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American Revolution Museum at Yorktown

March 23-April 4, 2017
Grand Opening Celebration

**Open Letter To:
Mr. R. Mitchell Bush, General President,
General Society Sons of the Revolution**

On behalf of the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown, I am pleased to invite the Sons of the Revolution to participate in the Commonwealth of Virginia's Grand Opening of the museum. We are delighted that your Executive Director, Jeff Lambert, has accepted our invitation to be a member of our Event Planning Committee. The new museum will be a national center of education and tourism devoted to bringing the entire story of the American Revolution to life through engaging museum galleries and living history. The celebration will be held from March 23rd through April 4, 2017, as we honor the thirteen original colonies in the order in which they ratified the Constitution:

March 30 South Carolina

The event plan includes a formal welcoming program, including remarks by state representatives, presentation of each state flag, and space for your organization to display information in the main museum lobby and Education center. The program for visitors on each state's day will include lectures on the importance of each state's role in the Revolution, in addition to touring the new museum galleries and outdoor living-history areas, seeing the new feature film and attending performances by band/choral groups during the day.

The museum would welcome your assistance in communicating and informing Sons of the Revolution state leaders that we are inviting them to participate in showcasing their particular state during the afternoon activities in our classrooms. We would be honored to promote the Sons of the Revolution as we dedicate the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown to the citizens of the United States.

Sincerely,
Randolph G. Flood, Liaison Historic Sites,
Societies and Organizations.

**Open Letter To:
State Presidents General Society Sons of
the Revolution**

I present to you an opportunity to not only visit the headquarters in the Colonial Capitol of Virginia and neighboring Yorktown Battlefield in 2017, but to also represent your state society of the Sons in a national event. The new museum on the shores of the York River, where Washington and Rochambeau defeated Cornwallis in 1781, will celebrate the 13 days of the Grand Opening honoring the colonies in the order of ratification of the Constitution. The new museum is exploring the 26 years of the revolution from the 1763 Treaty of Paris ending the French and Indian War, the War for Independence, to the ratification of the Constitution.

Each day a new state will be honored with ceremonies, films, lectures and so much more. Each of you are invited to participate in the events. You will be joined by representatives of your state government, the Society of the Cincinnati, SAR, DAR, CAR, National Park Service and many more. A table/booth will be set up for the Sons of the Revolution where we can interact with the Visitors and share our history.

I look forward to hearing from you shortly and do remain

Fraternally,
Jeff Lambert, Executive Director
General Society Sons of the Revolution

*A Special Message
from SCSR
President and
Immediate Past
President*

Chuck Swoope and I will be representing the South Carolina Society Sons of the Revolution on March 30, South Carolina Day. It is our impression that as current President and Past President we will be recognized at the opening ceremony and then after a personal tour of the museum, we will "man" a booth/table for SCSR to talk to visitors and explain what SCSR does and recruit! Jeff has requested we bring lots of brochures, advertise our web site www.srsc1776.org and have "hundreds" of business cards. Jeff is providing speakers, demonstrations and exhibits for SC from the SC tourism board, NPS (Moultrie, Cowpens, Kings Mountain). Our newest member Mike Kelley (from Beaufort) has taken on the task to prepare our state society flag with pole and ribbons for us to showcase. Come join us!

Ivan Bennett & Chuck Swoope