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SAR Honors Mary Mannix With Martha Washington Medal

The Sergeant Lawrence Everhart Chapter of the Maryland Society of Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) recently honored Mary Mannix, Maryland Room Manager of the C. Burr Artz Public Library, with the SAR's *Martha Washington Medal*. The medal was presented at the SAR Chapter's Annual Meeting at Dutch's Daughter Restaurant.

In presenting the medal, SAR Chapter President George Lewis commended Mannix "for her outstanding service to the Sons of the American Revolution, the Daughters of the American Revolution and other lineage societies throughout her nine year tenure as the Maryland Room Manager of the C. Burr Artz Public Library." Lewis noted Mannix' organization of genealogy outreach workshops, research and document location guidance, and mentoring of lineage society members in research, and preparation of Revolutionary War-period presentations, short stories, and media releases.

The Maryland Room, located in the C. Burr Artz Public Library, is a non-circulating, local history research collection of primary and secondary sources. Materials actively collected document Maryland's economic, social, political, cultural, and religious history, and the genealogy of Maryland's peoples.

The Martha Washington Medal, authorized by the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution since 1971, is gold in color and bears on the obverse a portrait of Martha Washington within the inscription "SAR Martha Washington Award". It is suspended from a chest ribbon of the SAR colors and is accompanied by an engrossed certificate.

Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) seeks to maintain and extend (a) the institutions of American freedom, (b) an appreciation for true patriotism, (c) a respect for our national symbols, (d) the value of American citizenship, (e) the unifying force of *e pluribus unum* that has created, from the people of many nations, one nation and one people.

The Sergeant Lawrence Everhart Chapter, which serves Frederick County in Maryland, is Chapter 1 of the Maryland Society Sons of the American Revolution. It was the first chapter formed in Maryland by NSSAR in 1920. The Chapter is named after Sergeant Lawrence Everhart. Lawrence Everhart was a resident of Middletown, Maryland. He enlisted in the Flying Camp in August 1776. He fought at the battles of White Plains and Fort Washington. He is credited with helping to save the life of Marquis de Lafayette at the Battle of the Brandywine. He enlisted in Col. William Washington's regiment of cavalry in 1778 and became a sergeant. He is credited with saving the life of Col. Washington at the Battle of Cowpens. He served throughout the Revolution.

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