



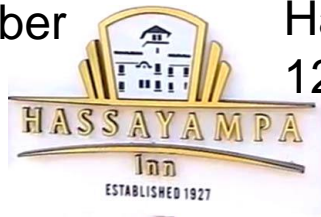
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The Prescottonian Prescott Chapter Newsletter July 2023

19 Prescott Granite Mountain Hot Shots perished June 30th, 2013
Marks 10 Year Anniversary

Lunch Meetings Calendar & Guest
Speakers for July thru December
July and August, no meetings

All Lunch Meetings held at
Hassayampa Inn at noon
122 E Gurley St, Prescott



Saturday, September 9th

Manuel Lucero, Executive Director, Museum of Indigenous People

“Native Americans in the Revolutionary War”

<manuel.lucero@museumofindigenouepeople.org>

Saturday, October 14th

Robbie Berryman, Free Mason and Prescott Chapter Vice President

“Free Masons during the Revolution War”

Saturday, November 4th

Morgan Elliott, National DAR Vice President General

“The Irish Immigrants participation in the Revolutionary War”

Saturday, December 9th no speaker

President's Corner



Jack Berry
President

Fellow compatriots:

It's officially summertime and the heat is on. Despite such dry and extreme weather conditions, I hope everyone has an enjoyable and safe summer. During the late spring and early summer months, our Chapter has continued to remained active and increase our membership. As of July 2nd we have 76 members.

The Prescott Chapter awarded three students from Canyon Ridge Elementary for their middle school brochure contest held in Surprise on May 9th. First place received \$100; 2nd place received \$75 and 3rd place received \$50. Chapter members Alan Fitch, Paul Kerper and Hal Reniger selected the three winners.

Since America will celebrate its 250th anniversary in 2026, members of the Prescott Chapter met with representatives of the General Crook Chapter and the Yavapai Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution on May 27th. The purpose of the meeting was to formally establish a committee and discuss how best to celebrate this once in a generation event. The key to success of such an event will be to build a coalition of like-minded community groups and individuals to participate and sponsor. More information will be forthcoming.

The Chapter Color Guard led by Captain Steve Monez has continued to be active as demonstrated by its participation in the Memorial Day event held at the Prescott Veterans Cemetery on May 29th. For the second time in the Chapter's history, the Prescott Color Guard led the Prescott Rodeo parade on July 1st, assisted by Color Guard members from Tucson and the Phoenix area. Approximately 15 Color Guardsmen participated.

As part of our fund raising efforts, our Chapter worked for the third straight year at the Prescott Frontier Days (PFD) rodeo on July 4th with family and friends which brought in \$1,713. Earlier this year, PFD contributed \$500 to the Chapter's youth and veterans program, while the Evening Lions Club donated \$250.

NOTE: The annual SAR/DAR luncheon will be held in the Arizona Room at the Hassayampa Inn on the November 4th. This year's speaker will be DAR Vice President General Morgan Elliott. More information about the luncheon will be forthcoming. The luncheon date was changed to the first Saturday in November since the Color Guard will be participating in the Veterans Day parade on November 11th.

REMINDER: Since a couple of current members of the board are stepping down, we will need some replacements to actively serve. The Board election will be held in the Arizona Room at the Hassayampa on December 9th. If anyone is interested in serving on the board, please contact a board member for further information.

**In Patriotism,
Jack Berry**

Revolutionary Trivia

What are the two other names given to the American Revolution? Answer pg. 9

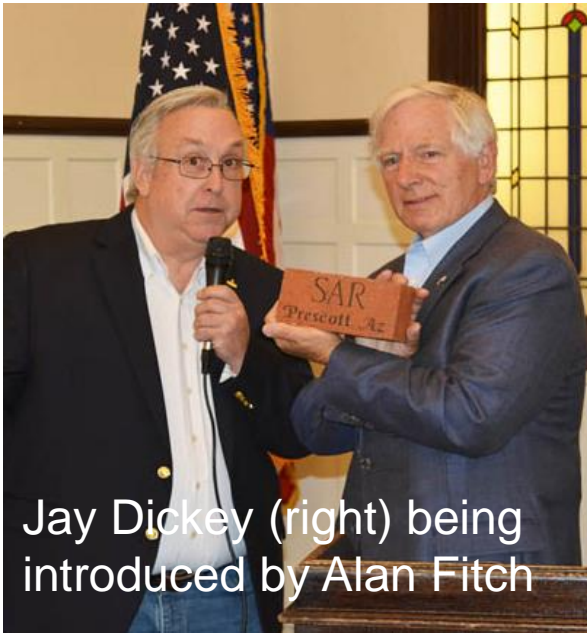
American Heritage Partners (AHP)



A Nevada-based nonprofit organization, whose mission is to partner with the leading heritage societies, institutions, and individuals to better educate and inform our citizens about our rich American history.

The Society of the Cincinnati is the nation's oldest patriotic organization, founded in 1783 by officers of the Continental Army who

served together in the American Revolution. Its mission is to promote knowledge and appreciation of the achievement of American independence and to foster fellowship among its members. Now a nonprofit educational organization devoted to the principles and ideals of its founders, the modern Society maintains its headquarters, library, and museum at Anderson House in Washington, D.C. Jay was our guest speaker Jay at the luncheon.



Jay Dickey (right) being introduced by Alan Fitch

New SAR member Paul Hutchinson after being sworn in



Prescott Frontier Days Rodeo Parade in Prescott, AZ



SAR's contingent leading the Frontier Days Parade



SAR Members from left: Ed Lipphardt, Steve Monez, Steve Bigelow, Paul Kerper at the Prescott Rodeo



SAR members and volunteers working the bars

Welcome New Member – Richard Gossett

Baron Friederich von Steuben Medals Awarded



Left to right) President General Bruce Pickette presents the Baron Friederich von Steuben Medals to Dr. William Baran, Steve Monez with Stephen Miller

The medal depicts a likeness of Baron Friederich von Steuben. To earn this medal a color guardsman must serve at least five years after the date his application for the Silver Color Guard Medal was approved, and he must participate in at least twenty-five (25) National and/or District Color Guard events. At leadership meetings and Congress all 50 flags will be brought in when enough members are in uniform to carry them. You must attend a Congress to see this exciting event. Baran (carried the PA flag) Monez (Carried French flag) and Miller (carried AZ flag).



von Steuben
Medal

Memorial Day Ceremony



Memorial Day Ceremony at the Prescott National Cemetery was attended by the Prescott Chapter Color Guard. This was to Honor the more than 7,500 Veterans laid to rest there. On that day, (from left to right) Edward Lipphardt Drummer, Steve Monez carrying the Federal Flag, Robert Filler carrying the Serapis Flag, Jack Berry Carrying the Gadsden Flag, Paul Kerper carrying the the Appeal to Heaven Flag and Ron Castle carrying the SAR Flag.

Let us never forget those who have given their all that we may live in a country blessed with GODS grace. Freedom is Not Free.

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



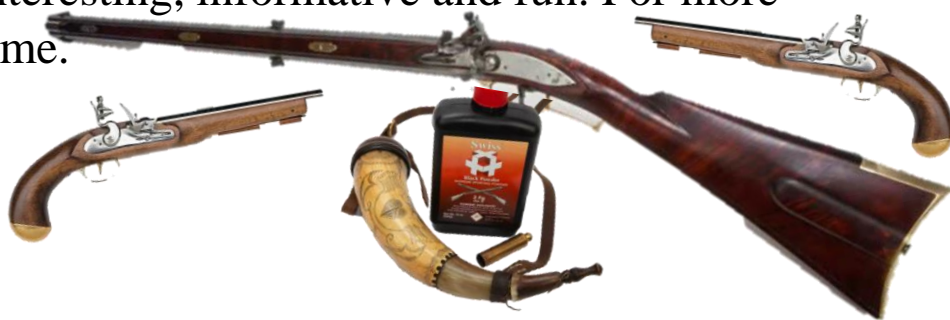
Muzzleloading Shooting Course

The Prescott Chapter is organizing a two-day muzzleloading safety class Oct 21 and 22 at the Compass Training Center in Chino Valley. The course will be given by Mark Kramer, past California Society Color Guard Commander and former National SAR Color Guard Safety Officer, and by Brandon Villardi, the current California Society Color Guard Commander. Both of these experienced men are nationally certified instructors for the NRA-NMLRA Muzzleloading Shooting Course which is approved by the National SAR Color Guard Committee. Their certification in this course will allow chapter members to fully participate in SAR Color Guard activities while firing muskets at the chapter, state and national level. This course is offered at a greatly reduced rate of \$65 per person and the chapter sincerely appreciates their generosity. One day is dedicated to class-room instruction and the second day will be on the range where you will load and fire a pistol, shotgun and musket. I recently took the course in Reno and found it very interesting, informative and fun. For more information, please contact me.

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Recognition



President Jack Berry presents Certificates and checks. The three students at Canyon Ridge Elementary in Surprise made posters. They received \$100 first, \$75 second and \$50 third place from the Prescott SAR Chapter



America's 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)

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

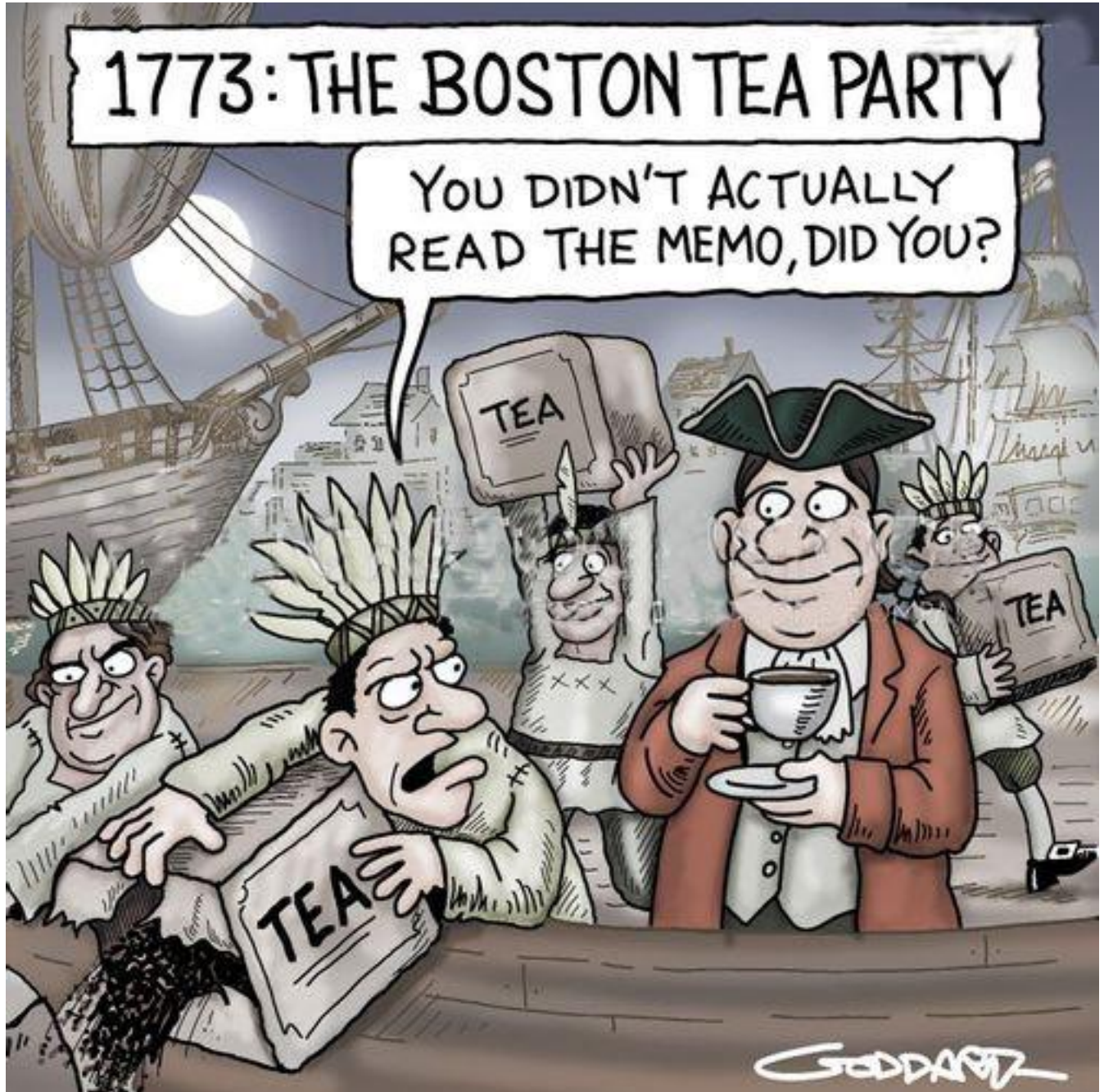
- a. Bronze Medal: 25 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district, or national society.
- b. Silver Medal: Compatriots who earn 60 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district or national society.
- c. Gold Medal: Compatriots who earn 150 promotion points as certified 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. Steve Monez and Jack Berry have qualified for the Gold. Paul Kerper has qualified for the Bronze.

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Prescott Evening
Lions Club



Trivia answer: **United States War of Independence
or American Revolutionary War**