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JULY News Letter and Minutes

Bernardo de Galvez Chapter # 1

Compatriots, we had a great meeting! We had 11 chapter members, 2 SAR Auxiliary members, 1 prospective member, 1 speaker, 1 Public Service Medal and 1 Medal for Heroism winners, and 2DAR members.

Lt. Henry Porretto of the Galveston Police Department was our main speaker. Lt. Porretto spoke about the duties of his department. He was presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate. He also received a Certificate of Appreciation for his great presentation. Officer Joneka Loyd was presented the Medal for Heroism for her heroic save of two men in the Galveston Bay Ship Channel.

We now have only 36 Galvez Expedition 1779 SAR pins left to sell. The price of the pins is \$8 each for chapter members. Non chapter member can purchase the pins for \$10 each or \$8 if they purchase 3 or more pins.

We are working on having a member of the Galveston Fire Department to be our next speaker!

The Patriot of Ronald, John and Russell Mason: John Cordell, Jr.

John Cordell, Jr. was born April 29, 1749 in Virginia. His wife, Judith Blackwell Price, was born on January 16th, 1753. They were wed on June 9, 1779 in Fauquier County, Virginia. John served as the Chaplain of the 11th Virginia regiment in the Continental Army. After the conflict, he and his family repaired to Saint Louis County, Missouri. John Cordell, Jr. died in April, 1799.

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