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NEXT SAR MEETING!

Please mark your calendars

September 16th – St Petersburg Yacht Club Breakfast Buffett Meeting

IN-PERSON 9:00 A.M.

**Guest Speaker –Compatriot Charles Butler, Educational Update
Presentation**

THIS MONTH IN REVOLUTIONARY WAR HISTORY

1777-Oct 17th: British General John Burgoyne surrenders at Saratoga during the American Revolutionary War

1781-Oct 9th. Americans under George Washington and the French under Comte De Rochambeau begin bombardment of Yorktown, the last battle of the American Revolutionary War.

1781- Oct 19th: British forces under General Charles Cornwallis sign terms of surrender to George Washington and Comte de Rochambeau at Yorktown at 2 pm, ending the US Revolutionary War





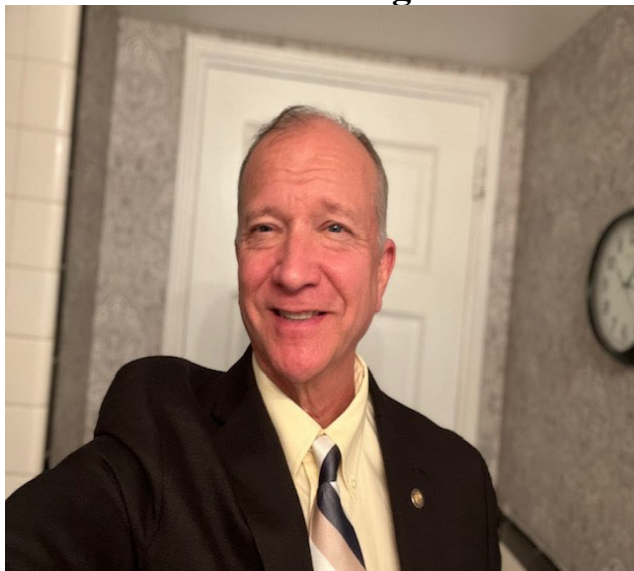
'Surrender of Lord Cornwallis' by John Trumbull depicting the British surrender which ended the American Revolutionary War
Source: Onthisday.com

NEW FEATURE THIS MONTH: George Washington Monthly Quote:

“A primary object should be the education of our youth in the science of government. In a republic, what species of knowledge can be equally important? 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



President's Message



Well, it was bound to happen...an in-person SAR meeting for the St Petersburg Chapter! A couple up-front items: 9 a.m. start...Breakfast Buffett format, so some good food, good friends, and some relevant information sharing, all before midday! Remember to bring a mask...SPYC requires one be worn while getting food. But I know all will enjoy the re-boot of the in-person events and who better to kick off our series of great speakers then Compatriot Charles Butler with an update on his team's education initiatives.

We're one month away from electing a new slate of Officers. If you have ANY interest in any position (remember it's only a 1 year (minus summer shutdown) commitment, please contact Bob Anderson randerson2441@gmail.com. Remember: the former position holder will walk you thru the how-to's, so they'll be no recreating the wheel...a couple conversations and you'll be off on your SAR leadership journey. Bob is also looking for a volunteer to be the Calling Committee Lead. This unsung, but most important position is looking for someone with "thick skin" to lead the charge. Think Car Warranty Calls but with a purpose...

Our Member Spotlight this month is Ben Eaves. Ben has a fascinating background and we're lucky to count him as a St Petersburg SAR member!

See you ALL on Saturday, 9 A.M. sharp!

Respectfully,

Brett James McMullen



Vice President's Message



Compatriots,

This is my VP Report for the St Pete SAR newsletter.

Published Patch article on the Chapter's September 18 Zoom meeting. Here is the link:
<https://patch.com/florida/stpete/sons-american-revolution-hold-september-meeting-nodx>

Also, if you want to examine the Chapter Facebook page, here is that link:
<https://www.facebook.com/Saint-Petersburg-SAR-Chapter-113384377505459/>

Respectfully,

Harry W Fuller



Registrar's Report



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Doug Maddox's application was approved Oct 5, 2021.

We have two new apps in-process:

- 1. Wilson, State ask for new copy of CAR**
- 2. Gray waiting on birth certificate**

Compatriot Vinnie still pending new documents with references

Saturday Market going with Plan "B" (more to come on this subject at Saturday's meeting).

Walter

Respectfully Submitted,

Will Scott



Secretary-Treasurer's Report



Greetings, Compatriots,

Thank you for everyone who has sent in their dues checks. We have about 5 members outstanding. Please check your email for a “reminder” notice.

If you are rejoining the chapter after being away, please let me know and we will get you back on the Roster.

Financially the chapter is in good shape. The account is balanced to the bank. Reports are below.

Respectfully submitted

Kevin D. MacFarland, Sr. “Mac”

St. Petersburg SAR

September 2021 Operating Fund

	Beginning Balance	September 1, 2021	\$6,535.51
500	INCOME		
501	Total Dues Collected	\$65.00	\$990.00
502	Total New Apps	Maddox	\$20.00
503	Total Supplementals	\$50.00	\$0.00
504	Other Dues & Life Members from Permanent Fund		
506	Meals Sold		\$0.00
507	50/50 Raffle		\$0.00
508	Miscellaneous		\$0.00
509	General Fund Donations		\$140.00
510	Center For Advancing American Heritage Donations		\$0.00
511	History Fair		\$5.00
512	Clearwater Chapter Scholarship Fund Donations		\$0.00
513	Eagle Scout Recognition Awards Donations		\$15.00
514	JROTC Recognition Awards Donations		\$5.00
515	Chapter High School Annual Book Gifting Program Donations		\$0.00
516	4th/5th Grade Revolutionary War Poster Contest Donations		\$5.00
517	Endowment Trust Fund Reimbursements		\$0.00
518	Endowment Trust Fund Donations		\$0.00
519	Veterans Medals Purchases or Donations		\$15.00
520	Ladies Auxiliary Donations		\$0.00
521	Merchandise Sold		\$0.00
522	Knight Essay Donations		\$20.00
525	Good Citizenship Awards		\$5.00
526	Law Enforcement		\$5.00
526	Total Income		\$1,225.00

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	EXPENSES	
600	Dues to National	\$0.00
601	Dues to State	\$0.00
602	New Member to National	\$0.00
603	New Member to State	\$0.00
604	Supplemental to National	\$0.00
605	Supplemental to State	\$0.00
606	Other Dues	10 Life Members
607	Meals Purchased	\$0.00
701	Eagle Scout Recognition Awards	\$0.00
702	Good Citizenship	\$0.00
703	JROTC Recognition Awards	\$0.00
704	Law Enforcement, EMT, Fire Safety	\$0.00
705	4th/5th Grade Revolutionary War Poster Contest	\$0.00
706	Pinellas History Fair	\$0.00
707	Veterans - Check 2555 Bay Pines - OEF Program	\$0.00
708	SAR Library - Credit Card	\$0.00
709	Publicity & History - Wreaths Across America - Credit Card	\$0.00
710	Program Speakers	\$0.00
711	Chapter High School Annual Book Gifting Program	\$0.00
712	Center For Advancing American Heritage	\$0.00
713	Endowment Trust Fund	\$0.00
714	Clearwater Chapter Scholarship Fund	\$0.00
715	Permanent Fund	\$0.00
716	Hottin's	\$0.00
717	Service Awards	\$0.00
718	Ladies Auxiliary	\$0.00
719	Merchandise Bought	\$0.00
720	Knight Essay	\$0.00
801	Secretary	\$0.00
802	Registrar/Genealogist	\$0.00
803	Treasurer	\$0.00
804	Newsletter	\$0.00
805	Roster	\$0.00
806	Awards	\$0.00
807	Supplies	\$0.00
808	Postage & Insurance	\$0.00
809	Birthdays and Condolences Cards	\$0.00
901	Miscellaneous	\$0.00
902	NSSAR Magazine Ad	\$0.00
1000	Total Expenses	\$0.00
PreComm	Funds committed but not released (SAR Library, Wreaths)	\$0.00
PostComm	Credit Card Payments (Zoom)	\$0.00
1000	Net Outflow	\$0.00
	Ending Balance Matches Bank	September 30, 2021
		\$7,760.51

Respectfully submitted
10/4/2021

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT:

Reuben E. Eaves (just call me Ben)



My SAR ancestor was Pvt William Haley (1748-1830), who was born in Mechlenberg County, VA, and served in a Continental Army regiment there. After the war, he drew land in Wilkes County, GA, where he moved. His son, Reuben Haley, was a Sergeant in the War of 1812. All the males in that line to me have been named Reuben, with just my grandmother and great-grandmother to break the string. That explains my peculiar name.

After the War, the land lottery for that northeastern part of Georgia brought many patriots, and to this day their names are common in the region. Among them are several other of my ancestors. My parents moved to Baltimore, MD, just before WWII, and that is where I was born in 1944.

I came to New England for graduate school and ended up working in satellite communications for NASA, Comsat Corp, Mitre Corp, and MIT Lincoln Laboratory. After 30 years of that, I joined a small firm managing long-short equity funds. After 20 years in the financial world, I retired in 2020 and have fallen back into earlier interests, working on independent research in physics and cosmology. Years ago I was an avid fly fisherman, but my research projects are my focus now. I recently had a paper in the journal of the Royal Astronomical Society, published by Oxford University Press.



My wife, Eileen, and I met in Cambridge, MA and have been together for 47 years. No kids, and I am beginning to suspect we will not be offering any offspring for membership in SAR. We visited St. Pete in March 2018 to see the Red Sox opening day at the Trop, fell in love with the town, and ended up buying here. We have made Florida our official residence, but we get back to Massachusetts for June-October. Warning: This picture was taken some years ago.

I discovered my Revolutionary War ancestry late and joined SAR in 2013. Although I have not held positions and not been very active, I fully support the ideals of SAR, honoring the history of our country and the heroism of the great Patriots that made it possible. This has not always been a popular point of view in Cambridge, MA.

Thanks for Sharing Ben!!!

