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Above: [Washington and Lafayette at Valley Forge, 1777-1778](#) by John Ward Dunsmore, Oil on canvas, 1907. Gift of William I. Zabriskie in memory of the Zabriskie family, 1966. 2006 conservation sponsored by the Color Guard of the Pennsylvania Society, Sons of the Revolution. Collection of [Fraunces Tavern®. Museum](#).

During the Continental Army's harsh winter encampment at Valley Forge, nearly 2,000

soldiers died from disease and hunger. George Washington rode through the camp daily to encourage his men and to do whatever was possible to alleviate their sufferings. Marquis de Lafayette, who had recently joined the camp, was a member of the General's official family and frequently was his companion on these tours.

Photo courtesy of Fraunces Tavern®. Museum.

Fraunces Tavern Museum Is Open!

We're pleased to announce that Fraunces Tavern® Museum has re-opened to the public as of January 5, 2011. Due to final renovations taking place at Fraunces Tavern® Restaurant, the museum chose to close its doors for a short period of time. We thank everyone for their patience and support and look forward to seeing you soon at the museum!

And if you haven't caught our current exhibit ***Revolution and the City***, about New York City's role in the struggle for American independence, we're happy to say that it has been extended until June 2011.

Check out the Museum's [website](#) for current hours, admission prices, special events and exhibits.

Patriots of the Year Announced

Commissioner Salvatore J. Cassano and the New York City Fire Department have been named GEORGE WASHINGTON PATRIOTS OF THE YEAR by the Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York. On the 10th anniversary year of the 9/11 events, they and their fallen comrades will be honored at the George Washington Birthday Ball in New York City on February 17, 2011.

Also to be recognized at the Ball will be John Rowan, National President, Vietnam Veterans of America. He will receive the 2011 Distinguished Patriot Award from The Knickerbocker Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.



Above: West Point Color Guard in precise formation at 2010 George Washington Birthday Ball. They will participate again at the coming Ball February 17.
Photo by James Higgins.

Watch For Your Invitation in the Mail for the George Washington Birthday Ball, February 17, 2011

(And please let us know if you don't receive it!)

If you're not on already our mailing list (US Postal Mail, that is) or do not receive your invitation, please contact us immediately and we'll rush one out to you. We'd like to see you at this elegant, joyous celebration of General Washington that helps raise funds for Fraunces Tavern Museum. Great dining, dancing, and ceremony.

Now is the time to buy your tickets and place an advertisement in our beautiful Ball Journal.

Questions? Call the Sons administrator at 212-425-1776, ext. 10 or email 2Administrator@sonsoftherevolution.org for more information.

Tallmadge Day at Fraunces Tavern®

The Tallmadge Day Stated Meeting of the Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York will be held on Monday, January 24, 2011 at Fraunces Tavern®. This dinner meeting commemorates the birthday of Frederick Samuel Tallmadge, the former President of the Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York whose generosity enabled the Society to acquire Fraunces Tavern® in 1904.

The evening will begin with a reception in the Flag Gallery in Fraunces Tavern® Museum at

6:30 P.M. and dinner will follow in the Bissell Room in Fraunces Tavern® Restaurant at 7:30 P.M. The cost of the dinner is \$75 per person and reservations must be received by January 16th. For reservations, please complete and return the subscription stub below or contact the Sons administrator at 212-425-1776, ext. 10 or 2administrator@sonsoftherevolution.org

Tallmadge Day Stated Meeting Reservation Form (return by January 16th by mail to: Sons of the Revolution, 54 Pearl Street, New York NY 10004 or by email to: 2administrator@sonsoftherevolution.org

Name: _____ Guest
name(s) _____

Total amount \$ _____ for _____ reservations at \$75 per person
To Pay by Check: Please make check payable to Sons of the Revolution

To Pay by Credit Card: Please complete the following:
Please charge my (circle one): AMEX / Visa / MC

Account Number _____ Expiration _____

Name as it appears on credit card: _____

Address: _____

Signature _____



Above: Elected 2011 SRNY Officers and Board of Managers stand in the Bissell Room during the Annual Meeting of the Sons of the Revolution on December 3, 2010 at Fraunces Tavern.

Photo by Charles C. Lucas, Jr.

SRNY 2010 Annual Meeting and Election

The Annual Meeting of the Sons of the Revolution was held at Fraunces Tavern® Restaurant on Friday, December 3, 2010 for the purpose of electing officers and managers of the Society.

The Annual Meeting also commemorated the 227th Anniversary of General George Washington's Farewell to his Officers in the Long Room of Fraunces Tavern on December 4, 1783.

The Officers and the Board of Managers for the year 2011 elected at the meeting are:

Officers

President	Donald Westervelt
First Vice President	James R. Grayshaw (Chairman, Executive Committee)
Second Vice President	Charles A. Poekel, Jr.
Third Vice President	Frederick W. Pattison
Secretary	Kenneth H. Chase
Treasurer	Ambrose Richardson III
Registrar	Daniel J. O'Connell
Chaplain	Rev. Christopher M. Cullen

Board of Managers

Robert A. Bell	George J. Owen
Alan W. Borst, Jr.	Jonathan Wolk Ridgeway
Michael P. Coneys	Edwin David Robertson
Daniel H. Harman III	Andrew W. Russell
Bruce E. Jones	Steven P. Trusnovec
Raymond J. Manning	Craig H. Weaver
Cornwell C. Martin	Stephen T. Whelan
Stephen M. Noonan	
Christopher M. Norfleet	
Wesley M. Oler IV	

TWO Lectures this January!

George Washington's America: A Biography Through His Maps

Presented by Barnett Schecter†
Thursday January 13th at 6:30pm

Throughout his life, the maps George Washington drew and purchased were always central to his work. After his death, many of the most important ones he acquired were bound into an atlas which remained in his family for almost a century before it was sold and eventually ended up at Yale University's Sterling Memorial Library. Inspired by these remarkable maps, historian Barnett Schecter has crafted a unique portrait by placing the reader at the scenes of Washington's early career as a surveyor, dramatic exploits in the French and Indian War, struggles throughout the American Revolution, and diplomacy as president. From these beautifully illustrated maps, we are allowed to visualize history through Washington's eyes which sheds new light on both the man and the times he lived in.

The Great Divorce: A Story of the Early Republic

Presented by Ilyon Woo†
Thursday, January 27th* at 6:30pm
(*Note the date has changed from its original February spot. Due to two lectures in January, we will not hold a lecture in February.)

In 1814, Eunice Chapman came home to discover that her three children had been carried off by her estranged husband. He had taken them, she learned, to live among a celibate, religious people known as the Shakers. Defying all expectations, this famously petite woman mounted an epic campaign against her husband, the Shakers, and the law. By confronting the nation's most fundamental disputes regarding religious freedom, feminine virtue, and the sanctity of marriage, her case struck a nerve with the uncertain new republic. As a moving story about the power of a mother's love, it is also a memorable portrait of a rousing challenge to the values of a young nation.

All lectures take place in Fraunces Tavern Museum's Flag Gallery. \$10 admission at the door only-first come, first served. (Museum members are admitted free of charge. [Please join today!](#)). Light refreshments will be available before and after the lecture.

†Books will be available for purchase -discounts apply for Museum members.

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