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NEWSLETTER March 2018

March meeting

Fire Safety, Law Enforcement, EMS, Heroism honorees to be recognized

Sons of the American Revolution chapters across the nation observe a long-standing tradition of honoring exemplary public employees, and the Benjamin Franklin has done so for many decades.

This year's ceremony will be part of the March meeting, Friday noon on the 30th. The awards ceremony is always on a Friday so that the recipients' supervisors and colleagues can attend.

Each year, members and their guests have the opportunity to hear about why each recipient was selected by superiors to be honored. Usually, it is a distinguished career of dedication and consistent excellence. However, the Heroism Award is typically presented for a single act of bravery or going above and beyond normal expectations.

It should also be noted that the recognition is much appreciated

by the recipient. For example, when the 2014 recipient of the Law Enforcement Award, Lt. Theresa Francis was asked by a reporter at her retirement if there was one event in her career of which she was most proud, she said that it was being recognized by the Benjamin Franklin Chapter.

That same year, Fire Inspector Virgil Moore's award was accepted posthumously by his two daughters.

Program Committee being formed to locate speakers

Chapter President Don Miller is forming a committee to plan programs for Chapter meetings.

For that reason, all members with ideas for topics or suggestions for a guest speaker are encouraged to call or e-mail Don with suggestions.

MAKE A NOTE OF IT
The Next Meeting will be at noon on Saturday
March 31 at the Kingsdale MCL

2018 G.W.'s Birthday Dinner in pictures

There was considerable positive feedback regarding the 2018 George Washington's Birthday Dinner. The weather was favorable; the food was very good; DAR and SAR members took advantage of the opportunity to converse. And, the speaker's talk about how George Washington's sense of honor received a well-deserved standing ovation from the audience.



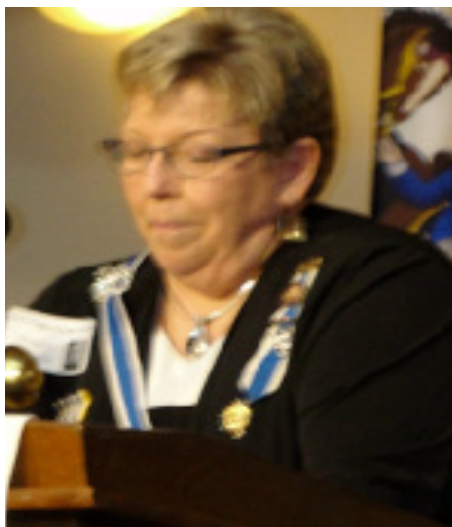
From left: John Meyer, Mark Mahan, Jim Shough, Sally Shough, Martha Mahan, and Michael Mahan.



OSU/Newark's Dr. Mark Kwasny's energetic informal style was well received by the audience.



From left: Dr David Rudy, Isabel Finley, Chris Finley, Bill Finley, and DAR members XXX, Marilyn Van Der Weele, and Susan Van Der Weele.



Ohio DAR Regent Nancy Wright was presented the Lydia Darraugh Medal.



Central District Chairman Tony Robinson installs new chapter officers 2nd Vice-President Randy Walker and President Don Miller.