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INSSAR President's Greetings

Compatriots;

It has been a pleasure to serve as your President for the past two years. I outlined a number of objectives I wanted to see accomplished during my terms as President. I'll detail them below but in general we have grown new leaders, enhanced our fellowship opportunities, grown in our knowledge of the Revolutionary War events in Indiana, formed a new chapter in SE Indiana, increased our contribution to the Center for Advancing America's Heritage, had lots of public exposure with our Color Guard and had a net increase in our membership. Specifically:

Grow new leaders: 41% of our Officers and Committee Chairs are new to their positions the past two years.

Grow the fellowship amongst the Compatriots: 6 of the 8 House of Delegates meetings started early so overnights were necessary. For many of those meetings, Compatriots enjoyed times of fellowship around the meal table and motel common areas.

Grow in our knowledge of the Revolutionary War: we held meetings at towns near 3

Revolutionary War Battle sites in Indiana and held memorial ceremonies at each: Fort Ouiatenon, Lochry's Defeat, and Le Petite Fort. We had historical programs on the events at Point Coupee, the Forks of the White River, the Forts in Fort Wayne and finally, a Revolutionary War Patriot Re-enactor described a battle in which the Patriot fought.

Assess the need to Form a new chapter: we formed Clifty Creek Chapter in Madison

Grow participation in Youth programs: we had a candidate for the Enhanced JROTC program who competed at the National JROTC contest. We had many competitors for the Eagle Scout contest, Knight Essay contest, Rumbaugh Oration contest, Middle School Brochure contest and Americanism Poster contest. We sent a contestant to the National competition in each of these. This year we are supporting a young man to Boy's State.

Attract New Members and Retain Current Members: We finished the New Member Handbook and posted it on line for every chapter to download and present to new members. It is important that we now develop a mentorship program where experienced Compatriots help new members become active in meetings and chapter committees. When I took office the Indiana Society membership was 657. At the end of 2014 it was 783 for a two year growth of 19%. Between January 2013 and end of December 2014 we took in 144 new members, growth of 10% per year. We are still taking reinstatements and inducting new members for 2015.

Patriotic Outreach: We have had about half of our Chapters award Flag Certificates and 15 of 17 Chapters qualify for Patriots in Patriotism points.

Grow in community involvement: We did not make any headway with this effort. But I believe it is important for those Compatriots who are adept at finding organizations and giving talks to help train and encourage one member of other chapters who don't know the contact tricks, to do the same in their communities.

Participation with DAR and CAR: As best as I can determine there has been a doubling of the number of Chapters having interactions with the DAR and CAR at a Chapter level. These activities included DAR member giving programs, joint participation in parades, certificate and medal awards, wreath laying at grave markings, and Color Guard at DAR and CAR state meetings. In 2014 I count 13 chapters being involved in this activity; about twice the number as 2013.

Distinguished Chapter of the Year Ribbon: We will learn at the Annual Meeting of those Chapters satisfying the requirements for this.

Patriotically,
Bill Sharp



2014 Winter HOD meeting



Pictured at left:

Indiana Color Guard members Robert Howell, Ed Hitchcock and Robert Cunningham present the colors.

Pictured below, left:

A show of respect for the pledge of Allegiance to our country and its flag.



Pictured above, right:

VPG Tony Robinson brings greetings.

2014 Winter HOD meeting

Pictured at left:

Rob Pfaff, Mark Kreps (speaking) and Jeff Jones during business meeting debate.



Pictured above:

SAR president William Sharp presented a very interesting and informative re-enactment concerning his patriot.

SAR Color Guardsman of the Year - 2015

Robert Cunningham has received word that he has been chosen as the SAR Color Guardsman of the Year 2015. He is Indiana's 3rd winner since 1998 (1998 – Lowell Nichols, 2008 Charles Bragg). This should come as no surprise to fellow compatriots that have witnessed his dedication to the color guard.

To qualify, the color Guardsman of the year must have completed three years of service at the National level. The compatriot should best exemplify both the spirit of the Sons of the American Revolution and the use of Color Guards to display that spirit. He will be awarded this special honor at National Congress in Louisville, KY. For the following year, he will carry the National SAR flag at all National Events.

Great job, Robert!



CAR Scholarship Winner - Hannah Weaver



Hannah is a high school senior this year and president of the Indiana Children of the American Revolution (CAR).

Hannah has been in for CAR 10 years. She has been on the state board for 8 years. She has paged for the DAR state conference for 6 years. At the national level she has paged, served as page chairman, and sang in the choir. She has been a national chairman for the past 2 years, and was on the registrar committee. Hannah has attended regionals for 4 years. She is a past president of Jacob Leer and a life member of CAR. Congratulations Hannah!

Hannah is pictured above with her mother, Melanie Weaver.

John Wallace Chapter INSDAR Awards Meeting

On 19 March, members of the INSSAR Color Guard from the Daniel Guthrie Chapter (Robert P. Cunningham, R.D. Howell Sr., Ed Hitchcock and T. Rex Legler II) provided the Color Guard for the Lawrence County area John Wallace Chapter, INSDAR, annual awards meeting. Recognized as DAR Good Citizens for 2015 were seniors Caroline Kinderthain from Bedford North Lawrence High School and Kyle Waggoner from Mitchell High School.



DAR Good Citizen Award and Scholarship Contest



Pictured above, left to right: Rolly Bousman, award winner Jayden Pfleeger from Wapahani High School, Mark and Janet Kreps at The DAR Good Citizens Award and Scholarship Contest held at the First Presbyterian Church in Muncie on March 12. Jarrod is a former student of Rolly Bousman.

Clifty Creek Chapter



Pictured at left:

President Don Perkins presents Compatriot Lee Rogers a Supplemental Certificate for Patriot Jacob Smock. Compatriot Rogers also received another Supplemental for Patriot Gerardus Ryker, Jr the same evening.

Pictured below:

President Don Perkins presents newly inducted Compatriot Robert Hartsaw his membership certificate for his Patriot David Peffley.



Pictured below:

President Don Perkins presents newly inducted Compatriot Jeff Blasdel his membership certificate for his Patriot Jacob Blaisdel.



Continental Chapter



Pictured above: President Tom Schnuck swears in new officers.

Pictured below:

New member Keith Freer during his SAR installation.

Pictured below:

Don Kelly and his son. Don reinstated his membership dues after a 40 year hiatus.



George Rogers Clark-history

Vincennes

APPLICATION FOR CHARTER.

The undersigned Members of, and Applicants for Membership in, the Indiana Society of the Sons of the American Revolution respectfully apply to your body, the Board of Managers of the said Society, for the privilege of organizing a Chapter within the County of Knox in the State of Indiana in pursuance of, and according to Article IV Section 3 of the Constitution of the National Society, and in accordance with Article V of the Constitution, and Section 13 of the By-Laws of the Indiana Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

We would respectfully ask that we may be allowed to adopt as the name by which such Society shall be known the name of "The General William Henry Harrison Chapter of Knox County Indiana," the headquarters of said Chapter to be at Vincennes in the said County of Knox, or at such other place in that County as may hereafter be determined by the Chapter.

It is understood that this charter shall only become operative and in force after it shall have been signed by ten or more Compatriots who shall be in good standing in the National and State of Indiana Societies of Sons of the American Revolution at the time of signing.

<p>To the Board of Managers of the Indiana Society of the Sons of the American Revolution</p> <p>Name.</p> <p><i>Chester W. Adams</i></p> <p><i>Charles B. Kemminger</i></p> <p><i>D. Frank Bullertson</i></p> <p><i>Harry Lewis</i></p> <p><i>William W. Unfleht</i></p> <p><i>William G. Kane</i></p> <p><i>John H. Spiker</i></p> <p><i>H. L. W. [unclear]</i></p> <p><i>Geo. L. Parzill</i></p> <p><i>Robert A. Simpson</i></p> <p><i>Harry D. [unclear]</i></p> <p><i>William C. [unclear]</i></p> <p><i>Edward D. [unclear]</i></p> <p><i>Samson M. [unclear]</i></p>	<p>Dated at Vincennes Knox Co., Ind. the 25th day of June -1928</p> <p>Address</p> <p><i>Vincennes, Ind.</i></p> <p><i>" "</i></p> <p><i>Vincennes Ind.</i></p> <p><i>Vincennes Ind.</i></p> <p><i>Vincennes Ind.</i></p> <p><i>Vincennes, Ind.</i></p> <p><i>Vincennes Ind.</i></p> <p><i>" "</i></p> <p><i>" "</i></p> <p><i>" "</i></p> <p><i>" "</i></p> <p><i>" "</i></p> <p><i>" "</i></p>
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Charter members of the current George Rogers Clark Chapter. It was initially called William H. Harrison Chapter. The original Harrison chapter was in Vincennes but is now in Terre Haute and is named George Rogers Clark.

Simon Kenton

Rensselaer, IN – The Simon Kenton Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution presented its coveted Eagle Scout Award to Eagle Scout Caleb A. Sedam on March 12, 2015, in ceremonies at the Olde Towne Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution in Logansport. Sedam is the winner of the Simon Kenton Chapter's annual Eagle Scout Recognition and Scholarship competition.

Eagle Scout Caleb Sedam is the son of Jeffrey and Diann Sedam of Logansport. He is a member of the Sagamore Council of the Boys Scouts of America and registered in Troop 221 at the Isaac Walton League in Logansport. In addition to earning the highest rank in the Boy Scouts of America, Sedam has earned 136 Merit Badges and 21 Palms. His community service activities have included being a 10-year 4H member and Junior Leader and volunteering for the United Way, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army, and the Cass County Soil and Water Conservation Board. Additionally, Sedam tutors at his local elementary school and teaches chemistry at a local co-op.

Sedam is also active in his church, Webb Chapel United Methodist Church, performing a wide range of volunteer services, including simple church upkeep, tutoring through the church's Kids Club, and service with the youth group.



Sedam is a home-schooled high school senior who is currently taking classes at Ivy Tech and plans to complete his bachelor's degree in a bio-medical field.

The SAR Eagle Scout Scholarship Program recognizes outstanding Eagle Scouts in our communities. Every SAR chapter sponsors an Eagle Scout Competition that includes an application detailing Scouting experience, academic achievements, and community service, a 500-word essay on a patriotic theme, and a 4-generation genealogy chart of the scout's family. The winner of each SAR chapter competition is entered in the state SAR competition. The winner of each state competition advances to the National Society's Eagle Scout Competition and vies for \$20,000 in scholarships.

William Henry Harrison Chapter



The William Henry Harrison Chapter held its Chapter Orations Contest on Feb 11, 2015 at Twin Lakes High School in Monticello, IN.

The winner Natalie Colton is shown here holding her new medal.

At Right: Max Mohr of Twin Lakes high school participated in the orations.



At left: Megan Nuest of Twin Lakes high school also participated.

Harrison members, (Left to Right), George Frantz (President), Hubert Shackleton (VP), Tom Peters, Dave Kelly (Secretary) and Jerry Hobaugh (Treasurer) conducted the contest.

Fort Sackville

236th Anniversary of Capture of Fort Sackville

On February 25, 1779, at 10:00 AM, British Lt. Gov. Henry Hamilton surrendered Fort Sackville to Col. George Rogers Clark thus completing an 18-day midwinter march through the icy flood waters of the Illinois territory, from Kaskaskia to Vincennes and, more importantly, solidifying America's claim to the Northwest Territory.

On February 25, 2015, members of the INSSAR Color Guard drove through freezing temperatures over clear highways to participate in the annual ceremony at the Clark Memorial, George Rogers Clark National Historical Park, Vincennes, Indiana, marking the 236th anniversary of the fort's surrender. In addition to five members of the Daniel Guthrie Chapter and one member of the David Benton Chapter, two members of the NWTA and one park volunteer, who were dressed in colonial attire, were, in keeping with naval customs of the era, "pressed" into service with the color guard.

As stated, the ceremony is an annual event conducted by the GRCNHP for the general public and Vincennes area school children. The National Anthem and patriotic songs were performed by the Rivet Middle School 7th Grade Ensemble. Students from Mr. Michael Hutchison's U.S. History CC Class at Lincoln High School, who are working on a project designed to enhance the public's knowledge of the park's history, also attended.



St. Patrick's Day Parades



Pictured above: L to R: Mark and Janet Kreps, Dennis Babbitt, Alan Teller, Cherilyn and Rolly Bousman.

Pictured below: SAR color guard supplied the music for the parade with flute and drum!

Pictured below: Janet Kreps and Earl Salisbury greet one another in a beautiful display of manners and respect.



St. Patrick's Day Parades



Spring Leadership meeting - Indiana Delegation



Front row, left to right, Peggy Carter, Martha Barnhart, Chris Cunningham and April Legler.

Back row left to right, Lance Carter, Roger Barnhart, Robert Cunningham, William Sharp, Robert Howell, and T.Rex Legler.

Welcome to Indiana State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution!



New Indiana SAR Member(s)
(Patriot Ancestor and state(s) of service in parenthesis)
(registration date 12/12/2014 - 2/28/2015)



Alexander Hamilton

Timothy Edgar Jacobs (COY, David William Maryland)

Anthony Halberstadt

Asa Duane Dunnington Jr. (DUNNINGTON, William Maryland)

Steven Duane Dunnington (DUNNINGTON, William Maryland)

Steven Wyatt Dunnington (DUNNINGTON, William Maryland)

David James Lawson (MANIS, Seth North Carolina)

Eric Marshall Lawson (MANIS, Seth North Carolina)

Jerry Marshall Lawson (MANIS, Seth North Carolina)

Kurt Marshall Lawson (MANIS, Seth North Carolina)

Larry Joe Lawson (MANIS, Seth North Carolina)

Clarence A. Cook

Fred Arthur Hendricks Jr. (RICKABAUGH, Adam Virginia)

Clayton Leon Smith (SLYE, William Maryland)

Continental

Keith Timothy Freer (FREER, Anthony New York)

John Hay

Brian William Metzmeier (VOILES/VOWELL/VOYLES, William North Carolina)

Tanner William Metzmeier (VOILES/VOWELL/VOYLES, William North Carolina)

John Martin

Jason Lee Burn (BOWLSBY, Samuel New Jersey)



Anniversaries (calculated for period between January 1st and March 31st

- 65th – Joseph Harvey Clark, Clarence A. Cook Chapter
- 50th --- Clarence James McCormick II, George Rogers Clark Chapter
- 45th - Gordon Alan Hobbs, Clarence A. Cook Chapter
- 40th - Dr. William Ellis Christopher, Alexander Hamilton Chapter
- 30th – Capt. Don L. Smith USMC (Ret.), Anthony Halberstadt Chapter
Jack Edward Countryman, William Henry Harrison Chapter
Thomas Roland Glenn, Daniel Guthrie Chapter
- 25th – Roger Nelson Huntington, Duneland Chapter
- 20th – Charles Edward Crowe, Continental Chapter
Frederick Eugene Williams, John Hay Chapter
- 15th – Greg Gardner Branum Alexander Hamilton Chapter
Thomas Andrew Branum Sr., Alexander Hamilton Chapter
Stanley Ross Evans, William Henry Harrison Chapter
Glen M. Killey, David Benton Chapter
Theodore Rex Legler III, Daniel Guthrie Chapter
Capt. Paul E. Trejo, George Rogers Clark Chapter
- 10th – David Charles Betzner, PhD., Clarence A. Cook Chapter
Lewis Patrick Richardson, Clarence A. Cook Chapter
- 5th – Chester Barry Arington, Daniel Guthrie Chapter
Nick Wayne Seats, Clarence A. Cook Chapter



General Security Tips

Remember identity theft often starts low-tech with theft or social engineering.

Do your taxes as early as you can. Tax fraud is easy to perform and hard to fix.

Take out unnecessary credit cards and info from your purse or wallet.

Sign your remaining cards AND/OR put Ask for Photo ID on them.

Photocopy both sides of the remaining cards in your wallet.

Call 1-888-5OPTOUT and stop those credit card offers and checks.

Check your online accounts regularly. Report problems immediately.

Turn on e-alerts where applicable at banks and credit unions.

If you believe you are at high risk, consider a paid service like LifeLock or IdentityGuard.

Go to www.annualcreditreport.com and get a report from one of the 3 agencies. Mark your calendar to do the other 2 at 4 month intervals. Repeat every year.

Put a security freeze on your credit. For instructions in Indiana, go to www.indianaconsumer.com click on Identity Theft and Security Breaches, then Credit Freeze. Follow the instructions there to get strong, free protection.

If you write checks, use Uniball 207 ink pens to defeat check washing.

Be aware of your situation at all times!

Be smart! Don't open e-mail attachments or links you are not absolutely sure of.

Buy a micro-cut shredder that can shred paper, CDs, credit cards.

Buy a waterproof, fireproof safe for documents, valuables and backups.

Be skeptical! Don't give your personal info or SSN unless you initiated the action.

Remember - passwords are like underwear. Don't share them. Don't leave them lying around for others to see. Change them regularly.

Be very careful what you share on any online media or social forum. Public or Private?

Consider using Microsoft Bitlocker (included with Windows 7 Ultimate and Windows 8 Pro) to encrypt your PC and your flash drives.

Beware using a debit card or, if you do, see your bank for protections like a low daily withdrawal threshold. Turn off overdraft protection to avoid theft of savings.

Get a video camera and record of all your belongings, even in closets and drawers. Store it in a secure place and use it if you have a theft, fire or other loss.

PC Security

Find a trustworthy (character and competence) PC helper.

Make sure Windows Update automatically installs updates.

Install Norton Internet Security Suite or equivalent security software. Make sure it is up-to-date and has done a recent full scan. Turn on Norton SafeSearch.

Install Malwarebytes.org Anti-malware and clean your PC. Run every couple of weeks.

Install Secunia.com Personal Software Inspector and get all your non-Microsoft security patches up to date.

Install Password Safe (passwordsafe.sourceforge.net), LASTPASS (lastpass.com), KeePass (sourceforge.net) or equivalent program to securely store your passwords.

Change any weak or old passwords on websites belonging to credit card companies, financial institutions, or social media sites like Facebook.



Make good passwords easily by using sentences! MnCif2d! (**M**y **n**ew **C**ar is fun **2** drive!) Remember - for passwords, longer is stronger.

Consider setting up an e-mail account just for contests and other non-essentials.

Consider a new e-mail address that does NOT include your full name.

Don't use the same password on important sites (bank) as you do on other (news) sites.

Make challenge questions easy with rules for ease of remembering, case, spaces and fake answers. Avoid common questions.

Get an external hard drive and back up your data or use a service like Carbonite.com to back up automatically online.

Enhance your knowledge with web sites like – staysafeonline.org/, onguardonline.gov, and ftc.gov.

Talk to your kids! Set some rules. Consider installing software at GetK9.com or onlinefamily.norton.com for internet activity monitoring.

Don't let toolbars install when doing updates like Adobe Reader or JAVA. Uncheck the boxes. Don't ever install security programs that pop up claiming you need them.

Set up admin passwords and use limited user accounts for your kids.

Read B 4 U c lick! Use Google to research PC problems, websites, programs, etc.

Use a wiping program to clean hard drives before donating or recycling a PC. Try Darik's Boot And Nuke | Hard Drive Disk Wipe and Data Clearing (dban.org).

Remember that secure connection sites always start with <https://> and never enter password or credit card info unless you see this.

No reputable company will ask you for logon and password via e-mail.

Hover Over! Before clicking on a link on an e-mail, move your cursor over the link. Look at the bottom left of the screen and see where the link would actually take you. Better yet, don't click on a requested link at all – go directly to the site you need.

Avoid clicking on ads on web pages and search results. Many are malicious, especially when the deal is obviously too good to be true. If you like the deal, go to the website.

Smartphone security

Install apps only from reputable companies and security tested areas like the Apple store or Google Play. Look at ratings and reviews from other users.

Read the access you are giving to an application before accepting and downloading it.

Your mobile device needs all the following – strong password, inactivity timeout, wipe after 10 failed password attempts and remote wipe.

Android phones and tablets need security software. Free versions exist – LookOut, Norton, McAfee, AVG, Avast, etc.

Encrypt your Android device using the built-in encryption program.

Don't attach via WIFI to open networks with no security.

Be sure to back up your pictures and personal contacts. Try Carbonite.com.

Turn off WIFI and BlueTooth if not in use. (Also saves battery)

Be very wary of text spam. Don't feel you have to reply to unknown contacts.

Be cautious returning phone calls from unknown numbers if the caller did not leave a voicemail message.

Updated as/of 3/07/15 - Jeff Hornung

UPCOMING EVENTS

INSSAR SPRING HOUSE OF DELEGATES MEETING

Date:
April 18, 2015

Time:
Registration 10:30 a.m.
Meeting 11:00a.m.

Where:
Fishers Library
5 Municipal Drive
Fishers, IN 46038

Program will include:
Rumbaugh Oration Contest and
Youth Awards
Voting on Bylaw changes
Approving 2015-2016 budget
Nominating, electing and installing
2015-2016 state officers

See the INSSAR.org website for
More info on upcoming events.



Sons of the American Revolution The Indiana Society

Annual (Spring) House of Delegates Meeting
Saturday, April 18, 11:00 a.m. EST
Fishers Library
5 Municipal Drive, Fishers, Indiana 46038
Registration begins at 10:30 a.m.

Annual (Spring) House of Delegates Meeting Pre-Registration Form

Compatriot Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Chapter : _____

Guests Names: _____

Awards	Member	# of Guests	Total	Price	Total
Luncheon			Attending	X\$20/person	
					\$
				Total Due	\$

Hot buffet to be served with choice of (please select via one 'x' on the appropriate line below for each attendee):

_____ **Chablis Herb Chicken Grilled, seasoned with herbs and sauce,**

OR

_____ **Beef tips with egg noodles**

Please complete and mail this form, along with payment.

Checks made to: Alexandar Hamilton Chapter, INSSAR

Mail to:

Kevin L. Waldroup, P.E.
13292 Huff Blvd
Fishers, IN 46038-5825



Operation Ancestor Search

www.operationancestorsearch.org

Chairman, Richard Steckley

Vice Chairman, Ron Darrah

Operation Ancestor Search (OAS) is a joint project between Ancestry.com and the SAR. It is a free genealogy program offered to injured service members in military hospitals, Veterans hospitals and armed forces retirement homes across the country. Its goal is to help veterans, their families, and their caregivers discover their roots and better understand themselves through family history.

The Cook Chapter has been able to get the program established in the Roudebush VAMC in Indianapolis. OAS is currently setting up regular schedules to provide the program to the injured service members. The first sessions have just begun and they are having some success. They have also just added sessions at the VA's Domiciliary.

Indiana's OAS is looking for additional people to become members of the genealogy team that works with these Veterans. Just recently a member of the DAR asked to help out. If you know anyone who loves genealogy and is willing to help OAS, please contact our team and we will help them get involved.

In January 2015 the Cook Chapter received a gracious donation of six laptops for their OAS program. Those laptops are making it possible to also provide the OAS program at many Veteran Services locations outside of the VAMC, and they are in discussions to add several of those locations around Indianapolis.

It is our hope by October to have a program outlined complete with information so that the SAR Chapters of the INSSAR can also become active in OAS in their local areas. In Indiana there are:

- 3 – VA Medical Centers
- 2 – VA Outpatient Clinics
- 14 – Community Based Outpatient Clinics
- 5 – Vet Centers
- 1 – State Veterans Home
- 1 – VA Domiciliary

Cook Chapter OAS Chairman, Richard Steckley



VA Volunteer Services

INSSAR Chairman, Ron Darrah

INSSAR Vice Chairman, Richard Steckley

The Roudebush VAMC reports on a quarterly basis what the VAMC needs to help meet the needs of the Veterans it is currently serving. We will report those needs to the INSSAR membership in each Hoosier Patriot Newsletter so that members who are interested can make donations. We will have a box to collect donations at the April HOD Meeting. Chapters wishing to make monetary donations to the VA can contact Chairman Ron Darrah for more information.

Current Need:

\$5 - \$10 Gas Cards

Please note that there are many VA Centers across Indiana that help Veterans. You are welcome to work with any center to help them with their needs. It is important that you report to your local Chapter what donations you make, and then have the Chapter report its donations to Ron Darrah.

INSSAR VA Volunteer Services Chairman, Ron Darrah

SAR Library Volunteering Opportunity

A message from the Librarian General, National Society HQ, Louisville:

The SAR Library has a volunteer project for which members are needed and invited to participate...and earn hours toward the Lafayette Medal!

Barcodes were added to our books in 2013. The next phase, currently ongoing, is to associate the barcodes with titles in our catalog. The barcode association will allow for a faster, more accurate inventory. The association of a book's barcode with the catalog software is a straight forward process and can be quickly learned. We are approximately 60% completed with the project and can use extra hands. Our objective is to be completed by the time of the Louisville Congress.

Contact Librarian Michael Christian if you or a member within your Society can help. (mchristi@sar.org)

Thank you!

C. Bruce Pickette

Librarian General, 2014-2015



Registrar Notes

During the 6-7 March 2015 Spring Leadership Meeting, the Genealogy Committee Policy approved five (5) policy changes, which are effective immediately. For exact wording, see the Genealogy Policy Manual and the Application Preparation Manual available on the website.

1. **Applications from other lineage organizations.** SAR will now accept an official record or chapter copy of a DAR or C.A.R. application approved after 1 January 1985 as evidence of lineage and related facts except where DAR, C.A.R. or SAR has determined that the facts are incorrect. In other words, center checks on applications approved after 1 January 1985 no longer prevent a DAR application from being accepted in lieu of other documents. Applications approved before this date continue to be acceptable for corresponding facts marked as individually-verified on DAR and C.A.R. applications. The subcommittee acknowledged that there were arguments pro and con and their proposal was a middle ground deemed in the overall interest of the SAR. The old policy was clearly confusing to applicants, as well as chapter/state registrars, thus requiring the genealogy staff to spend time requesting further information relating to DAR applications. However, the best evidence remains a copy of the document itself.
2. **Application completeness.** An applicant's birth certificate with the names of parents, date, and place of birth of the applicant, if available, is no longer required. Other evidence for this information is now acceptable meaning evidence that's acceptable for all other generations is acceptable for the applicant's generation. A birth certificate with the information above conveniently proves multiple points on the application. (Personal Note: *This change may be due to fears of identify thief but I feel a birth certificate is still the best proof.*)
3. **Proof documents in foreign languages.** Policy 2012-04 still requires (1) that an accurate English translation of the pertinent facts of a foreign language document be submitted with the document and (2) that if the document is in an archaic handwriting with the text not easily recognizable, a transcription of the pertinent portion of the document is also required. However, it is no longer necessary to provide attestation by a competent translator that the translation is adequate.
4. **Direct and Indirect Proof Sources for Providing Revolutionary War Service of a Patriot Ancestor.** Letters, newspapers and broadsides created between 1775 and 1783 have been added as examples of documents that can be accepted as evidence of service. These have already been acceptable, but previous examples in the policy were official records.
5. **Acceptable Revolutionary Services.** Renouncing allegiance to the King of England is no longer sufficient for Patriotic Service. Oaths of allegiance also had another part that is critical: swearing allegiance to a state or the Congress. Clearly, if allegiance was sworn to another king and not to a state or the Congress, the renunciation of allegiance of the King of England would not be Patriotic Service in furthering the Revolution.

Application Preparation System. A new application preparation system designed to produce applications having the same appearance as the current application is undergoing beta testing. The next version will have dynamic space allocation meaning only needed information will be printed and the unused extra space will be re-allocated to where it is needed.

Ancestry.com Databases. It's well-known that undocumented family trees posted on Ancestry.com, or the Internet in general, are NOT accepted by SAR as proof of lineage or service but continue to be submitted with some regularity. In addition, SAR does NOT accept "Family Data Collection" (births, deaths, marriages); U.S. & International Marriage Records; Millennium Files; or AGBI (American Genealogical Biographical Index), also available on Ancestry.com, since they are, at least in part, also based on unverified, user-supplied data. There may be others, but these are among those most often submitted.

Use of SAR Archival, Water-Marked Paper: When submitting a regular or supplemental application, please prepare one, and only one, copy on SAR archival, water-marked paper and at least two copies prepared on regular copy paper. Submitting more than one copy on the archival paper causes no problems but is a small waste of money.

Robert D. Howell, Sr., Genealogist/Registrar, INSSAR

INSSAR.org

Our Indiana SAR website, beautifully maintained by webmaster Steve Oberlin, is chock full of helpful information. You should take some time to get to know it. All sorts of information is available including our calendar of events, Patriot Graves registry information, Color Guard information, and even a beautiful display and description of Indiana Society SAR Awards and Recognition.

Take the following link to see what's going on at www.inssar.org



Indiana Society of the Sons of the American Revolution
History - Education - Patriotism

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The Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution

 [New Member Handbook](#)

The Handbook has been optimized to print on 8.5 x 11 paper creating a booklet by folding the pages in half. When possible it should be printed on both sides to save paper. If printer is duplex (two sided) capable, check printer to determine if the "flip" on long side or short side is the proper setting to ensure proper booklet printing. If unable to print the booklet, please contact local chapter officers for assistance in obtaining a copy.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
JAN 17	09:30	House of Delegates Mt. St. Ignace Lutheran Church
FEB 11	10:00	Clarence A. Cook Chapter @ MCL Castleton
FEB 17	10:00	Daniel Guthrie Chapter @ Free Methodist Church
FEB 20	13:15	Story Creek Ele @ Story Creek Ele School

[View Calendar](#)

EXTERNAL LINKS

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Ohio Valley: 15 Oct 1965

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Anthony Halberstadt: 18 July 1969

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General Thomas Posey: 12 Oct 1985

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Alexander Hamilton: 1998

David Benton: 10 Oct 1999

Duneland: 25 July 2009

Clifty Creek: 19 Apr 2014



In future issues I would like to include establishment history on our chapters. If you have interesting information on the beginning of your chapter please send it to me at jeff-hornung@comcast.net

Indiana Society Color Guard

The Indiana Society Color Guard is probably best known for the color and pageantry their uniforms and flags bring to a parade, grave dedication or other community event. Emotions can range anywhere from children's questions and smiles to tears from a veteran's pride and memories. While all of this is true and important, one cannot overlook the wonderful side effect of fellowship with others who share common interests and passions.



New members are encouraged for local and statewide participation. There are loaner uniforms available and participation and travel is limited only by your own time and energy. Please consider serving in the Color Guard and experiencing the fellowship of your compatriots and the appreciation of your community.

Contact Color Guard Commander Stuart Hart for more information (317) 849-0882 or sar.stuart@gmail.com

IN MEMORIAM

(December 12th - March 10th)

Lawrence Marchino of the George Rogers Clark chapter

Vernon Leroy Swanson of the Continental Chapter

An estimated 3,500 veterans of the American Revolution are buried in the State of Indiana. The Indiana Society Sons of the American Revolution has cataloged over 2,200 such graves and posted relative information at <http://graves.inssar.org>.

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INSSAR LADIES AUXILIARY



The Indiana Ladies Auxiliary Sons of the American Revolution, assists Indiana Society with programs, fund raising, historical education and carrying out its mission of

inspiring patriotism and informing others of the contributions of our patriot ancestors. Membership in the Auxiliary is open to the wives, mothers, daughters, sisters, aunts, nieces and other women relatives of members of the Sons of the American Revolution.

The Auxiliary meets quarterly during the INSSAR House of Delegates meetings. In addition to conducting business, the ladies often have their own programs and speakers. The Indiana Ladies Auxiliary website:

http://inssar.org/sar_auxiliary.aspx

The Ladies Auxiliary is always a welcome part of our House of Delegates



meetings. Several members are pictured above at the fall 2014 HOD meeting.