# Sons of the American Revolution — Harris Ferry Chapter News

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# President's Message

Andrew Lick Harris Ferry President

Dear Compatriots,

I am pleased to report that that we are well on our way to accomplishing the goals set forth for our Chapter in 2018 to boost membership, our coffers, and our events. We will continue to promote our Legacy initiative by print, email, and social media to drive new membership through the enrollment of friends and family in SAR and CAR. To increase our financial standing, I am pleased to announce that Secretary Curtis Aumiller has stepped up to work as our Fundraising Chair. Curtis is working with the Board to identify local businesses and charitable organizations for sponsorships to assist us in our endeavors. If you know of any patriotic, civic minded groups that would be interested in supporting us, please let Curtis know.

As far as our events are concerned, the George Washington Luncheon was very well attended and our first ever Veteran's Awards Luncheon at the Hampden Township Veterans Memorial Park was a resounding success.

I hope that you will join us for our Annual Awards Luncheon on May 20th. We will be honoring many fine people within our community who uphold the values of SAR including Eagle Scout and JROTC winners. My special thanks goes out to Vice President Forrest Myers for his tireless work this year in awarding medals and certificates to many deserving citizens. Thanks again for your contributions to Harris Ferry Chapter and I look forward to seeing you.

In Patriotic Service,

Andrew L Lick President



Spring 2018

#### **Upcoming Events**

Board of Management Meeting Sat, May 12 @ H-town 9:00

Awards Luncheon/Meeting Sun, May 20 @ Hbg CC I:00

Board of Management Meeting Sat, July 7 @ H-town 9:00

Board of Management Meeting Sat, Sept I @ H-town 9:00

Constitution Day Luncheon/Mtg Sun, Sept 23 @ Hbg CC 1:00

Board of Management Meeting Sat, Nov 10 @ H-town 9:00

HF 78th Annual Luncheon/Mtg Sun, Dec 2 @ Hbg CC 1:00

All Compatriots are invited DAR invited to all Luncheons

# Curtis Aumiller Appointed Fundraising Chairman

At our March BOM meeting, Compatriot Curtis Aumiller stepped up and accepted the position of Chairman of the newly created Fundraising Committee. Curtis has a significant task as the Chapter has identified numerous activities in which to become involved in 2018.

Curtis has accepted this role in addition to his current responsibilities as Secretary of the Chapter. Anyone interested in helping Curtis should contact him at secretary@harrisferrysar.org.

The Chapter thanks Curtis for accepting this critical position!

### Chapter Officers Accept PASSAR Positions

During the month of April, two Harris Ferry officers have been offered positions at the state level by PASSAR and both have accepted

the call to serve.

President Andrew Lick has accepted the Third Vice President position. He will be sworn into office at the PASSAR BOM meeting in May.

Harris Ferry Second Vice-President Dick Wenner has been asked to serve as the District Deputy for

the 4th District of PASSAR. He has gratefully accepted the position and will also be sworn in at the PASSAR meeting in May.

Both Compatriots will retain their current positions as officers of our Chapter. Join us in wishing both success in their additional SAR responsibilities.

# Trop Gun Shop Presented Flag Certificate



C. Dawson, A. Lick, D. Dunn, F. Myers, R Wenner

The Flag Committee continued to achieve its goal of awarding an SAR Flag Certificate every calendar quarter with the presentation of a certificate on March 27 to the Trop Gun Shop located in Elizabethtown. The store, located at 910 Hanover St in Elizabethtown, proudly displays its American Flag in accordance with protocol.

On hand to present the certificate were Flag Committee Co-Chairman/Medals and Certificates Chairman Forrest Myers, Chapter President Andrew Lick, Second Vice President Richard Wenner, and Past President/Color Guard Chairman Clay Dawson. Receiving the award for Trop Gun Shop was its owner, David Dunn.

If any Compatriot would like to nominate a business for acknowledgement of their patriotic display of our country's flag, contact Forrest Myers or Ed Miller.

Photo at left courtesy Richard Zerbe

#### HARRIS FERRY TO HOST PASSAR ANNUAL MEETING IN 2020

Planning has begun for next time the Chapter hosts the PASSAR annual meeting on May 1 and 2, 2020.



The effort is being led by President Andrew Lick, who solicited three local venues for the event. The prerequisites for a venue were that they must have conference/meeting rooms along with accommodations for out of town guest who will be attending. After reviewing the offerings, the BOM has decided to award the event to the Radisson Hotel Harrisburg located in Camp Hill. The Radisson hosted this event the last time the Chapter hosted the event back in 2015, an event spearheaded by then President Clay Dawson.

As we get closer to the event, we will be asking for volunteers to help with the administrative portion of the program, that being checking guests into the event, etc. Further details will be forthcoming in future newsletters.

#### POSTER CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Americanism Chairman John Pringle has announced the Chapter's winners for the 2018 Youth Poster Contest. The contest is designed for elementary school students and features cash awards for the students who finish in the top three places.

This year's winners are Sofia Fitzgerald (First Place), Regan Parno (Second Place), and Abriella Slaybaugh (Third Place). Fitzgerald's entry will become our Chapter's entry at the state level contest. All three will receive their Chapter awards from Chairman Pringle in June.

#### \* \* \* Town Crier \*



Get Involved!

We have a very aggressive agenda of honoring our veterans, young citizens, and our Patriot ancestors. Many Chapter members are very active in trying to establish and achieve the strategies of the Chapter.

We are in need of volunteers and donations to help us accomplish our goals. We are asking our Compatriots for assistance, even if it's for an hour. Please help us out by placing your name on a volunteer list to possibly assist us at a some future event. Contact Compatriot Andrew Lick for more information at president @harrisferry.org.

We also graciously accept help from Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and other community and civic groups. We thank you for your anticipated support.

#### Sponsorship Needed

We are seeking a sponsor, either business or individual, to sponsor our new Eagle Scout Awards program. We estimate this program will cost the Chapter between \$150-\$200 per year. If interested or you know of an interested party, please contact Compatriot Forrest Myers at vicepresident@harrisferry.org.

# Chapter Announces 2018 Award Winners

Compatriot Forrest Myers had a busy winter, running around central Pennsylvania presenting medals and certificates to our various award winners for 2018. For Forrest, it's a labor of love as he obviously enjoys the opportunity to recognize outstanding youth of



VP Forrest Myers presents award to Eagle Scout Nathaniel Stauffer

On March 10, Forrest was at the New Cumberland American Legion to present our Sea Cadet winner Second Class P.O. Timothy Leaman with his award.

On March 19, Forrest was on hand at the Harrisburg



Outstanding JROTC Cadet Major Cameron Barnett with neck ribbon medal and framed certificate on April 24, 2018, at Cumberland Valley High School

Academy to present our annual Eagle Scout Essay Contest winner Nathaniel Stauffer with his certificate and medal.

March 19 was a doubleheader day as Forrest was at the Tree of Life Lutheran Church in Harrisburg to present Scoutmaster Keith Murray with a SAR BSA Patch at the Capital Region Troop 77 Awards Night.

On April 28, Outstanding JROTC Cadet Cameron Barnett was presented with the (see AWARDS on page 4)



VP Forrest Myers presents the SAR BSA Patch to Scoutmaster Keith Murray

#### This Guy is Everywhere!



Recognize this man? He's everywhere in Central PA (including this newsletter) as he helps our Chapter recognize outstanding citizens of our communities.

He's our Chapter's First VP Forrest Myers, a fixture at Chapter events lately. He makes time to award Eagle Scouts, JROTC and Sea Cadets, Scoutmasters, etc and then quarterly takes time to present flag certificates to local businesses who properly fly the American Flag as Cochairman of our Flag Committee.

Next time you attend a Chapter event, be sure to stop by and introduce yourself to Forrest and thank him for his efforts!

# Museum of the American Revolution Tour Being Planned

In a joint fundraising project with the Harrisburg DAR, we are in the planning stages of a group trip to the Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia. Also under consideration, depending on time limitations of the one-day tour, will be other historic venues in the Philadelphia area. We are looking at the late summer or fall timeframe for this event.

Our last joint trip to historic Philadelphia a few years ago received very positive reviews. We hope to again make this trip a unique and memorable experience for all those who participate!

Look for full details in our next newsletter scheduled for release in early August. If interested or you have questions, contact Denny at 717-566-5195.



Museum of the American Revolution, Philadelphia, PA

warriors.org.

### HELEN SAJER, FRANK SAJER, AND GARY COBURN HONORED AT VETERANS AWARDS LUNCHEON

On a damp, rainy April 19 at the inaugural Veterans Awards Luncheon, our Chapter recognized Helen Sajer, co-founder and President of Pennsylvania Wounded Warriors, Inc, her son Lt Colonel (retired) Frank Sajer, a member of the Board of Directors of PAWW, and our



Chapter President Andrew Lick speaks at the Ceremony

own Gary Coburn, Chairman of the Hampden Township Veterans Recognition Committee. The ceremony was held at the Veterans Memorial Park in Enola. The three were presented with the SAR Bronze Citizenship Medal and Certificate in recognition of their efforts and service.

Presenting the awards for the Chapters were President Andrew Lick and Vice President Forrest Myers. Several compatriots braved the weather to attend the event and all enjoyed a special luncheon sponsored by Capital Blue Cross.



Andrew Lick and Helen Sajer

Gary Coburn receives certificate from VP Forrest Myers



Lt Colonel Frank Sajer receives certificate



Helen Sajer receives SAR Bronze Citizenship Medal

#### AWARDS (from page 3)

neck ribbon medal and framed certificate at Cumberland Valley High School in their annual ceremony.

On April 18, it was announced by PASSAR that Cadet Barnett also won the State level competition for Outstanding Cadet. Our Chapter will be recognized at the State BOM meeting in May along with Cadet Barnett.

For more information on the Pennsylvania Wounded Warriors, Inc or to investigate volunteer op-

Barnett's win is the fourth consecutive win for our Chapter in the statewide competition and the second for Cumberland Valley High School. Our gratitude to Keith Huntzinger who

chairs the JROTC/Sea Cadet Committee for our Chapter and the officers who have assisted Keith in judging our local competition. We wish for continued success for Cadet Barnett at the national level of the competition. Colonel Kardos at CV is also to be commended for his outstanding efforts with the

program at the school.

We want to remind our Compatriots that many of the award winners will be present at the upcoming Harris Ferry Annual Awards Luncheon on May 20. Come meet this fine young individuals and enjoy the comradery of the Chapter over lunch at the Harrisburg County Club!