

*The Sons of the American Revolution* is a **PATRIOTIC** organization formed in 1889 and chartered by the U.S. Congress in 1906, with more than 25,000 living members from all 50 states and 23 foreign countries. Throughout its 120-year history, the SAR has admitted more than 155,000 members. Among them are 16 **PRESIDENTS** of the **UNITED STATES**, including George W. Bush and his father George H. W. Bush, Jimmy Carter, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Harry Truman and Theodore Roosevelt. The SAR also has had among its members Sir Winston Churchill and King Juan Carlos I of Spain, both of whom trace their ancestry to **REVOLUTIONARY WAR** patriots. Membership requires proof of descent from a person who aided in the **PATRIOT** cause. Some of the activities in which we engage are:

- \* commemoration of Patriot graves and monuments
- \* educational programs in the schools and elsewhere on the ideals of our Patriot ancestors and the American Revolution
- \* recognition of outstanding law enforcement officers and JROTC cadets
- \* sponsorship of Boy Scout troops

### **SAR Pledge**

“We descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of Liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.”



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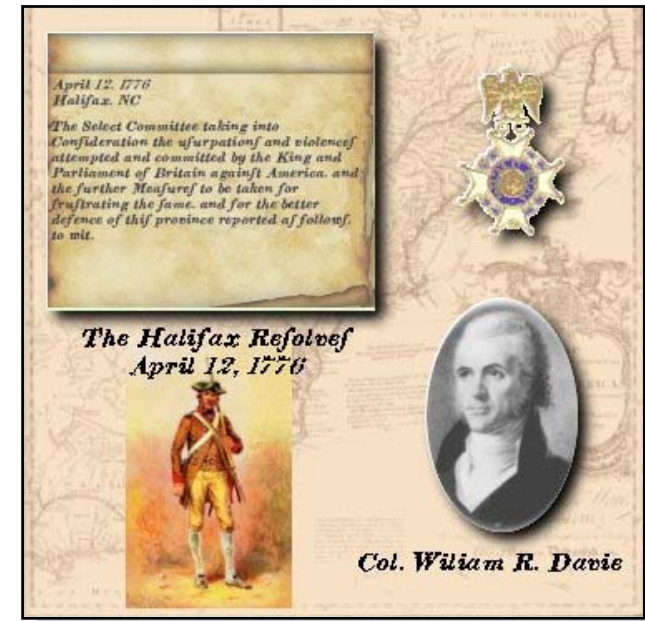
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## **The Halifax Dispatch**

**July, 2009**



**The Halifax Resolves Chapter  
North Carolina Society  
Sons of the American Revolution**



## *From the Secretary...*

The July meeting will be held on Wed., July 8, at the Halifax United Methodist Church on **152 S. King Street (Main Street) in Halifax at 6:30 pm** and the women of the church will provide the meal. The cost will be \$10. **Reservations are required.** Please contact Ron, Ken, or myself if you're coming (contact info on front of newsletter).

The program will be presented by Mrs. Martha Denton, who will speak on the Confederate Hospital cemetery at Weldon, NC.

Hope to see you there—

*Steve Avent*

Secretary/Treasurer

## *Recent Activities...*

On Tuesday, June 9, Chapter President Ron Jones made a presentation on the SAR to the Roanoke Rapids Lion's Club. (Picture below.)



On June 22, VP Ken Wilson presented the SAR Flag Certificate to Mike and Holly Holman, of Halifax, NC.



## *Recent Activities (cont.)*

On Sat., June 13th the Halifax Resolves Chapter co-sponsored a Flag Retirement ceremony in conjunction with the Horace Palmer, Jr., American Legion Post 308 in Littleton. (This is a ceremony in which worn Flags are disposed of by burning, with appropriate ceremony and reverence.) Chapter VP Ken Wilson did much of the work organizing the ceremony, and he deserves a big pat on the back from the Chapter. Prospective member Dave Hoaglan (whose application is currently under review at National) did his usual excellent job as Burnmaster. The ceremony came off very well and received a lot of coverage in the local press. Below is a picture of President Ron Jones addressing the crowd at the ceremony.



On Wed., June 17th Chapter VP Ken Wilson presented SAR Certificates of Appreciation to Marcia and Don Spragins of Littleton TrueValue Hardware and Mr. Dallas Jones of the Roanoke Valley Veterans Center for their support of the June 13th ceremony. They collected many of the 150 flags that were retired during the ceremony.



(left) Marcia and Don Spragins of Littleton TrueValue Hardware

(right) Mr. Dallas Jones of the Roanoke Valley Veterans Center

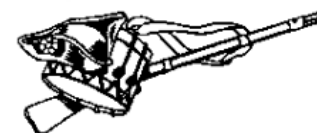


## *Recent Activities (cont.)*

At the State Convention, held in Burlington on April 4, 2009, VP Ken Wilson was presented the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal by NCSSAR President Sam Powell, for all his hard work as Chairman of the Knight Essay Committee and VP of the Halifax Chapter. (Picture below.)



On May 16th the Alamance Battleground Chapter sponsored the Patriot's Day Ceremony at the Alamance Battleground. This ceremony commemorates the battle fought on May 16, 1771, between the Regulators, who were protesting unfair taxation and corrupt local government, and the forces of the Crown. Chapter Secretary/Treasurer Steve Avent presented a wreath on behalf of the Halifax Resolves Chapter. The SAR participants are pictured below.



## *Upcoming Events*

- \* NSSAR National Congress, Atlanta, GA - 07/4 - 8/2009
- \* Battle of Colson's Mill, Norwood, NC - 07/18/2009
- \* Battle of Kings Mountain, Blacksburg, SC - 10/17/2009
- \* NCSSAR Board of Managers, TBD, - 10/10/2009
- \* Yorktown Victory, Yorktown, VA - 10/19/2009