



The Prescottian Prescott Chapter Newsletter

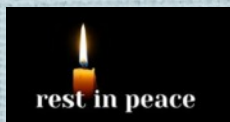
April 2023

Steve Monez editor



Lunch at the Hassayampa Inn
Second Saturday each month
except July and August.

**We are sad to report James
Wadsworth Trowbridge has died.
He was born on June 24, 1935 and
passed away on December 22, 2022
in Reno Nevada.. He joined the
Sons of the American Revolution
on March 27, 1977. He was the
Chapter President in 2001.**



Speakers & Meeting dates

**Saturday, May 13th Rick Danielsen,
Author, You Picked the Wrong Stagecoach.**

Saturday, June 10th

Saturday July & August No Meetings

**Saturday, September 9th Manuel Lucero,
Executive Director, Museum of Indigenous
People, Native Americans in the
Revolutionary War, needs projector.**

**Saturday, October 14th
TO BE DETERMINED**

**Saturday, November 11th
TO BE DETERMINED**

**Saturday, December 9th
Member/Business meeting, no speaker.**

Thanks to members who made this Newsletter possible

Presidents Message

Fellow compatriots,



The snow shoveling season is now behind us and spring has sprung! The year 2023 has already started out as another year of change. On February 2nd, the Colorado River Chapter was approved by the State Board of Managers to merge with the Prescott Chapter. The Prescott Chapter now covers the Arizona counties of Coconino, La Paz, Yavapai and Yuma. One member of the deactivated Rim Country Chapter transferred into the Prescott Chapter which brought our total membership to 74.

Over the past two years I have been continuously amazed by our board and committee members. Due to their dedication, generosity, commitment and extraordinary efforts our chapter continues to set high standards and goals. Thanks to Paul Kerper we have awarded so far this year eight Flag Certificates to homeowners for appropriately flying the U.S. flag. Since January four Certificates of Appreciation have been awarded to non-members for helping the chapter during last years rodeo fund raiser. In addition, Alan Fitch, Paul Kerper and Hal Reniger, reviewed 30 middle school brochures from the fifth, seventh and eighth grades for the Canyon Ridge School Brochure Contest. The top three winners picked will receive from our chapter \$100 for first place; \$75 for second place and \$50 for third place. The awards will be presented in Surprise during a Social Studies Awards Assembly at the school on May 9th. Hal Reniger is also working with five local Boy Scout troops to recognize all Eagle Scouts retroactive to 2020. ROTC committee members Dick Melick and Bill Oden have been actively involved with awarding ROTC/JROTC medals and certificates. Bill is responsible for Flagstaff and Northern Arizona, while Dick handles locally.

Another example of our chapter leading by action is our desire to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the United States Declaration of Independence in 2026. Our chapter has reached out to the local DAR chapters about how best to celebrate this important milestone. As a result, a combined SAR/DAR committee is being formed. More information will be forthcoming as plans develop for this once in a generation event.

Thanks to the leadership of Color Guard Captain Steve Monez, our Color Guard has continued to serve as a proud tradition over the years by offering service to civic, community, and non-profit organizations along with representing our chapter at historic and patriotic events. This spring the Color Guard starting posting the Colors at the Wrangler football games held in the Findlay Toyota Center at Prescott Valley. For only the second time in our chapter's history, our Color Guard was chosen to lead the annual 4th of July Prescott Frontier Days rodeo parade on July 1st.

Speaking of the rodeo, for the third straight year, chapter members along with their family and friends have volunteered to work the last rodeo event on July 4th as part of our chapter's funding raising. If you are interested in helping please contact a board member.

Sadly, founding charter member and Past President James Wadsworth "Jim" Trowbridge passed away on December 23, 2022. His passing leaves only one known living charter member, Past President Bob Wixon. He is currently a dual member of the Prescott and Saguaro Chapters.

Congratulations to former Board Secretary Bill Smith. He won the "Call to Arms" bronze Minuteman statute created and donated by Past Prescott Chapter President Dennis DeAtley. Thank you Dennis for your generous donation.

In closing, I would like to thank everyone for their continued support and participation as the Prescott Chapter moves forward towards another eventful year.

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



Rick Spargo the Arizona Society Vice President visited and said we were one of the best chapters in the Arizona Society. There were eight chapters in Arizona. Two have disbanded. One of the members from the Colorado River Chapter has transferred to Prescott. We now have over 70 members.



Ron Castle has done a fantastic job as our Treasurer. He has kept up to date on all the facets for our club. This is a big job and requires a real talent. It requires keeping track of all the payments for

dues as well as keeping in touch with the state and national. During the months of September through the end of the year requirements change and he is always aware of how to handle these changes. For this reason we continue to be a solid club with 74 members. He also is a valued member of the Color Guard.

Thanks Ron



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

Welcome New Members

New

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John Krizek presents Statue on the Plaza.

Bucky O'Neill Spanish American War,
Borglum Bronze on the Court House Plaza

This is an inspiring statue of Bucky O'Neill in front of the Prescott, Arizona, courthouse in Courthouse Square. Bucky O'Neill (February 2, 1860-July 1, 1898) was an editor, sheriff, and many other jobs in Prescott, Arizona. He was also a Captain in Roosevelt's Rough Riders. His name came because he tended to "buck the finger" or play against the odds in games of gambling. He was killed in Cuba. The statue was made by Solon Borglum who was America's first cowboy sculptor (1868-1922). The statue was dedicated July 3, 1907. It is a beautiful statue and please take time to read the plaques on it and to just observe it from all angles-do not just look at it and pass it by. It is especially nice at Christmas when the square is all lit up.

It is on top of a large boulder that weighs 28 tons according to one website. There are several plaques around it. One is a long roster of those who served in the Rough Riders. Another honors the sculptor. Another honors Bucky O'Neill and the Rough Riders. Another is a bas relief image of the Rough Riders in battle. According to the Smithsonian record, it depicts Teddy Roosevelt astride his horse in battle. The final one is a list of the commissioners at the time the statue was created and unveiled.



Paul Kerper presented several Flag Certificates to people in the community. Randy and Melody Passmore received theirs at the meeting in April.



Dennis DeAtley did a beautiful job on the the statue sculpture.



President Jack Berry presents Bill Smith his 250th Bronze Medal and certificate.. This medal and certificate are awarded after you have completed the form found on the SAR website sar.org under the 250th tab.



Raffle Tickets were available for several months so a raffle could be held in March. They were \$50 each. Bill Smith won the Statue.

Color Guard



April 16 Color Guard Presented colors at the Wranglers Game. L/R Alan Fitch, Jack Berry, Ed Lipphardt, Robert Fuller, Ron Castle, Rob Berryman with the Wranglers cheerleaders.



November 11 2022 Veterans Day Parade. L/R Ron Castle, Bob Filler, Steve Bigalow, Bill Smith, Jack Berry, and Steve Monez



Presenting Colors at the Wrangler games. L/R Alan Fitch, Rob Berryman, Steve Monez, Jack Berry, and Paul Kerper.

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