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JUNE\_LUNCHEON SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2024 @ 12:00 PM

Hollywood Casino 210 Racetrack Road Washington, PA 15301 Please see information and reservation form on last page of this newsletter.

Reservations MUST arrive by <u>Friday, May 17, 2024</u>

**<u>Program:</u>** Andrew E. Masich – President/Director of the Senator John Heinz History Center will present a program on George Washington.

## Volunteers Wanted

We are looking for volunteers to help man the Chapter SAR info table during the Whiskey Rebellion being held Saturday July 13, 2024 from 10 AM – 5 PM. We will be located in the Washington Financial Employee Parking Lot behind the Le Moyne House gardens. Compatriots do not need stay the entire time for the event. Just show up at your conveyance and stay as long as you wish. Please consider helping.

## Allegiance Sunday

The time is fast approaching for Allegiance Sunday which is observed on the Sunday closest to July 4th every year. This year, July 4th is on Thursday so either the Sunday before or after will work. Compatriots are asked to contact their church, synagogue or spiritual organization and encourage them to take time during the worship service to include the Pledge of Allegiance or sing a patriotic hymn as part of their service. We then ask that a copy of that church bulletin be sent to our Allegiance Sunday Chairman, Gary Timmons for tabulation. The United States of America is a land of freedom and equal opportunity. A country founded by men and women who had a great love of family, the land and their creator, God. They sacrificed their lives, their fortunes and their time to obtain this land and make it a land of freedom for all people regardless of their race, religion or financial status. Now is the time to contact your pastor, priest, minister, rabbi, or spiritual leader and encourage them to participate this year. Please send bulletins to Gary Timmons, 13 Elm Lane, Wheeling, WV 26003-4905.

### **Treasurer**

We have a new Treasurer!! Robert "Chip" Zelch has stepped up and offered to take over the position. This is big relief to our past Treasurer Ed Schreiber who has been dealing with health issues. We want to express our gratitude to Ed for his many years of service to our chapter and ask all to keep Ed in your thoughts and prayers.

## **<u>Remember and Honor our</u>** <u>Washington County Patriots</u>

George Washington Chapter Compatriots,

The weather Is turning to spring and summer, so it is time to get out and enjoy the out of doors and we have the perfect way for you to do just that while you Remember and Honor our Patriots in Washington County.

This is great news as one of the design criteria of the signs was to have the ability to easily and without a lot of cost, update the sign information.

This is where YOU come in! Each of the 31 signs will take about 5-10 minutes to apply the new graphic. The graphics are already updated and once printed, they only need to be installed. We even have a short video that explains how to properly install the graphic.

This would be a great family project, an individual project or an Eagle Scout project. You can easily pick out 5, 10 or more signs in your part of the county to update. We will give you the graphic, the video, the cemetery address and anything else you might need.

To get started, simply contact sargwchapter@gmail.com and let us know how many of the cemeteries you will handle and which ones you want to claim as your updates! (first come on specific cemeteries)

There is a list of the cemeteries and a map of Washington County showing the location of all of the cemeteries where there is a sign.

Thanks for helping to Remember and Honor our Washington County Patriots.

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#### Minutes ~ Saturday, April 20, 2024

**Call to Order:** President Gary Timmons called the meeting to order at the Citizen Library at noon. President Timmons welcomed all in attendance and recognized PASSAR 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Kurt Winter and guests. The Pledge of Allegiance and the pledge to the SAR was recited followed by Kurt Winter who offered an Invocation as well as asking to keep Ed and Marie Schreiber in your thoughts and prayers.

<u>Attendance:</u> Thirteen (13) people, guests (3) Compatriots (10): Bryan C. Cunning, Allan Fitzpatrick, Donald L. Grimm, Michael A. Kuhlman, Ronald A. Malmgren, Mark S. Pearson, William & Billy Radford, Robert K. Taylor, William G. Taylor, Gary W. Timmons, Kurt J. Winter & Robert W. Zelch.

**<u>Presidents Report</u>:** President Timmons requested a motion to approve the minutes from the February 17, 2024 meeting. Motion was made, seconded and approved.

<u>Secretaries Report:</u> A card was signed by all in attendance for Ed Schreiber who is in the hospital.

**<u>Financial Report:</u>** Since Treasurer is in process of changing hands no report was available.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Color Guard:** Color Guard Commander Bryan Cunning reported that we have been asked to participate in 2 different Memorial Day parades. He will be sending out an email to Color Guard members to see their pleasure.

**Registrar/Genealogist:** Compatriot Ron Miller has offered to help out as our chapter registrar and has at least 2 applications he is working on.

Medals & Awards: Nothing to report.

**State & National:** PASSAR 1<sup>st</sup> VP Kurt Winter spoke on the upcoming National Congress that will be held in Lancaster, PA. this summer as well as the 250 anniversary in 2026. The chapter has also received 2 posters for the elementary school poster contests and asked that members to judge and pick a winner after the meeting which will go on to the state competition.

**<u>Old Business:</u>** Volunteers needed to replace graphics on 31 cemetery signs that have already been installed. The chapter thanked Chip Zelch who installed sign 61 in the last month.

**New Business:** PASSAR 1<sup>st</sup> VP Kurt Winter installed Robert "Chip" Zelch (Left below) as Chapter Treasurer and Donald Grimm as Chapter Chaplain. A motion was made and seconded to donate \$100.00 to the Citizen Library for letting us meet at that location over the years. Motion was approved.



#### Program:

Local author and painter Allan Fitzpatrick spoke on his latest book about the life of Bemino (also know as Killbuck) who was a Lenape War Captain and Medicine Man.



<u>Good of the Order</u>: President Timmons spoke on the upcoming Centennial celebration to be held at the Hollywood Casino on Saturday June 8, 2024 at noon. Preparations are well underway.

**<u>Adjournment:</u>** All present read the SAR recessional followed by Donald Grimm who gave the Benediction. The meeting was adjourned at 12:06PM.

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Please help us celebrate our 100 Year Anniversary DAR / SAR Members and guests are welcome.

DATE: Saturday, June 8, 2024 Gather 11:30 / Luncheon - Noon

LOCATION: Hollywood Casino, 210 Racetrack Road, Washington, PA 15301

**Program:** Andrew E. Masich – President/Director of the Senator John Heinz History Center, an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institute will present a program on George Washington.

**Buffet Menu**: Roast Turkey & Dressing, Pesto-Crusted Salmon, Vegetable Lasagna, Seasonal Greens, Soup du Jour, Whipped Potatoes, Baked Ziti, Chef's Vegetable, Rolls & Butter, Beverage Desert, **COST:** \$40.00 each.

## Please send in your reservation by May 17, 2024

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Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ Lunches(s) at \$40.00 each. Please enclose check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ payable to the George Washington Chapter - SAR. Please list name and either phone or email info and guest names(s):

Send this section along with check to: Robert W. Zelch, Treasurer P. O. Box 96 Venetia, PA. 15367

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