

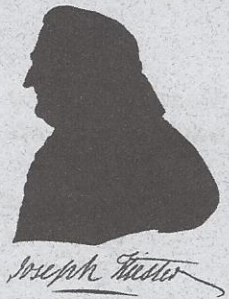


The Hiester Herald

Governor Joseph Hiester Chapter
Sons of the American Revolution

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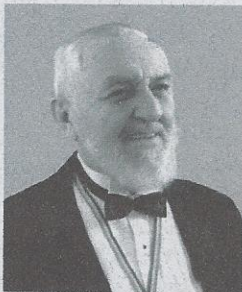
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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Compatriots

Soon my second year as your president will draw to a close. Has it been two years? Time really does fly when you are having fun. The cooperation of my executive board, the committee members and especially the members and their families who actively supported our meetings made my term an experience I am proud of and will always remember. Thank you all for being there when I needed you and your dedication to our organization. What a pleasure it will be to pass along the gavel to such able patriots.

I am pleased to inform you of the approval of four new members and applications in process for three more members. Their names are on the back of this page. My best wishes for continued growth for Governor Joseph Hiester Chapter.

Plans for the year 2005 are already well on the way. Gov. Joseph Hiester will sponsor the annual Presidents' Day Luncheon held along with the Berks County Chapter NSDAR and the Berks County Historical Society. The Color Guard is being organized and funded. Our meeting dates for the year will be in the January newsletter along with the election results with the names of our new officers.

Your presence at our Annual Meeting on the 9th of December will make my term complete. I look forward to seeing you there. I wish you all a blessed and peaceful Christmas Season.

Calendar of Coming Events

ANNUAL MEETING Election of Officers

December 9, 2004 (Thursday)
Berkshire Country Club, 1637 Bernville RD. (Rt. 183)
6:30 Cocktails (Cash Bar)
7:00 Dinner
Entrée: Chicken Breast or Roast Prime Rib
Cost: \$35.00
Reservations by December 5th to
Bruce L. Dietrich, Treasurer
1546 Dauphin Ave. Wyomissing PA 19610
Check Payable to Gov. Joseph Hiester Chapter
Speaker: Lester P. Breining, Jr.
Topic: "Fraternal Organizations, Past and Present"
Mr. Breining is a potter and historian.

ANNUAL PRESIDENTS' DAY LUNCHEON

We will join with the Berks County Chapter DAR and the Berks County Historical Society for our Annual President's Day Luncheon to be held on:

February 19, 2005
12:00 NOON

at the Sheraton Reading Hotel, Route 422 and Paper Mill Road, Wyomissing, PA.

Cost: \$20.00

Entrée: Pork Loin or Orange Roughy

Reservations to: Bruce L. Dietrich (address on left)

Reservation Deadline: 9 February 2005

Check payable to; Gov. Joseph Hiester

Speaker; John Ward Willson Loose, President Emeritus of The Lancaster County Historical Society. Mr. Loose will speak on "James Buchanan: Misunderstood, Maligned and Relegated to the Dustbin of History."

Reminder

2005 Dues are now payable to
Bruce Dietrich, Treasurer, address above.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Members of the Nominating Committee: David Adams, Steven Silverman and Trevor Vaughan have submitted the following slate of officers for 2005:

President: Martin J. Peicker, 537 South 10th Street, Reading, PA 19602-2517
Vice President: James H. Yocum, 930 Centre Ave, Reading, PA 19601-2106
Secretary: Philip L. Garrett, Ph.D., 417 W. Greenway St., Fleetwood, PA 19522-1007
Treasurer: Bruce L. Dietrich, 1546 Dauphin Ave. Wyomissing, PA 19610-2119
Chaplain: Darryl S. Jeffries, 1517 Hampden Blvd. Reading, PA 19604-1829
Surgeon: Thomas E. Shultz, 1517 Hampden Blvd., Reading, PA 19604-1829

Election and Installation of Officers will take place at the December 9th Annual Meeting

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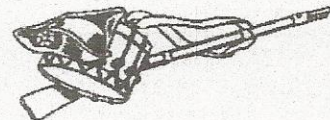
Until recently anyone off the street could pay \$5.00 and obtain a copy of your SAR application. This would, of course, provide your address, telephone number and mother's maiden name, which is commonly used as a password. The national genealogy committee discussed the avenues that could be taken by any compatriot who does not want a copy of his NSSAR application to be released to a third party. *Should you wish to guard your privacy* all you need to do is send a letter to headquarters requesting that copies of your application not be sent out or that the last two generations should be blacked out, or that it be sent only to SAR members. Your letter will be placed on the top of your file. The letter should be addressed as follows: Membership Dept., NSSAR 1000 So. Fourth St., Louisville, KY 40203. This information was provided by Ed Butler, NSSAR Genealogist General

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

R. WAYNE MURRAY
803 Evergreen Drive, Wyomissing, PA 19610.
D. ALLEN KEFFER
1960 Berkley Road, Jeffersonville, PA 19403
HENRY TROUTMAN
258 East 5th Street, Bernville, PA 19506
MAURICE J. BAHR
29 Bordentown/Crosswicks Rd., Crosswicks, PA 08515

Papers in Process

Morris Brown
Franklin Brown, Jr.
Thomas Brown



TIME TO CHECK YOUR LABEL

Please check the address label on your envelope. Please send any corrections in name or address to Nevin C. Miller, 295 Beagle Road, Leesport, PA 19533. E-mail: SARnevin@comcast.net or phone 610-926-4253.

Have you told your Children/Grandchildren about their Revolutionary War ancestor? Sad to say in most schools they will not be taught enough about those that helped establish this great nation. Gov. Joseph Hiester Chapter is proud to sponsor, along with Berks County Chapter DAR, the Conrad Weiser Society, C.A.R.. Established in 1897 it is either the 1st or 2nd oldest society in the organization. Close to extinction a year ago it is now alive and well due to the dedication of Anita Bond, Mary Bahr and others. They have grown from 6 to a possible 22 members in part thanks to SAR members Eric Troutman, Floyd Turner and Steven Silverman enrolling their children and grandchildren. The society needs our assistance by suggesting or helping with programs, enrolling our children and/or financial help. Applications can be obtained from Nevin Miller. Donations should be sent to our Treasurer Bruce L. Dietrich, 1546 Dauphin Ave., Wyomissing, PA 19610.

Your contributions have been put to good use. Thank you! We have purchased flags, poles, stands as well as accessories as a start to our color guard unit. The committee held a meeting in September to discuss uniforms. A special thank you to Reading Technologies, Inc. for their generous contribution. We hope to have a photo of GJH Color Guard in this spot real soon!

COLOR GUARD



Philadelphia
Continental
Chapter Color
Guard