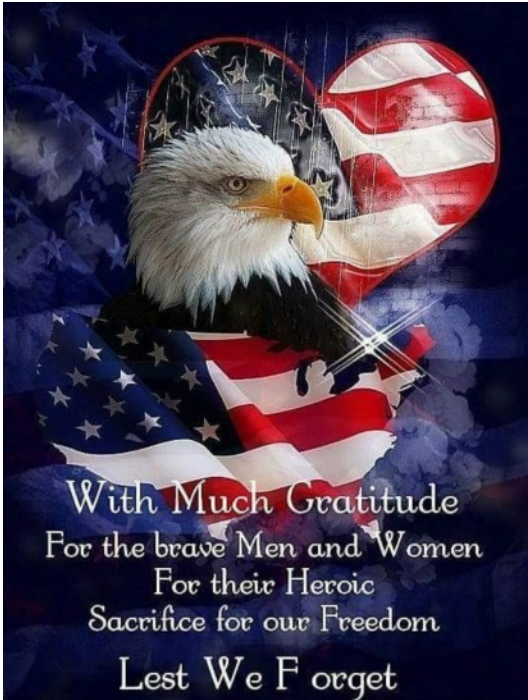


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## Presidents Message



Compatriots:

Spring is here and we are off to a great start this year with 65 members. Three more applications are at National waiting for approval.

Our 25th chapter anniversary was a great success. A very special treat was having two of our chapter charter members and past presidents attend, Vince Albert, Robert Walker "Bob" Wixon and James Wadsworth "Jim" Trowbridge, who were presented with their 25-year pins and certificates. Also present was Arizona State Representative Quang H. Nguyen as our guest speaker. He also presented our chapter with a "Proclamation" by the Arizona Speaker of the House of Representatives. Yavapai County Board Supervisor Harry Oberg and Prescott Mayor Phil Goode each presented our chapter with a "Proclamation." Approximately 57 people attended the event.

Chapter members along with their families and friends are volunteering again to work at the Prescott Frontier Days rodeo on June 28th as part of our fund raising. We will need 29 people, so if anyone is interested in helping, please contact a board member. This year the rodeo and the City of Prescott will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of the making of the film "Junior Bonner" starring the late Steve McQueen. The rodeo also became an official sponsor of our chapter youth program with a \$500 donation.

During the February 13th Board of Mangers meeting President General Davis Lee Wright was presented with two wooden plaques made by chapter treasurer Ron Castle. The Prescott Chapter was the only chapter in the state to present the President General with a gift.

On April 28th, Steve Monez and I will be presenting the top three

winners of a student brochure contest with a monetary award along with a certificate and 250th anniversary pins. Steve will be appearing in uniform as General George Washington. Thanks to Steve, Paul Kerper and Hal Reniger for reviewing 60 brochures.

Prescott is the first chapter in the state to have a challenge coin. Other Arizona chapters are now interested in creating their own coins. Although the coins have not arrived yet, they are available for purchase at \$10 from Ron Castle. A special thank you to Past President Dennis DeAtley who donated a bronze statue of a Minuteman he created to raffle. Only 35 tickets will be sold at \$50 a ticket. The image of the bronze is on one side our chapter challenge coin.

Once again, I want to express my sincere appreciation to the entire board, ROTC committee member Dick Melick and Tim Prater as my unofficial "consigliere."

Fraternally,  
Jack Berry



**The 250<sup>th</sup> 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](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 250<sup>th</sup> Gold Medal Committee to purchase the medal.

# 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Lunch February 12 at the Hassayampa Inn



President Jack Presented Certificates of Appreciation to Robert Wixon and Jim Throwbridge two of the founding members of the Chapter. Steve Monez, Robbie Berryman and President Jack Berry also in attendance.



President Jack presented a certificate of appreciation to Amore Ciancola who arranged to allow the chapter to have lunches in the Hassayampa Inn. They have not charged us for any of these meetings.



Mayor Phil Goode Presented a Proclamation to President Jack Berry.

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AZ Congressman Quang Nguyen Guest Speaker at Meeting, He told us of his time in Vietnam.



County Supervisor Harry Orberg presented a proclamation to President Jack Berry



Thanks Tim Prater for arranging to have the Hartland Harmony provide the music for our Anniversary Celebration.



John Hastings Thompson and Charles Hastings Thompson were inducted by President Jack Berry at our April 9 meeting.



What would the Founders think of our country today?

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President Jack Barry presenting a certificate of Appreciation to Chris Graff, President of the Prescott Rodeo Days Rodeo.



Thanks Tim Prater for Organizing the 25 Anniversary event.



Colonel Ron Byrne was our Guest Speaker at our April Meeting. He Flew 75 missions in an F86 during the Korean War. He flew 27 missions in an F105 during the Vietnam War. He was shot down in Vietnam and spent 7½ years in the Hanoi Hilton. He shared his experience there. A real Hero. Welcome Home.



Taylor Lee Berry Inducted into the Prescott Chapter by President Jack Berry



Jim Dewey Brown General Manager of the Rodeo presented a \$500. check to Jack Berry for Youth



Bill Smith received a Oak Leaf Cluster for Jack Smith his brother for his Service to Veterans. Jack attends hundreds of Military funerals in Illinois.



Jack Berry presented a certificate of appreciation to Chuck Walker for his continued support of our Chapter as a sponsor from his law firm.



Jack presents a certificate of appreciation to Steve Monez.



Lunch at the Hassayampa Inn every second Saturday of the month.



AZSSAR Color Guard at the Board of Managers meeting February 13, 2022

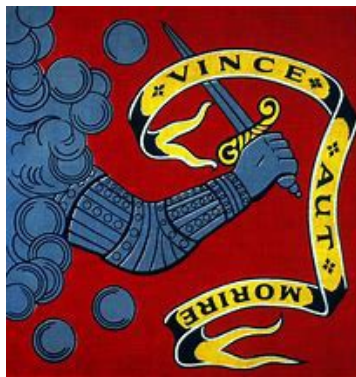
Thanks to all the businesses and individuals that sponsored the Prescott Chapter during 2021 by providing money, items for the silent auction or for not charging for use of facilities.

Essence Fine Dining, Chino Valley; Findlay Subaru, Prescott; Hassayampa Inn, Prescott; Home Depot, Prescott; Lions Club, Prescott; Questers, Prescott; Raskin's Jewelers, Prescott; Stone Ridge Golf Course, Prescott Valley; Talking Rock Ranch, Prescott; True Value, Prescott; and Walker & Walker, Attorneys at Law, P.L.C., Prescott.

# June 14 2022 United States Flag Day



**June 14, 2022** with all the complexities of life, let us take a moment to reflect and be thankful for our blessings on **National Flag Day**. At the start of the American Revolutionary War, colonies had no National Flag. There was no official United States flag. The War was in its 2nd year when the Stars & Stripes were formally adopted. The Flag Resolution of 1777 stated, “the U.S. flag be 13 stripes, alternate red and white; the union be 13 stars, white in a blue field representing a new constellation.” It was signed on June 14, 1777. *The first time the Stars and Stripes flew in a Flag Day celebration was in Hartford, Conn. 1861, the first summer of the Civil War.* In the late 1800s, schools held Flag Day programs to contribute to the Americanization of immigrant children Old Glory ensures we never forget the sacrifices our service members made to defend our liberty and way of life. June 14th marks 245 years of displaying our American Flag. It is only fitting and proper to officially recognize “Our Flag” as a symbol of hope, inspiration and pride for the people of the United States and around the world.



On June 14, 1777, the Second Continental Congress adopted the Stars and Stripes as the first official national flag of the newly independent United States (later celebrated as Flag Day). The resolution creating the flag came from the Continental Marine Committee. Hopkinson became a member of the committee in 1776. At the time of the flag's adoption, he was the chairman of the Navy Board, which was under the Marine Committee. Today, that office has been transferred to the United States Secretary of the Navy.[25]

The Bedford Flag is the oldest complete battle flag known to exist in the United States. It is celebrated as the flag carried by the Bedford Minuteman, Nathaniel Page, to the Concord Bridge on April 19, 1775, the beginning of the American Revolution, but it was already an antique on that day. The flag’s Latin motto VINCE AUT MORIRE (“Conquer or Die”) is strikingly similar to the motto of several Scottish and Irish clans, and the “Victory or Death” battle cry popular among the revolutionaries.

Some flags are flown and emblems are worn to show what a person is — status symbols. The Appeal to Heaven flag is flown or worn to show who a person is — a man or woman who does not look to men or government for approval, but lives by the principle of their convictions and appeals to the Almighty for protection, provision, and justice. Washington used this Flag on his Cruisers.



In 1775, South Carolina politician Christopher Gadsden designed the Don't Tread on Me Flag