

# Pledge of Allegiance

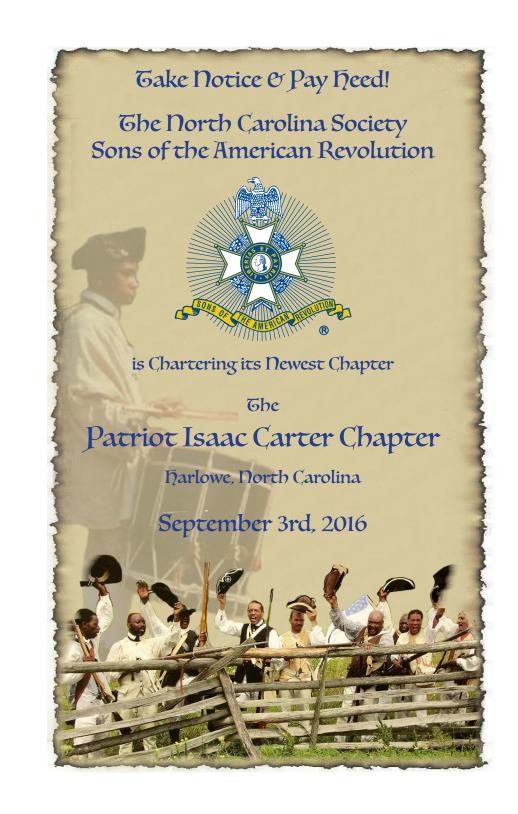
I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

# Pledge to the SAR

We descendants of
the heroes of the American Revolution
who, by their sacrifices, established
the United States of America,
reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty
and our Constitutional Republic,
and solemnly pledge ourselves
to defend them against every foe.

## SAR Recessional

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court and a nation of free men.





## The Sons of the American Revolution

The Sons of the American Revolution are engaged in a variety of programs to promote the patriotic, educational and historical interest resulting from the American Revolution.

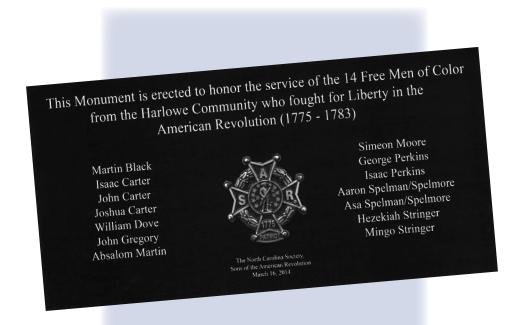
Programs include essay contests for high school students, JROTC Cadets, and Eagle Scouts, oration contests for high school students, presentation of medals to college ROTC and high school JROTC students, brochure contests for junior high school students, poster contests for elementary school students, presentation of medals to Public Safety officials, dedication of Revolutionary War Patriot graves, and presentation of Flag Certificates to deserving organizations and schools.

The group also organizes and participates in historic battle site observances and patriotic ceremonies.

We descendants of the fourteen Sons of Harlowe who served in their Country's fight for Independence from Great Britain during the American Revolution take great pride in our ancestors' service. We also take great pride in being members of the SAR's first predominantly African-American chapter and its first to be named after an African-American Patriot, Isaac Carter.

Isaac Carter was just one of these fourteen men from Harlowe and each of the fourteen were representatives of the entire Harlowe community which supported these men's families while they were serving away from home. So we also take great pride in being a part of the extended Harlowe community.

confused with several white soldiers named Isaac Carter who also served in the Revolution, especially Isaac Carter from Gates County, NC, whose military service in the 8th North Carolina Regiment has been erroneously equated with the service of Isaac Carter from Craven County. (Clark, NC State Records, XVI:1034; Clark, NC State Records, XXII:319; Clark, NC State Records, XXVI:419; Haun, Journal "A", 140; NC Soldiers, 6, 113, 366; Pierce's Register, Cert. # 90009 or 90996, p. 90; Crow, 98; MMS-NC, 7-8, 16; Heinegg, A-A, NC/VA/SC, I:204).



#### **Patriot Isaac Carter**

There is disagreement as to whether our Isaac was the son of an earlier Isaac, as the authors below believe, or Abel Carter. The records indicate that both men served in the Craven County Militia in the 1750s and it is possible that Abel and the earlier Isaac are, in fact, the same man. In any case there is no dispute about Harlowe's "Isaac Carter's" service and it is important to note that his relationships with Joshua Carter (probably his brother), William Dove (his neighbor), and Isaac Perkins (his brother-in-law and neighbor), all of whom are shown on the memorial plaque, are mentioned.

Below is the biography of Isaac Carter from the book "African-American Patriots in the Southern Campaign of the American Revolution" by Bobby G. Moss & Michael C. Scoggins.

He was born c. 1760 and was a "free Mulatto" from Craven County, North Carolina and was probably related to Joshua Carter. He was probably the son of Isaac Carter who served in the Craven County Militia Regiment commanded by Col. Edward Griffith, and whose name appeared on "A List of the Company of Foot from Mr. James MacKilwean's Mill on Maule's Run and Upwards to Ye County Line between Craven and Johnston Counties," commanded by Capt. Lewis Bryan, dated 25 October 1754.

On 1 September, 1777, he enlisted as a private in the 10th North Carolina Regiment under Capt. Silas Stephenson (Stevenson) and Col. Abraham Sheppard (Shepard), for three years or the duration of the war. In the winter of 1778, Isaac Carter served under Capt. John Tillman (or Tilghman) in the garrison of Fort Hancock at Cape Lookout, North Carolina, along with Joshua Carter, William Dove and Isaac Perkins. Tillman's men were enlisted for a period of one year and remained on duty at the fort for a total of two years.

As far as is known, there was no contact with the British army or navy during this period. In June 1783, Carter left his regiment. In 1785, he received comptroller's office certificate number 4409 for militia service in the Wilmington District during the Revolution. He was listed as a free Negro in the North Carolina 1790 census Craven County, with a family of five. Among his neighbors were William Dove and Isaac Perkins. This black Isaac Carter has been

### **Background**

The SAR is the leading male lineage society that perpetuates the ideals of our war for independence. We seek to maintain and expand the meaning of patriotism, respect for our national symbols, the value of American citizenship and the unifying force of "e pluribus unum" that was created from the people of many nations—one nation and one people. In pursuing these goals, we realized some years ago that the contributions of the many African-American Patriots during the Revolution had been under-represented in American history. The chartering of the Patriot Isaac Carter Chapter is the latest step in our process of correcting this obvious failure of understanding of our shared history.

Isaac Carter was one of fourteen Patriots from the Harlowe communities that served the cause of independence during the American Revolution. In an earlier step aimed at correcting history, the NCSSAR dedicated a memorial marker to these "Forgotten Patriots" on March 16, 2014 at the Havelock-Harlowe Senior Center. The four small communities that make up what is now known as the Harlowe area were settled by a group of FREE African-American families who came from Virginia and Maryland well before the American Revolution. In the absence of documented historical research, we don't know exactly when these families reached the Harlowe area, but they were certainly here in the 1750's. Even this makes the settlements of the Harlowe area among the earliest free African-American settlements in North Carolina. But they MAY have arrived in the Harlowe area as many as thirty years prior to the 1750's. Whenever these families arrived in the Harlowe area, their story is a part of the early settlement of North Carolina that is rarely told – but it is a story that needs to be told!

We are sure that you will agree that the people who first settled the Harlowe area and then sent fourteen of their sons, husbands, and fathers to fight for American independence deserve to have their stories told. We believe that the formation of the Patriot Isaac Carter Chapter is a step in that direction and we hope that you will join us in our celebration of its formation.

# Patriot Isaac Carter Chapter Chartering Ceremony

Master of Ceremony James H. Wood	<b>Election of New Officers</b>	James H. Wood
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NSSAR National Color Guard	AU /AMA \	Beleather "Butch" Fisher, III
		Guy Moore Higgins, Jr.
		John William Ellis
Piney Grove AME Zion Church Havelock, North Carolina		Dennis Windell Ellis
	Color Guard Commander	Alan Deline Frazier, Sr.
Led by James Christopher Kelley, Jr.	Installation of New Officers	Gary O. Green
Patriot Isaac Carter Chapter		·
	Installation of Chapter President	J. Michael Tomme, Sr.
Sung by Alan Deline Frazier, Sr.		President General NSSAR
Patriot Isaac Carter Chapter		
	Presentation of Chapter Charter	Gary O. Green
Led by Guy M. Higgins, Jr.		•
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James H. Wood		J. Michael Tomme, Sr.
		President General NSSAR
Gary O. Green		Dr. Lawrence G. Fehrenbaker, Sr.
President NCSSAR	Vice President	General, South Atlantic District NSSAR
Max Allen Fisher		Joseph W. Dooley
Alan Deline Frazier, Sr.		President General NSSAR 2013-2014
Ricky Darnell Frazier		
Tyrone Lamar Frazier	<b>Greetings to New Chapter</b>	Read by Gary O. Green
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	Award Presentations	Gary O. Green
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