

Republic Reporter

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December 18, 2010
Republic Chapter meeting

ORSSAR Vice-President Compatriot Eugene Melvin installed our new leadership during the meeting. The line-up for 2011 is as follows:

- President – David Devin
- Vice President – Willis Meisenheimer
- Secretary – Robert Harrison
- Treasurer – Ken Betterton
- Registrar – Johnny Alexander
- Chaplin - Richard Duer
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Thank you all for stepping up and assuming the responsibility of keeping our organization on track.

The regular Oregon Society Board of managers meeting will be January 29, 2011 in Eugene. All are invited to attend.

The annual membership meeting and election of new Oregon Society officers will be in April. Also in April, the Washington Society will be hosting the Pacific District meeting. Please plan on attending both events.

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Editor apology

In the December 2010 Republic Report, I made a mistake in the name of Compatriot Harrison's Patriot Ancestor last name. The last name should have been Troutman. I apologize for my mistake.

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:

January 15, 2011
Compatriot Alexander will give a presentation on one of his Patriot ancestors.

Important January dates in 1778

Jan 2 - Georgia ratifies the Constitution.

Jan 4 - Battle of the Kegs in Delaware River.

Jan 5 - British naval forces led by American turncoat Benedict Arnold burned Richmond VA.

Jan 31 - Washington pleads with Congress for aid to the army at Valley Forge.

Battle of the Kegs 1778

Early in January, 1778, David Bushnell, the inventor of the American Torpedo, and other submarine machinery, prepared a number of "infernals," as the British termed them, and set them afloat in the Delaware River, a few miles above Philadelphia, in order to annoy the royal shipping, which at that time lay off that place. These machines were constructed of kegs, charged with powder, and so arranged as to explode on coming in contact with anything while floating along with the tide. On their appearance, the British seamen and troops became alarmed, and, manning the shipping and wharves, discharged their small arms and cannon at everything they could see floating in the river during the ebb tide.

Source: <http://www.americanrevolution.org/war%20songs/warsongs55.html>

We're on the Web!

See us at:

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

Flag Certificate to Hidden lakes

Compatriots Meisenheimer, Irion and Alexander attended the lunch at Hidden Lakes on December 7. Compatriots Meisenheimer and Irion wore their tri-corner hats and flanked Compatriot Alexander as he made the Flag Certificate presentation to Hidden Lakes at 2 PM. We were fortunate to be joined at our reserved lunch table by El Keller, a WWII veteran.



Flag Certificate to Roth's

This presentation will be rescheduled due to an unscheduled fire at the Roth's location.

Compatriots Ken Betterton, David Devin and Johnny Alexander made a Flag Certificate presentation to Roth's and Orville Roth on December 29. Also in attendance were Michael Roth, President-CEO of Roth's and an executive assistant.

