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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Wow! This has been a whirlwind year. But, what a fantastic time it has been.

Bev and I have thoroughly enjoyed the visits to the many chapters throughout the state and apologize to the one or two we were not able to visit, but schedules conflicted and we were never able to make the connection.

We attended the 2017 NSSAR Congress in Knoxville, two NSSAR Leadership Conferences, three state conventions; 18 chapter meetings (some twice), two BOM meetings, five DAR/CAR meetings/functions, three ALSSAR grave markings, 11 Color Guard events, two veterans events and 12 home (Tennessee Valley) chapter meetings. We are scheduled for at least one and maybe two more events before February.

Through all of these activities I have gained a better knowledge and understanding of the personality and culture of our Alabama Society. Much of it was as expected and not surprising, but some was different and required me to recognize that some things can be changed quickly, some over a longer period and some never.

I talked to you when I visited your chapters about several initiatives we would be undertaking and some of those we have had great success, some are enjoying moderate progress, and

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ALSSAR convention moves to central location in Prattville

The Alabama Society Annual Business Meeting and Convention will be held on Feb. 16-17, 2018 at the Legends Marriott and Convention Center in Prattville. This is the same location as our 2016 convention.

There is a link on the state society web site (<http://www.alssar.org/alssar-convention-2018.html>) for hotel reservations, convention registration and information for placing memorials and advertisements in the convention book.

Also, there is a registration form (on page 8) and memorial information (on page 9) in this

newsletter.

Based on prior tradition, the annual convention would be held in Huntsville; however, the Alabama Society is looking into a central location for 2018 and forward.

The 2016 convention proved to be a great success at the Legends Marriott in Prattville and due to its more central location in the state we are looking at making it our annual home for our convention.

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—Photo courtesy of Donald Roberson

Cahaba-Coosa chapter president Donald Roberson, far left, presented Military Service awards to compatriots, from left: John Walker, Jim Price, Charles Nuckolls, Del Hiestand, C.W. Posey and William Wyatt at the November meeting.

Cahaba-Coosa honors military service

At its November meeting, the Cahaba-Coosa chapter presented the War Service Medal to two compatriots, the Military Service Medal to six compatriots and the Law Enforcement Commendation

Medal.

The War Service Medal was awarded to Carl Quinton Black, 92-year-old veteran of World War II who served in the U.S. Navy, and William Louis Aderholt Jr., who

served in the Vietnam War.

Both Black and Aderholt, unfortunately, were unable to attend the November chapter meeting.

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some we've redirected, hopefully to be tried in a different manner in the future.

Our emphasis on recruiting and retention has been very productive and our membership in the Alabama Society has increased by more than 200 members this year. That is a great success and very closely matches the goal of one out of five of our membership at the beginning of the year recruiting a new member.

The key is to retain the old and new members as well as bringing in new members, and we can accomplish this through the three "I's" of INCLUDING, INFORMING AND INVOLVING.

We've also had great success in "tooting our own horn" and telling the public who we are, what we do, how we are doing it, and the benefit the public gains by what we are doing.

Another of the success stories is that of partnering with the Alabama Tourism Board, the Alabama 200 Celebration and the NSSAR George Washington Endowment Fund to produce and distribute the Alabama Brochure depicting the history of Alabama relating to the Revolutionary War. These brochures are now distributed through the Alabama State Welcome centers located around the state.

Success and progress usually go hand in hand but to sustain this requires constant dedication and effort on the part of the membership in supporting with time, effort and treasure the programs of our Society. Without these essential ingredients provided by the membership, the organization will begin to regress, and the backward momentum will be very difficult to overcome. I urge you each to make your contribution in every way you can to support your Society.

My travels have revealed that we are an aging organization. About half of our active, full time members of a chapter in the Society are over 70 years of age. Younger members must be sought and included, informed and involved. With the younger members will come different interests, emphasis, and practices and policies. The Society must recognize, accept and adopt these changes to remain the extraordinary organization we are.

And speaking of extraordinary, this year would not have been as successful as it has been were it not for a few extraordinary men. Ron Bearden, our much esteemed state registrar, has done another exemplary job in the advising, assisting and processing of membership applications to our Society. In fact, he has done such an outstanding job, he was recognized by the National Society as the best state registrar in the NSSAR.

Bruce Buehler is another individual for whom I have a tremendous respect and a great deal of gratitude for stepping into the breach of disaster and "righting the ship" in our secretary position.

To each of the chapter presidents, your organizations are where "the rubber meets the road." If not for you and your efforts, there would be no organization for us to participate in and support and present to the public. Never give up your positions and beliefs in our purposes of Heredity, Patriotism and Education for these are the core of our organization and should never be forgotten.

Thank you all for the privilege and honor of having served as your president of the Alabama Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. God Bless you and God Bless the United States of America.

—Hal Thornton

ALSSAR Endowment Fund receives \$10,000 donation

At the end of November, the ALSSAR Endowment Fund Committee received notification that the Thomas L. Turner Charitable Trust had made a \$10,000 grant to the State Society's Endowment Fund! The money was deposited into the ALSSAR account at the Community Foundation of South Alabama on Nov. 30.

Grants made by this charitable trust are for public charitable, scientific or educational uses which assist and promote the well-being of inhabitants of the state of Alabama, preferably those of Southwest Alabama. Certainly the ALSSAR Endowment Fund, which helps generate financial support for a wide variety of youth programs centering on various facets of the American Revolution fits within the scope of the goals of Turner Charitable Trust.

The entire membership of the ALSSAR owes a very big "thank you" to State Chancellor Edmon McKinney, who presented the case to the directors of the Charitable Trust to consider making this substantial donation to the endowment fund.

Being the recipient of this grant is not only a very positive reflection on our society but also the management of the state endowment fund and the work that is being done with our youth programs.

While this grant brought the value of the ALSSAR Endowment Fund to more than \$45,000, it will not impact the amount of money that can be distributed in February 2018 as funds available for distribution are calculated annually each September.

As the value of the ALSSAR Endowment Fund grows, there will be an increasing number of dollars available each year to finance the awards for our state youth programs. This is why it is so imperative that the membership and the chapters, along with the state organization itself, annually make contributions to the endowment.

It is estimated that less than 1 percent of our membership have ever made a contribution. Full details on how to make a donation can be found on the state web site under the Endowment Fund tab along with sample letters that can be used. Directions are also available on how you can use your credit card and donations are tax-deductible. Remember that the corpus of the endowment fund cannot be spent and that the dollars you contribute today will still be working to fund ALSSAR youth programs well after you are gone.

—John Wallace

ALSSAR nominees for 2018

The ALSSAR Nominating Committee of past presidents Rev. Dr. John Killian (2009), Dr. C. David Billings (2011) and Dr. J. Fred Olive III (2016) proposed the following slate of officers to be voted on at the state convention.

President — Bob Anderson, Tennessee Valley

Vice President — Edmon McKinley, Gen. Galvez

Secretary — Bruce Buehler, Gen. John Archer Elmore

Recording Secretary — Jim Griffith, Tennessee Valley

Treasurer — John Van Zandt, Gen. Galvez

Registrar — Ron Bearden, Little River

Chancellor — Inge Tingle, Birmingham

Chaplain — Rev. Jeff Coker, Cheaha

Genealogist — Earl Gilliam, Gen. John Archer Elmore

Historian — Bob England, Shoals

Sergeant-At-Arms — Tom Smith, Gen. Richard Montgomery

National Trustee — Fred Olive, Birmingham

Alt. Trustee — Bob Anderson

Endowment Committee Member (for 3-year term) — John Wallace, Wiregrass



—Photo courtesy of Donald Roberson

ALSSAR trustee Fred Olive, far left, and past president Donald Roberson, second from left, induct Bruce Kilgore, Bill Daniel, Del Hiestand, Glenn Nivens, Scott Martin, Harry Sessamen, Charles Nuckolls and Larry Byrd.

Cahaba-Coosa presents awards, inducts new officers

Approximately 50 members and guests attended the Cahaba-Coosa chapter’s annual banquet in the Rotunda at the American Village on Dec. 1.

The chapter’s color guard, consisting of compatriots Glenn Nivens, Zander Bowling and William Wyatt presented the colors and compatriot and saxophonist Brian Roberson played the national anthem.

Four new members were inducted: Rex Anderson, Connor Kilgore, Jephtha Kilgore and Cass Tinsley.

Outgoing president Donald Roberson presented a certificate of appreciation to the following outgoing officers: Vice-President Bruce Kilgore, Secretary Larry Byrd, Assistant Secretary Glenn Nivens, Treasurer Scott Martin, Assistant Treasurer C.W. Posey, Registrar Harry Sessamen and Chaplain Charles Nuckolls.

Also, Jim Price was awarded a certificate of appreciation for his work with the flag certificate program that recognized 19 organizations this year.

Compatriot Rex Anderson was presented the Military Service Medal for his service in the U.S. Air Force. Retired Major General Conrad Ponder (U.S. Army) was presented the War Service Medal.

Compatriot Harry Sessamen, who has served as the chapter Registrar for the past three years, was presented the Bronze Roger Sherman Medal. Past President Don Glover also received the Bronze Roger Sherman Medal.

The Meritorious Service Medal was presented to Nivens, who has served the Cahaba-Coosa chapter faithfully since its founding in 2003.

Roberson presented the Distinguished

Service Medal to Kilgore for his excellent service to the chapter in 2017.

The featured speaker was Steve Murray, director of the Alabama Archives and History. Murray is only the sixth director in the Archives’ 116-year history.

Laura Murray discussed her recently published first book, “Amazing Alabama: A Coloring Book Journey Through Our 67 Counties.”

The meeting concluded with the installation of the 2018 officers for the Cahaba-Coosa chapter. Roberson installed President Bruce Kilgore, Vice-President Bill Daniel, Secretary Del Hiestand, Assistant Secretary Glenn Nivens, Treasurer and Genealogist Scott Martin, Registrar Harry Sessamen, Chaplain Charles Nuckolls, and Historian Larry Byrd.

—Donald Roberson



—Photo courtesy of Donald Roberson

Fred Olive, past ALSSAR president Bobby Joe Seales and past chapter president Donald Roberson with new members, from left: Jephtha Kilgore, Connor Kilgore, Rex Anderson and Cass Tinsley.

In Memory...

James Hartwell Lane

The Gen. Richard Montgomery chapter recently lost one of its former officers with the passing of **JAMES HARTWELL LANE** on Oct. 19. He was 83.

Buddy joined the Sons of the American Revolution in 2003 and was a former chapter secretary.

A veteran who had served in the U.S. Navy, Lane was also a volunteer with the Montgomery Police Department's

"Volunteers in Police Service," where he became a friend to many in the community.

He joined the VIPS soon after its formation in 2003 and served as a volunteer police officer for 12 years.

Lane is survived by his daughter, Vicki Ferguson Brooks, along with six grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

Services were held on Oct. 23 in Montgomery.



—Photos courtesy of William Rozier

Cheaha chapter presents awards, medals at monthly meetings

At the September meeting, Calhoun County Deputy Richard Tatum, above left, was presented a Law Enforcement Commendation Medal. Deputy Tatum has been a reserve deputy for well over 12 years and donates more than 1,000 hours each year in service to the Sheriff's Office. At the October meeting, guest speaker David Hodnett, above right with president Jeff Coker (left) and compatriot Louis Quigley, presented "One of George Washington's Life Guards." At the November meeting, below left, U.S. Navy (Ret.) Commander Ed Isom (pictured with Coker) presented "The USS Constitution in America's Second War of Independence." Below left, Judge Edwin Mac Smith was awarded the Bronze Roger Sherman Medal for his service to the chapter, while Annette Edgeworth Smith was awarded the Medal of Appreciation for her service.



Gen. Galvez chapter inducts 3 members in November

The Gen. Galvez chapter inducted a trio of new members, discussed an upcoming visit to veterans and voted on 2018 officers at its November meeting at Felix Restaurant on the Causeway, near the USS Alabama Battleship Park.

Compatriot Edmon McKinley addressed the chapter on the importance of every member participating in the Angel Tree Christmas gifts for the veterans at the Green Veterans Home in Bay Minette. The veterans look forward to this event and it makes us feel good too. We can never repay them for their sacrifices but this is a small token of our appreciation.

Compatriot Michael Glass was called forward and awarded the coveted National SAR Liberty Medal with Certificate. This medal is given for outstanding new membership recruitment and assistance. Chapter president John Goss called Michael Green, Jerry Green and Gary Dean forward for induction into the SAR. Vice president John Van Zandt pinned the SAR rosette on each one and they were given the opportunity to speak to the chapter about their respective Revolutionary War ancestor.

McKinley, the chapter's election committee chairman, gave a list of volunteer officers for the coming year. Goss opened the floor for any other nominations. A motion was made to close the nominations and to vote on the new slate of officers by acclamation which was seconded and a voice vote confirmed the new slate. We will not have a December meeting. Our next meeting will be the



—Photo courtesy of Mike Glass

Gen. Galvez chapter president John Goss, second from right, and vice president John Van Zandt, far right, induct new members, from left: Michael Green, Jerry Green and Gary Dean at November meeting.

January banquet at the Gift Horse Restaurant in Foley, where the new officers will be installed.

The October meeting, also at Felix Restaurant, included prospective members Jerry Green and Gary Dean as well as Bob Neibling, who was inducted into the chapter.

Van Zandt introduced the guest speaker, Claudia Campbell. Campbell has an impressive professional background of more than 40 years in the nursing field

and has been an active member of the DAR for 40 years. She is currently the Fort Mims chapter regent and has served as president of the Fort Mims Restoration Association for four years and is active with the annual reenactment at Fort Mims in August. Fittingly, she presented a program on Fort Mims. Her presentation was extremely informative and included personal connections and historical stories of the Fort Mims event.

—Mike Glass



—Photo courtesy of Jason Williams

Bicentennial visit

The Richard Henry Lee chapter was entertained at its October meeting with a group representing the Lee County chapter of the state bicentennial committee. Currently, there are almost 120 groups in 62 counties that are part of "Alabama 200," a presentation designed to engage residents in educational programs, community activities and statewide initiatives that teach, inspire and entertain. Chapter president Wilson Lee, far left, and vice president Bob Harris, far right, welcomed the group to the October gathering.

Proposed Changes to Constitution and By-Laws

Strikethroughs noted and additions underlined

The following amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Alabama Society were approved at the Fall 2017 Board of Managers to be forwarded to the Annual Meeting of the Society:

Constitution, Article IV, Officers, and Bylaws, Article IX, The Vice President, Article XVI, The Chancellor, and Article XVIII, The Board of Managers, Section 3.

Change title of "Senior Vice President" to "Vice President."

Constitution, Article V, Meetings, Section 2

Section 2. ~~At No later than~~ the last meeting of the Board of Managers prior to the Annual Meeting, the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee of three (3) Past Presidents of the Society who, in the opinion of the President, are active in the affairs of the Society. The President shall strive, in the appointment of the Nominating Committee, for the widest possible geographic distribution of membership on the Committee. ~~The Committee shall be chaired by the most recent Past President who is willing and able to serve. The President shall select the Chairman of the Nominating Committee.~~ It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to nominate a candidate, who shall be a primary member in good standing of the ALSSAR, for each office enumerated in Section 1 Article IV of the Constitution and a member of the Endowment Fund Committee as outlined in Article VI of the Constitution, and to report its nominations to the President and the Recording Secretary in sufficient time for the report to be included in the Notice of the Annual Meeting provided to the general membership. In addition to nominating the state officers, the Nominating Committee shall, in its report, nominate one candidate each for the offices of National Trustee and Alternate National Trustee as provided for in the Constitution and By-Laws of the National Society. The National Trustee and Alternate National Trustee shall be elected and installed in office during the annual National Society Congress.

Constitution, Article VII, Amendments

This Constitution may be altered, amended or repealed only by not less than a two-thirds vote of the members of the Society present at an annual meeting or at a special meeting of the Society called for the purpose, provided that proposed changes shall be sent to all members at least thirty days in advance of the meeting at which it is to be acted upon.

Bylaws, Article IV, Removal from Office and Suspension or Expulsion of Members

Delete current Sections 1 and 2 add the following as Article IV, Sections 1-5:

ARTICLE IV

Removal from office and Suspension or Expulsion of Members

An Adjudication Panel shall have the responsibility and authority to investigate and conduct hearings on the improper acts of a Compatriot as set forth in this Article.

Section 1. Complaint: Any member of the Alabama Society Sons of the American Revolution (the Society) may lodge a formal complaint against another member for alleged conduct prejudicial to the best interest of the Society. The complaining member will file a written complaint in duplicate with the State Secretary that includes specifics of the conduct alleged.

The Secretary will send or present a copy of the complaint to the State President. Upon receipt of the complaint and within seven (7) days, the President will appoint an Adjudication Panel (the Panel). The Panel will comprise five members of the Board of Managers, including two (2) past Presidents of the Alabama Society and the State Chancellor who will serve as Chair of the Panel. One member of the Panel will be appointed as the Panel Secretary for the purpose of recording in duplicate and transcribing the testimony before the Panel. None of the Panel may be a member of the same Chapter to which the complaining member or accused member belongs nor a member of the Executive Committee. If the Chancellor is a member of the accused member's Chapter, the President will appoint another Chair. The Panel will meet within fifteen (15) days of its appointment.

The Panel will first consider whether the conduct alleged in the complaint, if true, constitutes conduct prejudicial to the best interest of the Society. If the Panel determines that the alleged conduct is not prejudicial, it will take no further action and the matter is closed. If the Panel determines that the alleged conduct, if true, is prejudicial, it will set a date for a hearing not less than three (3) nor more than six (6) weeks after such determination. In the event the Compatriot against whom the complaint has been made has been convicted of a felony crime, the Panel may consider that conviction sufficient evidence, with no further adjudication necessary to support their determined course of action.

The State Secretary will send a copy of the complaint to the accused member by a method that will assure delivery, together with a notice of the hearing. The notice will advise the accused member that he may appear and present witnesses in his defense. The Panel may appoint an independent investigator to gather additional evidence.

Section 2. Due Process: The provisions regarding Disciplinary Procedures contained in the most recent edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, as such may be modified by the procedures set forth in this By-Law, shall govern the investigation and hearing of any charges brought pursuant to (a) of this By-Law.

Section 3. Panel Hearing: The hearing before the Panel should be held within the region of the Compatriot being investigated. The hearing before the Panel shall be closed, with attendance limited to only the Panel members, the complaining member, the accused Compatriot, and investigator if so appointed, and any witnesses (but only when such witness is testifying). The Panel may decide that counsel may represent the parties. At the hearing, first, the complaining member, the accused member, and then the investigator, if one is appointed, may present evidence, including witness testimony, regarding the conduct in question. Should the Panel find that the alleged misconduct is prejudicial to the best interest of the Society, it may, by a majority vote of those members present, depending on the nature and severity of the misconduct, issue a reprimand to the subject member or suspend the subject member from all privileges of the Society for not more than six months from the date of the hearing. If the Panel considers such a reprimand or suspension to be an insufficient sanction, it may also recommend to the membership that the subject member be expelled from the Society. In such case, the suspension does not restrict the suspended member's right to appear at the Board of Managers meeting at which the Panel's recommendations is considered. Immediately after the Panel has reached a decision, the Panel Secretary will put the Panel's findings in written form and forward to the State Secretary. If either or both the complaining member or the accused member were not present at the hearing, the State Secretary will notify the absent member or members of the recommended action that the Panel has taken on the matter.

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Section 4. Appeal to the Board of Managers: A compatriot may appeal the decisions of the Panel to the Board of Managers by providing written notice to the State Secretary within fourteen (14) days of the service by first-class mail or electronic mail of a report from the Panel imposing or affirming discipline on said Compatriot. Such hearing would be conducted at the next regular meeting Board of Managers and would be presided over by the State President or his designee. Only members of the Board of Managers and the accused Compatriot may be present at the hearing. The hearing by the Board of Managers would consist of (1) a review of (a) the written statements of the parties, (b) the investigation report, if any, (c) the transcription of the testimony taken by the Panel, (d) the reports of the Panel, and (2) oral arguments presented on behalf of the Alabama Society and the accused Compatriot. The Board of Managers may accept, reject or modify, in whole or in part, the discipline imposed on a Compatriot by majority vote; provided, however, that expulsion from the Alabama Society requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote by secret ballot of the members of the Board of Managers present and voting. If the members vote not to expel, any reprimand or suspension will stand.

Section 5. The provisions of Section 1, Complaint, are not the exclusive or sole method of initiating charges against a member. Conviction of a felony involving moral turpitude, acts evidencing sexual depravity, infamous notoriety or other widely published conduct of ill repute will authorize initiation of either Panel action or Board of

Managers action to preserve the good name and reputation of the Society. The rights of the accused to reasonable notice and an opportunity to defend shall be preserved but summary and swift action of the Panel or the Board of Managers is not proscribed by this Article.

Bylaws, Article XVIII, The Board of Managers

From: (Partial Wording Shown)

Section 2. The Executive Committee... and act for the Board of Managers ad interim to consider spending discretionary funds. The Committee may conduct...

To:

Section 2. The Executive Committee... and act for the Board of Managers, ad interim, to consider spending discretionary funds. The Committee may conduct...

Bylaws, Article XXIII, Amendments

These By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed only by not less than a two-thirds vote of the members of the Society present at an annual meeting or a special meeting of the Society called for that purpose, provided that proposed changes shall be sent to all members at least thirty days in advance of the meeting at which they are to be acted upon.



—Photo courtesy of Donald Roberson

Cahaba-Coosa president Donald Roberson, left, presents Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Capt. Jay Fondren.

Service

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Military Service medals were awarded to Delbert Calvert Hiestand (U.S. Army), Charles Robert Nuckolls (U.S. Air Force), Curtis Wilson Posey Jr. (U.S. Air Force), James Clifford Price (U.S.

Army and U.S. Air Force), John Robert Walker (U.S. Air Force), and William Clarence Wyatt (U.S. Army).

The Law Enforcement Commendation Medal was presented to Capt. Jay Fondren of the Shelby County Sheriff's Office.

Convention

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The Tennessee Valley chapter will be the host chapter for 2018 and will handle the hospitality room, table decorations and overall planning.

The State Society set up a separate checking account for the 2017 convention so the host chapter does not have to run the money through their chapter account. This has proved to be very successful and should allow smaller chapters to host a state convention in the future without "breaking their bank."

Our special invited guest for 2018 is Secretary General Warren Alter and his wife Nancy. We are honored to have Warren and Nancy as our guests and we look forward to showing them some southern hospitality.

We have a block of rooms at the Legends Marriott at a special SAR rate of \$122 per night. Our block is good through Jan. 12 so I recommend that you go ahead and make your room reservation now.

Also, I hope you will consider honoring your patriot ancestor, father, mother or anyone else that you would like to honor by placing a memorial in the convention book.

See you in Prattville!

*—Jim Maples
Convention Chairman 2018*



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Prattville, Alabama

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(use Sons of the American Revolution to get the special rate)

ATTENDEES MUST MAKE THEIR OWN HOTEL RESERVATIONS (cutoff date is January 12)

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR ATTENDANCE AT ALL FUNCTIONS

NAME: _____ **GUEST(S):** _____

CHAPTER: _____ **OFFICE HELD:** _____

◇ **REGISTRATION FEE:** SAR MEMBERS: _____ x \$40 \$ _____

GUESTS: _____ x \$20 \$ _____

◇ **GENEALOGY WORKSHOP** NO COST _____
 Friday 2:00pm - 3:30pm—*Presented by* *Number attending*
ALSSAR Registrar Ron Bearden

◇ **RECEPTION** _____
 Friday 6:30pm - 8:00pm (Cash Bar)
SAR Registered Members and Registered Guests only *Number attending*

◇ **ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**
 Saturday 8:30am
 Orations Contest 11:00am

◇ **LUNCHEON** _____ x \$35 \$ _____
 Saturday 12:00pm - 1:30pm

◇ **PROBATE RECORDS WORKSHOP** NO COST _____
 Saturday 2:00pm - 3:30pm - *Presented by Felton Mitchell* *Number attending*

◇ **SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET:**
 (Black tie for head table and new officers. Others: black tie, uniform, or coat and tie; appropriate dress for ladies.)
 Social/Cash Bar 6:00pm-7:00pm - Dinner 7:00pm _____ x \$45 \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Mail your registration form along with you check payable to ALSSAR Convention to:

Jim Maples
ALSSAR 2018 Convention
1501 Elmwood Dr SE
Huntsville, AL 35801

To help cover a portion of the expenses that we will incur with the 2018 Alabama Society, SAR State Convention, the Alabama Society is soliciting donations for memorials and honorariums that will be printed in the convention booklet.

The memorials to the right, below, and on the back are samples from previous year's books. The sizes and associated costs are as follows:

1/4 page	\$30.00
1/2 page	\$60.00
Full page	\$120.00

The information that you include in your memorial or honorarium is up to you. You can honor you patriot ancestor, father, mother, grandfather, grandmother, children, past chapter president, or anyone else that you choose. Please send your memorial via email to jhmaples@gmail.com or include a camera ready copy with your check to the address below.

Please include a check made out to; **ALSSAR Convention** and put "**Memorial**" on the notation line and mail it to:

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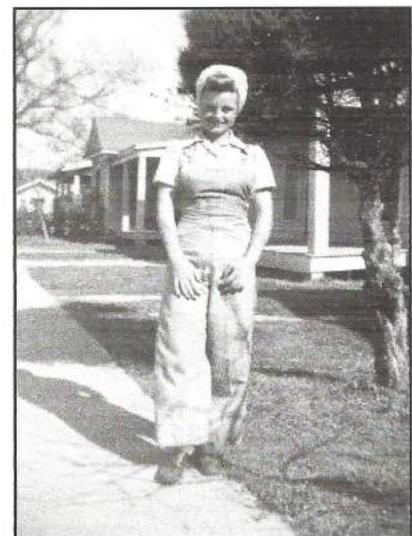
Deadline for donations is 1 February 2018



**In Memory
of
John Hillis
and
Burwell
Thompson**

**Patriot Ancestors
of
Larry Crabtree**

**In Memory of Russell Jay Alcott (1921-2010)
And Lois Ray Alcott (1922-2013)**



Russ was a bombardier on a B-24 with the 8th Air Force during WWII. Shot down on his 23rd mission, he was a German POW for 13 months. Russ was a member of the Tennessee Valley Chapter. Lois was a welder at Hughes Tool & Die Company in Houston during WWII. Lois was a member of the Hunt's Spring Chapter DAR. Russ and Lois were the grandparents of SAR member Jay G. Maples, father-in-law and mother-in-law of SAR member Jim Maples and parents of DAR member Linda Alcott Maples.

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—Photo courtesy of Jason Williams

Richard Henry Lee chapter inducts new members

The Richard Henry Lee chapter inducted five new members at its Oct. 27 meeting. Chapter president Wilson Lee (far left) inducts new compatriots, from left: John Michael Burton, John Vernon Denson II, Justin Daniel Barnard, William Ernest Allgood and Douglas James Reynolds.