



Utah Society
Sons of the American
Revolution

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Utah Patriot

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Utah SAR Launches New Website - UtahSocietySAR.ORG

The Internet is all the craze these days. Communication is occurring at an increasingly rapid rate. And even the youth are struggling to keep up with the pace of new technology advances. So if you are feeling left behind by technology and the InterCraze, don't despair, you're not alone.

Fortunately these new advances in technology have three major goals in mind: increasing 1) communications, 2) information, and 3) services.

The Utah SAR recognizes these larger Internet goals as a huge advantage in furthering the cause of the Sons of the American Revolution: to "perpetuate the ideals of the war for independence...as a historical, educational, and patriotic, non-profit corporation."

In a year-long undertaking, through the concerted effort of our members, UTSSAR launched its new and much improved website in September of this year. The website still maintains the same web address as before, and we encourage you to visit it at utahsociety.org.

What has changed at the site is the content, format, and design. As one of the web designers, Compatriot Regan Grandy states: "The focus on re-doing the website has been on its look, its feel, and its search-ability. We want current and prospective compatriots to be able to find the information they seek in a relatively short amount of time."

What you can find there is a wealth of information about us, how to join, educational resources, member resources, our programs, how to contact us and upcoming events. More specifically, you will be able to quickly find information about our officers, affiliates, and color guard.

You are able to send prospective members to the welcome prospective members page as well as the patriot search request page. There are resources about the American flag, American Revolution, and historical source documents. The members section currently includes genealogical

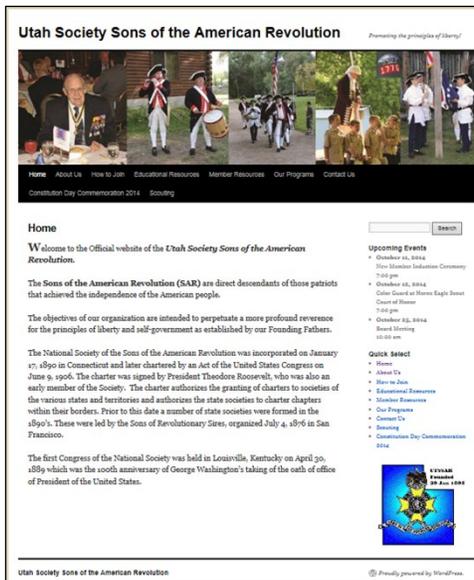
resources and the UTSSAR newsletter, but will eventually include chapter-specific information, committees, by-laws, UTSSAR Constitution, and various forms and documents. Presently the section on our programs is under development, but will eventually include information about awards for Eagle Scouts, JROTC, ROTC, and veterans, as well as essay and photo contest participation.

In the near future we plan to enhance the website with many fun and interactive resources, including

photo galleries and videos. The website will be ever-changing, with new information as it becomes available and is developed, so keep checking back over the weeks and months to see the latest. We currently have a dedicated web-committee of three (Historian Bill Simpson, Genealogist Eric Richhart, and President Regan Grandy) who are keeping the website up-to-date, and are dedicated to doing so in the future. Other members with web-design skills are welcome to participate with the committee.

Please take some time to become familiar with the resources on the new and improved utahsociety.org website and use the website to share the cause for the American Revolution with interested family and friends, whether they be in or out of Utah.

If you have suggestions for our site please, contact Bill Simpson, simpsonwpc@gmail.com.





UTSSAR Color Guard Invited By Blue Goose

Founded in 1906, the Honorable Order of the Blue Goose International is a fraternal organization of individuals who work in the insurance related industry. The organization meets socially and is not associated with any insurance or industry group. Members share in common their careers in the field of insurance. There are local groups throughout the United States and Canada called Ponds.



In July the Blue Goose organization held their 108th Grand Nest Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah on July 23-26, 2014 at the Marriott City Center Hotel. One hundred fifty-six people were in attendance. On July 24th a bagpiper signaled the membership to assemble in the Capitol Room. Most Loyal Grand Gander John Paris welcomed the group and announced the Utah Society Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard. With fife and drum, dressed in their replica Continental Army uniforms the flags of the United States and Canada were presented. The anthems of the United States and Canada were sung splendidly by Marilee C. Wilson. Immediately following, the flags were posted. Pastor Scott Delgarno of the Wasatch Presbyterian Church offered the invocation, in his prayer he referenced the history of Utah by saying "we are all descendants of pioneers" and praised the Blue Goose organization for their support of charity for over one hundred years, "We are making the continent a better place." 

Layton 4th of July Parade



This year the Color Guard, comprised of members of the UTSSAR and BSA Venturing Crew--Regiment 1776, participated in the Layton City 4th of July Parade. The UTSSAR learned that this was the highest attended parade in the history of the parade with tens of thousands of people lining the parade route. People stood and cheered as the living iconic image of America's Revolutionary War marched by with fife and drums and the thirteen star flag proudly waving in the breeze. 



Messages to Promote Principles of Liberty

On September 12th Compatriot Douglas McGregor, UTSSAR's 1st Vice President, was the keynote speaker for the Marriott/Slatterville Constitution Community Study Group. Several people attended to hear Doug's message of What Liberty Is and Why Liberty Matters. A shorter variation of his message was presented at Ben Lomond High School on September 23rd as part of the High School's Constitution Commemoration Program sponsored by the Utah Daughters of the American Revolution. The following are a few excerpts from his presentation:



The Founding Fathers believed that Self Governance was to be the preferred form of government. The Founders understood that all men have a conscience and, unlike animals, are capable of self-restraint, self-control, capable of taking responsibility to choose and do what's right. This was key because, for Self-Governance to succeed, the people would need to be civil toward one another, having manners and virtue. McGregor quoted from Dr. Benjamin Rush: **"The only foundation for...a republic is to be laid in Religion. Without this there can be no virtue, and without virtue there can be no liberty, and liberty is the object and life of all republican governments."** (--- Dr. Benjamin Rush (Physician, Signer The Declaration of Independence), *On the Mode of Education Proper in a Republic*, 1798)

The Founding Fathers wanted Americans to live in a land where it was possible for men to create, invent, improve and keep on improving. They determined that *freedom* to worship God, freedom to think, *freedom* of speech, *freedom* of action, and *freedom* to own property would produce the unrestricted use of man's unalienable rights, and this alone could produce the vitality and resilience to improve and pursue happiness. They determined that only a system of self-government could permit such *freedom*: they wanted Americans to be self-governing. They believed that when individuals are not prevented from acting freely, having liberty, they are capable of creating and doing the extraordinary. Today we speak of the "American Dream." Those who achieve the American Dream have fulfilled what the Founding Fathers wanted for all Americans.

McGregor reminded his audience of John Adams' great teaching: **"Religion and virtue are the only foundations, not only of republicanism [but] of all free government."** "Our Constitu-



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tion was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other. . . . it is religion and morality alone, which can establish the principles upon which freedom can securely stand." (— John Adams (1797-1801) Known as the Voice of Independence was a signer of The Declaration of Independence and Second President of the United States (Letter to Dr. Benjamin Rush, August 28, 1811))

The Founding Fathers valued religion greatly, as evidenced in their own words. They knew it was from pure religion that we learn the manners, civility and virtue essential for self-governance and the life of liberty.

McGregor provided the warning given by the Father of the American Revolution, Samuel Adams: "It is in the interest of tyrants to reduce the people to ignorance and vice. For they cannot live in any country where virtue and knowledge prevail. The religion and public liberty of a people are intimately connected; their interests are interwoven; they cannot subsist separately, and, therefore, they rise and fall together. For this reason, it is always observable, that those who are combined to destroy the people's liberties, practice every art to poison their morals." (-- Samuel Adams (1722-1803) Graduate of Harvard College, leader Boston Sons of Liberty, Signer Declaration of Independence, helped draft Articles of Confederation, "Father of the American Revolution" (Boston Gazette, October 5, 1772)).

Compatriot McGregor concluded with a challenge to all attending that they strive to learn of liberty, learn of the Constitution so that Liberty and the Constitution which was designed to "secure the blessings of liberty" would be loved and cherished: "Law and liberty cannot rationally become the objects of our love, unless they first become the objects of our knowledge." (--James Wilson, One of the original six Supreme Court Justices nominated by President George Washington, *Of the Study of Law in the United States*, 1790)



Signing of the Declaration of Independence July 4, 1776

Patriot Camps in Kaysville and Murray

UTSSAR Compatriots Layton Patterson and Gregg Hansen participated in this year's Patriot Camps conducted in both Kaysville and Murray, Utah during the weeks of July 7th and July 14th. The focus of Utah Patriot Camps is to provide heritage-based education for youth, with special focus on the Constitution and the Founding generation.

Compatriots Patterson and Hansen set up a mini Revolutionary War camp with an enlisted tent, cookware and muskets. During the six rotations UTSSAR members discussed with camp attendees life in a patriot camp as well as living in the open elements and the problems caused by the scarcity of supplies. In addition, they explained what patriots faced during battle, and life as a prisoner of war. As an extra element of excitement at the Kaysville camp Compatriot Gregg Hansen was able to fire a replica revolutionary cannon to announce the time for movement to the next segment.



Valley Forge (1777-78)

UTSSAR's New Members

Eric Richhart (UTSSAR Registrar/Genealogist) reports that since the spring newsletter the following individuals have become members of the UTSSAR. Based on the numbers so far, we could have 40 new member applications approved this year.



If you know someone who shows interest in becoming a member, please contact him at refoals1@msn.com.

Name

Cole D. Breinholt
David Grandy Brewer
Chase Trenton Grandy
Thomas Dahl Jones
Frederick Howard Large
John Duane Large
Seth Douglas Large
Richard Christian Pixler
Jared Jacob Van Allen
Addison Kai Weeks
Garrett Frederick Weeks
Matthew Gunn Weeks

Name

Duane Warren Breinholt
Michael Theodore Jones
Lowell Mark Jacobsen
Denis Noel LaMar
Jerry William Large
Richard David Large
Scott Arlo Madson
Barry Evan Short
Abram Matthew Weeks
Fred Edward Weeks
Landon Gunn Weeks
Aiden McCormick



Proclaiming Liberty to Our Youth!

"Proclaim Liberty Throughout All The Land Unto All The Inhabitants Thereof" (Leviticus 25:10 - Inscription on The Liberty Bell)

In February 2014, representatives from the Utah Society Sons of the American Revolution (UTSSAR) and The Constitution Day Committee of Utah (CDCofUT) met to make plans for a program to commemorate the signing of the Constitution in September. The two groups had combined resources and provided a program for youth in September of 2012; both agreed that, this year, a program for youth was again desirable. The 2012 program was considered successful, having over 70 youth in attendance. The desire was to have a program that could be provided to three times as many.

Ideas began to flow, and it was determined that developing a program in correlation with a Scout District's Fall Camporee would be ideal. A concept for the weekend camporee was created and a representative was sent to determine the level of interest. The proposal was not only enthusiastically received, the District leaders asked if the program could be designed to invite other Districts within the Scout Council.

Over the next several months a completely new program from the 2012 program was developed. A concerted effort to recruit other Districts to participate was made. A tremendous comprehensive plan was put into effect to provide the services and resources necessary to have a safe, exciting, well-run program. Scout leaders took responsibility for the safety, registering, camping, and food logistics. The CDCof UT and UTSSAR took the lead in providing and managing the program. At the opening of the event on September 5th, nine districts of the Trapper Trails Council Boy Scouts of America participated, with over 1,200 Scouts and their leaders.

The program was called Liberty Trek and provided Scouts with a weekend of patriotism and essential learning in what Liberty is and why Liberty matters.



Friday night, Scouts arrived at Fort Buenaventura, Ogden, Utah, a beautiful park next to the Weber River. After checking in and setting up their camps, Scouts enjoyed a delicious catered barbecue chicken dinner.

At the same time, in a replica of Washington's campaign tent, VIP donors, sponsors, and special guests were treated to a supper with his Excellency General George Washington and Reverend Peter Muhlenberg.

A replica Continental Army encampment, set-up and hosted by the UTSSAR, was available in the afternoon and during dinner time for Scouts to visit and learn about life as a Revolutionary War soldier.

A display of liberty and freedom paintings was arranged inside the park's fort for Scouts to see and learn from.

Scouts gathered for the 8 P.M. opening program at the main stage; Utah's *Old Time Fiddlers* provided a foot stomp'n, hand clapping,



rousing performance. A quartet sang *Chester* and the Scouts sang *Yankee Doodle*. A message of freedom and liberty was given by a World War II veteran who received a five minute standing ovation from the Scouts. Scouts received,

wholeheartedly, Veteran Bert Smith's message and the message of author Tim Ballard, who told stories of the miracles occurring during the fight for America's independence. Mr. Ballard, in his Scout uniform, reminded the Scouts of their oath, the significance of their uniform and the greatness of the Scouting program.

Scouts gathered around the park's pond and watched a shadow play on an enormous white screen suspended between two tall trees. The Order of the Arrow enacted a story of an eagle's attainment of freedom. The sound of the steady beating tom-tom, the narrator and images on the screen were mystical and inspiring. Scouts retired for the evening to the soft tones of a bugler playing taps.

Saturday morning came early as the Scouts were dramatically awakened by the loud BOOM! of a six pound replica Revolutionary War cannon, the bugler blowing revelry, and a rider dressed as Paul Revere riding on his horse through the camp shouting "The Regulars are Coming!" A meager breakfast of oatmeal, juice and fruit was served. Scouts were reminded of the sacrifices of the patriots and how many, at times, had nothing to eat.

The UTSSAR Color Guard, combined with members from their sponsored BSA Venturing Crew 1776, marched to the fort and raised the colors. The Scouts pledged their allegiance. In the field by the main stage, Scouts were organized into five regiments, receiving their Liberty Trek haversack with contents for use during the Liberty Trek. Regiments were led by "commanders" comprised of Order of the Arrow Scouts and the Weber County Sheriff's Explorers. Scouts rotated through five





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50-minute segments, pausing for a one-hour lunch midway. The BOOM! of the cannon provided the signal for when Regiments rotated to their next segment. Segments were held under 60-foot diameter canopies, with a stage and appropriate segment specific props. Twenty-seven Actors and Actresses in period dress performed for the Scouts.

--**William Bradford and Family: Liberty and Freedom Defined Segment.** The beginning of the activity had Scouts divide into 18 religious denominations. Scouts met with the other denominations learning NOT the religious doctrine, but rather the circumstances that caused each group to want to come to America. William Bradford's family recounted the harrowing story of the Plymouth Plantation pilgrims and why they came to America--for Liberty and Freedom.

--**Reverend Peter Muhlenberg: Private Virtue Segment.** Scouts began by scurrying to solve Founding Fathers' quote puzzles. Six quotes such as John Adams, "Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other" were assembled and shared. Reverend Peter Muhlenberg then arrived and helped the Scouts understand the meaning of the quotes that focus on Private Virtue and the importance of Private Virtue to liberty.

--**George Washington: Public Virtue Segment.** Upon entering the field, Scouts divided into equal groups of Yankee soldiers and Red Coat soldiers. Donning t-shirt "uniforms", Scouts were drilled to follow 18th-century military commands and engage in a mock battle using balloons and toothpicks. After the battle, General George Washington addressed the new recruits on the importance of Public Virtue to liberty and freedom.

--**Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and Benjamin Franklin: Principles of Liberty and Freedom Segment.** Scouts were divided into three groups: British, American Colonists, and Undecided. Assigned Scouts were given 3"x5" British or Betsy Ross stick Flags to wave in support of their side. The Founding Fathers debated British generals Howe, Gage, and Clinton: "Do all people have unalienable rights? Are all men created equal? Should the power to govern come from the consent of the governed?" After the debate, Scouts who were British or Undecided, were given the choice to be loyalists or patriots. The Founding Fathers reviewed portions of the Declaration of Independence and shared the Declaration's significance to Liberty.



--**James Madison, Alexander Hamilton and John Jay: The Founders Preventive Controls to Preserve Liberty and Prevent Tyranny Segment.** Scouts participated in an activity to compare democracy with republicanism. Scouts completed a six question, multiple-choice Constitution "quiz". Founding Fathers guided Scouts in using their pocket Constitutions to identify some of the important elements of the United States Constitution to learn how the supreme law of the land was created to safeguard liberty.

Saturday afternoon concluded with a 3:00 P.M. program with a U.S. Marine brass band, which accompanied the Scouts as they sang several of America's great hymns, including the *Star Spangled Banner*. Founding Fathers joined the Committee Chairman of Venturing Crew 1776 on stage as he concluded the meeting with a few stirring remarks concerning George Washington's mottos of "For God and My Country" and "Deeds not Words," and how these mottos apply to Liberty. After hearing the tremendous words of Patrick Henry, the Scouts were led in saying the Scout Oath, and Liberty Trek concluded.

Aftermath: An effort was made to understand what impact, if any, was made on the Scout youth. Comments included, "I never knew that about the pilgrims," "I always thought liberty and freedom were the same thing, now I know they are not." "I really liked the debate! I'm glad that I was a patriot." "The battle was epic! It was my favorite!" From some of the adults we heard, "I was totally captivated with Washington's presentation." "This is the best thing I have ever been to with my Scouts." "Our youth desperately need this, thank you so much for doing this." "My son would never learn this in school, I learned a lot, thank you!"

"The best means of forming a manly, virtuous, and happy people will be found in the right education of youth. Without this foundation, every other means, in my opinion, must fail. . . . And what duty more pressing than communicating it to those who are to be the future guardians of the liberties of the country?"



-- George Washington

To view pictures and learn more about Liberty Trek go to: UtahSocietySAR.org/Scouting/LibertyTrek.

Article Submitted by Liberty Trek Coordinator, Douglas R. McGregor, 1st VP UTSSAR. 



Intermountain District & National Update

Vice-President General Joe Harris (UTSSAR)

Vice-President General (VPG) Joe Harris of the Intermountain District (and UTSSAR Compatriot) conducted a business coordination meeting in Idaho Falls, Idaho on September 6th. The VPG's areas of state society interest include:



- A much closer examination of the district's geography (size).
- The promotion of the NSSAR youth contests.
- Endorsements for candidates seeking national office.
- Participation at the 125th Annual Congress.
- Development of new chapters, and revitalization of existing ones.

Vice-President General Harris also attended the fall Leadership Conference/Trustees Meeting in Louisville, Kentucky on September 27th. Below are the most salient points brought home from that meeting of the NSSAR Trustees.

- The NSSAR Executive Committee approved a motion to hire a full-time webmaster.
- Several NSSAR youth cash awards, specifically the Eagle Scout Scholarship, the George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Contest, and the Enhanced JROTC Program (Outstanding Cadet Contest), have been increased.
- The SAR Foundation has announced the creation of the Founder's Circle for compatriots who include the NSSAR in their estate plans.
- The Trustees approved the NSSAR Executive Committee's request to coordinate directly with the design firm (Solid Light) planning the historical exhibits for Phase II of the Center for Advancing America's Heritage.
- The Trustees approved the build-out of the second floor restrooms for Phase II of the Center for Advancing America's Heritage.
- The Trustees approved the recommendation by the NSSAR Congress Planning Committee that the 129th Annual National Congress be hosted by the California Society.



Historical actors at Liberty Trek 2014

The United States Constitution's Signing Commemorated

On September 17th, the day of the Signing of the Constitution in 1787, The Utah Society Sons of the American Revolution (UTSSAR), along with the Constitution Day Committee of Utah (CDCofUT), commemorated the 227th anniversary on the very day in history. Compatriots and guests gathered at the Fort Buenaventura bowery for a delicious supper of smoked pork roast and barbecue chicken.

After the invocation, everyone enjoyed the catered meal as patriotic music filled the beautiful night air. What a blessing! The weather could not have been more perfect! The evening program began with the UTSSAR color guard presenting the colors. Mrs. Kathy Smith, President of the CDCofUT invited key volunteers of Liberty Trek to come forward and be recognized. After the recognition, the guest speaker was introduced by Kathy Smith, President CDCofUT.

Reverend Dan Fisher, who calls Oklahoma home, is a husband, father, and minister. He has been in the ministry since he was 16 -years old. He trained as a pastoral apprentice at First Baptist Church in Ft. Smith, Arkansas. In 1992, the Reverend was called as the pastor of Trinity Baptist Church in Yukon, Oklahoma, where he continues to serve today. Reverend Fisher is a leader in the "Black Robed Regiment" movement in America.



The Reverend gave a remarkable, inspiring presentation. Dressed as a colonial reverend, Reverend Fisher portrayed Peter Muhlenberg, the heroic American Revolutionary War Lutheran minister, who became a colonel in the Continental Army. In his presentation, the reverend shared the history of American pastors during the Revolutionary War and explained how they were the primary force in the fight for liberty. He told the audience that the British so hated these pastors that they gave them the title of the "Black Robed Regiment." In his message, The Reverend illustrated how that, had it not been for the preachers' convictions and courageous actions prior to and during the Revolutionary War, America would probably never have achieved



independence and established liberty under a Constitutional Republic. The Reverend reminded the audience of liberty's requirements for liberty to live, which is the significance of the Constitution as Liberty's guardian, and the people's responsibility to live their lives with virtue. He called upon today's preachers and those who profess to love liberty and freedom, to return to the faith of the Founders and begin to take the same stand as the patriot preachers of the Revolution.



President's Message

My Fellow Compatriots,

This fall, as I reflect on the summer activities of members of the Utah Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, we have a bounteous harvest to be thankful for. Our members have been busy preparing and participating in many different events: Layton City Independence Day Parade, Liberty Trek, Patriot Camps, Constitution Day Commemoration Program, Educational Outreach, and New Member Induction Ceremony. Indeed it has been a busy summer for many UTSSAR members, and much has been accomplished.



Our membership is growing at a much faster rate than in recent years. This year alone our membership has increased by 36%. This is great cause for celebration. This likely indicates there is increased interest in the cause for the American Revolution or genealogy, or both. Whatever the case, we must remember our purpose as stated in the objectives of our Sons of the American Revolution constitution. We are a patriotic, historical, and educational society.

But what does that mean?

To borrow from the words of former South Carolina Society SAR President, Dan Woodruff:

"[It means] we are to perpetuate the memory of those who, by their services or sacrifices during the war of the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American people and to unite and promote fellowship among their descendants."

"[It means] we are to inspire our compatriots and the community-at-large with a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers."

"[It means] we are tasked to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom and to carry out the purposes expressed in the preamble to the Constitution of our country and the injunctions of Washington in his farewell address to the American people."

So how do we do this?

We do it with effort, unity, and support from people just like you. We need your help in building vibrant society chapters. Chapters that are visible in our communities. Chapters that are visible in our schools supporting the youth programs of our great Society. Chapters that celebrate local Eagle Scouts, JROTC, and ROTC members. Chapters that honor their community veterans and local law enforcement. All of which are in line with what SAR stands for.

Indeed there is much to be done, and, collectively, we can make a difference in Utah's patriotism. So, I call upon all able-bodied members of the Utah Society Sons of the American Revolution to get involved, as we work toward establishing strong chapters. Whatever your line-of-work, hobbies, or interests, I can almost guarantee your skills, abilities, or resources can be put to good use.

Some ways you can get involved: Participate in chapter meetings. Get to know other members and develop meaningful relationships. Work on common goals commensurate with SARs objectives. Volunteer your services and/or resources to your local chapter. Share your enthusiasm for freedom, liberty, patriotism, etc. with other SAR members, family members, and in your community. Contact a member of the UTSSAR board and let them know of your desire to be involved. Take advantage of the new and improved UTSSAR website at utahsociety SAR.org.

But don't do it for the sake of UTSSAR. Do it for the sake of perpetuating freedom and liberty in this great nation. Do it in the memory of your ancestor who contributed to the cause for America's independence and our constitutional-republic.

As one of our founding forefathers, Dr. Benjamin Franklin, so eloquently stated:

TELL ME - and I forget

TEACH ME - and I remember

INVOLVE ME - and I learn

May we be involved so we can learn, and may we involve others so they can learn the cause of freedom and liberty in this United States of America.

Patriotically Yours,

Regan Grandy

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Use the contact information included above if you have questions for our Secretary/Treasurer or Registrar/Genealogist (membership questions). If you have something to add to our newsletter, contact our Historian.



The UTSSAR Installs New Members

They came together and met at the Holiday Inn Express in Layton Utah to take the membership oath of the Sons of the American Revolution and show their support for the Constitution, values and principles of Independence and Liberty. On October 11th at 7:00 p.m. the Utah Society's newest members were warmly welcomed as they entered the meeting room. Many came with their wives, family and friends.

Society President Regan Grandy provided a welcome. Bill Simpson, Society Historian offered the invocation. A flag ceremony was provided by the UTSSAR Color Guard, Society Genealogist/Registrar Eric Richhart led the group in saying the American's Creed. After a few remarks, President Grandy administered the Oath and Utah Society Secretary/Treasurer, Larry Florence, offered the explanation of the SAR medal.

1st Vice President Douglas McGregor shared his message of liberty and patriotism followed by 2nd Vice President Trent Grandy who talked about the UTSSAR's purpose and goals. The meeting adjourned with all mingling and enjoying refreshments. A heartfelt welcome to our newest compatriots! New members who were present included Kaledon G. Grandy, Lowell M. Jacobsen, Denis N. LaMar, Frederick H. Large, Roy A. Purkiss, and Jared J. Van Allen.

"Patriotism" - Subject of 2015 Photo Contest

The Utah Society SAR (UTSSAR) proudly announces participation in the National Society SAR (NSSAR) photo contest for 2015. This means that all UTSSAR members are encouraged to submit a photo. The theme of the photo to be entered is "Patriotism," which can be shown in many different ways.

Photo Details

- Black-&-White or Color.
- Printed on 5" x 7" photo paper.
- You must legally own the rights to the photo.
- Compatriot-photographer name printed on the back.
- Deadline for submitting the photo to the UTSSAR 1/15/15.
- State finalist's photo will be submitted to NSSAR by 2/10/15.
- State finalist and two runners-up will be selected by impartial judges (TBD).
- Finalist and two runners-up will be announced and published in the Spring 2015 Utah Patriot.
- National winner will be announced at the 2015 Congress in Louisville and will receive a cash award of \$1,000 and have his photo printed in the following issue of The SAR Magazine.

Please submit only one entry per 2015 dues paying member. Mailed all entries to: UTSSAR Secretary Larry Florence, 4185 West 4495 South, West Valley City, Utah 84120.

Photo Montage

