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Local Radio Personality Presented with Silver Good Citizenship Award

by Bob Gordon

On February 20, 2010, Members of COSSAR presented Mr. Rick Crandall of KEZW Radio with the Silver Good Citizenship Award. Mr. Crandall has been dedicated to serving and support Colorado's military veterans, taking leadership roles in numerous volunteer events, such as MC'ing the Denver Veteran's Day and Memorial Day parades and sponsoring Valentines for Veterans at the local VA hospital. Mr. Crandall has also made live broadcasts from American Cemetery on Omaha Beach in Normandy, France; and from the deck of the U.S.S. Missouri at Peral Harbor in commemoration of the 60th Anniversary of the December 7th, 1941 attack. He is president of the organization leading the effort to erect the Colorado Freedom Memorial, dedicated to the memory of all Coloradans killed or missing in action.



COSSAR Members presenting the SAR Silver Good Citizenship Award
(L to R): Lew Berger, Rick Crandall, George Smith, Larry Shriner

From the President - John C. Luedecke, President, COSSAR

Compatriots we have an exciting year ahead of us starting with our dynamic Education, Color Guard, Living History, and George Washington Portrait programs. Not to mention our interactive Annual Picnic at Ft. Lupton with lots of fun and action for the whole family. As an extra bonus we have the good fortune to have Ernie Newman heading up the DAR Liaison with his involvement in the DAR and Ed Karr heading up the C.A.R. Liaison Committee Chairmanship with his deep commitment with the C.A.R. On March 20th we brought greetings and presented the Colors to the C.A.R. State Conference. On March 27th we had our first BOM meeting of the 2010-year with great success even though we had a low turn out due to the weather. On April 10th we will bring greetings to the DAR State Conference in Denver. I would like to offer great kudos to George Smith, Ed Karr and Ernie Newman for their hard work in getting out our 2010 Directory this month of April. I am please to say that we already have three new members from the Micsak's Family. Please extend a warm welcome to our newest members. I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting in Castle Rock on the 8th of May.

Instrument of Surrender of General Cornwallis and Admiral Symonds – October 19th, 1781

From Jan Housley

Settled between His Excellency General Washington, commander in Chief of the combined forces of America and France; his Excellency the Count de Rochambeau, Lieutenant General of the armies of the King of France, Great Cross of the royal and military Order of St. Louis, commanding the auxiliary troops of his Most Christian Majesty in America; and his Excellency the Count de Grasse, Lieutenant General of the Naval Armies of his Most Christian Majesty, Commander of the Order of St. Louis, Commander in Chief of the Naval Armies of France in the Chesapeake, on the one Part, and the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis, Lieutenant General of his Britannic Majesty's forces, commanding the garrisons of York and Gloucester; and Thomas Symonds, Esquire, Commanding his Britannic Majesty's Naval Forces in York River in Virginia, on the other part.

ARTICLE 1. The garrisons of York and Gloucester, including the officers and seamen of his Britannic Majesty's ships as well as other mariners, to surrender themselves prisoners of war to the combined forces of America and France. The land troops to remain prisoners to the United States, the navy to the naval army of his Most Christian Majesty. Granted.

ARTICLE II. The artillery, arms, accoutrements, military chests and public stores of every denomination, shall be delivered unimpaired to the heads of departments appointed to receive them. Granted.

ARTICLE III. At twelve o'clock this day the two redoubts on the left flank of the York to be delivered, the one to a detachment of American infantry, the other to a detachment of French grenadiers. Granted. The garrison of York will march out to a place to be appointed in front of the posts, at two o'clock precisely, with shouldered arms, colors cased, and drums beating a British or German march. They are then to ground their arms, and return to their encampments, where they will remain until they are dispatched to the places of their destination. Two works on the Gloucester side will be delivered at two o'clock to a detachment of French and American troops appointed to possess them. The garrison will march out at three o'clock in the afternoon; the cavalry with their swords drawn, trumpets sounding, and the infantry in the manner prescribed for the garrison of York. They are likewise to return to their encampments until they can be finally marched off.

ARTICLE IV. Officers are to retain their side-arms. Both officers and soldiers to keep their private property of every kind; and no part of their baggage or papers to be at any time subject to search or inspection. The baggage and papers of officer and

COSSAR Color Guard – Bringing History to Life

For those who may not have had a chance to see the COSSAR Color Guard in action, here are some photos of these dedicated Compatriots. Reading about history is one thing – seeing the COSSAR Color Guard actually brings history to life.



COSSAR Color Guard at the Denver Convention Center



COSSAR Color Guard Marching at the Denver Convention Center



COSSAR Color Guard with George Washington: (L to R) Jan Housley, Richard Riepe, George Washington, David Mann, Jim Robinson, Arnie Dowd and John Luedecke

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soldiers taken during the siege to be likewise preserved for them. Granted. It is understood that any property obviously belonging to the inhabitants of these States, in the possession of the garrison, shall be subject to be reclaimed.

ARTICLE V. The soldiers to be kept in Virginia, Maryland, or Pennsylvania, and as much by regiment as possible, and supplied with the same rations of provisions as are allowed soldiers in the service of America. A field officer from each nation, to wit, British, Anspach, and Hessian, and other officers on parole, in the proportion of one to fifty men to be allowed to reside near their respective regiments, to visit them frequently, and be witness to their treatment; and that their officers may receive and deliver clothing and other necessaries for them, for which passports are to be granted when applied for. Granted.

ARTICLE VI. The general, staff, and other officers not employed as mentioned in the above articles, and who choose it, to be permitted to go on parole to Europe, to New York, or to any other American maritime posts as present in the possession of the British forces, at their own option; and proper vessels to be granted by the Count de Grasse to carry them under flags of truce to New York within ten days of this date, if possible, and they to reside in a district to be agreed upon hereafter, until they embark. The officers of the civil department of the army and navy to be included in this article. Passports to go by land to be granted to those to whom vessels cannot be furnished. Granted.

ARTICLE VII. Officers to be allowed to keep soldiers as servants, according to the common practice of the service. Servants not soldiers are not to be considered as prisoners, and are to be allowed to attend their masters. Granted.

ARTICLE VII. The Bonetta sloop of war to be equipped, and navigated by its present captain and crew, and left entirely at the disposal of Lord Cornwallis from the hour that the capitulation is signed, to receive an aide-de-camp to carry despatches to Sir Henry Clinton; and such soldiers as he may think proper to send to New York, to be permitted to sail without examination. When his despatches are ready, his Lordship engages on his part, that the ship shall be delivered to the order of the Count de Grasse, if she escapes the dangers of the sea. That she shall not carry off any public stores. Any part of the crew that may be deficient on her return, and the soldier passengers, to be accounted for on her delivery.

ARTICLE IX. The traders are to preserve their property, and to be allowed three months to dispose of or remove them; and those traders are not to be considered as prisoners of war. The traders will be

ABIGAIL ADAMS "UNBOUND" IN AURORA

The COSSAR Color Guard participated in the program about Abigail and John Adams at the Aurora Historical Museum on Jan. 10th. Members of the Colorado Society Daughters of the American Revolution recited letters written while John Adams was traveling during the war. The Color Guard Presented the Colors and an SAR display was set up. In attendance were Dave Mann, Jan Housley, John Luedecke and Arnie Dowd.



DAR Member honored with Martha Washington Medal; COSSAR member honored with Distinguished Service Medal

Zebulon Pike Chapter, NSDAR member, Jane Newman was honored by the Colorado Society of the Sons of the American Revolution at the 2010 State Conference. Jane was awarded the Martha Washington Medal for assisting the COSSAR in revising their Constitution, Bylaws and Handbook. Compatriot Ernie Newman was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal as Chairman of the COSSAR Legislative Committee. Compatriot and past COSSAR President Edmund Karr participated in these presentations. (L to R): Past COSSAR State President Edmund Karr, Jane Newman, Ernie Newman



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allowed to dispose of their effects, the allied army having the right of pre-emption. The traders to be considered as prisoners of war upon parole.

ARTICLE X. Natives and inhabitants of different parts of this country, at present in York or Gloucester, are not to be punished on account of having joined the British army. This article cannot be assented to, being altogether of civil resort.

ARTICLE XI. Proper hospitals to be furnished for the sick, and wounded. They are to be attended by their own surgeons on parole; and they are to be furnished with medicines and stored from the American hospitals. The hospital stores now at York and Gloucester shall be delivered for the use of the British sick and wounded. Passports will be granted for procuring them further supplies from New York, as occasion may require ; and proper hospitals will be furnished for the reception of the sick and wounded of the two garrisons.

ARTICLE XII. Wagons to be furnished to carry the baggage of the officers attending the soldiers, and to surgeons when travelling on account of the sick, attending the hospitals at public expense. They are to be furnished if possible.

ARTICLE XIII. The shipping and boats in the two harbors, with all their stores, guns, tackling, and apparel, shall be delivered up in their present state to any officer of the navy appointed to take possession of them, previously unloading the private property, part of which had been on board for security during the siege. Granted.

ARTICLE XIV. No article of capitulation to be infringed on pretense of reprisals; and if there be any doubtful expressions in it, they are to be interpreted according to the common meaning and acceptations of the words.

Done at Yorktown, In Virginia, October 19th, 1781

Cornwallis,
Thomas Symonds

Done in the Trenches before Yorktown, In Virginia,
October 19th, 1781.

George Washington
Le Comte de Rochambeau
Le Comte de Barras
En mon nom & celui du
Comte de Grasse

COSSAR ROTC Awards for 2009 – 2010

COSSAR presented 54 ROTC medals this past year: 16 were silver 38 were bronze. US Army Cadets – 29; US Air Force Cadets - 15; US Navy Cadets – 8; US Marine Corps Cadets - 2.

Registrar Ramblings

From Ed Karr, National Trustee

For several years COSSAR has had Youth Registrant applications for young men under the age of 18. A few years ago NSSAR also instituted another program for young men under the age of 18. A major difference between these two programs is that Youth Registrants are not yet members of SAR, but Junior members actually are members of SAR. Junior members have fewer benefits and fewer costs than Regular members 18 and older. The NSSAR Handbook, Vol II provides these insights on the four categories of membership:

1. Regular: A member age 18 or older who pays annual dues. Only regular members may vote and hold office in the SAR and receive The SAR Magazine at no additional cost.
2. Junior: A member under age 18 who pays annual dues at a reduced rate. He is not eligible to vote or hold office and does not receive The SAR Magazine.
3. Memorial: A male who is a deceased close relative of an SAR member and whose application is based on (most of) the same lineage as that SAR member. There are no dues and a portion of the application fee goes to the Society's Permanent Fund.
4. Youth Registrant: A youth under the age of 18 for whom a fully documented application has been accepted and held in escrow. He is not a member and receives no member benefits but he can become a member (Junior or Regular) before age 29 by activating his escrowed application through a State Society and paying annual dues.

COSSAR now has only one Junior member, but 2 others recently applied to have their Youth Registrant applications activated as Junior members. They both happen to also be active C.A.R. members.

Scene from the COSSAR Annual Luncheon, March 20, 2010 at El Jebel Shrine, Denver, Colorado

