

# President General Brock Initiative for 2014/2015 – Patriot Biographies

As President General Lindsey Brock stated in his address at his inauguration in Greenville, S.C., the Patriot Biographies database is one of the focus areas of his administration. Currently, approximately 500 biographical sketches have been submitted to be loaded into the National SAR Patriot and Grave Index. It is his hope that we build this database to serve two purposes. 1. **We honor our patriot ancestors by telling their story.** 2. **We will enhance the recruitment of new members for SAR.** As described in the mission of the Patriot Biographies Committee: The purpose of this committee is to perpetuate the memory of our Revolutionary War patriot ancestors by providing a medium for SAR members to submit biographies of their patriot ancestor(s). There is no defined format for your submission. We ask that the information be limited to approximately 500 words and be sent in a Microsoft Word-compatible format. There is no need for documentation references. As noted on the database, it is the sole responsibility of the author to research the facts and data contained in the article. Citing sources is not required. The article cannot be used for proof of lineage. It can, however, serve as a guide for the continuation of research. Our goal here is not to validate/verify the stories; it is to share the history with others. The hope is that new members will be inspired to join the SAR. Existing members might be surprised to learn that they are connected and be able to submit Supplemental Applications.

Streamers will be issued at the 125th Congress in Louisville this July to those chapters and state societies that achieve a submission level of 20% of their respective membership. The Rev. Ebenezer Baldwin branch has already achieved the 20% goal with having submitted 7 biographies. Can we expect to read about your patriot ancestor soon? Will your branch join the Rev. Baldwin at 20%? To submit a biography use the National SAR Patriot and Grave Index link [patriot.sar.org](http://patriot.sar.org) to see if it already exists and to get your patriot ancestor number, then submit your entry using the [patriotbios@sar.org](mailto:patriotbios@sar.org) email address, see samples under our website Patriot Index.

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## Museum Docents Needed!!

The Real Property Committee along with the Board of Managers feels that there should be more participation from the membership by volunteering as Docents at the two Nathan Hale Schoolhouses and the War Office.

This would allow us to lower our expenses and put our money to better use. The plan to pay your complete annual dues for volunteering at least four times is still in effect. Last year only 8 SAR members took advantage of this, while there were 14 DAR ladies that helped out. That's 8 out of over 500 members! It's easy to do, it's only 4 to 5 hours on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday from May to September (You pick the date!). To sign up, just go to the state website [www.connecticut.org](http://www.connecticut.org) and click on "How to Volunteer" and then follow the link, or you can email our Real Property Steward (Dave Packard) directly at [davidpackard@sbcglobal.net](mailto:davidpackard@sbcglobal.net)

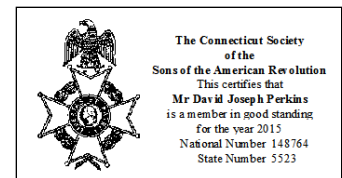


*Your Connecticut SAR membership card for 2015 is enclosed in this mailing!*

## Connecticut SAR website changes

Since the beginning of the year there have been numerous changes made to the site.

Under the Patriots tab we have added a Patriot Index option which will show both the Connecticut Society patriots and a link to the National Society Patriot and Grave Index. Under the About tab we have added a Members Only option which will have basic membership information, such as Bylaws, Board of Managers list, Committee list & descriptions, and state policies. There is also a link for Board of Managers for access to state and branch rosters, labels, and meeting reports, etc. The Members Only section requires a password which is CTSSAR, all in uppercase to access.



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