

Governor Samuel Huntington Branch News – April 2004

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Samuel Huntington's Tomb Restoration

Samuel Huntington's tomb was repaired last year. The Branch made a small donation to the restoration fund. Colonel Jedediah Huntington's Regiment, the Branch Color Guard, and Compatriot Channing Huntington participated in a memorial ceremony on Sunday, October 19, 2003 and the reinterment on November 24, 2003. The ceremonies were well attended and received extensive press coverage. There may be a dedication ceremony in July.

Annual Meeting

Our 10th Annual Meeting was held January 10, 2004. Due to the closing of the Ramada in Norwich on January 1, it was held at Uncle D's Log Cabin in Lebanon. The meeting included the presentation of War Service Medals to Compatriots Channing Huntington, Mike Juhase, Ralph Learned, and Bill Lang, a Flag award to Lebanon resident Ted Littlefield and a Past President's pin to Stephen Shaw. The meeting closed with an interesting talk by Compatriot and author Keith Jones on conditions in Fairfield County during the Revolution.

New Members

We now have 57 members and are proud to welcome the following new members to the Branch:

- Paul Alexander
- John Kendall
- Shane LaHaie
- Christopher Lamb
- John Lamb
- Marc Lang

Eagle Scout Award

This year, each branch is being asked to present an Eagle Scout award. The CTSSAR select the winners and provides the medal and badge. We presented ours at the Nathan Hale Branch Annual Meeting on March 20, 2004 to Chuck McBride. He is also the state winner.

Event Schedule

See the attached schedule. More events will be added and dates confirmed as the year progresses.

CTSSAR
Governor Samuel Huntington Branch/
Colonel Jedediah Huntington's Regiment

2004 Schedule

Note: Any event indicated as **(CG)** is an event that the Color Guard will participate in. All Branch members are welcome and encouraged to attend these events.

Saturday, January 10	Annual Meeting, Uncle D's, Lebanon
Saturday, March 20	Eagle Scout Award, joint w/Nathan Hale Branch, Groton
Saturday, June 12	Veterans' Event, Rocky Hill (CG)
Monday, July 5	Independence Day Parade, Columbia (CG)
July ??	Huntington ceremony, Norwich (CG)
Sunday, August 8?	DAR/SAR/CAR Picnic, Norwich (Flag retirement)
Sat. & Sun., Sept. 18-19	Reenactment/Huntington Grave Ceremony, Norwichtown (CG)
Sat.& Sun., October 9-10	Training/NE Contingent Meeting, NH (CG)
Saturday, November 13	CTSSAR Meeting, Stonington (Huntington - host)
Saturday, January 8 or 15, 2005	Huntington Branch Annual Meeting

Note that the Color Guard participates in events with other SAR color guards throughout the state and New England. Consult the Happenings listing on www.ctssar.org if you would like to attend any of these.