



## Benjamin Franklin Chapter

Ohio Society

### Sons of the American Revolution

Monthly Almanac

Volume 2/Issue 1

bfc-sar.org

January 2021

## Chapter President Optimistic for 2021

Compatriots Happy New Year!

As we begin the new year I'm looking forward to a healthier and prosperous year for the members and their families. I'm hoping to return to in person meetings as soon as it is safe to do so. In the meantime all meetings will be held via Zoom.

The Kroger Community Awards program made out a check for \$108.87 for the last quarter of 2020. That represented 20 household. AS this is the single largest source of income to the Chapter outside Dues, please consider participating.

The February George Washington Birthday luncheon is still to be determined due to the pandemic. I will notify the chapter as soon as a determination is made. I hope to have one towards the end of January. – Don Miller

### Chapter Meeting Will Be January 16th - Virtually

Chapter Meeting will be held on Saturday, January 21, 2021. It will be held at Noon Eastern Time on Zoom. Members should have received a link and codes in a separate e-mail from Don Miller. The Raid on Nassau 1776 – America's First Amphibious Landing of Marines will be presented by Bill Finley.

## Chapter Officers to Be Elected in January for 2021

In January there will be an election of chapter officers, each for two years. The Nominating Committee has identified the following:

- Secretary - Bill Findley, reappointment
- Treasurer - Bill Diehl, reappointment
- Registrar - Jim McCune
- Chaplain - Scott Derick
- Historian - Mark Rawdon

Any Member wishing to run for any of these positions will be allowed with a motion from the floor and their presence must be noted at the meeting to accept the nominations.

## **Program Chair Announced – Bill Findley**

The Chapter's Program Chair is Bill Findley. He is looking for interesting topics from Chapter Members both ideas and Presentations. If interested please contact Bill.

## **Chapter Numbers for 2021 – 170 Paid**

At the Start of the year there were 165 members. 7 Members were re-instated, 30 members were added but lost 44 members due to non-payment, one death and two resigned. The net-Total was 170 at year end. Benjamin Franklin Chapter is the third largest in the Ohio Society after Western Reserve Society in Cleveland, and the Cincinnati Chapter.

## **Look -Up Chapter Website**

The Benjamin Franklin Chapter website is changing with the times. Steve Powell has been adding and expanding the website. Look-Up <http://www.bfc-sar.org/>. Pages have been created for the Calendar, Officers, Members, Ancestors,

## **Donations are Welcome – Money Pays for Community Awards**

Any Direct Donations to the Chapter are Appreciated and Welcomed. The money will be used for the Community Awards including: Police & Fire, ROTC/JROTC, Poster, Essay, Oration, Eagle Scout. Dues do not cover all the Chapter costs for the awards, Please consider the Chapter in your Donation schedule. Checks should be made out to BFC with a notation in the memo section what awards to be supported and should be sent to the Chapter Treasurer William Diehl at 3341 Big Run South Road, Grove City, Ohio 43123.

## **Patriot Grave Marking – Spring 2021**

Patriot Mattias Dague Sr. buried in Northeast Franklin County near Gahanna will honored by the Chapter with a marker in early 2021. Will announced specific date, time and place when they are known.

## **Wreaths Across America – Chapter Participation**

At the designated hour on 19 December 2020 three chapter members took part in the Wreaths Across America placing the ten wreaths supported by the Chapter and the total 314 wreaths for the Cemetery. Thank You Compatriots Steve Powell, William Lyman and Bill Diehl for helping the ladies of the John Hoover DAR Chapter at Camp Chase Cemetery in Columbus, Ohio.



(L-R) Bill Lyman, Karen Bott, Ginger Thrush, Steve Powell, Linda Diehl and Bill Diehl.

George Washington Birthday Celebration in Late February – More Information to Foillow