

## ESSAR ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

In May of 1983, the sky suddenly darkened over the placid community of Boonville, NY. High winds tore at the huge Poplar trees then dotting the village as an F-3 Tornado did its best to rip out the heart of this community. When the sun reappeared, electric power was non-existent. Damaged homes and downed trees were everywhere as the residents found themselves the center of national attention. Yet before the first news truck crossed the Village line, local citizens were everywhere, helping each other as well as themselves. For days the sound of chainsaws echoed constantly from dawn to dusk as neighbors helped neighbors clear logs from streets, homes & driveways. Their community spirit was a shining example of the meaning of good citizenship. Rochester and Oriskany Battle Chapters of the E.S.S.A.R. would like to recognize such community spirit by hosting the state annual meeting at that location on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 2013 commencing at 11:00 AM.

Standing at the center of the Village is the Hulbert House, built in 1812. The hotel register contains signatures of the likes of President U.S. Grant, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, General Sheridan, Buffalo Bill Cody & Thomas E. Dewey. This former stage coach stop has been selected as the venue for our E.S.S.A.R. annual meeting. Lunch will consist of their "Hearty House Buffet:" Hot Roast Beef, Henry's Baked Chicken, Baked Ziti, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Hot Vegetable, Macaroni Salad, Tossed Green Salad, Homemade Rolls, Henry's Homemade Chips, Apple Crisp, Coffee & Tea (Hot & Cold). A guest speaker will highlight history of the area. Boonville was the northern terminus of the Black River Canal, and the canal museum has agreed to provide us free access until 4:00 P. M. **Please send your \$21.00 per person reservations so they may be received by May 13<sup>th</sup> to: Oriskany Battle Chapter Treasurer Tom Foley, 7060 Fox Road, Marcy, NY 13403**

If you plan to spend the night, special accommodation rates are available at both the Hulbert House and at the Headwaters Motor Lodge so be sure to tell them you are with the SAR.

- "Hulbert House," - 106 Main St, Boonville, NY 13309 (315) 942-4318 (Ask for Frank) [www.hulberthouse.com/](http://www.hulberthouse.com/) *Since the Hulbert House is reportedly haunted, you may "bump" into your patriot ancestor!*
- "The Headwaters Motel" – Rt. 12 (just north of the Village) 315 942-4493 - Be sure to pet the welcoming committee.

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Jim Eagan & George Gydesen

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Treasurer Foley,  
Please make reservation in the following names. Enclosed is \$21.00 per person.

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Total Amount Enclosed. \_\_\_\_\_