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Maj. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr. addresses the troops

I would like to thank your President, Compatriot Steve Ray, who asked me if I would relay a few words to the membership of the Louisiana Society. Most of you are familiar with the movie of my exploits during World War II that was portrayed by the actor George C. Scott. The man did a fine job; I liked it so much I want you to hear his voice in your head as you're reading this.

Gentlemen, over the past several years, the Louisiana Society's membership has been in a general state of decline. As a SAR member, I find the continuation of this trend wholly unacceptable. If you are reading this now, I know there is hope for your State's Society.

Your State's Society is in dire need of dedicated compatriots like yourself who are not afraid to tell the stories of the founding of our nation and the struggle for American Independence! The struggle today is as it was in my day, and as in the days of our patriot forefathers. I do not have to tell you the sacrifices that our forefathers made to give us the great opportunity to be born and live in a Country that is Free! A Country that people many times over died just trying to reach its shores to escape the brutality of the despots and the lack of opportunity that give a human life little meaning elsewhere in this world. Today just like 68 years ago, when I helped defeat the Godless Axis powers, evil still persists. Fortunately the descendants of our Nation's founders are still here as well; and I, as you, am one of them. It is our duty to educate our youth and our Nation's new citizens about the contributions our forefathers gave for all of us. You can begin this fight with the weapon that I have included for you in this pamphlet. That weapon is information and I hope that you use it wisely. Please locate and attend your local chapter meetings and bring friends. If you know someone who is interested in SAR, but they do not live close to you, alert them to the officers of the area Chapters so they can make contact and encourage the prospective member to join. Don't be the silent majority! I challenge each reader to stand up and be recognized for your patriot ancestor's contributions for the fight for American Independence. Contact your Chapter Officers and ask what you can do to help advance the cause. We need new Compatriots willing to help and most of all we need your ideas.

God Bless America

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THE STATE CHALLENGE CAMPAIGN: LSSAR IS NOW AT 19%

The State Challenge Campaign will recognize SAR State Societies who have reached the level of having 20% of their members donate to the SAR Foundation at an average level of \$250 per society member. Those state societies that qualify will have their names imprinted on a plaque hung in the new headquarters building.

Nine State Societies have now qualified for inclusion on the recognition plaque by having met both the 20% level of giving and the \$250 per member.

An additional 22 state societies have reached the 20% level of giving: Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, International, Kansas, Maryland, Michigan, Nebraska, New Jersey, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

For the National Society as a whole, we have now achieved a 21% level of giving for our entire membership at an average \$240 per society member. Congratulations for all involved. We are very close to reaching our goal. Let's make it happen.

Remember, your contribution will be doubled by the match until the matching funds are exhausted!



The Louisiana Society Sons of the American Revolution is co-sponsoring a Dedication & Grave Marking for Patriot Lazarus Reeves, along with the State Societies of Mississippi, Alabama, & Tennessee, on Saturday, May 4, 2013 at 1 p.m. in Summit, MS.

All members are invited to attend this ceremony. The address is: 2074 Stewart Mill Road, Summit, MS 39666

ATTAKAPAS CHAPTER TO RECOGNIZE ALL THE MEN OF THE ATTAKAPAS MILITIA WHO SERVICED IN THE GALVEZ EXPEDITION

Plans are underway to erect a new memorial for the Attakapas Militia in St. Martinville on the grounds of the Veteran's Memorial across from the historic Evangeline Oak. Congratulations to the Attakapas Chapter for planning this memorial.

In remembrance of our fallen brothers


Dudley Joseph Patin	18 Jun 1911 – 2 Apr 2012
Edward Carroll Laster, Jr.	27 Nov 1931 – 23 Apr 2012
Donald Charles Deville	18 Sept 1953 – 25 Aug 2012
Jacques Lanauze Fortier	14 Aug 1918 – 4 Sep 2012
Ralph Crosby	21 Feb 1921 – 11 Sep 2012
John C. Copes III	6 Sep 1923 – 26 Sep 2012
Donald Thomas Rigler	27 Dec 1930 – 19 Oct 2012
Wallace Hart Dunlap	16 Oct 1935 – 22 Oct 2012
Guy Cornwallace Ellison	15 Dec 1927 – 5 Nov 2012
Samuel Calhoun Vreeland	3 Jun 1926 - 25 Feb 1926



This edition of the Pelican Patriot is dedicated to the memory of Compatriot Donald Thomas Rigler, the founding Editor of the Pelican Patriot.

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LASSAR Happenings 2013-2014

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| May 10 th | Spanish Delegation to visit New Orleans, Galvez Restaurant @ noon—
Representatives from LSSAR & LSDAR attending |
| May 30 th | Memorial Day Celebration, Lake Charles, Oliver Pollock Chapter |
| July 5 th - 10 th | NSSAR National Congress, Kansas City, MO |
| Sept. 21 st | LASSAR Fall Board of Directors Meeting, Lake Charles |
| Nov. 9 th | Veteran's Day @ Hasley Cemetery, West Monroe, James Huey Chapter |
| Jan. 11 th | LASSAR Winter Board of Directors Meeting, Lafayette |
| Feb. 18 th | George Washington Banquet, Monroe, Benjamin Tennille Chapter |
| Feb. 22 nd | Wreath Laying Ceremony at George Washington bust, Baton Rouge Capital Grounds, General Philemon Thomas |
| Mar. TBA | George Washington Ball, Lafayette, Attakapas Chapter |
| Apr. 11-12 | LASSAR State Conference, West Monroe, LA |