



The Prescottian
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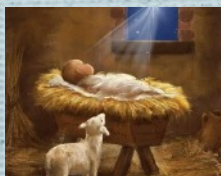


Lunch at the Hassayampa Inn .

2023 Meetings/Speakers
January 14 Brad Courtney
February 4 Manuel Lucero
March 11 TBD

2023 Officers

- President Jack Berry
- Vice President Rob Berryman
- Secretary Rob Berryman
- Treasurer Ron Castle
- Registrar Wayne Hood
- Genealogist Wayne Hallford
- Chaplain Steve Monez
- Chancellor Hal Reniger
- Historian Alan Fitch
- Color Guard Steve Monez
- Information Paul Kerper
- Board of Managers
- Representative Rob Berryman



Merry Christmas

Happy Hanukah



Presidents Message



Fellow compatriots,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone this holiday season a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Since my installation as president of the chapter in December 2020, I have been blessed with having dedicated board and committee members who never waiver in their commitment to the chapter. It is an honor and privilege to continue to serve as the chapter president as we are about to embark on 2023.

Over this past year, our chapter continued to grow in membership thanks to the due diligence of Registrar Wayne Hood and his sidekick Genealogist Wayne Hallford. At the beginning of January 2019, we had 47 members. We are now ending this year with 71 members. Despite such growth, without new leadership and members participating our chapter could eventually be at risk as leaders step down from their positions. To remain an active and strong chapter means more members need to be active rather than relying on a few people to carry the load. I encourage each member to show support by at least attending our monthly meetings and/or by volunteering as a board or committee member for such programs as JROTC/ROTC, Eagle Scout Recognition, elementary/middle school poster and brochure contests or as a member of the Chapter Color Guard.

Under the command of Captain Steve Monez, the Color Guard proudly represents our chapter in various parades and other patriotic events throughout the county and state.

As we enter a new year, the board continues to be open to implementing new ideas and programs to help our chapter become even more successful. For example, ROTC committee member Dick Melick as the self-described “idea guy” has provided many valuable ideas to the board. As a result, a mentorship program has been re implemented under the leadership of board member Wayne Hood. He will be responsible for assigning new members to an experienced chapter member who will communicate with, educate, guide and introduce the new member to the chapter. The goal is not only to retain new members, but to hopefully get them actively involved in chapter activities.

Finally, on behalf of the chapter I want to express my sincere appreciation to Bill Smith for his 10-year dedication to the chapter for serving as color guard captain and board secretary. We wish him well in his board retirement. His presence on the board will be missed.

In Patriotism,

Jack Berry

America



250th Anniversary

The 250th Anniversary is a celebration of our fight for Independence from the end of the French and Indian War in 1763 to the Final Treaty of Paris on September 3, 1783. This is highlighted by the Declaration of Independence in 1776.

As members of the Sons of the American Revolution it is our responsibility to tell the stories about those times our patriots fought to gain freedom from British control over the 13 colonies, later called the United States of America.

This link takes you to a valuable tool that will help you set up your events and programs. Share these events with your chapter, DAR, Service Clubs, and the community. Share our story with as many groups as you can

https://america250sar.org/_static/75c32156ec6f9e02ed1a7c913743f264/america-250-sarprogramtoolkitmar-23-22.pdf?dl=1. This tool kit has a road map for our members to get the message to the people who may have never heard the story of our beginning. There are many ways you can participate. The color guard can participate, members can use the Patriot Chest with children in the schools. Members can dress in uniform if possible.

Schedule events in the community and invite all that would like to take part. Send out announcements in the newspaper. Make your event special. Hold it at a special venue.

The Declaration of Independence and Constitution can be given to each person. Make a handout that the community can take with them. You can pick a patriot and tell their story.

The National organization has examples of forms, letterhead, news releases, cards, and certificates to help each chapter.

Awards are based on activity and the awarding of points for each type of activity:

a. Directing, chairing, or co-chairing an event or sub-committee for the duration of the event. (20 points)

b. Participation in the planning, financing, promotion or conduct of an event other than directing, chairing, or co chairing.

an event. Those that do direct, chair or co-chair an event and also serve as a regular member of a committee or sub-committee in a non-leadership role, may also earn points. (10 points)

c. Attending an Event (3 points)

d. Attending an event in Colonial Attire (5 points)

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SAR Members may be awarded the Medals for achieving the following levels:

a. Bronze Medal: 25 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district, or national society.

b. Silver Medal: Compatriots who earn 60 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district or national society.

c. Gold Medal: Compatriots who earn 150 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district, and national society. They will receive a letter authorized by Gary Gift Chairman 250th Gold Medal Committee to purchase the medal.

Recognition



Thank You Amore for your support of Prescott Chapter SAR



Thanks Andrea Castro for your Fund Raising support.



Rob Berryman receives his Liberty Medal for membership



Rob Berryman Receives his Bronze Medal 250th certificate



Wayne Hood Receives his 10 year Pin



Steve Monez receives Bronze Roger Sherman Medal



Wayne Hood Receives Bronze Roger Sherman Medal



Robert B.J. Vannett certificate of appreciation



Thank you Sandy Combs for all your support

Recognition



Lee Nelson a DAR member gave an excellent talk about her ancestors on the Mayflower.



Steve Monez receives the Bronze and Gold 250th Medals



It is impossible to govern the world without God. It is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the Providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits and humbly implore his protection and favor.

George Washington

New Members Inducted



L/R Kay Oden, Bill Oden, Willard Stallcup and Charles Shorkey.

Denis DeAtley sculpted this statue "Call to Arms". He usually does animals so this is a first. He has had it bronzed and colored. He has offered it to the club as a fund raiser. Tickets are \$50. Only 35 will be sold. You still have a chance to take part as the drawing won't be until the March meeting on the 11th. This is an unbelievable opportunity so buy a ticket from Ron Castle our Treasurer.



Wayne Hood Registrar



Wayne Hood, has worked tirelessly for several years to bring in more members. Our membership has grown from 48 a couple of years ago to 71 this last month. He meets with the new applicants. Then helps with the research, After making sure all is perfect he processes their applications. Wayne has also completed our Stark Report. We can not thank him enough,



Wayne Halford Genealogist

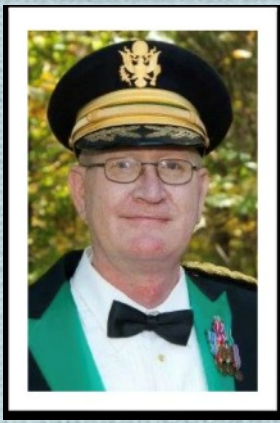


Wayne Halford is our genealogist. He has been very helpful with the applications when roadblocks appear. Thanks Wayne for your hard work,



Vice President General Kevin Carr and previous Vice President General Steve Miller

Major Norm James



A few years past, Christy James, widow of Major Norm James, U.S. Army Retired, of Dixon, Missouri, began sending Compatriot Tim Prater, hand knitted scarves. Christy originally sent but one scarf to her husband during his deployment to Afghanistan. From that one scarf she then began knitting 100s of scarves for Major James' troops. Christy said giving scarves to Norm's troops was a way to remind them even though they were 1000s of miles from home **"they were not alone or forgotten and at least one person was thinking of them and wishing them well"**. Norm passed away in 2018. Christy decided her

way to pay tribute to Norm was to continue knitting scarves. Christy asked Tim if Prescott Chapter would give her scarves to deserving Arizona Veterans.

Prescott Chapter has given 100's of scarves to Veterans throughout Northern Arizona. In May 2021, Compatriot Gene McCarthy, on behalf of the Chapter took on the cause. He donated 30 scarves to "Sedona Kind" which will be given to vets.

Presentation of Scarves to Yavapai County Veterans Participating in Arizona Superior Court Veterans Court Program



On Monday, December 19, 2022, Prescott Chapter President Jack Berry and Compatriot Tim Prater, U.S. Army (Retired) presented scarves to twelve Veterans participating in the Yavapai County Problem Solving Court Program. Scarves were presented to the Veterans in the Courtroom of the Honorable John Snapper. The scarves were made by Cindy James, Dixon, Missouri, in memory of her husband, Major Norm James, Afghanistan

Combat Veteran, U.S. Army (Retired) who died in part as the result of the mental and physical impact of war. Cindy made the scarves for Veterans as a symbol of encouragement, respect, friendship and acknowledgement of their honorable service.

Veterans' Court is a one year specialty program that exists in Yavapai County and throughout Arizona. The goal of the court is to rehabilitate and restore veterans as active, contributing members of their community. This program brings together legal counsel, court staff, Department of Veteran Affairs, and other support organizations to help veteran's facing a criminal legal issue.

Prescott Chapter wishes to acknowledge participating Veterans for their commitment to complete the program and desire to better themselves as Citizens and Veterans.

Alan Fitch



Welcome our newest member Alan Fitch who transferred into our chapter in June from the Silicone Valley SAR Chapter. Although he is originally from New York, Alan lived more than 50 years on the San Francisco Peninsula. He graduated from Palo Verde High School, earned a BA in politics from Whitman College and an MBA from Santa Clara University. His professional career focused on investment management, banking and real estate where he worked for Dean Witter, American Century Funds, and Bank of America, among others. While focusing on the real estate industry Alan obtained his Brokers License.

Alan has been a member of SAR since 2010 and has served as registrar, vice president and President of the Silicon Valley Chapter. He is also a member of the order of the Crown of Charlemagne, Baronial Order of the Magna Carta, Society of Colonial Wars, General Society of Mayflower Descendants, Sons of the

Union Veterans of the Civil War and founders and Patriots of America.

Alan has Two adult Daughters who live and work in San Francisco. He moved to the Stone Ridge community in October. He enjoys outdoor activities , reading and is currently writing a book on his families history.

Taylor Lee Berry



Congratulations to Prescott Chapter Member Taylor Lee Berry who graduated from basic training on November 10th at the Great Lakes Navel Training Center north of Chicago , Cook County, Ill. He remained at the center to continue his training as an Electronics Mate. His Graduation will be in the spring of 2023. He is President Jacks Grandson

President Jack Berry and Lee Nelson on Ann Shuttles Show

Chapter President Jack Berry and Lee Nelson of the Yavapai DAR Chapter spoke for an hour on the Mary Ann Suttles, KYCA show radio on November 4th. In case you missed it, you can listen to the show by goggling KYCA radio archives.

During the chapter business meeting held on December 10th at the Hassayampa Inn, Past Vice President Tim Prater installed the officers for 2023. They are Jack Berry as president; Ron Castle as treasurer; Steve Monez as color guard captain/chaplain; Wayne Hood as registrar; Wayne Halford as genealogist; Paul Kerper as information officer and Alan Fitch as historian. Not present was Rob Berryman who will serve as vice president/secretary and Hal Reniger who will continue as chancellor. They will be officially sworn in at a later date.

Cyber Scams

Recently, chapter members have been receiving emails from purported compatriots. If you receive an email from a purported compatriot in need of help or seeking contributions for any type of fundraising site; or an email addressing you by name from another member of our chapter requesting the expenditure of funds or the purchase of gift cards, consider it a hoax. If anyone has any questions about the legitimacy of any such email received, please contact our chapter president, since these messages are getting more sophisticated and may even include the unauthorized use of the SAR logo and/or a pseudo SAR email address.

Wreathes Across America December 17 Never forget all those that gave their all.



Members, President Jack Berry, Robert Filler and Steve Monez of the Prescott Chapter Color Guard placed wreathes on veteran's graves at the Prescott National Cemetery on December 17th Wreathes Across America Day. Thanks Jack and Robert for your photos

The annual SAR/DAR luncheon was held in the Marina Room at the Hassayampa Inn on November 12th. The event was a great success with 76 people attending from various SAR and DAR state chapters. Among those present was Arizona State DAR Regent Sallie Lovorn, Yavapai Chapter Regent Martha Ferreira, and Past Yavapai Chapter Regent Debbie Lamb.



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Arizona State Past President Bill Baran and Lesley Baran

Also Arizona State Past President Bill Baran and Arizona State Color Guard Commander Brad Hopkins were present. The keynote speaker was Lee Nelson of the Yavapai DAR Chapter. Other speakers included April Hay of the General George Crook DAR Chapter and Steve Monez of the Prescott SAR Chapter.

During the luncheon, Bill Oden, Charles Shorkey and Millard Stallcup were sworn in as new members of the Prescott Chapter.

For assisting the Prescott Chapter during the Prescott Frontier Days rodeo fund raising, Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to non-chapter members Ronnie Anderson, Andi Castro, Sandy Combs, Joanne Haubrick, Jean Hood, Guthrie Packard and Robert John "R.J." Vannett.

For dedicated and outstanding service to the SAR and Prescott Chapter, awards were given to the following chapter members:

A) Rob Berryman - 250th Anniversary Bronze and Silver Medals with certificates; Liberty Medal with certificate.

B) Ron Castle - Distinguished Service Medal with certificate.

C) Wayne Hood - 10-year Anniversary pin with certificate; Liberty bronze cluster with certificate; Bronze Roger Sherman Medal with certificate;

D) Steve Monez - 250th Anniversary Silver and Gold Medals; Bronze Roger Sherman Medal with Certificate.

E) Bill Smith - Roger Sherman bronze cluster with certificate; Certificate of Appreciation.



Arizona State Color Guard Commander Brad and Paula Hopkins.

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