

# Mississippi Compatriot

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## Mississippi Society

Sons of the American Revolution



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### Meeting Schedule:

#### Executive Committee:

January 12, 2019

#### Future Events:

NSSAR Leadership and  
Trustee Meeting

## MSSAR PRESIDENTS MESSAGE AUGUST 2018

My wife Pam and I just returned from the 128th National Society Sons of the American Revolution (NSSAR) Congress in Houston, Texas. The congress took over the entire Westin Hotel in Houston, TX. We arrived on July 12, 2018, two days early for the July 14 thru July 18 event. We have been to other National Congress's and this one was the most FANTASTIC I have seen.

The Texas Society hosted the event, and what a job well done. Thanks go to Thomas Jackson, Chairman of the Texas SAR Planning Committee, and to Paul R. Callanan, NSSAR Congress Planning Committee Chairman. Tours of the President George H.W. Bush Presidential Library, NASA Tour, San Jacinto Battlefield Tour, Houston Museum District Tour were fantastic, and well organized. People loved them. The First Ladies Tea was a hit with my wife and all the new friends she made.

The Texas Society Welcome Reception was held at the George Ranch Historical Park with everyone bussed there. The theme was Western Wear, Cowboy hats etc. and they offered free drinks of all kinds, barbeque meats and buffet style food, complementary personalized photos with a Texas Longhorn in the background and of course a Country Music Band. I could go on and on about the fun events and business meetings, but I will just say that if you go to a National Congress, you will want to go to every one. It's fun and memorable. The MSSAR Executive Committee has been very busy reviewing the By-Laws, Committee Memberships, and the State Convention preparations in Columbus, March 15,16-2019 at the Courtyard Marriott. Reservation costs for rooms are discounted for those who mention they are attending the SAR Convention. The (con't on p. 2)

## 2018 National Congress



The Annual National Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution was held from Friday, July 13 to Wednesday, August 18, 2018 at the Weston Houston, Memorial

City location.

A number of compatriots joined together for tours of NASA, the George H. W. Bush Presidential Library, the San Jacinto Battlefield and the Houston Museum District.

The Host Society Reception was held about a half hour west of Houston at the George Ranch Historic Park, featuring great barbeque, good fellowship and wonderful entertainment. Sunday featured the Annual Memorial Service. Business was conducted in several sessions. Noteworthy items on the agenda were proposed:

1. A proposal to include children by adoption in our lines of descent;
2. A proposal to decrease the cost of Memorial Memberships and other proposals regulating Memorial Membership;
3. A proposal that allows only the Board of Trustees to be the voting body of the SAR, omitting elected General Officers, Appointees and Past Presidents General.
4. A proposal to expand categories of membership to include Emeritus Members.

**2018 NSSAR Congress— Michael Schenk ( can't )**

The first and third proposals were defeated by large margins. The proposals concerning Memorial Memberships were adapted by a large margin. The final proposal was postponed until next year.

Compatriots Michael P. Schenk and Joseph (Toby) Winston were elected National Trustee and Alternate Trustee for the Mississippi Society.

Attendees from the MSSAR were President John Fulwider and his wife Pam and

National Trustee Michael P. Schenk and his wife Laura. Mike also came off the NSSAR Executive Committee having served during PG Larry Guzy's term and received the Gold Roger Sherman medal for his service; he remains Vice Chair of the National Eagle Scout Committee.

**Youth Contest Winners****Rumbaugh Oration Contest:**

First Place - Rebekah Ruth Doane, Indiana

Second Place - Chayne Dessaso, Kansas

Third Place - Calab Vincent Wilson, Florida

**Knight Essay Contest:**

First Place - Kate McLoud, Texas

Second Place - Sarah Chen, Arkansas

Third Place - Rachel Halberg, Wisconsin

**Poster Contest:**

First Place - Andrew Menard - Louisiana

Second Place - Brooklynn Smith - Maryland

Third Place - Charlotte Sandoval - Florida

**Ben McEwen and Wife on Vacation**

My wife and I flew to Germany and stayed with our daughter, son in law and three grand children in Bad Godesburg, a part of the city of Bonn. Our visit lasted the month of July. We made a number of side trips to sites in Germany, such as Castle Eltz near Koblenz. We also visited friends in the Netherlands. Our longest road trip took us to the Alsace region in France, then to Paris and Versailles, then to Bruges, Belgium and the coast and finally back to Bad Godesburg [Bonn] for a rest before returning to the U.S.

**President's Message (con't)**

2019 MSSAR Convention will honor our Color Guard, past, present and future. The overall theme will be on preserving the legacy of the American Revolutionary War, and the War of 1812 through education of our youth by hands on displays and encampments. Exciting times are coming fast, and you need to be a part of this new focus, new direction and new leadership of our Mississippi State Society.

Pam and I are calling out to all the SAR Ladies, SAR Widows, DAR Sisters and those who would like to be a founding member of the upcoming Mississippi State Society Ladies Axillary.

If you are a Chapter President, or Chapter Vice President please send me a photo of you and your wife, significant other, or of just you. I am trying to get enough photos to make a calendar, or other memorable item you would want. Photos in period uniform or dress are especially nice.

Pam and I are hoping to meet and thank as many of you as we can for your service to SAR at one of your Chapter meeting, or at the 2019 Convention.

## ExCom Meeting

September 8, 2018

### MSSSAR Executive Meeting Minutes 8 September 2018 Banquet Hall 7454 Old Canton Rd., Madison

President Dr. John Fulwider called the meeting to order at 10:00 am, and thanked the Central Mississippi Chapter, and Ben Jones, Michael Schenk, Dr. Bryant Boswell and others for hosting the Excom members to a wonderful Cook-Out lunch that was to follow the meeting. Food was Pot-Luck, and hot food was grilled by Ben Jones. 1st VP Dr. Bryant Boswell took roll call. Eighteen members were present. Dr. Bryant declared a Quorum present for the meeting. Rev. Glenn Shows gave the Invocation. Charles Garrison led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. John Taylor led salute to the Mississippi Flag. Lynn Herron led pledge to the SAR. President Dr. John Fulwider welcomed guests and members. Ladies in attendance were: Carol Nolley, Barbara Cox, Pam Fulwider, Jill Taylor, Carol Irving, Laura Schenk, Sandy Brent, Sarah Boswell, Anita Hite. And 3 children. Total in attendance 29. Charles Garrison identified 8 Chapters represented in attendance: Central Mississippi, Daniel McKie, David Murphree, Desoto Patriots, Dr. Joseph Warren, Jacob Horger, James Vernon Lynam Sr., William Gray. A motion was made to accept the Minutes from the June meeting as published and disseminated 1st by Hon. Toby Winston, 2nd by Michael Schenk and passed by vote. The Financial Report was handed out, and discussed by Treasurer Lynn Herron. Motion to accept by Michael Nolley, 2nd by Hon. Toby Winston and passed by vote.

### Officer Reports:

Michael Schenk gave a Trustee Report on the National Congress in Houston, and the business conducted there.

President Fulwider delivered a State of the Society Report to the Excom and members present outlining past, present and future ventures of the State Society. 2019 Convention will be March 15,16 at the Marriott Courtyard in Columbus, MS. You need to reserve your rooms now under MSSAR Convention. There are only 20 set aside and blocked discounted rooms for reservations.

1st V.P. Dr. Boswell referred to 7 proposals sent to the Excom for consideration and discussion later on in the meeting. He made a motion that the two signatories on the Convention Support Bank account be changed to the 1st VP and the Treasurer. That a debit card be attached to the account and given to the 1st VP to pay for expenses of the convention and he also pledged to donate \$500.00 to that account when the changes are made. The account would always carry a balance of \$500.00 through deposits from the Treasurer. His motion passed with the Treasurer concurring with the changes.

2nd V.P. position being vacated by elevation protocol, the President appointed Jak Smith Esq. to fulfill the remaining 2018/2019 term and Jak Smith accepted the appointment.

The Secretary position being vacant due to a resignation by Ben McEwen, President Fulwider appointed Julius Hite as MSSSAR Secretary to fulfill the remaining 2018/2019 term and Julius Hite accepted the appointment. Treasurer/Registrar report was delivered by Lynn Herron, discussing potential future operating changes to how better manage the various financial accounts, and the issuance of a debit card to pay for future convention expenses. 4 new applications are being processed and 1 supplemental. He reminded all SAR members that State and Chapter Dues must be paid by November 1st for the ensuing year. Any member who fails to pay his dues on or before January 1st shall be declared delinquent and his name removed from the Membership Roster. Genealogist Larry Hellums described potential applicants procedures and his work of late. Chancellor Mark Henry Esq. reported to the Excom President via e-mail concerning language to submitted and reviewed was deemed to be enough/

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adequate to serve the purpose. Sergeant-at-Arms Bob Cox reiterated via e-mail prior to the meeting that Emile Dennis Jr. did not wish to continue as Sergeant-At-Arms, and that he, Bob Cox, has since agreed to fill that position. Color Guard Commander Julius Hite gave a written report to members present. Current Color Guard members were noted as: Dr. Bryant Boswell, Gerald Brent, Lynn Herron, Julius Hite, Bill Horne, Buddy Irving, Kevin McDonald, Erik Norman, Michael Schenk, John Taylor. Next event is the DAR Rosalie Day 80th Anniversary Celebration in Natchez October 24, Oct 25, 2018.

### **Chapter Reports:**

Written reports from the Joseph Warren Chapter, Jacob Horger Chapter, and the DeSoto Patriots Chapter were received and attached to the Agenda for the meeting for all to read.

I would like to thank Dr. Tommy L. Thompson (tthompson393@att.net), Bob Cox (bcx1951@gmail.com) for his two reports, one for the Joseph Rumbaugh Oration Contest, Ed Campbell (ewccrystalsprings@yahoo.com), and Julius Hite (Julius.drummer.1776@gmail.com) for taking the time to submit written reports via email to the Secretary (Dr. Fulwider standing in) for the Excom Meeting. I read them all, and you are handling your titles responsibilities wonderfully. I hope other Chapter Presidents take note.

### **Committee Reports:**

Eagle Scout: Michael Schenk, reported that Chauncey Godwin and he are still working on getting submissions, and noted that the National Award is around \$12,000.00. So get the word out to any Eagle Scouts you know to submit an Essay to their Chapter for submission to the State prior to December this year.

Knight Essay: Gerry Brent reported we had one submission to National for 2018, but none as of yet for 2019.

Oration: Bob Cox, report attached, and he asked for others to seek out other Associations who sponsor Oration Contests such as The American Legion and Hon. Toby Winston gave suggestions for sources of contestants. Medals/Awards: John Taylor asked that each chapter appoint a Registrar. Also, Chapter Presidents who are presenting or nominating members for high awards, or community awards to contact him if there are questions or assistance needed.

**Veterans:** William "Bill" Horne is in charge of this Committee Flag: Michael Nolley Sr. (michaelnolley@hotmail.com) is requesting all Chapter Presidents to appoint a member to represent their chapter to the State Flag Committee. Member Movements: Charlie Carlisle Jr. from Central Mississippi Chapter to Dr. Joseph Warren Chapter in Vicksburg, MS. Update your Membership List.

### **Old Business:**

1.) The Nominations Committee Chairman Rev. Glenn Shows reported that they nominate for 2nd VP Jak Smith Esq. to fulfill the 2018/2019 term.

2.) President Fulwider appointed Jak Smith Esq. as the 2nd VP.

He then thanked the Nomination Committee comprised of Chairman Rev. Glenn Shows, Dr. Bryant Boswell and Michael Schenk for their work, and discharged the committee.

3.) President Fulwider Activated Committees and the position of Area Director as described in the by-laws:

Finance Committee: Treasurer Lynn Herron Chairman as per the by-laws. Committee members are Buddy Irving and Charles Scruggs.

Audit Committee: 2nd V.P. Jak Smith Esq. Chairman, as per the by-laws.

Area Directors: President Fulwider will appoint three (3) Area Directors. Appointments will occur at the Jan 12, 2019 Excom meeting.

4.) President Fulwider appointed Hon. Toby Winston, Past President to Chair the 2019/2020 Officers Nominations Committee. Committee members are: Past President Michael Schenk (Central District), Larry Jolly (Northern District), and Michael Nolley (Southern District). The committee will report back to the Jan 12th, 2019 Excom Meeting their nominations for the full slate of officers to be elected at the 2019 Annual Convention. Any Nominations to be made from the floor of the convention must be known at least 30 days prior to the convention to allow for qualification of the floor nominee/s.

5.) President Fulwider activated the Long Range Planning Committee and appointed Dr. Boswell to Chair the committee. President Fulwider gave authority to Dr. Boswell to formulate/organize the committee, and report back to the President how he has organized the structure of the committee in writing, and whom he has appointed to each facet of the

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structure as to assignments/Titles. All appointees must agree to serve. The main purpose of the Long Range Planning Committee is to plan the Annual Convention locations three years in the future, and support the 1st VP in organizing each convention. All future events of every nature that commits the State Society assets, or endorsements will be coordinated with the Long Range Planning Committee.

6.) President Fulwider appointed a By-Laws Review Committee to be Chaired by 1st VP Dr. Bryant Boswell, with committeemen 2nd VP Jak Smith Esq., Michael Schenk, and Past President Charles Garrison. Their findings to be reported to the Excom at the Jan 12th, 2019 meeting.

**New Business:**

A.) 1st V.P. Dr. Bryant Boswell proposed 7 items to be considered by the Excom, and a final decision to be made on each one at the Jan 12, 2019 Excom Meeting.

1st proposal. The state be geographically put into three (3) districts, each district to be mentored by an experienced SAR member, who has the knowledge to guide and give verbal administrative support to Chapter Presidents and members in his assigned area. It is preferred that the Area Directors be Chapter or State Past Presidents, Secretaries or other qualified officers. These mentors will be Area Directors in accordance with the by-laws. The proposal is for three (3) Area Directors to be assigned in three state areas defined as Northern, Central and Southern Districts. The geographical boundaries, or other qualitative descriptions to be finalized at the Jan 12, 2019 Excom meeting.

2nd Proposal. Area Directors. That the Excom consent to the President activating the Area Directors as per the by-laws.

3rd Proposal. That Genealogist to be appointed in each of the three (3) areas discussed in proposal #1. The reasoning is to localize a genealogist closest to the applicant and within a chapter area in which he is applying or to which he would request to be assigned. This makes personal contact more readily available to the applicant, and a better relationship with SAR members. He would help the applicant through the process and ensure the applicant doesn't fail and give up on the application. It also is more convenient to all concerned and faster communication within parties concerned. It will lessen the load on the State Secretary and State Registrar and the current Genealogist.

4th Proposal.

Activating the Long Range Planning Committee. This committee will assist the 1st VP in putting on an Annual Convention.

5th Proposal.

Annual Convention Location to be rotated through the three (3) geographical areas of the state. Proposed as The Northern District, The Central District and the Southern District.

6th Proposal.

Convention Support Bank Account to carry an amount sufficient to pay for the convention hotel for the following year. The State Treasurer to hold the account.

7th Proposal.

That the MSSSAR Executive Committee endorse the Sons of Independence Educational Initiative. That the MSSSAR endorse the above with the Society of 1812. That the Educational Alliance be forwarded to the Board of Directors of the MS Society of 1812 for endorsement. President Fulwider noted that he has activated several committees, and the Area Directors as described in the By-Laws. They have been staffed, excluding the naming of the Area Directors. All of which has to be with the concurrence of the Excom. The convention bank account will have a debit card for use in securing convention deposit requirements and the Treasurer, overseeing the monthly expenditures, etc., will handle the account. What is left to be determined at the Jan 12, 2019 Excom meeting is the decision of: Who the initial area genealogists might be, by name. The endorsement of the Educational Alliance by the MSSSAR, The endorsement of the Educational Alliance by The Society of 1812. The Officers of the Society of 1812 present at the presentation of the proposal were: 1812 President Gerry Brent, Vice President General Charles Garrison, Secretary Ben Jones, Deputy President General of the District John Taylor. The other issues of convention location rotation, and make up of committees will be handled within the Long Range Planning Committee itself.

B.) Ben Block Jones gave a report concerning Air Force ROTC/JROTC medals and how the military is assigning precedence order on medals awarded by Heritage and lineage organizations to the cadets. He offered a point of information concerning the Air Force JROTC deleting heritage and lineage organizations from their awards programs nationally, including SAR and DAR.

## History of the Mississippi Color Guard

By John R. Taylor, Jr.

Within the time frame of 1998 to 1999, three members of the Jacob Horger Chapter decided to buy Revolutionary War uniforms and participate in patriotic events around the state. These distinguished gentlemen Clinton Calhoun Welburn (now deceased), Wayne Wright (now deceased) and Royce T. Stringer were very quickly put to work. Mr. Stringer recalls his first ceremony was somewhere north of Oxford, MS and it was a Patriot's grave marking. The Patriot's name has been forgotten but the SAR member there who had requested his help was a Mr. Davis. Not too long after that Royce and Dr. Dexter Nettles (now deceased) donned their uniforms and marked the grave of Compatriot Edgar Crisler in Claiborne County.



A few years later John Floyd Sumner, III of the Jacob Horger Chapter bought a uniform and joined the group. In 2002 John R. Taylor, Jr. transferred in from North Carolina and immediately purchased a uniform and then we were a strong five. The first event that we all attended was the grave dedication of Patriot John Wheat in the swamps of Pearl River County. We all recall attending patriotic events at the YWCO in Laurel many times. Veterans Day events held at the Veterans Museum. Combined SAR and DAR events held at West Jones High School. Several Christmas parades in Laurel and Ellisville. At least one or more Color Guardsmen attended summer library programs.

In 2003 we attended three Memorial Day events at churches in So-so, Taylorsville, and Moselle, presented the Colors at the SAR state convention in Bay St Louis (the first of many for the next fifteen years, and rode in the fourth annual Biloxi Veterans Day parade. It was also in 2003 that we found out that Stewart L. Herron had a uniform, We welcomed Lynn our group.

In 2004 we started off with the state convention in Biloxi, A Memorial Day ceremony was held in Gallman, MS with the Ladies Auxiliary Military Order of the Purple Heart. Then it was off to Meridian Community College for Kids and the annual YWCO event in Laurel, in November the Scottish Highland Games and Festival was held in Lyman, MS.

In 2005 the state convention in Vicksburg, MS started us off, Lt. Col Glenn Nivens of the Alabama Color Guard invited us to the first Blue Star Salute held at The American Village in Montevallo, AL, despite the interruption of Hurricane Katrina we were able to participate in the dedication of LT William Tabor grave in Louisville, MS, the grave of David Murphree somewhere near Bruce, MS (ask Larry Hellums), Also four grave markings of Patriots in AL were attended (scattered from Birmingham to south of Montgomery).

In 2006 State DAR Regent invited us to participate in the opening ceremony of the DAR One Hundredth State Conference (it was the first of many attended by the Color Guard), SAR State Convention in Oxford was next, A grave marking for Patriot Zoah Spooner was held in Southwest, GA was

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was next, Compatriot Taylor was the only MS Color Guard present and was dubbed the Lone Ranger by Mrs. George Thurmond of GA DAR. Governor Bob Riley's Blue Star Kick off in Montgomery was next then The Blue Star Salute held at the Shelby County Airport, YWCO back in Laurel, the NSSAR Congress was held in Dallas, TX and we had a presence there, two more grave markings were held in Harpersville, AL and Patriot Solomon Wright (Wayne Wright's Patriot Ancestor) was

dedicated in Henry County, AL. Our good friend John Wallace from AL got his members to clean up this cemetery for the well-attended ceremony. The Color Guard was present at the Louisiana Convention in Baton Rouge.

In 2007 Compatriot Edward Holland of Ellisville became a member of the Color Guard. Events that year included SAR State Conventions in MS, AL, and LA, A presence at the Williamsburg, VA, Congress, the Blue Star Salute in AL, an Eagle Scout Court of Honors ceremony for seven new Eagle Scouts in Ellisville, a Fourth of July Celebration at West Ellisville Baptist Church, a Silver Star Medal Presentation for PFC Johnathon Millican KIA in Iraq held in Locust Fork, AL, a grave dedication for Patriot Samuel Brown held at Rials Creek Methodist Church in Simpson County, MS. (Glenn Nivens & Bob Melton of the AL Color Guard also attended this event). We were invited by The Louisiana Society to participate in the Dedication of the George Washington Bust located on the capital grounds in Baton Rouge. John Taylor uses a photo of this on his Quartermaster General page in "The Encampment".



This is a publication of the Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge.

In 2008 events included the DAR State Conference in Jackson, SAR State Conventions in MS, AL, TN & LA, the 225 Anniversary Commemoration of The Arkansas Post, The Blue Star Salute at the American Village in AL, Veterans Day Memorial Service held at Providence Baptist Church near Moselle, MS.

In 2009 events included SAR State Conventions in MS, LA, TN and AL, Memorial Day Service at the Veterans Museum in Laurel, MS, a DAR marker dedication at Dunn's Fall near Enterprise, MS, attended a Veterans Day program at Mason Elementary School in Laurel, presented two programs at the Laurel Library and one program at the Ellisville Library.

In 2010 events included the SAR State Conventions in MS, LA, TN & AL, a huge Grave Marker Dedication of Patriot Matthew Carter held in Old Americus, Jackson County, MS (this ceremony was carried by the media and viewed all over the nation).

In 2011 events included the SAR State Conventions in MS, AL, LA & TN, presence at the Dedication of Patriots Park and the Captain William Lytle Cemetery in Murfreesboro, TN, Dedication of Avoyelles Patriots Plaque, in Mansura, LA honoring at least thirty-six soldiers serving under Bernado de Galvez.

In 2012 Gerald P. Brent and Kevin McDonald became members of the Color Guard, events attended included the MS State Convention, a DAR Marker Dedication at Greensboro, MS, The Gathering at Sycamore Shoals, the dedication of Captain Christopher Taylor's Grave near Jonesborough, TN ( Colin Wakefield's Patriot Ancestor), Grave Marker Dedications for four MS Compatriots.

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In 2013 events attended included MS DAR State Conference, SAR State Conventions in MS, AL, TN & LA, The 54th Annual George Washington Ball in Lafayette, LA, the Dedication and Grave Marking of Patriot Lazarus Reeves near Summit, MS.

From 2014 to 2017 The State Color Guard participated in many SAR and DAR events and many other events due to my activity with other organizations as a national officer and very busy helping SAR chapter in the Southern part of our state reorganize and gain membership, I became dependent on my old computer. It bit the dust this past March and activities that were recorded could not be recovered. I had a back-up disk but it wouldn't work and I didn't keep a paper trail to follow.

I will add this, William Horne, Buddy Irving and Michael Schenk have joined our group. Bryant Boswell has also worn different uniforms to support our cause. The latest addition is the new State Color Guard Commander Julius Hite who has added a beat to our step and will serve the state well.

It is with certainly the Mississippi State Color Guard has traveled thousands of miles and has participated in over one hundred events at the chapter, state, district and national levels throughout the nation since the Laurel group first purchased uniforms.

**Letter to the Editor****A Woman's Eye – by Azalia Moore**

Have you considered the difference between the life of a woman in the current world and that of the woman in the Revolutionary War Era? Just imagine, you are the mother of a man's 12 children, you rose at day-break, prepared breakfast of pork belly, biscuits, and coffee, you washed family cloths in the running water of a spring close to the cabin, you boiled the clothing in a black pot on a hot wood fire in the yard, but you collected branches and twigs prior to striking the flint to get the blaze, you used lye soap prepared from the rendering of the hog fat that had been killed while frost was in the field. All the clothing in the pot was hand woven from the linen shirts to the children's aprons and now that clothing had to be hung in the shade of trees to preserve its basic hue of dark green or brown.

Compare the life of the modern SAR or DAR woman who picks up the manufactured clothing her 2.3 children and spouse wore yesterday. She tosses these into a modern automatic washing machine and adds three or four lumps of detergent and then she gets her cup of coffee and watches her favorite show or reads a good book and when the washing machine stops, she goes to that equipment and tosses the clothing into the automatic dryer and goes on her way to the meal preparation. Just imagine the difference.

**Genealogy Hints**

By Azalia Moore

Doing research to locate a Revolutionary War Ancestor requires the investigator to always attend to three specific acts. 1. Always be sure that the person is born before he or she dies. 2. The name is the same is never the game. Multiple people have the same name, especially children of the children of a common ancestor. 3. Keep in mind the geography. The boundaries of colonial colonies changed radically between 1750 and 1810. Some of the area that was North Carolina in 1750 is quite likely to be Tennessee in 1810. The area that was Georgia in 1780 is potentially Mississippi, Alabama, or perhaps still Georgia in 1810. Always look at the geography in doing research.



**- Mississippi Society Leadership Profiles -****Lynn and Dorothy Herron**

I guess our success in life is that Dorothy and I love to do things together. We have always supported and worked together on everything we do. In the 80's we became very interested in history, genealogy and family research. After retirement I joined the West Tennessee Genealogical Society in Memphis, Which was located at Davies Plantation. I volunteered to work part time and In my spare time I started researching mine and Dorothy's family history. I also had the opportunity to work with some of the DAR ladies in Memphis. In 2001 I talked to 2 SAR members who moved to Desoto County from Memphis. They were interested in starting a chapter in Desoto County. At that time, the Chapters close to us were the Gray Chapter in Tupelo and the Murphree Chapter In Bruce. I was told to contact Bill Lyle. After talking to Bill, he agreed to help us get started. Bill contacted Larry Jolley and Roy Davis who came with him for every meeting, until we received our Charter in August of 2001. We elected Officers and named our Chapter "Desoto Patriots". I am thankful for Robert Long who is editor of our local newspaper who has supported us for many years, by writing articles and placing pictures of events that we participate in. I can truly say that our different organizations that we belong to, seem like family. We found out that we had a better attendance if we held our meetings every month. We meet 10 months out of the year for meetings and set aside August for our Anniversary Dinner and De-

cember for a Christmas Banquet. Each election year we always have excellent Officers to respond to the call to serve. We always have great programs and after the meeting Dorothy and the other ladies have a Reception where we eat and fellowship. Dorothy and I go to many events every year, which gives us the opportunity to talk to them about the SAR and DAR. We always carry our business cards with us and tell them if they can give us at least 3 generations of their family, we will help them search. We volunteer and dress out in costumes at schools, churches and other local events. I think you should give praise where praise is due. One person that has done so Much for the growth of the Mississippi Society of the Sons of the American Revolution is Charles Garrison. Few members realize how much time he has spent as Secretary for the State. He has worked night and day on applications and records to make everything run smoothly. The Secretary's job is the backbone of our organization. The many years we have worked together has been very rewarding and I will miss him talking to me nearly every day on the phone. There are so many fine people in our organization and I thank the Lord for all they do to serve. Please keep your Chapter active and do the very best in whatever you do. The Desoto Patriots Chapter was organized in August 2001-I served as 1<sup>st</sup> President. Dorothy joined the Felix LaBauve Chapter in October 2001-Served 3 years as Regent. Dorothy Organized the Chief Mussacunna Chapter in February 2010, served 6 Years as Regent. We are both members of the George Washington Foundation. This is my 16<sup>th</sup> year serving as Registrar-Treasurer of the MSSSAR. Both Dorothy and I are active in many other organizations and have served in many positions within the Chapters and Divisions.

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C.) MSSSAR Web Master Gerry Brent has worked tirelessly for about ten years in keeping his baby up and running. He asked President Fulwider to seek out a knowledgeable and willing compatriot to first assist him for a couple of months, then if deemed qualified, to take over the web site for MSSSAR. President Fulwider said he would send out the word. Gerry Brent has been donating the annual fee for the website.

D.) The Silent Auction to be held at the 2019 Convention in March is chaired by Gerry and Sandy Brent. They are asking anyone who wants to donate items to the Silent Auction to please call 662-893-3829 or 662-812-9209. They especially like the baskets prepared by the Ladies. But please call.

E.) Larry Hellums made the motion to adjourn at 12:09 PM. 2nd by Hon. Toby Winston.

Time/Place for next meeting will be Saturday January 12, 2019, 10am to Noon, Lunch following by menu. Location is The Corner Bakery Café, 149 Grandview Blvd, Madison, MS 39110, Tel 601-607-7377. Directions: I-55 to Hwy 463 East. Take first right on Grandview Pkwy. Café is on right.

SAR Recessional let by President Fulwider Benediction was given by Rev. Glenn Shows. Minutes prepared by President Fulwider.