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President's Message

It hardly seems possible that it was twenty-five years ago (in early 1976) that I was elected president of our chapter for the first time as brand new member at the Wyomissing Club. Hopefully the elapsed period of time and acquired experience will enable me to make a positive contribution to the chapter.

First, a sincere THANK YOU is in order for those compatriots who served as officers last year: Dr. Thomas Shultz (president) and John Houser (vice-president), who join the ranks of past officers and to Dr. Philip Garrett (secretary), Martin Peicker (treasurer), Dr. Robert Buckalew (genealogist), and Miles Dechant (newsletter editor), who continue in their positions. Nevin Miller is the new vice-president.

Second, our long-lost presidential gavel in memory of Dr. Bodo Otto has been returned to me by the widow of a former president. We'll attempt to keep it moving along this time!

Third, Elizabeth Haney is the winner of our chapter division of the national Knight Essay Contest. Her essay has been submitted to the PASSAR committee for their consideration. (I serve on the NASSAR Knight Essay Committee and am one of the eleven national judges of the state finalists writings.)

Fourth, please be advised that the membership year for NASSAR, PASSAR, and our local chapter will be JANUARY 1 to DECEMBER 31, beginning in 2003, being moved up one month each year. DUES must be into our treasurer by NOVEMBER 30, in order that they can be sent to the state treasurer and then on to NASSAR prior to January 31. It's a 3 step process. Please co-operate.

Finally, there are still some of you that we miss seeing at our chapter meetings. I encourage you to attend to meet one another and to enjoy our informative speakers.

CALENDAR OF CHAPTER EVENTS FOR JANUARY THROUGH MARCH

February 17 (Saturday) - Annual George Washington Birthday Luncheon - THE INN AT READING - 12 Noon Program - Rajah Temple Chanters - "A Tribute to America."

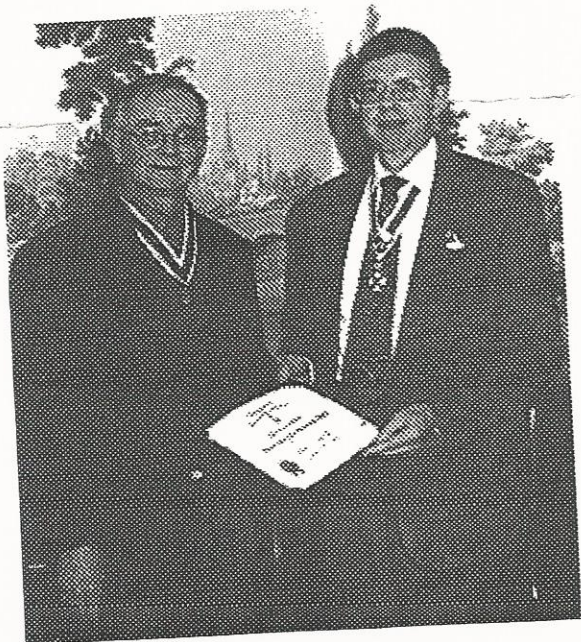
March 29 (Thursday) - Chapter Meeting - THE INN AT READING-Board Room (near lobby) Cocktails at 6:00 P.M. Dinner will be at 6:30 PM . Speaker - Dr. Tim Blessing - "The Electoral College."

Notes From The Secretary

The Veterans Hospital in Lebanon is still accepting contributions in the form of used books. These books should be of recent publication and may be either hard cover or paperback on any subject. If you would like to make a book contribution through the Gov. Joseph Hiester Chapter, please bring the books to any meeting. Compatriot John Houser is coordinating this project and will deliver the books to the hospital.

Chapter News

Our chapter is saddened by the passing of Compatriot William G. Hintz, Jr. this past November at age 104. Bill joined the Governor Joseph Hiester Chapter on September 17, 1945. He will be missed.



Darryl S. Jeffries, newly elected Chapter President and Past President of PASSAR, receives his certificate recognizing 25 years of membership from Dr. Thomas E. Shultz, out-going Chapter President.

Elected officers for 2001 (clockwise from upper left) Dr. Robert Buckalew, Genealogist; Dr. Philip Garrett, Secretary; Martin Peicker, Treasurer, and Darryl S. Jeffries, President. Missing from picture is Nevin Miller, Vice President.



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