

President's remarks:

Compatriots,

On July 11, 12 and 13, I attended the SAR National Congress in Boston. I was joined by Compatriot Kevin England. This was my first exposure to the SAR at the national level and I was pleased to be among so many other gentlemen who are active in the SAR and share its values and goals. Major events at the Congress, aside from a number of tours of historic sites in the Boston area, were committee reports, lively debates issues related to SAR branding (specifically the use of images of the Sons of Liberty in front of SAR Headquarters and the use of "SAR" as a naming convention in naming SAR events and programs - both being advisory, rather than mandatory) and, of course, the election of officers for the ensuring year.

The major highlights were the Youth Awards Luncheon where six outstanding young Americans were honored for their achievements, the President's dinner honoring the outgoing President General and the Installation Banquet honoring the incoming President General. The key event of the installation banquet was when the new President General was presented with George Washington's signet ring which is now property of the Society.

I would encourage any of you who have the opportunity to attend the next SAR National Congress to do so. It will give you a fuller understanding of the depth a breadth of the SAR's activities and allow you to meet many of those who make the SAR successful around the country and the world.

Patriotically,

John T. Duchesneau
President
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Compatriot Dr. John Hattendorf honored:

University of Oxford honors Dr. John Hattendorf is the headline of the recent edition of The Bridge--The Magazine Of The Naval War College Foundation.

Headline of article: *Oxford, England - John B. Hattendorf, maritime historian at the U.S. Naval War College (NWC) in Newport, Rhode Island, was awarded a Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.) degree by the University of Oxford, England during a ceremony held at the school, March 5, 2016.*

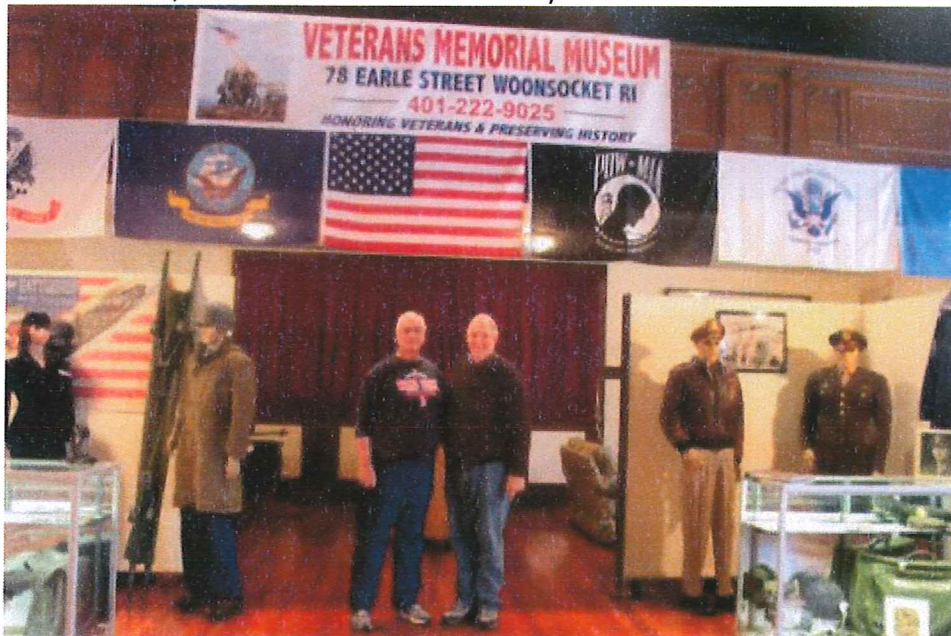
For those of you that know Compatriot John Hattendorf, then you realize that this honor is well-deserved. John has served as the college's Ernest J. King Professor of Maritime History since 1984 and also as chair of the Maritime History Department and director of the NWC Museum since 2003. Beside all of those positions, he has produced scholarly work for nearly 50 years.

Calendar:

September 26 – Cooke House Luncheon
October 1 – BOM/Society Steamship Museum visit
November 5 – North Burial Ground Ceremony
November 6 – Salute to Veterans
December 10 – Christmas Party
2017 – February 18 – Annual Meeting

RI Veterans Memorial Museum

For all of you that are interested, the Providence Journal recently had an article about this museum.



For more information visit www.veteransmemorialmuseumri.org

General James Mitchell Varnum House:

Compatriot Bill Weaver is deeply involved along with his wife, Past DAR Regent Barbara, in the management of all aspects of the Varnum House. We have included this information so that you can take advantage of a wonderful opportunity to visit the Museum.



The Varnum Continentals recently held their member/guest cookout on the grounds of The Varnum House Museum, 57 Peirce Street, East Greenwich, RI.

Several Rhode Island SAR members attended.

The museum was the home of General James Mitchell Varnum and his wife Martha (Patty) Varnum.

Tours of this stately mansion were provided by the new team of docents who were dressed in period attire and stationed in each of the eight museum rooms.

Museum schedule:

Open June 18 until August 28

Museum hours:

Saturday, 12 noon - 4 pm, last tour at 3 pm.

Sunday, 1 pm-4 pm, last tour at 3 at pm.

For further information, please contact:

Museum Curator Barbara Weaver at 401-884-1776, or email house@varnumcontinentals.org.

Rhode Island Regiment movie:

Compatriot Secretary Col. Ron Barnes of the Pawtuxet Rangers has been involved as a consultant and actor with a movie production company that is putting together a documentary movie revolving around the Battle of Rhode Island in 1778 and they are particularly interested in the Black Regiment

As part of that project, the Pawtuxet Rangers hosted a social at their Armory to introduce the production company to all those people that would be interested in helping out. Some of the people that attended were Scott Avedisian, Mayor of Warwick, Patrick Conley, Rhode Island Historian, and David R. Wagner, artist that painted a full series of paintings depicting the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route and also included this painting from the Battle of Rhode Island, which he had on display at the meeting.

For more information on David Wagner (painting below) visit www.davidrwagner.com.



Robert A. Geake, local author and member of the Warwick Historical Society Board, attended the meeting and wanted everyone to know that he has a book coming out soon titled: *From Slaves to Soldiers, The 1st Rhode Island Regiment in the American Revolution*.

North Burial Ground Ceremony scheduled for November 5:

The SAR / DAR and the general public are always welcome to join us for the ceremonies at the North Burial Ground. It is a joint ceremony of the Bourbonnais and 2nd Rhode Island regiments. We honor the French soldiers and Colonel Israel Angell. We then proceed to the graves of Stephen Hopkins and Colonel Jeremiah Olney. Last year, we also marched to Colonel Barton's gravesite, as you know. This year's ceremony will be on Saturday, November 5 at 9:30. We'll look forward to seeing you at the North Burial Ground on November 5.



Flag Day Luncheon

The SAR/DAR Flag Day luncheon at the Dunes Club was very well attended this year with 81 attendees. The speaker for the day was Michael Greenburg and he did a wonderful job of supplying us with details of Paul Revere and his experience with wanting to get a court martial to clear his name from his participation in the Penobscot Expedition of 1779--a military disaster of epic proportions against an inferior force.



**Save the date – Saturday, October 1 - Steamship Museum Tour
Mailing being sent soon!!**

NSCAR – New England Region:

The Daley, Kelly and Weaver families attended the 58th New England Regional Meeting of the National Society of the Children of the American Revolution held in Massachusetts on July 22-24.



Admiral Furlong Flag Certificate:

Recently, Board of Managers members, John Adams, Carlen Booth and Ron Barnes presented the SAR Admiral Furlong Flag award certificate to the Squantum Association. The certificate is a commendation in recognition of exemplary patriotism in the display of the flag.



Board of Managers: The next Board of Managers meeting will be held on *Saturday, October 1 at 10:00am at the Steamship Museum.*

Are you interested in taking an active role within the society? The Board of Managers will be elected at the Annual Meeting in February and we are looking for members who would like to get involved. There are four Board of Managers meetings and they usually take place on a Saturday morning. Please let the Secretary, Ron Barnes, know of your interest. You can email him at revwarman@aol.com.

Registrar wanted as of February 18, 2017 or sooner:

1. Do you have an interest in genealogy and genealogical research?
2. Do you have basic computer skills and the ability to maintain records?
3. Do you have the interest and the patience to help others do their own research and prepare their applications for membership in the Sons of the American Revolution?

If so, you may be eminently qualified for the job of Registrar for the Rhode Island Society.

The responsibilities of State Registrars, as stated by the NSSAR, are derived from the organization's status as a heritage society that requires sound proof of the bloodline to a patriot ancestor and of the service rendered by that ancestor. This means adequate documentation of each parent/child link in the line. The State Registrar, by signing an application, verifies that in his opinion it contains sufficient proof of every fact claimed to meet the requirements for membership in the National Society.

Your State Registrar Carlen Booth reports the following:

New Members:

Graham Reed Mann, Voluntown, CT, admitted June 3, 2016, national number 198843, state number 1796. Graham is descended from Col. Israel Angell, 1740-1832, Johnston, RI - Commanded Second Rhode Island Reg't in Washington's Army in New Jersey, 1771-1781.

Thomas Armstrong Grieb, Portsmouth, RI, admitted July 5, 2016, national number 199100, state number 1797. Thomas is descended from John Chapin, Sr., 1743-1839, Enfield, CT & Ogdensburg, NY - Private and Fifer in Capt. Charles Ellsworth's 5th Co., Col. Jedediah Huntington's 8th Reg't, Connecticut Line.

Frederick Thomas Grieb, Westport, CT, admitted July 5, 2016, national number 199101, state number 1798. Frederick is descended from - see Thomas Armstrong Grieb above.

Thomas Calloway Grieb, Westport, CT, admitted July 5, 2016, national number 199102, state number 1799. Thomas is descended from - see Thomas Armstrong Grieb above.

Richard Louis Dargosa, Portsmouth, RI, admitted July 29, 2016, national number 199443, state number 1800. Rich is descended from John Wakefield, 1727-1793, Mifflin Co., PA - Lt. with Capt. Samuel Holliday, Col. James Johnston's 8th Battalion, Cumberland Co. Militia.

Reinstatement:

George Robert Luttge, Riverside, RI, admitted September 26, 2006, national number 167896, state number 1693. George is descended from Samuel Oxx, 1755-1830, Bristol and Newport, RI - Contributor to fund "for the support of the distressed inhabitants of Boston..." and signer of the Oath of Allegiance.

In Memoriam:

Jefferson Albert Small, Barrington, RI, admitted January 8, 1992, national number 138056, state number 1611. He was descended from Jonathan Stevens, 1741-1822, Steuben, MA - Sgt.

Jeff was born in Manhattan, NYC and graduated University of New Hampshire in 1959. He was a Korean War Veteran and had a long, successful career in heavy-duty truck sales. He was also a prolific reader, especially of books on American History and World War II.



Rhode Island Society Sons of the American Revolution

Organized 1890

Incorporated 1891

A Branch of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Organized 1889

Chartered by Act of Congress June 9, 1906

August 24, 2016

The Rhode Island Society Sons of the American Revolution would like to invite you and your guest (s) to a luncheon on Monday, September 26, 2016 at the Clarke Cooke House on Bannister's Wharf in Newport, Rhode Island.

www.clarkecooke.com

The Cooke House start time is 11:30. Meal details and directions/parking information are on the back of this invitation.

Deadline for reservations is September 20, 2016.



Please make your check payable to the **RISSAR** at \$35.00 per person and mail to:

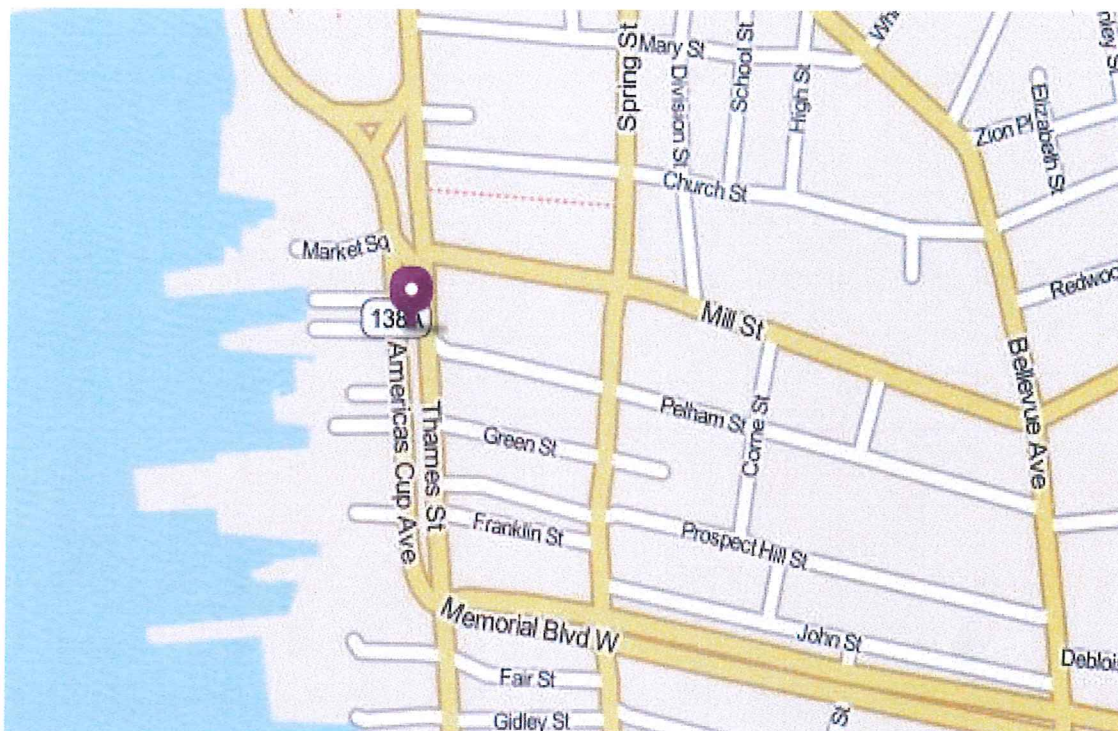
Robert S. Butler
410 Plain Meeting House Road
West Greenwich, RI 02817

Please indicate your choice of sandwich entrée for you and your guest (s).

Chicken/Veg Salad _____ Turkey Sand. _____ Crepes _____

Names of people
attending: _____

Directions:
Clarke Cooke House
1 Bannister's Wharf
Newport, RI 02840
Phone: (401) 849-2900



Parking: There are pay parking lots near Bannister's Wharf.

Lunch

Soup or Salad

Newport Clam Chowder Or Gazpacho Cup

Entrée

Chicken & Fresh Vegetable Salad

With romaine, feta, avocado, radish, Kalamata olives, corn, Bermuda onion and creamy redwine vinaigrette
Or

Smoked Turkey on Tuscan Bread

With Portobello mushroom, swiss cheese, tomato, Bermuda onion and Dijon mustard
Or

Chickpea Crepes

With roasted eggplant puree, arugula, lemon couscous, roasted ratatouille with a yellow pepper vinaigrette

Dessert

Snowball in hell: Chocolate roulade topped with vanilla ice cream in a chocolate coated goblet covered with Callebaut chocolate and sprinkled with coconut
