



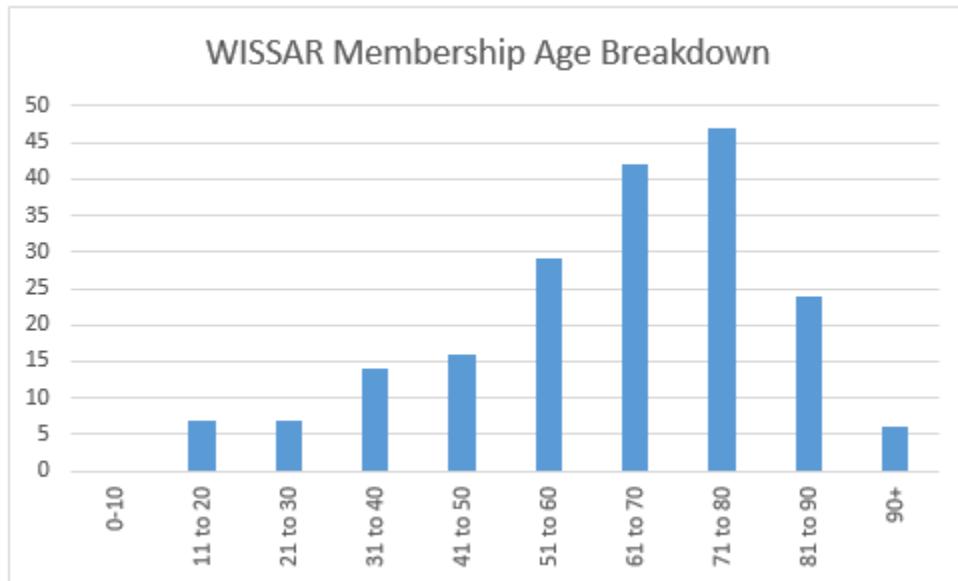
## **WISCONSIN SOCIETY PRESIDENTS REPORT**

### **GREAT LAKES DISTRICT MEETING**

**OCTOBER 31<sup>st</sup> 2020**

Current membership is 191 which includes 8 life members, 1 emeritus member (50 year membership and 90+ years of age), 4 junior member and 2 dual members.

Average age of the membership is 62.4 years. Oldest member is Jack Tibbals Pewaukee, WI (94 years). 44 members are under the age of 50, 77 members are age 70 or older.



Longest serving member is LTC Allen Beverstock at 54 years. Almost half of our membership has 5 or less years of membership.



My main message this year, as President of the Wisconsin Society, is a need for more chapter activity. We have some very active chapters with Color Guard members and then some chapters with no or little activity. I believe there must be a reason for the membership to attend the chapter meetings such as an interesting speaker, active elections, and mutual interest programs.

We have two members (Schramm and Kaus) who have been working to input patriot records into the Patriot Research System. They have completed over 97% of Wisconsin entries and have begun assisting with the Pennsylvania society. Schramm has input 125 patriots and input 393 applications. Kaus has input 3 patriots and input 492 applications. Both have received the Layfette Medal for their efforts.

## PATRIOT RESEARCH SYSTEM

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The SAR Patriot Research System (PRS) is a database combination of the previous SAR Patriot Record Index, the SAR Revolutionary War Graves Registry, and information from the SAR Patriot Index CD (2002), plus additional information and updates from various state grave registry databases and patriot biographical sketches submitted to tell the story of our patriot ancestors.

### PATRIOT RESEARCH SYSTEM



### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

This is a project driven entirely by volunteer members. You can earn a Lafayette Volunteer medal by helping out. If interested please contact Compatriot Gary Green at [garyogreen@gmail.com](mailto:garyogreen@gmail.com).



## WREATHS *across* AMERICA

WISSAR will again participate in the Wreaths Across America program through donations during its annual dues collection.

WISSAR held a board meeting, an awards luncheon and annual meeting in October 2020 with in person and virtual options (Zoom account purchased). Our Knight Essay winner read her essay and we awarded the Law Enforcement Medal to Scott Dorow (Dept Homeland

Security). Presenting during the annual meeting were Brian Barrett on his latest book and Stuart Schramm on the Patriot Research System.

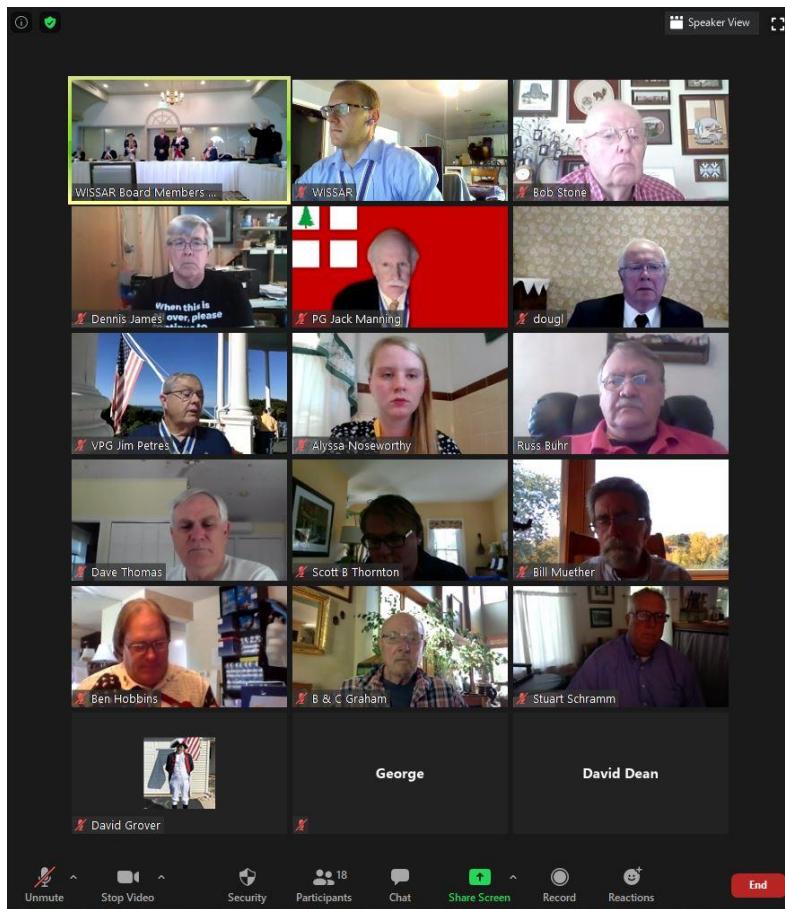
Brian's latest book is called ***Wooster's Invisible Enemies*** and is available for purchase on Amazon.com.

## Popular Remedies

- Bleeding = Balance the four humors (Blood/yellow bile/black bile/phlegm)
- Emetic to induce vomit
- Quinine powder & Cinchona bark = smallpox
- Hyssop & wormwood
- Jalap & Calomel
- Extract of Butternut
- Mercury



Bloodletting



WISSAR has begun a program for grave marking for deceased members provided approval from family.



President Austin has been active in the Flag Certificate program even incorporating presentations during a trip out west with family. Here he is presenting in DeForest, WI.



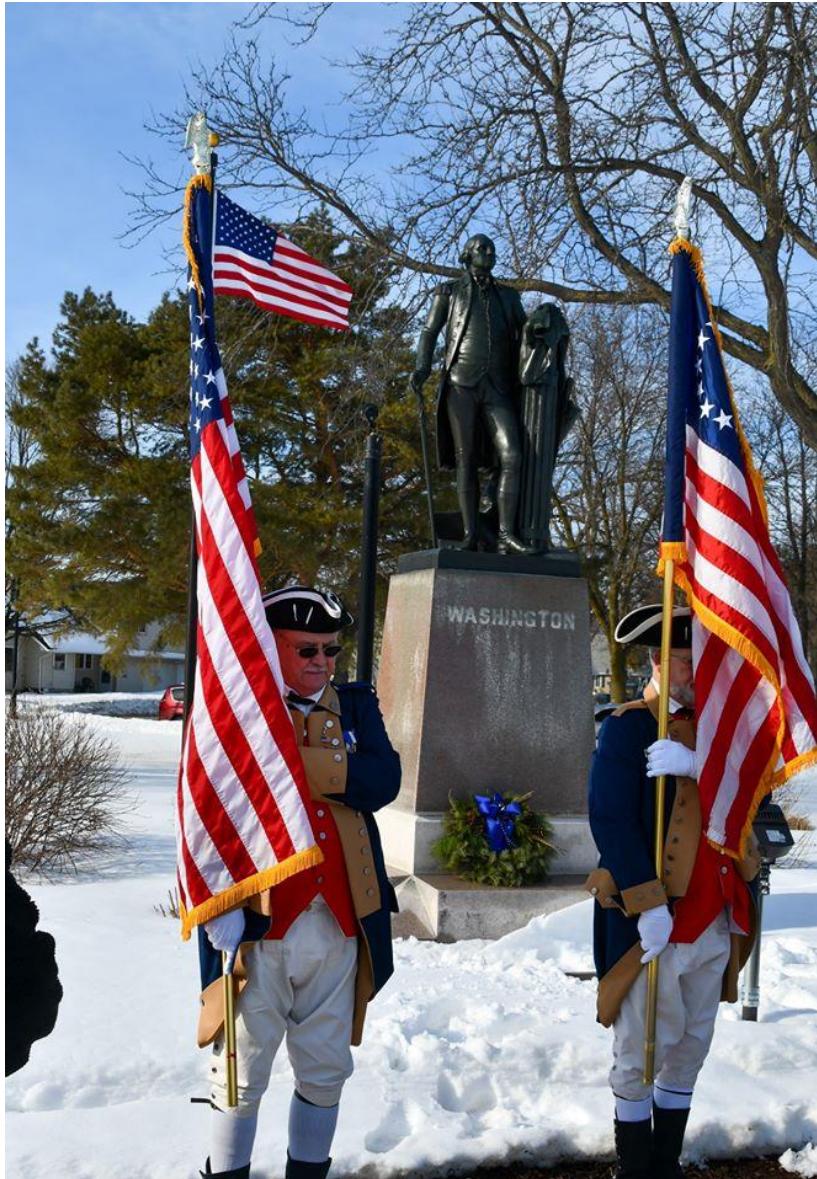
During President Austin's westward trip he stopped off to present a 35 years of membership pin and certificate to Lauren Zucco.



During President Austin's westward trip he stopped off to present a Veterans Service Certificate to Father Mark Mastin in Brule South Dakota.



WISSAR Color Guard and members participated in the annual George Washington Luncheon with DAR members in Oshkosh WI. This event occurs on or around Presidents Day.



WISSAR member (former VPG) Russ Buhr continues to be active in his local schools by presenting American Revolution programs while in uniform. Russ is a retired high school teacher and basketball referee and still enjoys conversing with youth.



The 2021 Great Lakes District meeting has been scheduled for October 2021 in Madison WI. At this point we are anticipating the 2021 event will look just like the 2020 event should have looked.

Submitted by  
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31 October 2020