



# South Jersey Chapter New Jersey Society National Society Sons of the American Revolution

## GUIDE FOR NEW MEMBERS (DRAFT)

Welcome to the South Jersey Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. Our Chapter is part of The New Jersey Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (NJSSAR) and The National Society Sons of the American Revolution (NSSAR).

This *Guide for New Members* is part of our chapter's attempt to assist you in your journey with this multi-faceted organization.

### NATIONAL SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (NSSAR) was organized on April 30, 1889 -- the 100th anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington as our Nation's first President. The NSSAR was conceived as a fraternal and civic society composed of lineal descendants of the men who wintered at Valley Forge, signed the Declaration of Independence, fought in the battles of the American Revolution, served in the Continental Congress, or otherwise supported the cause of American Independence. The National Society was chartered by an Act of the United States Congress on June 9, 1906. The charter was signed by President Theodore Roosevelt, who was a member of the NSSAR.

The NSSAR, the largest male lineage organization in the US, consists of 50 societies with more than 500 local chapters, several international societies (including Canada, France, Germany, Mexico, Spain, Switzerland and the United Kingdom), and over 33,000 members. Prominent NSSAR members include sixteen US Presidents, Sir Winston Churchill, and Kings Juan Carlos I and Felipe VI of Spain.

NSSAR Members have also answered their country's call in every major American conflict beginning with the battle of Lexington and Concord on April 19, 1775, and continuing to the present day, including Operation Desert Storm, Bosnia and the recent actions in Afghanistan, Iraq and Syria. NSSAR members have received the highest awards America can bestow, including the Medal of Honor.

### Mission

The NSSAR is a historical, educational, and patriotic "lineage" society comprised of male descendants of patriots who supported the cause of American Independence during the years 1775-1783. It seeks to maintain and expand the meaning of patriotism, respect for our national symbols, the value of American citizenship, and the unifying force of "*e pluribus unum*" that was created from the people of many nations -- one nation and one people.

**The National Headquarters for NSSAR**, was originally located at 16th St NW in Washington, DC from 1927 - 1959. As the society grew more space was needed so the National Headquarters was relocated to 2412 Massachusetts Ave from 1959 - 1977. Continued growth required even more space so the National Headquarters was relocated to its current home in Louisville, KY.

National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, 809 West Main Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40202, (P) 502.589.1776 | (F) 502.589.1671 [www.NSSAR.org/](http://www.NSSAR.org/).

**NSSAR Website** - Any visitor interested in accessing the features and functions of the NSSAR website should complete the log in forms and create a user profile. After successfully setting up a user or membership profile, you will have access to the many tools at SAR online. The NSSAR webpage may be accessed at: <https://sar.org>.

**NSSAR Museum** - The Museum collection has grown to include artifacts from the period of America's War for Independence and some of its most notable members. There is also a sizable collection of artwork including a Portrait of George Rogers Clark painted by Otto Stark and a reproduction of Houdon's bust of George Washington. The museum is currently located in the NSSAR Administration Building.

**NSSAR Store** - A store for members to purchase items for the operation of their Chapter, awards, NSSAR logo items and more is in operation at the National Headquarters. The NSSAR Store is where members may purchase a nametag with the NSSAR Logo, personal name and chapter name. The NSSAR Store is accessed online at the NSSAR website. Click on "Store" after establishing an account and logging into the site.

**NSSAR Library** - Established in 1927, the NSSAR created its library in its Washington, DC headquarters. At that time it started with 225 books. In 1978 the NSSAR moved its headquarters to Louisville, KY and has now grown to over 58,000 items and includes family histories, state genealogy materials, federal censuses, Revolutionary War pension applications, and CD collections. The library is open to the public and free of charge to NSSAR members, and its online catalog and other information is available at the NSSAR website. Click on "Library".

**Protocol** - The principles of protocol are dictated by ethics, manners, tradition, and common sense. The basic procedures outlined in the *NSSAR Handbook*, in *Volume 2* under *Protocols*, and online on the National Website assure that most events may proceed in an orderly manner. The following guidelines should assist every member:

1. The President General is the highest ranking officer of the National Society and is the honored guest at any NSSAR function. The State President is the highest ranking officer in his state.
2. NSSAR Members refer to each other as Compatriots.
3. Current and past National General Officers, State Presidents and Chapter Presidents can be identified by the neck ribbons they wear with their respective office medallions on them.
4. NSSAR meeting procedures follow *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*, unless otherwise dictated by the National Society.
5. Members should remain standing until the Opening Ritual is completed which includes: Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the NSSAR Pledge.
6. Members should remain standing until the Closing Ritual is completed which includes: Benediction, Retiring of the Colors and the NSSAR Recessional.

**The Seal** - The seal of the Society is a figure of a Minuteman grasping a musket in his right hand, surrounded by a constellation of thirteen stars which shall be depicted in the period of the American Revolution, in the act of deserting the plough for the service of his country; the whole encircled by a band with the legend, "National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, organized April 30, 1889." The seal of the Society shall be used upon all documents and large certificates.





**The Insignia** - The insignia of the Society shall comprise (1) a silver cross of four arms covered in white with 8 gold points, and a gold medallion in the center bearing a bust of Washington in pro-profile and on reverse a minuteman surrounded by ribbon enameled in blue, with the motto, "Libertas et Patria," on the obverse, and the legend, "Sons of the American Revolution," on the reverse, both in letters of gold, surrounded by an eagle in gold, (2) a rosette.

**The Logo** – Use of the Logo is defined in the “SAR BRAND IDENTITY GUIDE” accessible on the SAR.org website list of Committees (Other Committees/Branding and Engagement). When using the Logo it is necessary to include the Stylized “S” and “R” on each side of the Minuteman, include the phrase “SONS of the AMERICAN REVOLUTION”, and include the words “Patriotic”, “Historical”, and “Educational” separated by stars. State Societies may change the colors of the Minuteman uniform to better reflect colors used in their state during the Revolution.



**Rosette** - The rosette may be worn by all members, at their discretion, on the left lapel of the jacket or shirt collar. The rosette is informal and therefore is not appropriate for formal wear. The rosette should never be worn when wearing the NSSAR Badge.



**NSSAR Badge** - Members may wear the NSSAR Badge bearing the Insignia on the left breast of a jacket from a chest ribbon, while current or former General Officers, National Trustees, and State Society or Chapter Presidents may wear the NSSAR Badge suspended from a neck ribbon. The chest and neck ribbons are of the NSSAR colors, with a deep blue center flanked by buff and white stripes.

**Supplemental Star** - The supplemental star is a gold, one- quarter inch diameter, five-pointed star used to denote additional or supplemental Revolutionary War ancestors that have been approved by the National Society. Supplemental stars may be displayed on the NSSAR chest ribbon.

**Other Awards** - Numerous Awards in the form of medals are presented to NSSAR members for their service. Each of these awards has specific requirements which must be met to receive the award, and as such each has its own hierarchy position in the protocol. These can be viewed in the NSSAR Handbook Volume 3, found online at the NSSAR website.

### National (NSSAR) Publications

**NSSAR Handbook and National Bylaws** - This official handbook, printed after each Annual National Congress, contains the most current National Bylaws plus complete information about every aspect of the National Society. The NSSAR Handbook is an essential tool for members and provides point-to-point instructions for membership procedures, committees, contests, etc. The most current National Handbook, Bylaws and Protocol, forms and committee information can always be found online at the NSSAR website.

**NSSAR Magazine** - Published quarterly by the National Society, the *NSSAR Magazine* is a professionally produced magazine available to its adult members, and is paid for by your national dues.

It includes articles on patriotic endeavors, historic sites, people, artifacts and events, genealogy, and more. Archived editions can be found at the NSSAR website.

## **NEW JERSEY SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

The New Jersey Society was organized on March 7, 1889 as the New Jersey Society "Sons of the Revolution" in Newark, NJ. They were, then, only a branch of the New York Society of the "Sons of the Revolution," and after much consideration these gentlemen decided to have a Society of their own in New Jersey. They voted unanimously to change the title of the New Jersey Society of the "Sons of the Revolution," to that of the New Jersey Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Other states with great zeal took up a proposition sent out from New Jersey, calling for a congress to organize a National Society. In thirty-three states, they formed Societies and elected delegates to discuss and act upon this proposition. In answer to this call of New Jersey, the delegates of the Societies of the different states gathered at Fraunces Tavern, April 30, 1889. This was the CENTENNIAL for the Inauguration of George Washington as the First President of the United States of America in 1789. They formed the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

SAR member Number 1 is William Osborn McDowell of New Jersey is credited with being the founder of the SAR. He is also credited as being one of the people who later helped form the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) in 1890.

The first two hundred members of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution are from this first New Jersey Society and the first SAR chapter formed was in *Elizabethtown* on July 4, 1893. It started with 62 members. The New Jersey Society is composed of 13 chapters throughout the State.. (Proceedings of the New Jersey Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, from Its Foundation in 1889 to 1893 Paperback – August 28, 2016)

### **Prominent members**

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**Constitution and Bylaws** The NJSSAR Constitution and Bylaws are the governing documents of the State Society, and its Chapters. Highlighted Information contained in these documents include State Meetings, duties of the State Officers, responsibilities of Chapters, roles of the State Committees, meetings, Annual Elections, Amendments, and Bequests and Devices. The NJSSAR Constitution and Bylaws can be found online at: [www.NJSSAR.org](http://www.NJSSAR.org) .

### **State (NJSSAR) Publications**

**The Patriot** — *A Newsletter of the New Jersey Society Sons of the American Revolution.* This Newsletter is distributed by email several times throughout the year. Copies are available at <http://www.njssar.org/newsletters.htm>.

**NJSSAR Online** - The home page for NJSSAR is: [www.NJSSAR.org](http://www.NJSSAR.org) . This website offers general information about NSSAR in New Jersey for non-members, complete with a list of chapters located throughout the state. Members can also find information about State Meetings, Youth Activities, Calendar, and more. - From the SAR website, <https://sar.org/find-your-chapter/NJ> or on SAR website Select "Become a Member" "Find a Chapter", Select New Jersey

## *The South Jersey Chapter of the Sons of The American Revolution*



The South Jersey Chapter (#13) of the New Jersey Society of the Son of the American Revolution was chartered on April 13, 1923. The first President was Rear Admiral Reynolds T. Hall.

Rear Admiral Hall served from 1922 to 1927. Meetings at that time were held at the Indian King Inn in Haddonfield NJ.

### **South Jersey Chapter SAR Programs**

As a member of our Chapter you are encouraged to participate in our programs to the best of your availability and desire. Our Chapter can only be successful if the membership feels that the programs are important enough to support them by their participation.

The South Jersey Chapter Programs are designed to support the New Jersey Society and National SAR goals and mission.

### **South Jersey Chapter organization, meetings, media and opportunities**

The administrative head of the South Jersey Chapter is the Chapter President. He and the other elected officers serve a term of office as provided in the chapter bylaws. The South Jersey Chapter has officers and committee chairmen who administer the programs, projects, contests and efforts of the national and state committees in order to fulfill specific goals for chapter achievement.

The South Jersey Chapter meets 4 times per year locally with meetings typically on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of January, March, June, and September. The March meeting is designated as the annual meeting.

South Jersey Chapter meetings are currently held at West Deptford Free Public Library in West Deptford, NJ and start at 10 am with a meet and greet starting at 9:30 am.

A typical South Jersey Chapter meeting agenda is:

- Invocation
- Pledge of Allegiance
- NSSAR Pledge
- Introduction of guests or prospective new members
- Officer Reports
- Committee Reports
- Old (Unfinished) Business
- New Business
- Guest Speaker
- NSSAR Recessional
- Benediction
- Adjournment

**NSSAR Pledge** - *We, descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution who, by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.*

**NSSAR Recessional** - *Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our Forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a nation of free men.*

## Chapter Media

South Jersey Chapter has a home web page at <http://SJCSAR.org/>

Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/southjersey/> ???

## Opportunities for Participation

Through the following committees and activities, each Chapter member has the opportunity to contribute to the overall success of the goals set by the President of South Jersey Chapter, NSSAR and NJSSAR. If you have a particular interest or idea that furthers the mission of *Education, History and Patriotism*, please share that idea with our Chapter Officers or committee/program heads. They are identified at the end of this booklet.. Please consider joining any of these efforts.

**JuniorROTC** The JROTC Committee communicates with high schools(21) in the South Jersey area who have JROTC programs (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines). A SAR medal, ribbon and certificate is presented to the identified cadet at the high school's annual award program. (Chapter members are needed to make these presentations.) An additional SAR Enhanced competitive program is conducted for high schools that choose to participate. A SJCSAR Selection committee is assembled and reviews the applications and selects the winner. (Volunteers are sought for this committee.) A special SAR neck medal, ribbon and certificate is presented. The winner also participates in the New Jersey Society competition. The winner of the NJS competition is sent to SAR for a national competition. Monetary awards for the students are \$100, \$500 and up to \$4000 respectively at the three levels. <https://sar.org/education/youth-contests-awards/rotc-jrotc-recognition-program>



**Eagle Scout Scholarship** Eagle Scouts who participate are eligible for a SAR medal and certificate. The Eagle Scouts can also choose to participate in a competitive process with the winner being selected by a Chapter committee. This scholarship program is open only to Eagle Scouts under the age of 19 and recognizes those who stand out as tomorrow's leaders. Winners from the chapter level are advanced to the state level and then the National level through a competitive process. Volunteers are sought to present at the Eagle Scouts Court of Honor.

. <https://sar.org/education/youth-contests-awards/arthur-m-berdena-king-eagle-scout-award>

**Good Citizenship Committee** The Citizenship Committee identifies and recognized seniors of Chapter area High School, who have excelled in their high school studies. A SAR Citizenship Medal and Certificate is presented to the winners at a school event. Volunteers are sought to help with a presentation.

**Awards Committee** – (NEW Program) The Awards Committee is responsible for the development and execution of the Chapter's Awards Program. They shall recommend honorees for both intra-SAR service, achievement and appreciation and awards for deserving non-NSSAR persons in fields such as Scouting, proper display of the U.S. Flag, education, public safety (i.e. Police, EMT, Fire fighting and

prevention, other 1<sup>st</sup> responders), military service & achievement, writing, and similar fields relating to the objectives of NSSAR. Membership input to this committee is critical for its success.

**Special SAR Youth/Teacher Awards (New Program)** (If you are interested in identifying a student, school, or teachers for any of these programs, please cont the Chapter President)

**Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award:**

The award winner will represent a teacher whose instruction on the Revolutionary War era from 1750 – 1800 demonstrates educational efforts in the classroom that exceed and excel above current accepted, curriculum requirements. **(Grades 7-12)** <https://sar.org/education/awards/american-history-teacher-award>

**The Americanism Poster Contest**

This contest is open to students in 3rd, 4th or 5th grade, depending on when the American Revolution is taught in their school system. This includes public, private, parochial, charter and home schooled students. The contest is also open to members of the C.A.R., Cub Scouts and Brownies who are in the same grade if their school does not participate. Judging is based upon portrayal of the theme, originality, evidence of research, neatness, artistic merit and creativity. The permanent themes are “Revolutionary War Events” in school years ending in an even number and “Revolutionary War Persons” in school years ending in an odd number. National winners receive a ribbon, certificate and a cash award. Prizes on the state and chapter level vary. **(Grades 3-5)** <https://sar.org/education/youth-contests-awards/americanism-elementary-school-poster-contest>

**The Sgt. Moses Adams Memorial Middle School Brochure Contest**

This contest is open to middle school students, depending on when the American Revolution or Government is taught in their school system. This includes public, private, parochial, charter and home schooled students. The contest is also open to members of the C.A.R., Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts who are in the same grade if their school does not participate. Judging is based upon content, creativity and correctness. The permanent theme is “The Founding Documents of the United States.” National winners receive a ribbon, certificate and a cash award. Prizes on the state and chapter level vary. **(Grades 6-8)** <https://sar.org/education/youth-contests-awards/sgt-moses-adams-memorial-middle-school-brochure-contest>

**The Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest**

The Rumbaugh Oration contest, open to all students in **grades 9-12** supports the Secondary School and SAR education objectives by perpetuating the stories of patriotism, courage, tragedy and triumph of the men and women who achieved the independence of the American people. These stories are universal ones of man’s eternal struggle against tyranny, relevant to all time, and will inspire and strengthen each generation as it is called upon to defend our freedoms on the battlefield and in our public institutions. The Orations Contest has the endorsement and seal of approval on our web-site of the National Association of Secondary School Principals. Our Chapter members are the primary drivers in stimulating students to participate. They work through teachers of all subjects in the school system and the Home School Associations. The contest culminates in an inspiring National Orations Contest held each year, with State winners representing their respective Societies and Districts. <https://sar.org/education/youth-contests-awards/joseph-s-rumbaugh-historical-oration-contest>

**The George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Contest**

The program is designed to give high school students an opportunity to explore events that shaped American history. At Chapter, State Society, and National Society levels, students must submit an original essay, with topics based on original research and deal with an event, person, philosophy, or ideal associated with the American Revolution, Declaration of Independence, or the framing of the United States Constitution. Cash award. **(Grades 9-12)** <https://sar.org/education/youth-contests-awards/george-s-stella-m-knight-essay-contest>

**C.A.R Activity Award** (If any of your children, relative, friend or grandchildren are interested in participating in this program, contact the Chapter President)

The National Society of the Children of the American Revolution (C.A.R.) is an organization of persons through 21 years of age who are lineal descendants of a patriot of the American Revolution. The C.A.R. is an independent organization which looks to the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), and General Society of the Sons of the Revolution (SR) for its leadership and financial support. The C.A.R. needs adult leaders, financial support, and members. An SAR member may hold a “Senior Leader” office in a local-, state-, regional-, or the national-levels of the C.A.R. Direct descendants of SAR and DAR members (from birth to 22 years of age) are eligible for C.A.R. membership. <https://sar.org/education/youth-contests-awards/car-activity-award>

**Veteran Committee –(New)** This committee executes activities that serve the Veteran Community including: recognition of South Jersey Chapter members serving or who have served their country through military service during periods of peace or war.

**Communications Committee – (New)** The Communication Committee includes the activities of the Chapter Facebook editor/developer, Chapter webmaster, development and maintenance of a Chapter brochure, production of meeting programs, and public affairs.



**Graves Registration Committee – (New)** This committee is responsible for the identification, documentation, and registration for publication by the NSSAR of any grave of a Revolutionary War Patriot.

Pictures: At left: Colonel Green atop the monuments at Fort Mercer at Red Bank Battlefield, National Park, NJ. At Right: “The Casualties of the Battle of Red Bbank” listing the 14 Rhode Island soldiers who died during the Battle.



**Patriot and Compatriot Grave Marking Committee-(New)** This committee is responsible for identifying unmarked Patriot Graves and coordinating a formal Grave Marking ceremony. These ceremonies typically involve members in uniform, a color guard to present and retire colors, a musket salute (if available), playing of taps, and placement of a bronze NSSAR Patriot medallion. If a descendant of the Patriot can be located they are invited to speak about the Patriot and his family. When a Compatriot passes, a NSSAR Member marker may be placed on his grave. The process of placing a Compatriot Grave marker mirrors that of a Patriot but is typically less formal.

**Membership, Recruitment and Retention Committee -** The Committee is not only responsible for recruiting new members, but to ensure new members are welcomed, integrated and retained in the chapter. They are the Chapter point of contact for identifying recruiting opportunities, recommending them to the Board of Managers, budgeting and executing these activities.

**Program Committee -** The Program Committee is responsible for both the development and content of programs including speaker selection, necessary arrangements for presentation, and the order of conduct of the meeting.



**Color Guard (New)** Many members enjoy wearing the uniforms of their Patriot Ancestor(s) to parades, public events, NSSAR meetings, Naturalization Ceremonies, grave dedications, school programs and more. Uniforms worn by our





members reflect the many types of uniforms worn by Revolutionary War soldiers. Some members wear Continental Army uniforms, others wear the “uniform” or clothing of Militia soldiers. Some members demonstrate the Brown Bess or Charleville flint-lock muzzle loading musket used by Revolutionary War soldiers. Members have an opportunity to become a member of the New Jersey Society Color Guard. Uniforms for the NJS activities are provided.

### **South Jersey Chapter Mentor Program (new Idea!)**

Our Mentor Program is managed within the Membership, Retention and Recruitment Committee led by the Chapter Vice President. The purpose of the Mentor Program is to ensure new members are smoothly transitioned into the Chapter, so they understand the scope of Chapter Activities and the various Committees responsible for execution of those activities. It is our belief that a new member properly introduced to Chapter membership and activities will become active in the Chapter. An active and involved member is more likely to be a long-term member of NSSAR. The Mentor may be any of the following members: 1) a friend or associate of the new member. This person generally acts as the first line sponsor of applicants; 2) A Compatriot assigned by the Chairman of the Membership with concurrence of the new member. Whether or not new members have a mentor is a decision made by the new member. Many new members assimilate into Chapter activities and Committees without a mentor. The decision is yours as a new member.

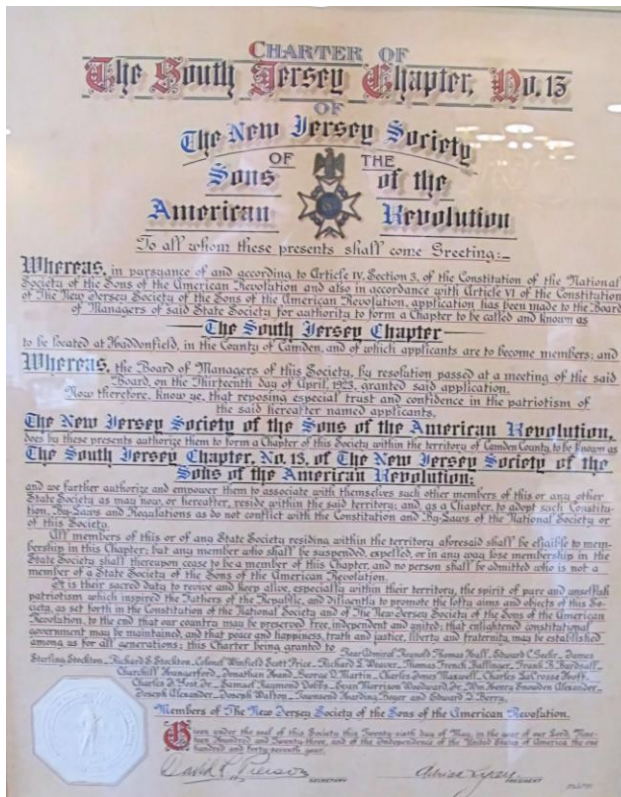
### **2017-2019 South Jersey Chapter SAR Officers of the Chapter**

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- Trustees: Harry Schaeffer, Richard Burr & Marty Shipe

### **Committee/Program Heads** (if none is listed, contact the Chapter President)

Good Citizenship	Peter Scout
Eagle Scout	Larry Nelson
Junior ROTC	Rich Serfass
Veterans (New)	
Awards(New)	
Special Youth/Teacher Programs(New)	
Communications – Website, Facebook. Brochure	
Mentor(New)	
Color Guard(New)	Jack Yerkes
Grave Registration and Marking(New)	
Program	
Membership, Recruitment, Retention	

## The South Jersey Chapter Charter -May 26, 1923



### *Charter of the South Jersey Chapter, No. 13 of the New Jersey Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.*

To all whom these presents shall come Greetings: Whereas, in pursuance of and according to Article IV of the Constitution of the *National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution* and also in accordance with Article IV of the Constitution of the *New Jersey Society of the Sons of the American Revolution*, application has been made to the Board of Managers of said State Society for authority to form a Chapter to be called and known as *The South Jersey Chapter* to be located in Haddonfield, in the County of Camden, and of which applicants are to become members: and Whereas, the Board of Managers of the Society, by resolution passed at a meeting of the said Board, on the thirteenth day of April, 1923, granted said application.

Now therefore, known ye, that reposing especial trust and confidence in the patriotism of the said hereafter named applicants

*The New Jersey Society of the Sons of the*

*American Revolution* does by these presents authorize them to form a Chapter of this Society within the territory of Camden County to be known as

*The South Jersey Chapter, No. 13, of the New Jersey Society of the Sons of the American Revolution*

And we further authorize and empower them to associate with themselves such other members of this or any other State Society as may now, or hereafter, reside within the said territory, and, as a Chapter to adopt such Constitution, By-Laws, and Regulations that do not conflict with the Constitution and By-Laws of the National Society of this Society.

All members of this or any State Society residing within the territory aforesaid shall be eligible for membership in this Chapter; but any member who shall be suspended, expelled, or in any way lose membership in the State Society shall thereupon cease to be a member of this Chapter, and no person shall be admitted who is not a member of the State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

It is their sacred duty to receive and keep alive, especially within their territory, the spirit of pure and unselfish patriotism, which inspired the Fathers of the Republic, and diligently to promote the lofty aims and objects of this Chapter, as set forth in the Constitution of the National Society and the *New Jersey Society of the Sons of the American Revolution*, to the end that our country may be preserved, free, independent, and united; that enlightened constitutional document may be maintained and that peace and happiness, truth and justice, liberty and fraternity, may be established among as for all generations; this Charter being granted to *Rear Admiral Reynolds Thomas Hall, Edward C. Geehr, James Sterling Stockton, Richard S. Stockton, Colonel Winfield Scott Price, Richard S. Weaver, Thomas French Ballinger, Frank B. Bardsaff, Churchill Hungerford, Jonathan Hand, George D. Martin, Charles Jones Maxwell, Charles LaCrosse Hall, Charles J. Host, Jr., Samuel Raymond Dobbs, Evan Morrison Woodward, Jr., Wm. Henry Stowdon Alexander, Joseph Alexander, Joseph Walton, Townsend Harding Boyer, and Edward T Berry*, Members of the New Jersey Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

Given under the seal of this Society this Twenty-sixth day of May, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and forty-seventh year

David L. Pierson, Secretary

Adrian Lyon, President