August 2009

Republic Reporter

Board of Manager's Meeting

At the Board of Managers meeting on 25 July 2009, 2 measures passed that I think will help us encourage new membership.

First, we established a Veterans Committee to initially recognize our members that have served their country, and then potentially expand the recognition to Veterans that are not members. I believe this to be a very worthwhile activity and we should promote our efforts in our recognition efforts.

Second, we endorsed the activity in Concurrent Resolution Number 25, passed by the US House and Senate 26 June 1963. The Resolution called for a ceremony on the 4th of July each year resulting in ringing bells (church, school, fire) at 2 PM Eastern Daylight Time. This can be a wonderful patriotic ceremony and can have a wide variety of participants, to include, but not limited to, DAR, CAR, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, High School JROTC units, and others.

If any Chapter members would like to help out with either of these new endeavors, please notify President Compatriot Betterton.

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Dates to remember

August 22nd – 11 AM Lewis & Clark Summer Family Picnic

The picnic will be in Wilsonville Memorial Park. This is a potluck picnic, so bring a dish to serve eight and your own eating tools.

All Oregon SAR, DAR and CAR members are invited.

October 24th - 3 PM - Annual Membership Meeting - 7 PM - State Banquet

More information will be mailed to all Oregon members soon.

Important August dates up to 1776

Aug 1, 1775 Virginia considers independence at a conference in Williamsburg.

Aug 1, 1776 Engagement at Oconote SC

Aug 2, 1776 Formal signing of Declaration of Independence on parchment by fifty-four delegates. (The remaining two later signed on 4 Nov 1776 and in 1781.)

Aug 4, 1776 Washington issues orders to forego swearing or using God's name in vain.

Aug 5, 1749 Thomas Lynch is born in South Carolina. He signed the Declaration of Independence for SC.

Aug 7, 1742 Nathaniel Greene is born in Rhode Island. He later becomes a General and leads the American forces in the Southern campaign.

Aug 7, 1776 The Hancock, an American privateer, brings its prize, the Reward, a three-decker, into Portsmouth NH.

Aug 8, 1776 Gov. Jonathan Trumbull of CT calls for the raising of nine regiments, of 350 men each, to stop the British.

Aug 9, 1776 Trumbull's volunteers plus other colonial militia save the army.

Aug 10, 1776 Declaration of Independence read at Savannah GA.

Aug 10, 1776 Engagement at Beauford SC

Aug 11, 1776 Engagement at Tomassy SC

Aug 13, 1775 British naval attack on Gloucester MA is beaten off.

Aug 14, 1765 First opposition of a British Ministerial plan for enslaving the Colonies. The Sons of Liberty hang an effigy of Oliver, the tax collector, in Boston MA.

Aug 18, 1776 Washington's army narrowly escapes the British at Brooklyn, on Long Island NY.

Aug 20, 1776 Fight in the Hudson River between American fire ships and British man-of-war; the latter are forced to retire.

Aug 21, 1776 Washington tells his men (on Long island, NY) to prepare their minds and arms for battle.

Aug 22, 1776 The British land troops on Long Island NY, engagement at Flatbush on Long Island NY.

Aug 23, 1775 Citizens of New York City remove 21 cannon from the Battery under fire of the Asia, a British man-of-war.

Aug 26, 1775 Gen. Richard Montgomery, at Fort Ticonderoga, is urged by Congress to invade Canada and take Montreal. He has early success, but dies on Dec. 31 while trying to take Ouebec.

Aug 26, 1776 Battle of Valley Grove on Long Island NY

Aug 27, 1776 Battle for Long Island NY begins around Bushwick and Brooklyn.

Aug 28, 1776 Engagement at Jamica, on Long Island NY.

Aug 28, 1776 Engagement at Brookland, on Long Island NY

Aug 29, 1776 at night in dense fog the American forces are removed from Long Island by Glover's boatmen. Washington is the last to board the boats.

Aug 30, 1775 American Gen. Schuyler invades Canada from New York.

Aug 31, 1775 British Gen. Gage cuts down the Liberty Tree on Boston Commons.

The Republic Chapter of the National Sons of the American Revolution

Our meetings are generally the third Saturday of the month. We meet at the Sizzler Restaurant located at 1151 Lancaster Drive NE in Salem, OR. We start our meetings at Noon. We have a variety of interesting speakers and our own members give presentations on their Patriot Ancestors.

Upcoming meetings: September 19, 2009



Replica Liberty Bell at the Oregon Capitol in Salem

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About The Republic Chapter

Republic Chapter members come from all walks of life such as educators, clergy, carpenters, attorneys, doctors, welders and others. Our age group is diverse. We are a national historical, non-profit, non-political, community oriented organization open to all male descendants of American Revolutionary Patriots. A primary objective is to preserve and perpetuate the deeds of those brave and gallant patriots which ultimately lead to the formation of the United States of America.