

# Republic Reporter

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## **September Meeting**

President Compatriot Betterton gaveled our meeting to order to a full room of members and guest. The business of the Republic Chapter was covered in a timely manner. Compatriot Betterton gave a report on his trip to Atlanta, GA to for marking the graves of two of his Patriot ancestors.

The next item on the agenda was an induction ceremony for 6 new Republic Chapter members. The new members inducted were Robert Harrison, Richard Swart, Michael Boedigheimer, Dale Boedigheimer, Steven Boedigheimer and Patrick Boedigheimer. Standing in for Steve Boedigheimer, from Atlanta, GA., was his mother, Madge Boedigheimer. Madge contacted Compatriot Meisenheimer and was instrumental in having her 3 sons and grandson attain membership.

Following the induction ceremony, Compatriot Devin gave a presentation on his Patriot ancestor, William Devin, Jr. Patriot Devin, Jr, from Pittsylvania County, Virginia, served for 3 years in the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment of Foot in the Continental Army. He participated in battles at Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth and Stony Point. After he completed his military service, he returned to Pittsylvania County.

Our guest at the meeting included Madge Boedigheimer, a member of the Abigail Scot Duniway DAR Chapter in Stayton, Dale Boedigheimer's wife Shari and sons Patrick (new member) and John and Michael Boedigheimer's daughter Kristen. David Devin's mother Patricia Devin, a member of the Mary Richardson Walker DAR Chapter in Longview/Kelso and Jerry Bonnell's wife Phyllis, a member of the Yaquina DAR Chapter on the Central Coast was also in attendance.

After the meeting adjourned, the Chapter held a memorial grave marking ceremony for Compatriot Philip Stanley Chambers at City View Cemetery in Salem.

What a great meeting. The Chapter looks forward to seeing you in October.

## Important October dates up to 1776

Oct 1, 1730 Richard Stockton is born in New Jersey. He later signs the Declaration of Independence for New Jersey.

Oct 1, 1768 British troops arrive and occupy Boston.

Oct 2, 1773 Philadelphia PA citizens resist the tea tax.

Oct 5, 1775 Congress authorizes the use of two armed vessels. This is the origin of our Navy.

Oct 7, 1728 Caesar Rodney is born in Dover PA (now DE). He later signs the Declaration of Independence for Delaware.

Oct 7, 1775 Engagement at Bristol RI.

Oct 10, 1774 Colonial forces from Virginia under Col. Lewis fight off an attack by Indians under Chief Cornstalk at Point Pleasant VA (now WV)

Oct 12, 1776 Skirmish at Throg's Neck NY

Oct 12, 1776 Thomas Jefferson proposes a bill to deny all legal claims of the English.

Oct 14, 1734 Francis Lightfoot Lee is born in Westmoreland County, Virginia. He later signs the Declaration of Independence for Virginia.

Oct 14, 1776 British Gen. Carleton lands at Crown Point NY, on the way to attack Fort Ticonderoga.

Oct 16, 1776 Engagement at Harlem Heights NY.

Oct 17, 1775 Burning of Falmouth ME.

Oct 18, 1775 Surrender of Fort Chambly in Canada.

Oct 18, 1775 Engagement at Falmouth ME

Oct 18, 1776 Engagement at Pell's Point NY.

Oct 18, 1776 Engagement at Pelham Manor NY

Oct 18, 1776 Engagement at New Rochelle NY.

Oct 19, 1774 The brig Peggy Stewart, loaded with tea, is burned by patriots at Annapolis MD.

Oct 19, 1775 Engagement at Chambly in Canada

Oct 22, 1774 The First Continental Congress adjourns in Philadelphia PA.

Oct 23, 1776 Washington makes his headquarters at White Plains NY

Oct 24, 1770 British soldiers

from Capt. Preston's Royal Guard are tried for murder in the "Boston Massacre". They are acquitted after a defense supplied by John Adams (later to become President of the U.S.)

Oct 25, 1765 The Stamp Act Congress adjourns and violence breaks out.

Oct 26, 1774 The Continental Congress asks John Adams to draft an appeal to British King George for justice.

Oct 26, 1775 Battle of Hampton VA.

Oct 26, 1776 Benjamin Franklin sails to France as our first ambassador.

Oct 27, 1776 A British attack by land and sea on Fort Washington (outside New York City) is repulsed.

Oct 28, 1776 The British win the battle of White Plains NY, but suffer many casualties.

Oct 28, 1776 Engagement at Chatterton's Hill. NY

Oct 30, 1735 John Adams is born in Massachusetts. He later signed the Declaration of Independence and became the second President of the united States.

Oct 31, 1740 William Paca is born in Maryland. He later signed the Declaration of Independence for Maryland. He was one of the first to call for a Bill of Rights.

Oct 31, 1775 The Emperor of Russia turns down an appeal by the British to provide mercenary troops for the war in America.

Oct 31, 1775 British Gen. Carleton is repulsed by Gen. Montgomery at the crossing of the St. Lawrence River.

### 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:  
**October 17, 2009**  
 November 21, 2009  
 December 19, 2009

## Chapter Dues

Compatriot Meisenheimer recently mailed the Chapter dues notices to members. National dues are going up some. Please pay your dues in a timely fashion.

## Leadership Opportunities

The Chapter nominating Committee will be forming soon. If you have some special skills and would like to volunteer to perform a specific task, please inform the committee.

At our last meeting, we had a discussion about who could join SAR. I thought it would be appropriate to show the definition from the SAR web site, listed below.

### A Lineage Society

The SAR is a "lineage" society. This means that each member has traced their family tree back to a point of having an ancestor who supported the cause of American Independence during the years 1774-1783.

The Editor will be out of town for the October meeting. If you could send an email about the October meeting to him, he will include the information in the November newsletter. Thank you.

## We're on the Web!

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<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~orrcsar/>