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EMERSON'S RACE MESSAGE



Greetings, PAC.A.R.! This Fall is sure to be fantastic!

It has been a great and very busy summer for PA C.A.R. Societies around the state have been busy planning out their year and hosting meetings. I love seeing all of your activities, make sure you are sending them into the Keystone Kapers!

The Foundations of Freedom Regional Tour was patriotic to the fullest! Speaking of Regional Tour, I had the privilege to attend both Great Lakes and Eastern Regional Meetings. Eastern Regional was one to remember. It kicked off on July 22-23 in Annapolis, Maryland. We took a tour of the Maryland State Capitol building. Many of PA's members were in attendance and we had the 2nd largest delegation at Eastern Region. Some were even called up to read during the skit presentations. A big thank you goes out to our "anonymous donor" for gifting all of the members who attended a voyager fund pin during the banquet.

On August 2-3 in Wellsboro, PAC.A.R. was ready again for an action-packed weekend. The 2019 "A Force on the Move" State Workshop had arrived. The Francis Slocum society did a wonderful job hosting the workshop. Friday evening, 4 teams were made to create and practice skits. Each team was named after a branch of the military, Army, Air Force, Marines and Navy. I was very impressed with how the skits turned out. "Ooh ooh!"s and "pick me"s were bellowed in great enthusiasm. But one member stood out the most. I am proud to announce that Stuart Carter from the George Ross society was the 2019 Workshop Enthusiast! He was excited and happy to participate in all of our activities and workshops. On Saturday, we took a tour of PA Grand Canyon, on a covered wagon. The views were marvelous! I would like to thank the Francis Slocum society for their hard work and dedication to making this year's workshop the best it could be!

On August 13 and 14th PA members were able to help the Liberty USO at Fort Indiantown Gap with their Rucksacks to Backpacks program. A big thank you goes out to Samuel Davis, Francis Slocum Society, Aiden Klee, Elizabeth McKinny Society, and William Gresh, General Anthony Wayne Society for making the trip to "The Gap". I know that they appreciate our help and our muscles!

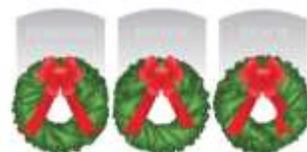
Don't forget to wear "RED" on Fridays! We want to show our support for Oscar Mike's "RED" campaign all year long. "RED" stands for Remember Everyone Deployed", post your pictures to our facebook page!

As school starts up, I hope that everyone has a fantastic year and keeps the force moving!

Let the Force be with you!

Emerson Sites-Byers
PAC.A.R. State President 2019-20

WREATHS
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AMERICA



SAVE THE DATE:
Saturday, December 14, 2019 at 12:00 PM
Ft Indiantown Gap

KLEE'S COOL-Down

Hello PA C.A.R.!

Fly Eagles Fly as our State President says going into Fall! I hope everyone has been soaring high this summer. Our societies have been working hard all summer with meetings, parades and hosting joint events with local DAR and SAR chapters. I look forward to seeing what everyone has been up to through the pictures and news articles they send into the Keystone Kapers.

While I was unable to attend, I was so pleased to hear Pennsylvania had an incredible showing at the Eastern Regional Meeting in Annapolis Maryland in July. I heard that everyone had a great time and enjoyed getting to meet up with all our friends from the eastern region. Two weeks later our PA members were back on the road this time to the Little Grand Canyon in Wellsboro, Pennsylvania. I think our members really enjoyed the changes to the summer workshop schedule and our

covered wagon trip down the Little Grand Canyon. While the weather brought us some rain the members handled it like any C.A.R. member would and realized it meant more time to swim! Wellsboro, PA was a beautiful location for the workshop, and I would like to thank Mrs. Cynthia Pritchard and the Francis Slocum society for all the hard work they put into a wonderful event.

After summer workshop brought big changes for this Senior State President and her family with a move to the York Pennsylvania area. We are slowly getting ourselves acclimated to the new area but are loving the adventure we are on. And because of the location I was able to join our State President Emerson and two of his state officers Aiden and William at the Liberty USO building in Fort Indiantown Gap. It was a great experience to get to talk with the soldiers and their families while we were able to help hand out the back to school supplies that had been donated. And while Emerson and I were there we got to meet Coco the Hershey Bears mascot. We presented him with one of Emerson's project pins and I was privileged to pin it on his jersey.

What a wonderful day all around!



PA C.A.R. 2019-2020



A FORCE ON THE MOVE



***“A Force on the Move”
Brandie Elizabeth Klee
Pennsylvania Senior State President***

Membership

Make new friends
Exciting projects
My chapter does service for others
Believe I can make a difference
Everyone can participate
Recreate important times in our nation's history
Soldiers deserve our appreciation for protecting
Have fun while learning
I like to go on trips
Preserve my family story

William Moran
State Membership Chairman

New Members

Full Name	Local Society	Full Name	Local Society
Ella Shaw Pedersen	Conrad Weiser	John Maximilian Brasko	Nancy Hart
Shelby Grace Bell	Fort Preservation	Robert Reinhard Brasko	Nancy Hart
Hunter Charles Gavin	Fort Preservation	William Starke Brasko	Nancy Hart
Logan Michael Gavin	Fort Preservation	Jenna Lynn Fink	Nancy Hart
Lily Anne Helman	Fort Preservation	Emma Catherine Smith	Nancy Hart
Maggie Marie Kromel	Fort Preservation	Eric Daniel Smith	Nancy Hart
Jordan Nicole Smith	Fort Preservation	Henry Francis Gibson	Parkinson's Ferry
Madeleine Grace Lick	George Ross	John Robert Gibson	Parkinson's Ferry
Joshua Thomas Simonds	John Morton	Douglass Lee Kinner	Washington Crossing
		Wyatt Andrew Kinner	Washington Crossing

State Project



Pennsylvania C.A.R. is a "Force on the Move"

What do you know about the Liberty USO?

For me I got to learn firsthand some of the things the Liberty USO does for the military men and women in our area. On Wednesday August 14, 2019 I had the opportunity to volunteer at the Liberty USO building in "The Gap" to hand out back to school supplies to military children. It was awesome to see the amount of back to school supplies that had been donated to this cause and the smiles on both the soldiers faces and the kids faces as they picked out their items. It made me excited to get to help and wanting to learn more. I got to sit and talk to the USO volunteers to learn more about how they support the soldiers at "the Gap".

They explained that the Liberty USO building is open on the weekend for soldiers to come in and use to rest, relax and get snacks. They have great games like foosball and air hockey to play as well as game consoles that any kid would love to have! It was nice to see how they have created a nice comfortable space for the soldiers to use when they are not out doing their soldier work. The volunteers explained the area they cover in support of the soldiers in Pennsylvania. And while I was there helping with State President Emerson Sites-Byers and Corresponding Secretary William Gresh they were able to use us for any heavy lifting they needed done. It was a great day and I got to learn alot about the Liberty USO and support our PA State Project in the process. So how is your society learning about the Liberty USO? Be sure to check out their website and if possible, volunteer at one of there volunteer events. And as always makes sure you have purchased your t-shirt, pin and car magnets in support of the PA C.A.R. State Project.

Aiden Klee

Pennsylvania 1st Vice President



National Project

Foundation of Freedom



Greetings to all!

In my last column I wrote about one part of the National Project, raising funds for the reproduction of the Washington Family Desk. I am positive that desk will look much better than the one I made out of skids.

The second part of the National Project is developing leadership skills. Just like the kids of 1776 had important work to do, we, the kids of PA CAR have important work to do, and this year that patriotic work is part of our National Project. Children during the American Revolution had to grow up quickly and be young adults and sometimes even fight to protect their homes and the lives of their families. Today our lives are much easier but we should never take our freedom for granted.

As Second Vice President, I take my duties of patriotism to heart which is why for the last several years I have participated in a flag retirement ceremony hosted by the Harley Davidson of Reading. Mr. Turner, Honorary Senior President, spends much time coordinating this event and the Conrad Weiser Society invites many of the nearby PA CAR societies to participate. This year members from the George Ross and Towamencin Societies participated along with Honorary State President Kate Turner. Over the years, as a result of these ceremonies, I have learned the meaning behind the Stars and Stripes. With music, good food and the assistance of the Joseph Hiester Chapter, SAR, and the Berks County Chapter, DAR, these flag retirement ceremonies are

a good example of how children of today can honor the sacrifices the children of 1776 made. Perhaps to further the National Project and show leadership, you can organize a flag retirement ceremony or something like it with members of your society.

In the next Kapers issue I will address another part of this years' National Project.

Until then, be a leader in all that you do!

Devon Heffner
Pennsylvania 2nd Vice President



Recording Secretary

Learning Moments as a PA State Recording Secretary



On August 3, Saturday 8:35AM I started my first work day as the PA State Recording Secretary. It was summer workshop and I quickly got used to my senior, Miss Colleen Hogan as she rushed over to me and said “we got to go to head table we’re ready to start” she was talking so fast and all I really heard was “head table” once she said that I felt extremely honored because I was sitting next to the president and it made me believe that I could be just like Emerson Sites, just because I was soooo close.

But before I could blink I was at head table and was given a quick rundown on what to do and just like that I knew that sitting at head table meant business. I jotted down the minutes, and my first summer workshop at the head table was five minutes late. At least it wasn't that bad because I heard that C.A.R can get a little late. After having a rough start I took a deep breath and proceeded through the meeting. I really think I might have been a bit of a hassle to Miss Hogan because every time I saw her writing down something I asked her about it, but she

was nice and understood this was my first time and this was her job to help people like me understand what I should jot down.

But hands down my favorite part of being at the head table is that I have a ton of freedom, because I really felt like during the skits I really excited the meeting. But once the skits were over I had to calm down because meetings aren't always about having fun and I think C.A.R really does a good job teaching this to younger kids because at one point in our lives we have to act professional. Once we adjourned the meeting Miss Hogan talked to me about the minutes and really helped me understand what to do and I think because of her I might have a good future as a leader.

Overall my experience as a important officer went great, every officer has a job and I really think it takes leadership and flexibility to get the jobs done and C.A.R is their for every minute of it as it is our job to help out.

My advice to any up and coming officers or maybe new members is that C.A.R is a fun learning experience and if you listen and go out and make friends you will be shaped not just into a great leader but a great person.

William Gresh
Pennsylvania Recording Secretary



Chaplain



Heavenly Father,

Every day you watch over us and guide us to the next morning. We would like to thank you for helping us every day to abstain from wrong choices and to make the right choices to help ourselves, the people around us, and to help have favorable events. But now we need help from not just you, but from the boys and girls of the Pennsylvania Children of the American Revolution.

To all readers,

I need you to help me. Enter a self-made prayer to me to have the chance to have your prayer read to your fellow members at the 2020 state conference. Age is only a number in this contest, any member can enter. Send your

prayer to me at camerondrake@ptd.net.

Cameron Drake Bucher
Pennsylvania State Chaplain

Organizing Secretary

Want to Get Organized?

- O-** Open up your C.A.R tote bag and make sure you have everything you need.
- R-** Register for State Conference (if you are not registered you can't come).
- G-** Go through your closet and make sure you have all of your clothes packed, including dresses and suits.
- A-** Arrange and book your hotel rooms. You'll need sleep after fun all day and night.
- N-** Make new members feel welcome! Introduce yourself and make new friends.
- I-** It's now time to judge your contest! Pick your winners and don't forget to make awards.
- Z-** Bring tasty snacks to the Hospitality Suite. The more found-the better.
- E-** Explore and learn about what your State Officers do. We are not scary and we don't bite.
- D-** Decide on a grand march date. Ask someone and pick a date.



--Gaby Aragon
Pennsylvania Organizing Secretary

Summer Workshop



State President,
Emerson Sites-Byers



Wagon Tour



State President, Emerson Sites-Byers with
Workshop Enthusiast Stewart Carter.



Team Navy



Team Marine

Eastern Regional



Emerson on the Move

Emerson Sites-Byers

PA C.A.R. State President 2019-2020



Leadership Profile-PA C.A.R.

Emerson's favorite Leadership Quote

"Set your goals high and don't stop til you get there." -Bo Jackson



State President Emerson Sites-Byers, State 1st VP Aiden Klee, Sr. State President Brandie Klee and State Recording Secretary William Gresh filling backpacks at Ft Indiantown Gap USO



State President Emerson sites-Byers at S.A.R. Summer picnic

Moving Forces

Regina Hartman



Once again Regina Hartman Society members participated in Susquehanna Valley Project Linus Blanketeer day. Members and friends helped cut, tie, know and sew blankets with members of several DAR chapters: Shikelimo, Tah Gah Jute.

Members marched in the Montandon Pa Memorial Day Parade and gave out flags and had a color guard- SO MANY people in this tiny town stood up when our color guard passed-their patriotism was amazing!



Members placed flags on soldiers grave in many small cemeteries in Union and Centre County

Members continue to maintain a historical mile marker just West of Mifflinburg

John M





QUIZ ME »



IT'S TIME TO TEST YOUR U.S. MILITARY KNOWLEDGE.

It's time to test your U.S. military knowledge. But before you do ... Take a minute to reflect on our brave men and women in uniform, who are stationed all over the world defending our freedoms.

How many U.S. presidents served in the Armed Forces?

- 14
- 30
- 26

When was the U.S. Coast Guard established?

- 1915
- 1942
- 1790

In what year did the United States enter World War II?

- 1927
- 1941
- 1790

What type of dog is the mascot of the U.S. Marines?

- English bulldog
- Bull mastiff
- Chihuahua

What is the largest branch of the U.S. military?

- The Army
- The Salvation Army
- The Navy

Want MORE Trivia? Check out the USO's Trivia at: <https://www.uso.org/search?q=trivia>

See back page for Trivia Answers

PA. C.A.R. member are invited to join the Philadelphia DAR Chapter as their guest speaker is Earl Granville of Oscar Mike and inspiration for the PA C.A.R. partnership with Oscar Mike as part of our state project.



Philadelphia Chapter
WINTER LUNCHEON

Save the Date

Guest Speaker Earl Granville

President, Oscar Mike

2018 NSDAR Outstanding Veteran Volunteer

Joseph Ambler Inn

North Wales, Pa

February 8, 2020 • 11am

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Editor's Message



PA C.A.R. *Keystone Kapers* Editor Phoebe Ballek pictured here with a statue of General George Washington, where he stood to give his Resignation Speech to the Continental Army in 1783.

Photo taken 24 July 2019 during the N.S.C.A.R. Eastern Region Tour of the Maryland State House, Annapolis, Maryland.

Dear Pennsylvania C.A.R. Members,
This summer I attended my first N.S.C.A.R. event, the 66th Annual Eastern Regional Meeting on July 23-24, 2019, in Annapolis, Maryland. This was an exciting way for me to meet other C.A.R. members from our region's neighboring states of MD, NJ, DE, NY, and of course hanging out with our PA C.A.R. members. I was also a **FORCE on the Move** as your PA C.A.R.'s *Keystone Kapers* Editor, taking lots of pictures at the regional meeting, and learning all about our great organization.

I've made a goal for my year as your *Keystone Kapers* Editor to win the National contest for Best State Society Newsletter!

Help me out by sending your articles, photos and exciting news about how your local society is being a **FORCE on the Move** in C.A.R. Winter is coming for our next *Keystone Kapers* edition...so please submit by November 15, 2019!

Phoebe Ballek
State C.A.R. Magazine & Newsletters
Chairman and *Kapers* Editor

"Having now finished the work assigned to me, I retire from the great theater of action."

~ General George Washington, 1783 Farewell Speech

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PA C.A.R Endowment Fund Pin \$ 50.00
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TRIVIA

Answers

Correct answer: 26 of our 45 presidents served in the military. These service members — who would later become presidents — were often involved in major U.S. military engagements, such as World War II and the Vietnam War.



Correct answer: The U.S. Coast Guard was established in 1790, making it one of the oldest organizations in the federal government. Since its formation, "Coasties" have served in every conflict in our nation's history.



Correct answer: The Army. Not only is the U.S. Army the oldest branch of the Armed Forces, it's also the largest, with nearly half a million members.

Correct answer: 1941. While the war began after Poland was invaded by Nazi Germany, the United States did not enter the war until after the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941.



Correct answer: English bulldog. The English bulldog is kind, courageous and dependable, making it the perfect mascot for the United States Marine Corps.



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