

Report for the WASSAR Board 30 July2022

For the period April – Jun 2022

The George Washington Chapter hosted a picnic at the Riverside Park facility in Sedro Woolley. Members, member's wives, pending members and prospective members enjoyed conversation and grilled hot dogs provided by DAR Regent Darlene Carlson and member husband Ken. Chapter Historian and Member Relations Chairman Marshall Eberhart and wife Suellen provided the logistical support along with firing up his charcoal grill and Starbucks coffee.

GWC Color Guard participated in two Memorial Day weekend ceremonies. The first at Green Acres Cemetery Veterans Plaza posting colors and leading the procession of color guards from JROTC, Sea Cadets, and VFW members for the Dedication of a newly installed Gold Star Families Arch and Revolutionary War Plaque. The Arch and Plaque sponsored by DAR Regent Darlene Carlson, Chief Seattle DAR. The next day, at Maple Leaf Cemetery, the Chapters Historic Flag display (30 flags) was installed and interpreted by GWC and Whidbey Island DAR members while the Color Guard led the opening procession with the Orion Sea Cadets and Oak Harbor HS JROTC.

We recently innated co-sponsoring this years Wreaths Across America with Ann Washington DAR. The project for this year will be two cemeteries in Mount Vernon, WA.

Chapter Membership Relations Chair Marshall Eberhart continues individual in-person orientation meetings with pending members.

JROTC Bronze Medals were presented to Cadets at Burlington and Oak Harbor High Schools.

Hybrid Zoom / in-person meetings continue in the experimental stages, struggling with learning curve and technical issues as we rely on facility equipment.

Vice President Bruce Bock presented "SAR Giving" supported by NSSAR Staff and Compatriot Gary Gray gave a through and thought-provoking presentation on one of his ancestors.

Members Tom Oliver (Treasurer) and Chris Fridley (Trustee) were recognized with the WASSAR Achievement Medal for their outstanding contributions to the Chapter.

George Washington Chapter SAR was recognized as a contributor at the Dedication of the recent improvements to the historic Carnegie Library in Burlington, WA June 25<sup>th</sup>. A bronze plaque indicating our involvement will be placed adjacent the doorway. Funding came from an anonymous member donor and family.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Hutchins,

President,

George Washington Chapter WASSAR