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The News-Letter
Of the
SGT Lawrence Everhart Chapter
Of the Maryland Society
Of the
Sons of the American Revolution

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SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

The Sergeant Lawrence Everhart Chapter of the Maryland Society of the Sons of the American Revolution will hold its Annual Luncheon Meeting at Dutch's Daughter Restaurant on Thursday, April 17 starting at 12:00 Noon. A cocktail and social period will start at 11:30 AM. Members, prospective members, DAR and guests are invited.

The emphasis of this meeting will be presentation of Awards. The Knight Essay Contest winner, Nick Thomas of Tuscarora High School, will be recognized; a Junior ROTC Medal will be presented, Eagle Scout Cody Evans will be recognized and Flag Awards will be presented. to the Board of County Commissioners, James Randle, and Jeanne Bussard Workshop. Additionally, ROTC Awards will be announced at the meeting, but will be awarded at McDaniel College on April 22 to ROTC candidates Joseph R. Lanciano from Mt. St. Mary's and Ira S. Benoit from Hood College. The Rev. Frederick Pyne will present excerpts from his new publication The War. Of the American Revolution: Day by Day

Recognition of all these who promote SAR values is an important part of what the Chapter is all about. And so, we will have a number of people attending at Chapter expense. We therefore have decided that we need to charge \$27 for the luncheon. This looks a little high, but it is necessary to help fund the expense of all our guests.

LOCAL SCOUT WINS STATE EAGLE SCOUT COMPETION

Cody Evans, son of Robert and Kathy Evans, and a senior at Thomas Johnson High School, was presented as the winner of the Eagle Scout Scholarship Contest at the Maryland Society Sons of the American Revolution George Washington Birthday Luncheon on Saturday, February 20 at the Towson Golf and Country Club Resort.

Contestants in this competition must be Eagle Scouts who present an application documenting their scouting experience, their community service contributions, provide a four generation ancestor chart and submit a five hundred word essay. Contestants submit their information to the local or chapter level which in Cody's case is the Sergeant Lawrence Everhart Chapter. Winners of the local contest are submitted to the state competition and state winners compete at the national level where the winner is awarded an \$8000 scholarship. Cody has been an outstanding scout, and is one of a very limited number of people who have received all 121 merit badges. Cody plans to attend Washington College and the University of Maryland where he plans to major in fire protection engineering.

CHAPTER WELL REPRESENTED AT GW BIRTHDAY LUNCH

The Sergeant Lawrence Everhart Chapter was well represented at the State George Washington Birthday Luncheon at the Towson Golf and Country Club on February 20. Members attending were James Ballard, Larry Bishop, Bruce Champion, Donald Deering, Frank McGill, Frederick Pyne, Jack Schrodel and Richard Stup. Chapter members were presented with a number of awards. George Delaplaine was one of three persons recognized as a \$1000 contributor to the Maryland Four Hundred Patriots Fund which commemorates the sacrifice of the Maryland Line in the Battle of Long Island on August 27, 1776.

Ira Gardner was one of two persons recognized with a War Service Medal. This medal is presented to those who have served in a branch of the Armed Forces for which a campaign medal and ribbon are authorized. His daughter, Liz Deering accepted the award for Ira. There were six Military Service Medals presented, five of which came to members of the Chapter. Recipients were James Ballard, Larry Bishop, Don Deering, Bill Erkelenz and Frank McGill. This award may be presented to any SAR member who has served in the Armed Forces, Coast Guard or a country that was an ally of the United States. If you are interested in obtaining one of these medals, and have not received one, contact Assistant Chapter Secretary Rick Stup at rlstup@aol.com



Pictured on left are Cody Evans with parents Robert and Kathy Evans. On right are Donald Evans, Frank McGill and Larry Bishop, recipients of the Military Service Medal

BUSINESS LUNCHEON MEETING MINUTES JAN. 21, 2010

The meeting was called to order promptly at 11AM by President Doug Favorite, fourteen chapter members were in attendance.

The invocation was given by Chaplain Fred Pyne; followed by the pledge to the Flag.

The minutes of the annual meeting of October 8, 2009 were approved as distributed.

Treasurer Frank Joy read the Treasurers report, stating a current balance of \$1,051.40 in the checkbook and \$1,253.19 in the Money Market Acct. with \$ 2,304.59 total amount.

Rick Stup reported on the MDSSAR BOM meeting of January 9, 2010 as follows:

Membership lists were distributed to all the chapters to pursue delinquent members. Our chapter has a procedure to collect delinquent dues, which resulted in a very positive result with most members renewing their membership. The MDSSAR rejected an appeal from the President General to introduce ROBO Collection calls from the NSSAR.

The GW Birthday Luncheon will be Feb. 20th at the Towson Golf and Country Club.

The Membership Committee reported that there are 2 new names on the prospect list and new chapter members have been added to the Membership committee.

Bruce Champion reported that the college ROTC cadets from both Hood College and Mt. St. Mary's University would be named by McDaniel College in February with an awards ceremony to be held at 12:30 PM on April 22, in Big Baker chapel on the campus.

Dr. John George reported that Nick Thomas, a senior at Tuscarora High School, won the Knight Essay Contest. His essay, "Voice of the Revolution: Sam Adams" will be read at the spring luncheon at which time he will be presented with a \$100 bond, sponsored by Woodsboro Bank. Rick Miller, President of the Woodsboro Bank will be invited to attend the meeting. The 5th Grade Essay contests will not be determined until March.

Paul Offutt, reported on the PR committee activities last fall, which were mostly concerned with the Catoctin Furnace event in October. A healthier relationship now exists with the local press and we trust our future events will gain press time.

Rick Stup reported that five members will receive War Service Medals at the George Washington Birthday gathering in February. Through the efforts of Rick Stup we were able to resolve a glitch at the National Headquarters, which held up the procedures.

Flag Committee Chair, Ai Smith, reported three awards for 2009, which will be presented at the spring meeting.

Under unfinished business it was determined that the spring luncheon will be held on Thursday April 15th 2010 at 11:30 AM. The fall dinner will be held on October 7th at 6:00 PM. Both events will be held at Dutch's Daughter restaurant in Frederick.

Much discussion concerned a former tabled motion to raise the annual dues from \$10 to \$15 to raise additional money to allow new costly events, which was defeated. A second motion was adopted to forgo a former charge of \$10 chapter application fee and no additional fee for new members.

President Favorite announced the Nominating Committee early appointment and explained their partial recommendation for 2011 Officers. Final Report due in September.

Our newly approved chapter member to the State BOM, Rick Stup, reported on the activities of the state board. A challenge by the Aquila Hall Chapter to donate \$100 for the CAAH Museum and

Library in Louisville was requested to be matched by all chapters. Our chapter voted to match the challenge and will forward the funds to MSSAR in the name of the Sgt. Lawrence Everhart Chapter. Much discussion was provoked by the fact that many of our members have donated to this cause, and we would like to have those funds credited to our chapter's at large \$100 donation.

Following Grace by Reverend Pyne, the staff of Buckingham Choice served a sumptuous lunch.

President Favorite announced that his plans for the New Year would be a continuance of last year's efforts, increase member participation, rejuvenate leadership, and bring back the fun at meetings. No major changes to the schedule are planned other than a possible second event in the fall.

Reverend Fred Pyne noted that the spring event in Mt. Olivet Cemetery would be Sunday 27 June at 3:00 PM. We will dedicate a SAR Bronze Medallion on the gravestone of John Ross Key, the father of Francis Scot Key. MDSSAR color guard will attend. Fred volunteered to speak at the spring meeting using excerpts "Daily Life, June – July 1776" from his new book.

Bruce Champion reported on the possibility of conducting a fall event at the Hessian Barracks located on the campus of the Maryland School of the Deaf. This stone barracks structure was built in 1777 and housed upwards of 3,000 German prisoners of war up to and including 1781. When the war ended many defected from the German army and stayed in Frederick County and married into local families. There are no less than 30 families directly linked to the defectors still living here. The plan is to locate the descendents of these German soldiers living here and create a memorial to that effect and dedicate it to the School of the Deaf, the owner of the barracks. Fred Pyne has numerous records of the local families and he is sure we can connect the names to the original German soldiers. This plan will be worked out in the next few months and a report will be forthcoming at the spring luncheon. Ai Smith pledged \$100 to support the event.

The benediction and SAR Recessional was led by Reverend Pyne and the meeting was adjourned at 1:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Bruce Champion, Secretary

2010 CALANDER OF EVENTS

<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Day, Date and Time</u>
Bell & History Day	Mt Olivet Cemetery	Saturday, April 10, 10-4
Chapter Luncheon	Dutch's Daughter	Thursday, April 15, 11:30 A<
MDSSAR Annual Meeting	Flag House, 844 E. Platt St	Saturday, April 24
Woodsboro Mem. Day Parade	Woodsboro, MD	Sunday, May 30, form at 1:00 Meet at Mt. Hope Cemetery

Grave Markers are to b placed on the graves of Patriot Philip Derr and wife Barbara at 2:00 PM on Monday May 31, in the Mt. Zion Lutheran Church Cemetery, Middletown, MD. Reception follows. RSVP to Dr. Kathy Mellott, kpmellott@verizon.net by May 21.

Dedication of Grave Site Of John Ross Key	Mt. Olivet Cemetery Section G	Sunday, June 27, 3:00 PM
Chapter Annual Meeting	Dutch's Daughter	October 7, 6:00 PM

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

A recommendation for a Slate of Officers for the next Term is required to be submitted to the Chapter President the end of August. The Nomination Committee has been working to fill these positions. If anyone wants information about the various Chapter Offices, would like to be considered for Assistant Secretary or Assistant Treasurer, or is interested in becoming more involved in the Chapter, please contact Assistant Chapter Secretary Rick Stup at rlstup@aol.com.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The Public Relations Committee continues to work to coordinate Chapter Events/Activities for press coverage. Through their efforts, the Chapter received coverage of the Chapter Member/Program Awards presented at the MDSSAR George Washington Birthday Event held in February.

We continue to ask your patience with revisions to our Web Page. Chapter Webmaster, Bill Robertson, has been on temporary military duty, and we are currently behind with updates. Bill has returned from his deployment, and will be redeployed for a one-year tour. He has indicated that he will be able to revise and maintain the Web Page from his Duty Assignment.

Chapter Members are encouraged to visit the site at <http://lawrence-everhart.marylandsar.org/index.html> for information about and between meetings and events.

The Committee is in need of more members to participate. Anyone interested in serving on the Web Site Sub-Committee, the PR Committee or as Chair, please contact Co-Chair Paul Offutt at pauloffutt@comcast.net or Rick Stup at rlstup@aol.com, Chapter Assistant Secretary, for details.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Membership Committee encourages members to refer potential new members to the Membership Web Page on the Chapter Web Page. It includes a Prospective Member Helper located at <http://lawrence-everhart.marylandsar.org/membership.html> to assist with the process. The Committee continues to work with the Frederick and Carrollton Manor Chapters, DAR on member recruitment and joint Membership Workshops at the C. Burr Artz Library.

The Committee is assisting a number of prospective members. Any Chapter Member with a prospect or any prospects are requested to contact one of the Committee Co-Chairs: Charles L. (Larry) Bishop (V.P.) e-mail: charleslb@comcast.net or Donald A. (Don) Deering ,e-mail: dadeering@comcast.net. The prospect will be assigned a Committee Member to assist them with questions and the process.

INFORMATION LINKS

NSSAR Web Site:

www.sar.org

MDSSAR Web Site:

www.marylandsar.org.

Sgt. Everhart Chapter Web Page: <http://lawrence-everhart.marylandsar.org/index.html>

Sgt. Everhart Chapter Events are posted on the MDSSAR Events Calendar. (Go to the Events Tab and the month, click on the event, and details of each event be able to be viewed.)

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NOTICE

**The Semi-Annual Meeting of the
Sergeant Lawrence Everhart Chapter
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**Will be held at Dutch's Daughter Restaurant
581 Himes Avenue, Frederick, Maryland**

On Thursday, April 15, 2010

At 12:00 Noon (Reception and Cash Bar from 11:30)

Remit Payment of \$27 per person, by April 12, to

Sgt. Lawrence Everhart Chapter and

Mail to 25 N. Court St, Frederick, MD 21701

Call 301-662-4119 for Reservations by April 9.