Women Voters, a representative from the Office of Senator

Sherrod Brown and many family and well wishers supporting the new citizens.

After the Boy Scout Troop from the St. James School posted the Colors and a young woman from St. James Parish provided excellent rendition in a capella of our National Anthem, the proceedings began. Judge Barrett invited a member of Cincinnati SAR give an explanation of the significance of the uniforms that were being worn by the six SAR members.



Michael Gunn explained these are iust four of the many different uniforms worn by our Patriot Ancestors in the Revolutionary War. The Massachusetts 15th, Virginia 6th, Virginia 1st, New Jersey 1st Continental and a Militia Regimental unit were being represented by: Cincinnati SAR President John H. Bredenfoerder, Gerald Knight, Ken Carpenter, Daniel Schmitz, Ed Boniwell and Michael Gunn. We wear them to spark conversation about the sacrifices our ancestors made as they fought the forces of a tyrannical king some 240 years ago.

Judge Barrett then emphasized the the contributions of

thousands of veterans through these 200 plus years who have continued to protect our country against aggressors. He also emphasized the importance of being an engaged citizen by registering with the County Board of Elections, exercising your right to vote and serving on juries when called.

It was a very good dose of patriotism for all attendees and a good way to begin a day!



#### Cincinnati SAR Welcomes 70 New Citizens at St. Dominic's School in Delhi Tcwbg\]p.



On Friday, February 9, 2018 three members of the Cincinnati Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution (CCSAR) attended a 1:00 PM Naturalization Ceremony held at St. Dominic's School in Delhi Township where 70 new citizens from 38 different countries were welcomed.

Gerald Knight, Ken Carpenter and Michael Gunn welcomed the new



citizens and handed out patriotic bookmarks at a Federal District Court ceremony. Magistrate Judge Karen L. Litkovitz presided.

### **Color Guard Report**

Color Guard training began in February and continues on a regular basis. The training has been well received; our maneuvers are becoming more precise with each practice. The next training session is scheduled for March 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm. The location is 11501 Northlake Drive, Cincinnati, Oh 45249.

Open recruitment for the Color Guard is always ongoing. ALL members are welcome to participate. Training is encouraged but not required.

2018 YOUTH AWARDS DINNER WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4 AT 6:00PM
THE ATRIUM OF
THE BLUE ASH QUALITY HOTEL



#### For the Good of the Order

#### 2018 CHAPTER EVENT SCHEDULE

Mar 9	Fri	Naturalization Ceremonies 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM	Potter Stewart Courthouse Cincinnati, OH
Mar 17-18	Sat - Sun	Battle of Guilford Courthouse Ceremony	Greensboro, NC
Mar 17	Sat	Nolan Carson Memorial Color Guard Practice 2:30 PM	11501 Northlake Drive Cincinnati, OH
Feb 23	Fri	Naturalization Ceremonies 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM	Potter Stewart Courthouse Cincinnati, OH
Apr 4	Wed	Cincinnati Youth Awards Dinner 6:00 PM	Quality Inn, Blue Ash, OH
Apr 14	Sat	Cincinnati DAR 125th Anniversary Luncheon TBD	Cincinnati Woman's Club LaFayette Ave. Clifton
Apr 17	Tue	Honor Flight 8:15 PM	CVG
Apr 22	Sun	Cincinnati SAR Patriots' Day Gravemarking 2:30 PM	St. Mary's Cemetery Springdale, OH

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When you LIKE a posting, it is now able to be read by all of your Facebook Friends. This will help spread the word and promote all of the activities that we participate in.

#### Membership

Any man of age eighteen (18) years or over, who is a lineal descendant of an ancestor who supported the war for American Independence is eligible for membership in the Sons of the American Revolution. Men under eighteen (18) may join as junior members.

If you are interested in membership or need help with your application please do not hesitate to contact the Chapter Registrar, Franz B. Ott, II, at 513-384-7411. remingtnstorm@gmail.com

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Our Facebook page also has many more photos of the events that you see highlighted here.

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# CINCINNATI CHAPTER SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

# 2018 Youth Awards Dinner



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4TH, 2018, 6:00 PM THE ATRIUM OF THE BLUE ASH QUALITY HOTEL 5902 PFEIFFER ROAD, BLUE ASH, OHIO 45242



## You Are Invited

TO JOIN THE COMPATRIOTS OF THE CINCINNATI SAR AS WE HONOR THE WINNERS OF OUR LOCAL AMERICAN HISTORY YOUTH CONTESTS.

AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED FOR:
POSTER CONTEST, BROCHURE CONTEST, ESSAY CONTEST,
ORATION CONTEST, EAGLE SCOUT AWARD
AND THE AMERICAN HISTORY TEACHER AWARD

PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS BY WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 2018 - ENCLOSE WITH PAYMENT Adults—\$22.00 each, Ages 6 to 12 - \$12.00 each, Age 5 or under free.

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Make Checks Payable To: Cincinnati Chapter SAR Enclosed \$  Mail With This Reservation Form To: Mr. Michael Blum, 2999 Acer Court, Hamilton, Ohio 45013				