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November meeting **The Battle of Monmouth: presented in its entirety this time**

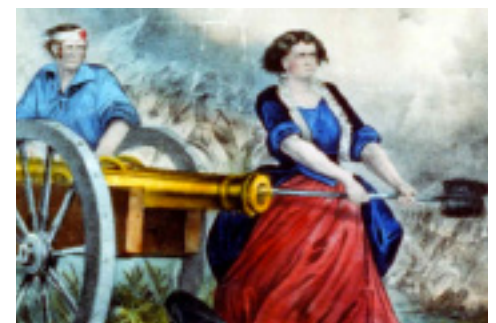
The Battle of Monmouth was scheduled to be the program for the June meeting. Although the projector and screen, and presenter Don Miller were ready to go, it was discovered that an unfinished version of the PowerPoint program had been loaded onto the laptop computer that ran the projector. To compound matters, the missing slides were essential to the program, and, yes, it was the fault of the Chapter President.

For this reason, the program was rescheduled for November, so members can their guests can finally get to see what makes it such a big deal:

- The battle lasted longer than any other of the war.
- The blistering heat killed more soldiers than died from wounds.
- Washington was riding back and forth in front of his line when the British line of soldiers only 50 yards away, fired a salvo at the

American line. Washington's officers were so certain that he had been hit by that they could not watch, But, as the smoke cleared he miraculously was still moving in front of his troops shouting encouragement.

Don will clearly illustrate how the same American army that had been badly defeated in every previous large battle was able to turn the tables on Lord Cornwallis and force him literally to sneak away in the night.



- And Monmouth gave us the iconic Molly Pitcher.

MAKE A NOTE OF IT

The November Meeting will be at noon Friday, the 17th, at the Kingsdale MCL (OSU plays Sat.)

BFC gets new members, supplementals

The year 2017 has brought a bumper crop of new members to the Benjamin Franklin Chapter. with, to date, 25 new compatriotes

In addition, our Registrar Kevin Teaford and Assistant Registrar Tim Mills have been busy preparing applications that have been sent on to the Ohio Registrar

Compatriots who have been recently approved include the following:

- **Braden L. Roby** of Galloway, whose Patriot Ancestor is John Ross, Lt. PA.
- **James C. Shumaker** of Gahanna, whose Patriot Ancestor is Enoch Enochs, Capt. in Col. Dorssey Pentecost's Frontier Rangers.
- **Don M. Crites** of Powell, whose Patriot Ancestor is John Adam Crites, Pvt. Northampton Co. PA Militia.
- **Joseph P. Ratajczak** of Upper Arlington, whose Patriot Ancestor is Benjamin Risher, horseman in the SC Militia.
- **John Milton Boggs** of Pataskala, whose Patriot Ancestor is James Codill, Pvt. Col. Benjamin Cleveland's NC Militia.
- **Robert M. Sammons** of Marysville, whose Patriot Ancestor is Matthias App, Pvt, Northampton Co. PA Militia.

- **Richard Lloyd Carnell** of Harrisburg, PA. whose Patriot Ancestor is Benjamin Smith, who Provided Services.

- **Patrick M. Nolan** of Shawnee Hills, whose Patriot Ancestor is Amos Cole, Pvt. New London Co. CT Militia.

Supplemental Ancestors

- **William R. Jacobs** of Westerville, gained a new Patriot Ancestor with the addition of David Jacobs who enlisted in 1777 and served as a Pvt. in more than one Pennsylvania regiment until the War ended in 1783 with the Treaty of Paris.

- **Jeffrey A. Myers** earned five new Patriot Ancestors in 2017. They are--

 - Michael Oberkisch paid the 1779 Lancaster County, PA Supply Tax;

 - John Brokaw paid the 1779 Somerset Co. NJ Supply Tax;

 - Mrs. Anna Grow paid the 1779 Lancaster Co. PA Supply Tax;

 - George Phillip Gebhart paid the 1779 Berks Co. PA Supply Tax;

 - Moses Ayers, Sr. took the Oath of Allegiance in Washington Co. MD on March 16, 1778.

Reminder to show up at Flint Cemetery at noon Saturday Dec. 16 for Wreaths Across America

At noon on Dec. 16, thousands of patriotic Americans will begin to place wreaths on the graves of veterans across this nation, and the Benjamin Franklin Chapter will be participating.

WHAT TO DO: Show up at Flint Cemetery (8187 Flint Rd.) a little before noon on the 3rd Saturday of Dec. Help the Worthington Chapter of the DAR place a wreath on the graves of the 112 veterans buried there. Then, move onto Walnut Grove Cemetery (take High St. south to Cemetery Drive) and place a wreath on 69 veterans' graves.

This event will give BFC members an opportunity to be a part of a national event that is very appropriate to what the SAR is about.

