**The Chapter Color Guard**

The chapter's Color Guard personifies promoting patriotism, and the accomplishments of the American Revolutionary War soldier, all to the end of keeping alive the flame of the deeds of our patriot ancestors. It does this by:

* Participating in community and veteran's parades ,
* Presenting colors at SAR and DAR functions,
* Special salutes to Revolutionary War fallen, including those memorialized at Philadelphia's Washington Square Tomb of the Unknown,
* Leading the "March In" and "March Out" commemorating General Washington and his army's entry into Valley Forge, as well as their departure,
* Presenting colors at the mass swearing in of new U.S. citizens in Philadelphia,
* Occasionally providing an honor guard for Revolutionary War soldiers' grave dedications,
* And many other ways

The Color Guard has participated in an about 35 events annually. Like the chapter, its Color Guard has a very long history. The Color Guard members wear the uniform of the "Commander-in-Chief's Guard", or as it was traditionally called, "Washington's Life Guard" (1). The coat is blue with buff facing, breeches are buff, and the waistcoat is scarlet. They carry the special unit's standard, on which is emblazoned its motto: “Conquer or Die”. At Valley Forge, the “Guard” assisted General von Steuben in drilling the encamped farmer-soldiers into a battle-ready force... a battle-ready force that pushed the British off the field at Monmouth, New Jersey shortly after leaving Valley Forge.

The new citizen mass swearing in ceremonies by the U. S. Citizenship and Immigration Services takes part in restoration and rendering honors at Revolutionary War grave sites and at the Tomb of the Unknown Revolutionary War Soldier in Washington Square. The color guard wears the uniform of the "Commander-in-Chiefs Guard", or Washington's Life Guard, as it was commonly known. The uniform is a blue frock coat with buff facings, and britches, white stockings, and a distinctive scarlet waistcoat, all topped with a black tri-corn hat. It is widely rumored that the color guard has the most fun of any facet of the chapter activity, and new members are always welcomed.