

## Gen. Gansevoort Grave Marked In Albany

Submitted by Edward Munger Jr.

**M**embers of the recreated 2nd Continental Artillery Regiment helped honor a Patriot whose recognition for Revolutionary War service was long deserved.



The General Peter Gansevoort Chapter, National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution and Albany Rural Cemetery held a marker dedication for Gansevoort on August

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Members of the 2nd Continental Artillery Regiment received the Sons of the American Revolution 250th Anniversary Bronze Medals & Certificates during the September 17 meeting. Photo provided by Patricia Flint.

## Artillery Regiment Members, Color Guard Honored

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**S**everal members of the recreated 2nd Continental Artillery Regiment were recognized for valuable work promoting history during the Saratoga Battle Chapter's Autumn

meeting September 17.

Nearly 40 people attended the meeting at The Factory Eatery & Spirits in Ballston Spa.

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## Upcoming Events

*Included here are calendar events attended by the recreated 2nd Continental Artillery regiment, chapter-attended events and calendar material from Saratoga National Historical Park.*

### **A Tale of Two Generals:**

The Later History of the Benedict Arnold Monument at Saratoga Battlefield Thursday, November 9, 6:30 pm.

Saratoga National Historical Park Visitor Center Theater

### **Hessians:**

German Soldiers in the American Revolutionary War Thursday, November 16, 6:30 pm

Saratoga National Historical Park Visitor Center Theater

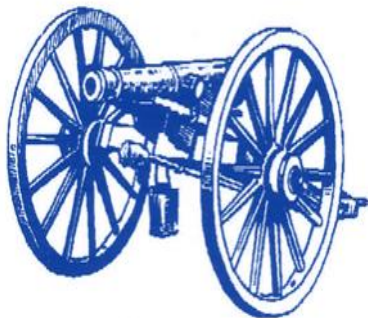
### **"Particulars that I have Been eye & ear witness to":**

How Nathaniel Bacheller Changed History Thursday, November 30, 6:30 pm

Saratoga National Historical Park Visitor Center Theater

**Retracing Our Steps:** the French-American Joint Reconnaissance Tour in the Winter of 1780-1781 Thursday, December 7, 6:30 pm

Saratoga National Historical Park Visitor Center Theater



## President's Dispatch

*Submitted by Edward Munger Jr.*

**G**reetings compatriots. I wish you and your family well.

I want to reach out to each and every one of you personally but I probably won't have the time. Please read through this newsletter and learn what you can about the upcoming elections slated for February.

We need officers to serve and help us coordinate committees, events and other activities.

I want to congratulate the citizens and historians in Saratoga County for their success in honoring Patriot Graves. Here are some details about these sites and Patriots:

- ◆ Stillwater Union (aka Bemis Heights) Cemetery. At least 14 Revolutionary War Veterans are buried here. The cemetery is located in the village of Stillwater, around 1157 Hudson Avenue. To establish Patriot status, historians used Muster Rolls of the Revolution, Compiled Revolutionary Histories such as NY in the Revolution, pension records/applications including survivor applications, compiled service records and other sources. These documents verified each individual patriot's service in the American Revolution and the capacity in which they served in the American Revolution.
- ◆ Jeremiah Smith Cemetery, formerly known as Charlton Old Cemetery, serves as the final resting place of at least 25 Patriots. The cemetery is situated on County Route 52, at about 816 Swaggertown Road in Charlton.
- ◆ Ormsbee Cemetery is situated on private property in Porters Corners where distant relatives live today. The Patriot Burials sign honors 2 patriots, Isaac Ormsbee and Cole Ambrose, both of Rhode Island.

Stay tuned, I hope to see you all at our February Meeting!



# Welcome New Members!

MEMBER NAME & HOMETOWN	PATRIOT ANCESTOR
Thaddeus C. Mangione, Albany NY	George Little, Patriotic Serv. Signed Assoc. Test
Linus C. Mangione, Albany, NY	George Little, Patriotic Serv. Signed Assoc. Test
Trevor O. Flike, Ballston Spa, NY	Thomas Galusha, Pvt., MA & VT
Nolan Flike, Boston, MA	Thomas Galusha, Pvt., MA & VT
Kevin R.. Flike	Thomas Galusha, Pvt., MA & VT
Chad M. Loshbaugh, Glenmont, NY	Henry Lushbaugh, Pvt., PA
George R. Dienos, Saugerties, NY	John Graves, Pvt., CT
Jack A. Mullen, Saugerties, NY	John Graves, Pvt., CT
Liam J. Mullen, Saugerties, NY	John Graves, Pvt., CT
Aiden C. Mullen, Saugerties, NY	John Graves, Pvt., CT

## SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATIONS APPROVED

Joseph B. Fitzpatrick, William Duncan., Lt., PA



New Members were welcomed during the September 17 Meeting at The Factory Eatery & Spirits. Taking their Oath of Membership were Wilford LeForestier Sr., Chad Loshbaugh and Edward Munger Sr.  
*Photo provided by Patricia Flint.*

# Elections Slated For February 2024

The Saratoga Battle Chapter, Empire State Society, Sons of the American Revolution will hold an Election of Officers during its Annual Meeting to be scheduled for on a date as close as is practicable to the February 22 birthday of President General George Washington.

Candidates will be elected during this meeting to fill the following Officer positions:

- President
- Vice President
- 2nd Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Historian
- Genealogist
- Chaplain

## • Registrar

Below are details of the responsibilities of each office as outlined in the Chapter's Constitution and Bylaws.

### **PRESIDENT**

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Chapter and of the Executive Committee. The President is the executive head of the chapter; he shall be an ex-officio member of all committees except for the Nominating Committee, of which he may be an ex-officio member.

### **VICE PRESIDENT**

If at any time the President is unable to discharge his duties, through absence, illness, incapacity, or any other reason, the highest ranking Vice President available shall act in

the capacity of President until the President resumes his duties, or until the office of President is filled by way of election.

### **SECRETARY**

The Secretary shall keep the minutes and records of the chapter and shall reply to all correspondence addressed to the chapter as a whole. He shall issue notices for all meetings, and shall notify all members and officers of their election. The Secretary shall maintain a current roster of all active members.

### **TREASURER**

The Treasurer shall have custody of the funds of the chapter. He shall be responsible for the collection and transmittal of chapter, state and national dues. He shall receive any

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## **Gansvoort Honored ...**

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19th.

The DAR provided several details of Gansevoort's history:

"Peter Gansevoort was born in Albany July 17, 1749. He was a major in the New York Militia in 1774, and at the outbreak of the Revolution, joined the army which invaded Canada under Montgomery. In 1776 he was promoted to Colonel. In April of 1777, he was sent to take command of Fort Stanwix.

His victory, following the 20 day siege of St. Leger and the bloody Battle of Oriskany, earned him a vote

of thanks from Congress and a promotion to Brigadier-

General.

In active command at the outbreak of the War of 1812, he died July 2 of that year in Albany, at the age of 63."



## September meeting ...

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Dressed in Revolutionary War-Era uniforms, the 2nd Continental's Members Posted the Colors for the meeting before receiving the Sons of the American Revolution's Bronze 250th Medal and Certificate.

Earning the medals were: Michael Companion, Michael P. Golden, Michael Skelly, Bradley Allen, Timothy Butler, Mary Skelly, David Wren and Jake Verhayden. Robert Wesser earned the medal during the chapter's prior meeting.

President Edward Munger Jr. also presented Color Guard Chairman Michael Companion with the 250th Anniversary streamer which adorns the flags displayed at events.

Additionally, awards of the Bronze 250th Medal and Certificate are also approved for Saratoga County Historian Lauren Roberts; Assistant County Historian Abby Burke; Saratoga Town Historian Sean Kelleher, historian Paul Novotny and Author and Historian James Richmond.

Color Guard leader and Past President Michael Companion swore in several new members during the meeting. Take their oath of membership were: Wilford LeForestier Sr., Chad Loshbaugh and Edward Munger Sr.

During reports, Registrar Thomas Dunne said the Chapter's membership was at 239. The Registrar's office was in receipt of 11 new applications being processed.

Color Guard Chairman and Past President Michael Companion said the Color Guard attended eight events throughout the region since the prior meeting.

Awards & Recognition Committee Chairman Michael Golden suggested the Chapter establish a dedicated budget line for the purchase of awards – certificates and medals – that can be distributed throughout the year.

Currently, the chapter presents nearly 10 medals at ROTC programs each year. Meanwhile, additional awards can be expected for recognizing 250th anniversary promotion efforts.

The Chapter approved a \$500 budget line dedicated to award materials. A measure to pay for an Ancestry membership for Michael P. Golden, who is serving as Assistant Registrar, was also approved.

A new Scouts committee, chaired by President Edward Munger Jr. and any volunteers who are willing to help. The committee will explore affiliations or cooperative efforts with local scouting groups which are typically patriotic and share many

values similar to those of the SAR.

Every other year, the Saratoga Battle Chapter holds elections. All positions are up for election at the February, 2024 meeting. Registrar Thomas Dunne volunteered to serve as chairman of the Nominating Committee which will help find candidates to fill the officer positions.

### Elections Slated For February Meeting

All officer positions are up for election during the February, 2024 meeting. The list of positions to be filled is as follows:

- President
- Vice President
- 2nd Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Historian
- Genealogist
- Chaplain
- Registrar

Tentatively, the Annual Meeting & Washington's Birthday Dinner/Luncheon will be held on Sunday, February 18, most likely in the Saratoga area, possibly again at The Factory Eatery & Spirits in Ballston Spa.

## **Elections ...**

fees payable to the chapter for new and supplemental applications. The Treasurer shall maintain a record of the payment status of all members' dues.

### **REGISTRAR**

The Registrar shall examine the worksheets and documentation of prospective members prior to preparing their applications in duplicate for transmittal to the ESSAR Registrar. He shall collect any required application fees and dues prepayments from prospective members and transmit them to the ESSAR Registrar along with the prospective member's signed application and documentation. To the extent of his available time and expertise, he shall consult with and advise prospective members with respect to deficiencies in genealogical documentation, or any other matters that may affect the timely approval of the applicant's papers. At those times when the chapter may have another individual filling the office of Genealogist, the Registrar may seek the advice of the Genealogist when such advice is deemed to be necessary to expedite an application. The Registrar shall maintain a file for each member containing, at a minimum, a copy of the member's application and any correspondence related to the processing of the member's application.

### **GENEALOGIST**

The Genealogist shall make himself available to advise prospective

members and/or the chapter Registrar in the event that an application is deemed lacking in satisfactory genealogical documentation or proof of ancestor service. While the ultimate responsibility for obtaining documentation rests with the applicant, the Genealogist will do all that is practicable to assist in the completion of an application that will merit approval at the state and national level.

### **HISTORIAN**

The Historian shall maintain custody of the Saratoga Battle Chapter History and Highlights binder(s). He shall periodically add to and update this record so as to maintain an ongoing chronicle of the activities of this chapter.

### **CHAPLAIN**

The chaplain shall pronounce the Invocation and Benediction at chapter meetings and ceremonies. He shall participate in services for deceased compatriots, if so requested by the next-of-kin. The Chaplain may, but need not, be an ordained priest/minister of a Christian denomination. The SAR Prayer Book shall be consulted by the Chaplain for guidance as to appropriate language in carrying out his duties.

Please reach out to a Chapter Officer to learn more. Visit [www.SaratogaBattle-SAR.org](http://www.SaratogaBattle-SAR.org) for information.

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