

## **WASSAR Meritorious Achievement Medal**

It is with great pleasure that I award Compatriot Dave Vandaveer the WASSAR Meritorious Achievement Medal, in recognition of his significant contribution in support of the George Washington Chapter during the years 2013 - 2022.

### **Citation:**

Compatriot Vandaveer, a Charter Member of the George Washington Chapter has served as the Chapter's Fire and Safety Committee Chairman from 2014 to 2022 encouraging Compatriots to survey local media and be vigilant for opportunities to recognize First Responders. His regular enthusiastic promotion of this important WASSAR Award activity was inspiring.

Compatriot Vandaveer is one of George Washington Chapter's remote members living on San Juan Island. His attendance over the past years has been dependent on the Washington State Ferry System. As the Chapter returned to in-person meetings Compatriot Vandaveer was instrumental in the rapid installation of a Zoom communications device and testing.

The Washington SAR Meritorious Achievement Medal is awarded to recognize a significant meritorious achievement in support of the Washington society programs or activities. The medal depicts General George Washington a-horse in bronze relief with his sword raised in victory at the Battle of Trenton. It is taken from John Fack's famous painting entitled Washington Receiving a Salute on the Field of Trenton. The inscription reads Achievement and Washington Society S.A.R. The reverse is inscribed For Achievement with Merit. The medal is suspended from a drape in the Washington State official colors of green, blue and gold.

**Congratulations!**

**Leland "Mike" Hutchins, President,  
George Washington Chapter, WASSAR**