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President's letter

Not long ago, President-Elect Bob Clark asked me for a list of the places I traveled and events I have participated in to give him an idea of what kind of time he would need to put aside since he is still working for a living. When all is said and done, I will have visited, participated in, or been present in my official capacity as State President in sixty-one events ranging from one day to a week or more. Of those sixty-one events, about thirty were visits to chapters around the state, ranging from the Col. Turner Sharp Chapter in El Paso to the Fredonia and East Texas Chapters, North to Panhandle Plains Chapter in Amarillo and South to the Gulf Coast.

In all these travels, we have been most graciously received. Serving as State Secretary as long as I did, I was acquainted with literally hundreds of Compatriots around the state by phone and email; but I was never able to meet them in person. This year as State President provided an opportunity to change that. My only regret is that I could not visit, all 48 chapters.

While it seemed at times that I was always on the road, other things were happening to the benefit of the Texas Society as well as to our loss. We lost several former state officers this year. I will name a few that we knew well. We lost Former Governor Bill Clements, Past Presidents, Ross Shipman and Jim Robertson; Long-time Staff Secretary Don Pugh, longtime members Don Pray and Bill Todd on the chapter level and many others who will be recognized at the memorial service in March at the State Convention. My sponsor into the Texas Society was Ronald Whitten. He had cerebral palsy and fought it until the end. We lost the "Belladier" David Hall. He and his Replica Liberty Bell made a big impact on us in the short few years that he and the bell were with us.

We made some changes in how we operate and we have reworked our Constitution and Bylaws to reflect changes made in the National Society Constitution and Bylaws and to make them reflect how we want to operate in years to come. We will have only two Board of Managers meetings per year, beginning in 2012, one on Sunday March 25 and the second on the 5th and 6th of October at Temple, Texas. Members of the BOM hope that attendance increases.

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- Upcoming Dates:**
- TXSSAR 2012 Annual Meeting Mar. 22-25
 - Fall 2012 Board of Managers Meeting Oct. 5-6
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(Presidents Message, continued from p. 1)

The San Antonio Chapter will host our 117th convention. I have met with the Chapter Committee members and with the hotel staff twice to work out the details. We are determined to hold the line on cost. We got a good room rate of \$89.00 and are maintaining the registration fee at \$35.00 but with no charge for guests as is the practice at National meetings. We are going to have eight or nine National Officers attending, including President General Magerkurth, Secretary General Leishman, Treasurer General Dooley, and several other National Officers. We have invited the Executive Director, Donald Shaw to be our guest. He is new to SAR and we want him to learn more about our state organization. He has never been to San Antonio and is really looking forward to his visit.

I want you all to notice the insert in this *Compatriot*. As I traveled the state, I kept getting the same question and that was "Why don't we have a printed *Compatriot* mailed to our homes?" Explanations about costs and technology were not always appreciated. So be sure to read the letter on this page, fill out the card and mail it in to the State Secretary if you want to start receiving a print version of the *Compatriot*. We need your email address as well as a corrected mailing address if you want communication to improve for you personally and for your chapter. I hope that the delegates see fit to approve the addition of a Communications Secretary whose job it will be to make sure we on the state level can communicate with all our members. He will manage email address changes and assist the State Secretary as needed to ensure we have excellent communication from top to bottom.

Finally, by the time you receive this, we will be about 6 weeks away from our Convention. I urge every Chapter Officer to attend but in particular, Chapter Presidents and Secretaries need to attend and take part in the management of the Texas Society. Committee meet-

ings are where decisions are made that affect your chapter. Why not attend and have some input?

William M. Marrs

President, TXSSAR, 2011-12

This *Texas Compatriot* is being mailed to all members

As I said in my opening letter, I have heard from many members that they want to receive a black & white print version by mail.

It is very expensive to print and mail the *Compatriot* to all 2600 members of the Texas Society. In fact it would cost about \$10,000.00 to print and mail the three issues planned for this year to all of our members. While our expenses increase each year, our revenue (dues) has not increased in years. Assuming no desire by the membership to increase dues we had to figure out a way to continue to communicate with our members and not cut other programs.

We post the *Compatriot* on the TXSSAR web site at www.txssar.org. When the issue is ready, it will be forwarded to the Webmaster who will then post it on the web site so everyone can read it or even download and print it if they wish.

At the same time, we know that many members have fallen through the cracks and that we have many new members who may not know about requesting that a print copy be mailed to their home address. I had planned to write all our former members and ask them to renew their membership but after visiting Chapters and receiving so much feedback about a print version, I decided instead to do a *Compatriot* mailing to all of our membership. It will give members a chance to decide between a print mailing and enjoying the publication in full color. Also, it will give the state leadership a chance to educate members about our websites and programs.

We notify our members when the issue is posted so they can read it but this is one aspect of the plan that will require your assistance. We do not have an e-mail address for all of our members so we have no way to make this notification complete. TXSSAR purchased a bulk e-mailing program called DADA, which will allow us to notify our members when a new issue is out but we need you to register with the program. When you register, we will be able to notify you about *Compatriot* issues as well as other important matters. For information about accessing the TXSSAR Private web site and registering for DADA please read the article by IT Committee Chairman Ray Cox in this issue.

We also do not know who does not have access to the internet that would allow them to log on to our web site. **If you do not have access to the internet and would like to continue having a *Compatriot* mailed to your address, then please mail the enclosed card to State Secretary Robert Cohen.** This will serve as a confirmation of your mailing address and your request to receive a printed issue. If you do not notify Robert Cohen then this will be the last printed *Compatriot* that will be mailed to your address this year.

So if you need to have your issues mailed, please respond quickly. I request that chapter presidents encourage their members to respond so we can make sure we continue to serve our membership.

William M. Marrs

President, TXSSAR, 2011-12

PRESIDENT WILLIAM M. MARRS & THE SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER



INVITE COMPATRIOTS AND GUESTS TO THE
117TH ANNUAL TXSSAR CONVENTION



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FRIDAY • MARCH 23	
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	REGISTRATION
8:00 AM - 11:30 AM	COMMITTEE MEETINGS
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM	COMMITTEE MEETINGS
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	GENERAL SESSION
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION
7:00 PM	DINNER ON YOUR OWN

SATURDAY, MARCH 24	
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	REGISTRATION
9:00 AM – NOON	GENERAL SESSION
NOON - 1:30 PM	YOUTH AWARDS LUNCHEON
2:00 PM - 5:00 PM	GENERAL SESSION
6:00 PM - 9:30 PM	BANQUET

SUNDAY, MARCH 25	
9:00 AM - NOON	TXSSAR BOM

REGISTRATION FORM	Compatriots	Guest	Total
Registration Fee (Compatriots only - required)	\$35		\$
Ladies' Tour @\$10			
Saturday Youth Awards Luncheon @ \$30.00			\$
Saturday Banquet • Chicken Forestiere @ \$45.00			\$
Saturday Banquet • Roasted Pork Loin @ \$45.00			\$
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or

Mail the completed registration form with check (*postmarked no later than March 12th*) to:

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Contact for additional information: Compatriot Frank Rohrbough • 830-537-5452 • frankr@gvvc.com

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Serendipity*

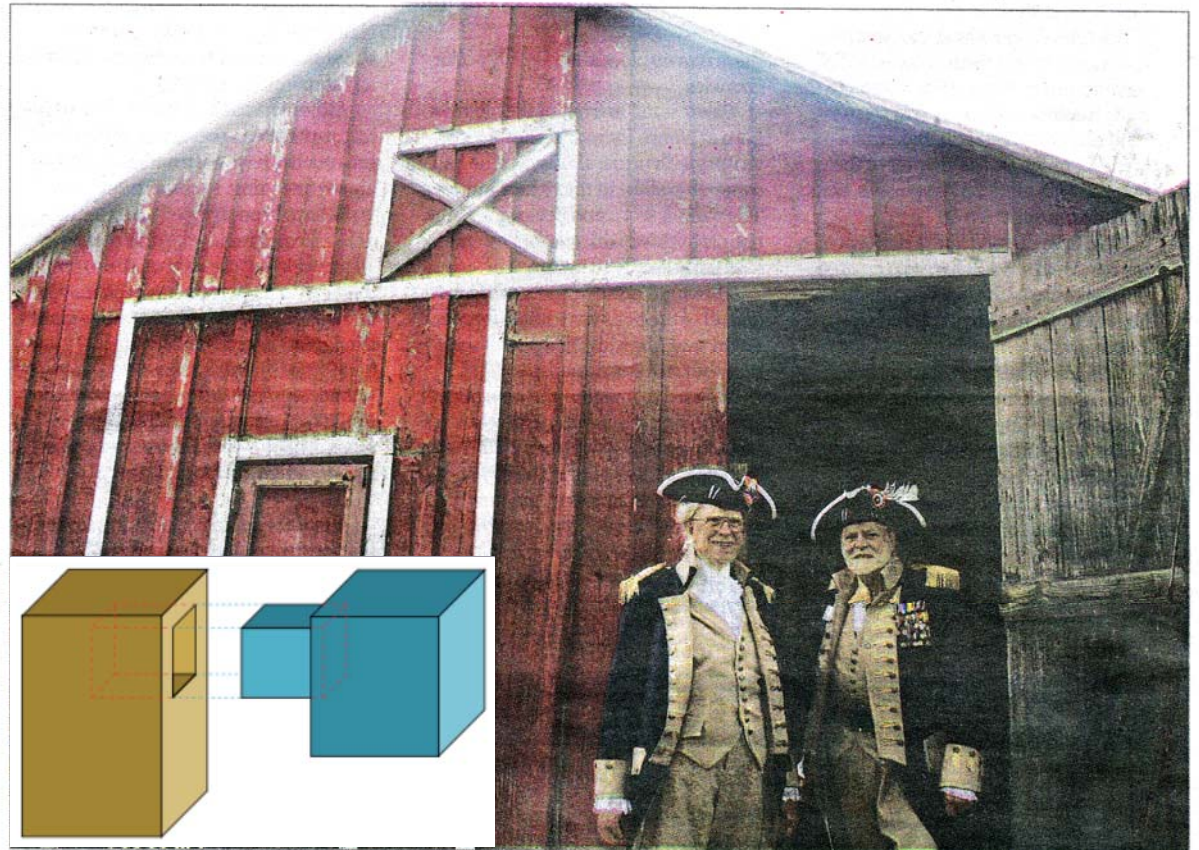
* Merriam-Webster defines serendipity as “the gift of finding valuable or agreeable things not sought for.”

Such is the “Milking Barn” at the Nance Farm in DeSoto, in southwestern Dallas County. Tom Whitelock (right) and Charles Baker of the Dallas Chapter agreed to be “docents” at a fundraiser sponsored by the Old Chisholm Trail DAR Chapter. The Milking Barn was our assigned position. This was the first structure built by the Nances when they arrived by covered wagon in 1847. The wood from a nearby creekbank was hand-hewn and it was joined by mortise and tenon carpentry, illustrated in the inset below right. After the tenon is inserted into the mortise, a wooden peg is driven through the mortise and into the tenon, creating a very strong joint. Although the structure contains many variations on this concept, the entire barn is built this way except for a very few metal hinges and latches brought in the covered wagon.

The milking barn was a home for the Nances and their first two children, before their house was completed in 1851. The barn is said to be the oldest vertical hand-hewn structure in Texas still standing on its original land, and is possibly the oldest mortise and tenon construction in Texas. Architecturally, it is the most valuable building in the region.

Charles was explaining to a newspaper reporter that he was dressed in the uniform of his patriot ancestor, David Baker, who crossed the Delaware with General Washington on his way to the Battle of Trenton to fight the Hessians. DeSoto resident Joseph May approached, saying that he had a Hessian ancestor who fought against Washington in that battle. Rather than reenacting the battle, they all shook hands and agreed that the war was over.

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Back on the farm

DeSoto unveils renovated Nance property with fundraising event 14

COLOR GUARD NEWS



On November 18, 2011, President Howard Roach and members of the Plano Chapter presented Officer Matt Wright of the Sachse, TX Police Department with the SAR Heroism Medal and Certificate. Officer Wright saved the life of a woman by pulling her from a burning car.



On October 7, 2011, Plano Chapter Color Guardsmen presented an SAR Heroism Medal and Certificate to Jesus Lara (front row) at Taylor Elementary School in Frisco ISD. Jesus pulled a drowning child from an apartment swimming pool. Guardsmen shown are Dan Reed, Drake Peddie, Chuck Sprague, Don Babbs, Bill Neisel, Howard Roach, and Harvey Vrooman. Jesus' proud parents look on.



Left: On December 10, 2011, Don Babbs, FCP of the McKinney Chapter, and Dan Reed, FCP of the Denton Chapter, joined Bill Marrs, 2011-12 TXS-SAR President, at the dedication of the new Preston Trail Chapter of the DAR in Pottsboro, TX.



PICTURE FROM THE PAST

The "Mystery Person" on page 5 is Commander of the Northern Region TXSSAR Color Guard.

COLOR GUARD NEWS



Members of the TXSSAR Color Guard attending the Fall BOM visited the Texas Historical Marker and site of the old Tremont Hotel where the Bernardo de Galvez Chapter #1 met in 1896. The New Tremont is several blocks away. Pictured in the front row are Compatriots George Dersheimer, Jim Jones, Tom Jackson, Ray Cox, and Larry Stevens. Back row: Compatriots Steve Tanner, John Mason, President Bill Marrs, Pete Lenes, Ron Mason, Russell Dart, Bill Whatley, and David Peterson.

Have you considered joining a Color Guard and helping to expand the “Face of the SAR”? There are a number of good reputable sources for custom-made uniforms, both wool and polyester. Wool is historically authentic but more expensive, whereas polyester is more comfortable in Texas. You can’t fire a flintlock musket wearing polyester, as it will melt part of your uniform. (Re-enactors always wear wool.) For specific information on both types, send an email to hc_baker@sbcglobal.net

COLOR GUARD NEWS



On Sunday, November 6, OldWornFlag.com, and Dallas Chapter SAR, co-sponsored the annual public flag retirement ceremony at Flag Pole Hill in Dallas. Over 500 old worn flags were brought by several hundred people. The top picture at left shows many of the types of people present: Scouts, Cubs, Patriot Guard Riders, a high school choir, City Councilmen, JROTC, SAR, assorted children, parents, etc. That's Tom Whitelock at the microphone, Lady Jeanette in the elegant colonial dress, and David Temple, President of the Dallas Chapter, on her right.

As shown, everyone got into the act. Under adult supervision, children enjoyed cutting flags to separate the union from the stripes, and throwing the cloth into metal fire boxes. A bugler from Bugles Across America provided *Taps*, and members of the Lone Star Chapter of Paralyzed Veterans of America fired a rifle volley.

The entire program was reverent, respectful, and a great educational experience for all.

Observers noted that the huge flag on the City's big pole was worn, so Councilman Jerry Allen had it replaced the next day.



COLOR GUARD NEWS



Faced with November 11 falling on a Friday, and several Color Guard members having to work that day, Dallas Chapter Color Guard Commander Charles Baker knew he had a problem. The Liberty Bell not being available because of other commitments that day, he knew that he had to have a different focus. The strategy was to draw the attention of the judges not with numbers but with a famous character. The chapter rented a flatbed trailer. Charles and Lady Barbara donned the characters of George and Martha Washington, and took their places as the only occupants of the trailer. It worked. With only 6 color guardsmen, the trailer, Compatriot Al Sloan's SUV, and the "Washingtons," the Chapter won **third-place** out of over 150 parade entries!

The picture sequence shows the little entourage approaching the reviewing stand in front of Dallas City Hall: (left to right) Mike Petridis with the 50-star. Hidden behind Mike is Bob Northcraft, Then Tracy Pounters with musket, David Temple with Continental Flag, Tom Smith with the Navy Jack, and Tom Whitelock with the Bedford Flag. Then Martha Washington in white bonnet and shawl, and ol' George complete with white wig and white gloves.



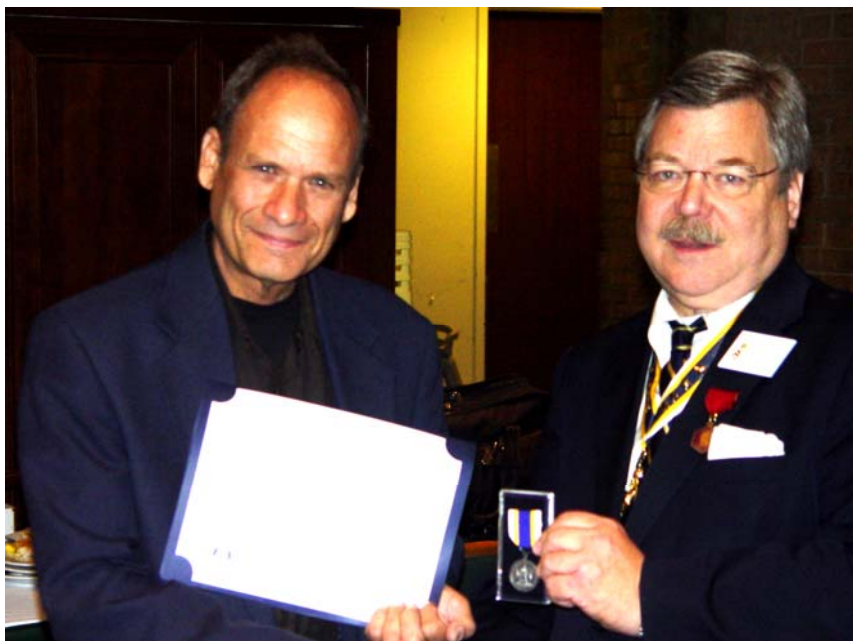
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The "mystery person" on page 5 is due to receive the SAR Patriot Medal in 2012.



In Memoriam

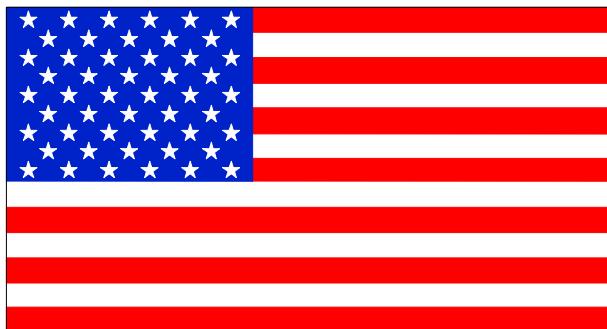
David Hall, owner of the world's only traveling exact replica of the Liberty Bell, passed away on October 11, 2011, from the effects of pancreatic cancer. A painter by occupation, David would drop everything to take the Bell to the funeral of a fallen serviceman or woman. He would drive across the U.S. so that the last-remaining World War I soldier could have the joy of ringing it. He would join his SAR Compatriots in parades, flag retirements, and other public events so that more people could see and hear the Bell. David created the "Liberty and Law Memorial," Liberty symbolized in the Bell, and Law symbolized in the Ten Commandments. According to David, you can't have one without the other.



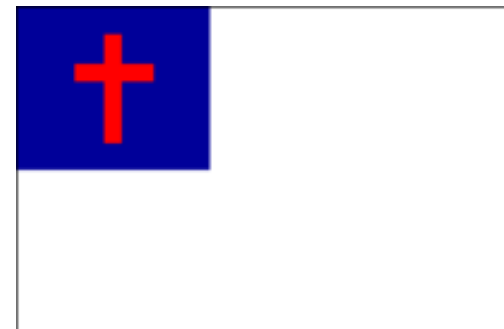
David Hall received a Silver Good Citizenship Award from TXSSAR President-Elect Robert Clark at the May, 2011 Meeting of the Dallas Chapter



David, kneeling second from left, was always available to help the Color Guard in a parade, as long as it didn't interfere with a soldier's funeral. That calling always took precedence.



**Compatriot David Edward Hall
1951-2011**



News from your Information Technology Chairman Raymond Cox

The divided TXSSAR web site has been in operation for approximately three years now and has been operating well. Remember that you need to have JavaScript turned on to get many of the features on the site.

TXSSAR Web Site Tour - The TXSSAR web site is divided into two sections. The public section is for information for the general public and includes information about us, help in joining, publicity items, photos of activities, chapter information, patriotic information, information on our contests and awards, and upcoming events. The private section contains items such as business documents, detailed contact information necessary within the organization, meeting reports and minutes, various manuals, grant program documents, and report forms and instructions.

There is no link to the private section from the public section. You will need to enter the URL manually the first time you go there. Once there, you can add the page to your Favorites and you won't have to type it in again.

Public TXSSAR site: "www.txssar.org"

DADA Mailer - The DADA bulk mailer has been an excellent tool for communicating timely issues and information to the membership. It is also used to "deliver" our newsletter by letting you know that it is available for download on the web site. This will only work for you, however, if you are subscribed to our Member mailing list. There are currently DADA mailer lists for Membership, Chapter Presidents, District VP's, Executive Committee, and State Officers.

The DADA link (found on the private section under the Information heading - look for Email System) includes information about the DADA mailer, for subscribing/unsubscribing, and for changing your email address. Subscribing and email address changes are done by individual members, and in fact are the member's responsibility.

Officers, please encourage all members in your chapters, committees, etc. about the importance of being subscribed to this tool so

our state communications can be more effective and timely.

If you have a spam blocking feature that blocks email from unknown users, please place **sec@txssar.org** as an allowed email sender in your spam blocker's "white" list. The administrator of the DADA system will not have time to "authenticate" each request to do so by your spam software, and without your specific authorization, these emails will be bounced by your system and you will be uninformed. In addition, if the DADA system gets too many bounces, it will automatically unsubscribe you due to your address being "undeliverable."

Online Registration - The online registration system for our state meetings has been revamped. The registration form will look the same, but different things will happen when you click the Checkout button to register. Popup windows are no longer utilized, so if you have had problems in the past with the system not working because of popup blockers on your system, things should work better now.

If you have a PayPal account and use it when you pay your registration fees, everything will be automated after you click the **PayPal Pay Now** button. After a short delay on the PayPal page, you'll be taken back to the TXSSAR web site and the return page will automatically send the remainder of your registration data to the host chapter.

If you do not have a PayPal account or you will pay by debit or credit card as a PayPal guest, you must remember to click the "Return to Texas Society, Sons of the American Revolution" link when you see it. Otherwise the automated process to send your registration data to the host chapter will not complete and you will probably get a call or email asking for the missing information.

Ray Cox

TXSSAR IT Chairman

AMERICANISM TRIVIA

QUIZ. Correct answers from the Fall issue are revealed Below. No 100% correct answers were received by the Editor.

Prelude to War:

1. Were the majority of the British people in favor of a war against the Americans? **NO. Numerous British people, including many in high positions in the government and the military, opposed the war.**

2. On average, how long did it take a ship to travel from Britain to America? **It took two months to travel to America, and about 6 weeks for the return trip (because of prevailing currents and winds).**

3. The patriotic colonists called Americans who were British sympathizers "Tories" or "Loyalists." What was the favored punishment for Tories found in the midst of the Patriots? **Tar and Feathers, an infliction dating from the middle ages. The patriots would strip a victim, coat him with hot tar, and dump feathers on him. It usually took weeks for anyone to recover from the burns incurred during the ordeal.**

4. What British action precipitated the Battles of Lexington and Concord? **Under orders from General Gage, 700 men marched out to Concord to destroy the colonial arms depot there.**

5. At what age was a man required to enroll in the militia? **Every man from age 16 to 60**

was required to enroll in a company from his own township and to possess a gun, ammunition, and proper accessories.

6. What was the approximate population of the American colonies on the eve of the war? **About 2.5 million. An estimated one-sixth were slaves. Great Britain's population was about 9 million. The military manpower of the colonies is estimated to have been about 175,000, while Britain's was about 2,350,000.**

7. What was the largest city in the colonies during the war? **Philadelphia. Population about 34,000.**

8. What was the most populous state in the colonies at the war's beginning, and what was the least populous? **The most populous was Pennsylvania with about 300,000 people; Delaware was the least populous with about 40,000.**

9. At the time of the war's beginning, what fraction of the colonists were originally from Britain? **About 61% traced their origins to England. 14% were Scotch and Scotch-Irish from Northern Ireland.**

10. Who were the Hessians? **They were German mercenary troops hired to serve in the British army for the same rate of pay as the British troops. Since most of them (20,000) were from the German state of Hesse-Cassel, they were called Hessians. Although about 30,000 German mercenaries served the British during the war, no more than 20,000 were in America at one time.**

11. What percentage of the British army in America were Hessian troops? **About 1/3.**

12. How many troops did Britain have in America at the start of the war? **About 8,500.**

13. In what year did the "Boston Massacre" occur, and how many Americans were killed? **It was in 1770. Five colonists were killed, including Crispus Attucks, a free African American of mixed blood, part Natick Indian and part Negro.**

14. In what colony were the first minutemen regiments organized, and where did they get their name? **They were first organized in Massachusetts in September, 1774, to purge the Tories from the militia. One-third of the men from each regiment were to be ready at a minute's notice. Eventually, Maryland, North Carolina, New Hampshire, and Connecticut all had minutemen.**

15. Name the reigning King of England during the war. **King George III (1738-1820) assumed the throne in 1760. George was also the ruler of the duchy of Hanover in Germany.**



NEW AMERICANISM TRIVIA QUIZ. (answers in Spring Issue.)

The Battles of Lexington and Concord:

1. Paul Revere arranged with his friend, John Pulling, to hang one or two signaling lanterns in the steeple of the Old North Church in Boston, to indicate by what route the British would be coming: "one if by land, two if by sea." What were the actual alternate routes?
2. Who were the two couriers, besides Paul Revere, who rode to warn the minutemen that the British were coming?
3. The Patriots had observed that General Gage was planning some kind of military operation. What person in Gage's headquarters do many historians believe tipped off the Patriots?
4. On what date were the battles of Lexington and Concord fought?
5. On Lexington Green, Captain John Parker commanded about 77 militiamen. After he saw that the British outnumbered them three to one, what did Parker tell them to do?
6. After searching the town of Concord and finding few arms there, the British retreated and were harassed along their line of march by a continuing gathering of Patriots. Where did the worst fighting take place during the British retreat?

A "SUPER PATRIOT"

One of the Patriots fighting the British during their retreat was an 80-year-old farmer, a veteran of the French and Indian War, Captain Samuel Whittimore. He stood alone after his companions fled. He shot and killed three British soldiers before they shot, clubbed, and bayoneted him, leaving him for dead. Though Whittimore suffered no fewer than thirteen bayonet wounds, he lived for eighteen more years.



Above: The Bedford Flag is the oldest complete flag known to exist today in the U. S. and was the only flag used by the Patriots at Lexington and Concord. It was carried by Bedford Minuteman Nathaniel Page to Concord Bridge, but it was then already an antique. It was made for a cavalry troop of the Massachusetts Bay militia early in the French and Indian War.



PICTURE FROM THE PAST

The picture on page 5 shows three members of a team of 24 mixed military personnel from the U.S. plus other NATO countries. In many ways, this team does for NATO what the Navy SEALs do for the U.S.

Each member of the NATO team was required to know map reading/navigation, certified to fly single and multi-engine airplanes, parachute qualified, certified as a scuba diver, expert marksman with pistol and long guns, competent handling plastic explosives, have knowledge of three languages, graduated from water, jungle, mountain and desert survival training, competent in radio and land communications, and sworn to secrecy about all operations.

That's Robert D. Northcraft, 155 pounds of solid muscle, standing on the right in the picture.

He is due to receive the SAR Patriot Medal at the TXSSAR Annual Meeting in San Antonio.



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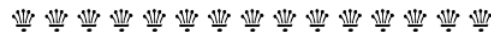
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From the Editor: I have received nothing but positive comments about the new experimental “landscape” format of the Compatriot. Therefore, this format will continue. Please send comments to hc_baker@sbcglobal.net

The Fall issue featured an article about the American Freedom Museum in Bullard, TX. The present issue features the Nance Farm in DeSoto. If you know of a “Serendipitous” place in Texas, please let me know, so we can share it with the members. I would love to feature a different serendipity from different parts of Texas in each issue of The Compatriot. Also, note the “Picture from the Past” on Page 5. Lets have a different “Mystery Person” in each issue, for members to guess. Send articles with pictures to hc_baker@sbcglobal.net

Finally, please observe the following deadlines for submission of items for The Compatriot:

September 15, January 15, and May 15.

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PATRIOTS FUND

Compatriots are reminded that donations to the Patriots Fund in any amount are always welcome and are tax deductible as allowed for a 501(c)(3) organization. Remember that this fund supports all of our youth programs and contests. This includes the following: Knight Essay, Poster, CAR Essay, Eagle Scout, Oration, Junior and Senior ROTC, Sea Cadets Awards, and the American History Teacher Awards.

Individuals who give \$500 to the Patriots Fund receive the Alexander Hamilton lapel pin. Individuals donating \$1,000 will earn the Alexander Hamilton Medal. Recognition will be given at the Annual Meeting in March.

There is a new form for the submission of Patriot Fund Donations. It can be found at the following location on the web:

www.txssar.org

Click on Contests, then on Contributions