American Forces in The Revolution

- 1. July 3, 1775 Cambridge, Massachusetts:
 - A) Washington officially takes command of the Army:
 - I. His biggest command weaknesses:
 - (1) Never understands the value of concentrating his forces.
 - (2) Never understands the value of a building a tight defense.
 - (3) Scatters small groups of men throughout the Colonies without communications with the rest of the Army.
- 2. Worst mistake of the American Army in the War:
 - A) Trying to fight a formal European style of warfare INSTEAD of a guerrilla war.
- 3. Most Americans killed in battle....Killed retreating!
- 4. Numbers:
 - A) Total of 317,824 serve.
 - B) American force never has more than 17,000 Regulars.
 - C) The American forces never exceed 28,670

at one time.

- D) Average strength of the American forces in the War are 3,000 to 15,000:
 - I. Average British strength in the field is 12,000.
- E) Largest American force in one battle is at Brandywine....15,000.

5. Militias:

- A) From all Colonies.
- B) Like today's "National Guards."
- C) Are more of a "Social Club."
- D) Are not part of the Regular Army.
- E) Sometimes....will not cooperate with the Regular Army.
- F) Enlistments are for 3, 6, or 9 months.
- G) Officers are ELECTED on the basis of POPULARITY with the men!

6. Problems and Faults of Regular Army:

- A) Very little discipline:
 - I. Washington will improve on it.
- B) Lack of organization.
- C) Lack of supplies.
- D) No unity.
- E) Men have to buy their own uniform.
- F) Pay is \$6 per month!
- G) Sometimes, more officers than privates.

- H) Sometimes, there is no distinction between the officers and men...."Buddy, Buddy."
- I) Sometimes, no respect by men of the Officers:
 - I. Washington will improve on it.
- J) At times a refusal to train.
- K) Not many trained Engineers.
- L) Enlistments are for only 1 year.
- M) Many desertions due to:
 - I. Lack of pay.
 - II. Lack of supplies.
 - III. Harvest time!!
- N) No sanitation:
 - I. Washington will improve on it.
- O) MUCH gambling.
- P) MUCH drinking.
- Q) Prostitution.

7. Uniforms:

- A) Brown is the most common color:
 - I. Why?....Brown dye is the most readily available.
- B) Usually wear hunting clothes.
- C) Sometimes wear captured British uniforms after dying them brown.
- D) Sometimes officers wear a badge to designate their rank.
- E) 1782 Congress specifies a uniform:

- I. Blue coat with red and white trim.
- II. Buckskin pants.

8. Food:

- A) Daily ration:
 - I. 1 pound of beef or fish, OR, 3/4 pound of pork.
 - II. 1 pound of bread.
 - III. 1 pint of milk.
 - IV. 1 quart of beer, OR, 4 ounces of hard liquor.
- **B) Weekly ration:**
 - I. Peas.
 - II. Beans.
 - III. Rice.
 - IV. Molasses.
 - V. Vegetables.
 - VI. Vinegar.
 - VII. Candles and soap.
- C) Washington will improve upon the food.

9. Medicine:

- A) Primary diseases:
 - I. Smallpox.
 - II. Typhus.
 - III. TB.
 - IV. Typhoid Fever.
 - V. Dysentery.

VI. Scurvy.

VII. Diptheria.

VIII. Scarlet Fever.

IX. Malaria.

X. VD.

10. Doctors:

- A) Know NOTHING of bacteria, infections or what causes them!
- B) Out of the 3,500 "Doctors" only 200 have a medical degree!!
- C) 4 Doctors will later sign the Declaration of Independence.
- D) 1st man to vote "Yes" on the Declaration of Independence is a Doctor....Josiah Bartlett.
- E) 1st Surgeon General of the Army....Dr. Benjamin Church:
 - I. Traitor!
 - II. Tells Gage of the Americans on Bunker Hill.
 - III. Will be imprisoned.
 - IV. 1777....Exiled to the West Indies:
 - (1) His ship is lost at sea!
- 11. Common treatments:
 - A) Bleeding.
 - B) Sweating.
 - C) "Purging."

- D) Blistering.
- 12. 60,000 men will die of diseases!
- 13. Punishments:
 - A) Death.
 - B) Drunkeness, insubordination, etc. Flogging:
 - I. Usually 39 lashes:
 - (1) Washington wanted....500!!!

14. Weapons:

- A) Cannons.
- **B)** Howitzers.
- C) Mortars.
- D) Grenades.
- E) Smooth Bore Flintlock Muskets:
 - I. Accurate for 60 yards.
- F) Flintlock "Kentucky" Long Rifles:
 - I. Accurate for 250 yards.
- G) Knives.
- H) Tomahawks.
- I) Swords.
- J) Bayonets.
- 15. All faiths and races serve.
- 16. 400 Indians will serve as Scouts.

- 17. 2,000 Jews will serve.
- 18. December 1775 Congress allows Blacks to serve:
 - A) 4,500 will fight for Independence.
 - I. IF Congress had not allowed them to, they would have fought for the British.
 - **B) Some notable Black individuals:**
 - I. Oliver Cromwell & Prince Whipple:
 - (1) Help Washington find the Delaware River crossing to fight the Battle of Trenton.
 - II. Peter Salem & Salem Poor:
 - (1) Fight with distinction at Bunker Hill.
- 19. Conrad Waltman:
 - A) He fights in Washington's Army:
 - I. His 8 sons fight in Washington's Army:
 - (1) His 16 grandsons fight in Washington's Army:
 - a. His 3 son-in-laws fight in Washington's Army.
- 20. Deborah Sampson:
 - A) Only OFFICIAL female soldier.
 - B) Is officially recognized by Congress.
 - C) Wounded twice in battle.
 - D) Is granted a pension after the War.

21. Later in the War....16,000 French Troops will help the Americans.

July 1775

- 1. July 18, 1775 Schuyler reaches Fort Ticonderoga:
 - A) Finds out....Arnold has caused problems.
 - B) Schuyler orders Arnold to report to Washington.
- 2. Cambridge, Massachusetts Arnold meets with Washington:
 - A) Washington gives him 1,800 men:
 - I. He is to make a 2nd invasion attempt into Canada:
 - (1) He is to cooperate fully with Brig. General Richard Montgomery.
 - B) Accompanying Arnold will be:
 - I. 19 year old, Lt. Colonel Aaron Burr.
 - II. 39 year old, Brig. General Daniel Morgan and his Virginia Riflemen:
 - (1) They wear distinctive white, fringed, belted, hunting jackets.

September & October 1775

- 1. The American Army march to Quebec is an absolute nightmare:
 - A) Disease.
 - **B) Starvation:**
 - I. Food runs out.
 - II. Eat the camp dogs.
 - III. Eat soap.
 - IV. Eat hair grease.
 - V. Eat leather bullet pouches.
 - VI. Eat leather moccaissons.
 - VI. Eat leather pants.
 - C) At one point....Have to wade 180 miles through:
 - I. Water.
 - II. Snow.
 - III. Ice.
 - IV. Sleet.
 - D) Deaths by the dozens.

November 1775

- 1. November 9, 1775 Arnold is on the south side of the St. Lawrence River across from Quebec:
 - A) He has 570 men left!
 - B) Montgomery is still 150 miles away.
 - C) A violent snowstorm sets in.
- 2. November 10, 1775 Congress creates the Continental Marines:
 - A) Organized in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
 - B) Enlistments are taken in Faunce's Tavern.
- 3. November 13, 1775 Montgomery takes Montreal:
 - A) Montgomery will not reach Arnold's camp until December 2nd.
- 4. November 25, 1775 Congress officially creates the U.S. Navy:
 - A) 57 year old, Commodore Esek Hopkins becomes the 1st Commander.
- 5. November 28, 1775 31 year old, Captain Samuel Nicholas becomes the first Marine Commandant/Officer in history:
 - A) Marine Uniforms:

- I. Light colored pants.
- II. Green, cutaway coats.
- III. Pewter buttons.
- IV. Black leather hats.
- B) Marines Fight 12 Naval actions.
- C) 13,000 Marines will serve.
- D) Marines will be disbanded after the War.

December 1775

- 1. December 6-31, 1775 The Siege/Battle of Quebec:
 - A) Arnold and Montgomery lay siege to the city.
 - B) Americans will be forced to attack....Why?
 - I. Starvation.
 - **II. Desertions.**
 - III. Enlistments being up.
 - IV. Outbreak of smallpox.
 - C) Attack:
 - I. Montgomery is killed.
 - II. Arnold and Morgan are wounded and captured.
 - III. Remnants of the American Army retreat back to the Colonies.
 - D) The entire Canadian Invasion attempt has been a dismal failure!
- 2. End of 1775:
 - A) Americans losses:
 - I. 389 dead.
 - II. 441 wounded.
 - III. 593 captured.

Hessians

- 1. England needs more soldiers to fight the Colonists.
- 2. King George III "Leases" 20,945 German mercenary Troops:
 - A) Over 1/2 of them come from the German province of Hesse/Cassel....Thus, "Hessians."
- 3. Their German commander is Leopold Von Heister.
- 4. Cost to England:
 - A) \$500 thousand annually.
 - B) All expenses of the German Army.
 - C) An additional \$35 per German Soldier killed.
 - D) An additional \$12 per German Soldier wounded.
 - E) 7,554 will die in America.
 - F) 5,000 will desert to the American side.
 - G) BIG result of England's hiring them:
 - I. "Borderline" loyal or Independence people go over to the Independence side!

Loyalists / "Tories"

- 1. Loyalists....Colonists who remain loyal to England during the War:
 - A) Called "Tories" by the Americans.
 - B) About 40% of the Colonial population will be Loyalists.
 - C) 30,000 will fight for the British.
- 2. Most are in New York.
- 3. Benjamin Franklin's son, William, is the Loyalist Governor of New Jersey:
 - A) He promises to hang 3 Colonists for each Tory killed!
- 4. Washington is in favor of hanging the most notorious Tories!
- 5. Many Loyalists are "Tarred and Feathered" by the Americans.
- 6. During and after the War....87,500 Tories will be forced to leave the United States.

*Joining the British = Robert Rogers & His RANGERS — WILL LATER CAPTURE AND TURN Over NATHAN HALC.

Population Breakdown

- 1. 2,500,000 people....total:
 - A) 1,250,000....Are men:
 - I. 892,850 of the men are fit for service:
 - (1) MINUS the Tories and Neutrals....That leaves 225,000 American males to fight for Independence!

January 9, 1776 Thomas Paine – "Common Sense"

- 1. Thomas Paine:
 - A) 38 years old.
 - B) Intellectual.
 - C) Hates the English Empire.
 - D) Hates the King.
 - E) Is obsessed with liberty.
 - F) Is obsessed with independence.
 - G) Is obsesses with freedom of men.
 - H) Is obsessed with the natural rights of man.
- 2. Writes a 47 page pamphlet entitled "Common Sense":
 - A) HE pays to have it printed.
 - B) Printed on January 9, 1776.
 - C) Sells faster than it can be printed!
 - D) He gets moderately wealthy overnight.
 - E) The Pennsylvania Legislature pays him 500 pounds for the publishing rights!
 - F) "Common Sense":
 - I. Language is blunt.
 - II. Ridicules the belief that Kings and Queens have the divine right to rule!
 - III. Calls for independence!

February 27, 1776 The Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge

- 1. North Carolina.
- 2. Americans vs. 1,400 British Highlanders and Tories:
 - A) 5 minute battle.
 - B) British force is routed:
 - I. Lose 30 killed and 850 captured.
 - C) Americans lose 1 killed and 1 wounded.

March 3, 1776 The Battle of New Providence Island

- 1. Bahamas.
- 2. 223 Marines and 60 Sailors:
 - A) Commanded by Captain Samuel Nicholas.
 - B) 1st Marine landing in history.
 - C) Americans quickly subdue the small British garrison.
 - D) 1st time the American Flag is flown over foreign soil.

March 4-17, 1776 The Siege of Boston

- 1. Washington has the British bottled up in Boston. *15,000 Mex.
- 2. Gets more help when cannons from Fort Ticonderoga arrive:
 - A) Are brought by 26 year old, Colonel Henry Knox:
 - I. Washington's Chief of Artillery.
 - II. Very fat.
 - III. Later....Secretary of War:
 - (1) Develops the Selective Service format.
- 3. Boston is bombarded by the Americans.
- 4. Sunday March 17, 1776 The British Army evacuates Boston:
 - A) 1,000 Tories on 160 ships go with them to Halifax in Nova Scotia.

March 23, 1776 <u>Letters of Marque and Privateering</u>

- 1. Issued by Congress on March 23, 1776.
- 2. All public and private ships flying the English flag are subject to capture or destruction!
- 3. Privateers:
 - A) Private ships.
 - B) Attack British ships for profit and plunder:
 - I. Split among the crew and captain.
 - C) Operate primarily out of French coastal towns.
 - D) Crews are sometimes:
 - I. Criminals.
 - II. Social misfits.
 - III. Adventurers.
 - E) Some of the Privateer Ships are owned by politicians:
 - I. Example....John Hancock.
 - F) 2,000 during the War.
 - G) Capture 600 British ships.
 - H) Take \$18 million in British cargoes!

Events of April 1776

- 1. April 6, 1776 The U.S.S. "Alfred" vs. H.M.S. "Glasgow":
 - A) Naval battle.
 - B) 30 minute battle:
 - I. Americans win.
 - II. American losses are 10 killed and 14 wounded:
 - (1) 17 of the casualties are Marines.
 - III. This is the 1st Marine, Naval action in history.
 - C) Captain of the "Alfred" is John Paul Jones:
 - I. 29 years old.
 - II. Real name....John Paul.
 - III. Captain of a rum ship....Kills a drunken sailor in self-defense.
 - IV. Flees to Virginia....Brother lives there.
 - V. Doesn't want to embarrass his brother....
 So he adds "Jones" to name.
 - VI. Serves in War without pay.
 - VII. England offers a reward for him.
 - VIII. Defeats 22 British ships during the War.
 - IX. After the War:
 - (1) Admiral in the Russian Navy.
 - (2) 1792 Paris, France @ age 45 Dies.

2. April 12, 1776 – North Carolina becomes the 1st Colony to actually vote for Independence.

Events - May 1776

- 1. French Foreign Minister, Comte de Vergennes, and Pierre de Beaumarchais (Writer of the opera "The Barber of Seville") meet:
 - A) Both...Hate the English!
 - B) Both...Like the Americans!
 - C) Set up a false trading company:
 - I. Secretly send arms, powder, and ammunition to the Americans.
- 2. May 1776 Continental Congress Votes to recommend that the states adopt State Constitutions!

Events of June 1776

- 1. June 7, 1776 Continental Congress:
 - A) Virginian, Richard Henry Lee:
 - I. Resolution....Independence!!!
 - (1) John Adams....Seconds the motion!
 a. Passes!!!
- 2. June 11, 1776 Committee to write a Declaration of Independence is set up:
 - A) 5 men:
 - I. Benjamin Franklin.
 - II. John Adams.
 - III. Roger Sherman.
 - IV. Robert Livingston.
 - V. Thomas Jefferson:
 - (1) He is picked to actually write the document....Why?....Best penmanship!
 - (2) Document will be almost totally Virginian in content.
 - (3) He will use The 26 Fairfax County Resolves and The Virginia Bill of Rights as his models:
 - a. Both of these documents have been written by George Mason.
 - (4) Jefferson will work in a small room at 7th Street and Market Place.
 - B) 1st draft Congress changes:

- I. Article abolishing slavery is removed to please the Southern Colonies!
- 2. June 28, 1776 Battle of Charleston:
 - A) South Carolina.
 - B) City is defended by 6,000 Americans under Major General Charles Lee.
 - C) Key to the City's defense is Fort Sullivan on an Island:
 - I. Defended immediately by 425 men and 26 cannons under 46 year old, Colonel William Moultrie:
 - (1) At the south end of the Island are another 750 American defenders.
 - D) 12:00 Noon 20 British ships containing 2,900 men open a bombardment on Fort Sullivan:
 - I. 11:00 Night After 11 hours of fighting.
 - II. British give up and sail away.
 - III. British have lost 64 killed and 135 wounded.
 - IV. British have fired 7,000 cannon balls using 34,000 pounds of powder into Fort Sullivan!!
 - (1) Americans have lost 24 killed and 122 wounded.
 - E) Fort Sullivan is renamed....Fort Moultrie.

3. End OF JUNE 1776 - Gen. Jin WILLIAM,

MOWE Annives ON STATON ISLAND, NEW

YORK WITH 32,000 Men:

8,000 ARE HESSIANS.

** 10000 ARE SESIANS.

July - 1776

- 1. July 2, 1776 Congress Votes on Document Declaring the United States to be Independent:
 - A) Passes Vote is 12-0 New York abstains from voting:
 - I. The U.S. is officially Independent.
- 2. July 4, 1776 John Hancock and several others sign the Document:
 - A) Congress officially adopts the Document.
 - B) Publisher, John Dunlap, makes several copies.
- 3. The Declaration is in 3 parts:
 - A) Preamble...Gives a philosophy of Humen Rights.
 - B) 2nd Part...Lists 27 grievances causing the break with England.
 - C) 3rd Part...Conclusion...Announces a complete break with England and a formal declaration of war.
- 4. July 8, 1776 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania:
 - A) Colonel John Nixon:
 - I. 1st public reading of the Declaration.

- 5. Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, and John Adams:
 - A) Pick the motto for the United States:
 I. "E Pluribus Unum":
 - (1) Means "One out of many": a. Is on all U.S. coins.

Events of August 1776

- 1. August 2, 1776 News of the Declaration of Independence reaches George Washington while he and his officers are at dinner:
 - A) Colonel Innis offers a toast: "May God damn the King of England."
- 2. August 27, 1776 Battle of Long Island:
 - A) New York.
 - B) Washington and 14,000 men vs. 29,600 British:
 - I. Washington is badly defeated.
 - II. Forced to retreat to Brooklyn Heights.
 - **C)** August 29, 1776 Night:
 - I. Washington and 9,500 men are evacuated from Long Island.
 - II. Washington has lost:
 - (1) 300 killed.
 - (2) 650 wounded.
 - (3) 1,100 captured.
 - D) British losses are 63 killed and 314 wounded.

Events of September 1776

- 1. Navy adopts a standard uniform for the Marines:
 - A) Leather Collar:
 - I. To protect the neck and throat against sword cuts:
 - (1) Marines HATE it!
 - II. The collar is used until after the Civil War.
 - III. Is the source of "Leathernecks."
- 2. September 9, 1776 Congress officially adopts the name "The United States of America":
 - A) Who's idea??.....Thomas Paine!
- 3. September 15, 1776 Battle of Kip's Bay:
 - A) New York.
 - B) Washington is attacked by a British and Hessian force of 13,000:
 - I. Americans are routed!
 - II. Americans LITERALLY run away!!
 - III. Retreat to Harlem Heights.
 - C) American losses:
 - I. 50 killed.
 - II. 10 wounded.
 - III. 320 captured.

- D) British and Hessian losses:
 - I. 12 killed and wounded.
- 3. September 16, 1776 Battle of Harlem Heights:
 - A) New York.
 - B) Washington vs. British and Hessians.
 - C) 2 hours of hard fighting.
 - D) Bayonet charge by the Americans:
 - I. British and Hessians retreat, flee, turns into a route!
 - E) British are stunned by this American victory!
 - F) American losses:
 - I. 25 killed and 70 wounded.
 - G) British and Hessian losses:
 - I. 171 killed and wounded.
 - H) British will stay in New York for a month.
- 4. Washington needs information on the British Army in New York:
 - A) Captain Nathan Hale volunteers to act as a spy and get the information:
 - I. 21 years old.
 - II. Yale graduate.
 - III. Very intelligent....BUT, has absolutely NO training as a spy!
 - B) For 2 weeks Hale poses as a teacher:

- I. Writes down information.
- C) Day of departure:
 - I. Sitting in a tavern.
 - II. Waiting for boat to take him back into the American lines.
 - III. Tory relative enters....Spots him....Turns him into the British!
 - IV. Arrested....Searched....Papers found in his shoes.
- D) No trial....He is a spy:
 - I. Is simply told he will be hanged!
- E) Night before his execution:
 - I. Asks for a Bible and a Minister....Refused!
 - II. Writes 2 letters....To his Mother and Fiance:
 - (1) Gives them to the Provost Marshall.
 - (2) Marshall reads both....Then tears both up!
- F) September 22, 1776 In front of the Dove Tayern:
 - I. Is standing in the back of a wagon beneath a tree from which he is to be hanged.
 - II. Noose is prepared.
 - III. Noose is placed around his neck.
 - IV. Handkerchief is wrapped around his eyes.
 - V. Any last words? "I only regret that I

have but one life to lose for my country."
VI. Wagon rolls....He drops....Neck is
broken!

VII. British bury him secretly....Grave is unknown to this day!

Events of October 1776

- 1. October 11-13, 1776 Battle of Valcour Bay:
 - A) On Lake Champlain.
 - B) Lake fleets of Americans vs. British.
 - C) 873 Americans vs. 690 British.
 - D) Americans are defeated:
 - I. Lose 20 killed and 60 wounded.
 - E) British lose 45 killed and wounded.
- 2. October 18, 1776 Battle of Pell's Point:
 - A) New York.
 - B) Americans are defeated:
 - I. Lose 8 killed and 13 wounded.
 - C) British lose 25 killed and wounded.
- 3. October 18, 1776 Polish Volunteer, Thaddeus Kosciusko:
 - A) Commissioned a Colonel of American Engineers by Congress.
- 4. October 22, 1776 Battle of Mamaroneck:
 - A) New York.
 - B) Americans are defeated:
 - I. Lose 3 killed and 12 wounded.
- 5. October 28, 1776 Battle of White Plains:
 - A) New York.

- B) 5,000 Americans under Washington vs. 13,000 British.
- C) Americans are defeated....Retreat under cover of rain and darkness:
 - I. Lose 245 killed and wounded.
- D) The retreat has been covered by Artillery under the command of 19 year old, Captain Alexander Hamilton:
 - I. Illigitimate of birth.
 - II. Snob.
 - III. Will become a total "Social Climber."
 - IV. Will become a Lt. Colonel.
 - V. Will become Washington's Chief Secretary.
 - VI. Has a great financial mind.
 - VII. Will become greedy.
 - VIII. Will become insulting.
 - IX. Will be the 1st Secretary of the Treasury.
- E) British lose 427 killed and wounded.

Events of November 1776

- 1. November 16, 1776 Battle of Fort Washington:
 - A) New York.
 - B) Fort is defended by 2,990 Americans.
 - C) British assault with 13,000 men.
 - D) 30 minute battle.
 - E) Americans surrender....Lose:
 - I. 63 killed.
 - II. 98 wounded.
 - III. 2,829 captured.
 - F) British lose 427 killed and wounded.
- 2. November 20, 1776 Battle of Fort Lee:
 - A) New Jersey.
 - B) Americans are forced to retreat....Lose:
 - I. 8 killed.
 - II. 100 captured.
- 3. Washington takes a dwindling American Army into winter quarters in Pennsylvania.

Events of December 1776

- Continental Congress abandons Philadelphia:
 A) Go to Boston.
- 2. In Kentucky....Very evident that the British are behind the Indian troubles:
 - A) Several hunters and settlers are killed by Indians who have been supplied and urged on by the British!!
 - B) Kentucky is primary location where the Revolutionary War is fought in the west:
 - I. Called "The Dark and Bloody Ground."
 - II. Way into Kentucky is Cumberland Gap:
 - (1) Called "The Doorway to Kentucky."
 - III. Route into Kentucky is called "The Wilderness Road":
 - (1) Established by 42 year old, Daniel Boone:
 - a. Primary leader in Kentucky.
- 3. December 13, 1776 American General Charles Lee is captured by the British:
 - A) Has STUPIDLY spent the night at a tavern 4 miles beyond his lines!!
 - B) Lee:
 - I. HATES Washington.
 - II. Jealous of Washington.

- III. Wants Washington's job.
- IV. Hopes Washington will fail!!!
 - (1) BUT....He will "get his."
- 4. Washington knows he has to do something to hold what's left of his Army together:
 - A) Reads to them from Thomas Paine's "The Crisis":

"These are the times that try men's souls. The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of their country; but he that stands it now, deserves the love and thanks of man and woman."

- 5. Washington knows he has to do the unexpected and impossible....He must ATTACK!!
- 6. December 26, 1776 Battle of Trenton:
 - A) New Jersey.
 - B) Trenton is held by 1,400 Hessians under Colonel Johann Rall.
 - **C) Night December 25, 1776:**
 - I. Hessians are having a huge party:
 - (1) Everyone is getting drunk!
 - II. Washington's Army reaches the Delaware River....Need to cross to attack Trenton.

- III. Has to cross at McKonkey's Ferry, 8 miles above Trenton:
 - (1) Snowstorm....Can't find it!
 - (2) Ferry is found for him by 2 Black Soldiers:
 - a. Prince Whipple.
 - b. Oliver Cromwell.
- IV. Start crossing the Delaware River:
 - (1) Painting....Garbage!!!
 - a. German painter!
 - b. Never saw river!
 - c. Never saw Washington!
 - d. Wrong flag!
 - e. Washington standing??!!
 - **Rapid river!!
 - **Huge ice chunks!!
 - f. Washington in boat....To Henry
 Knox: "Shift your ass, Knox, and
 trim the boat."
- V. Meanwhile....A traitor from Washington's Army has slipped away and reached Trenton:
 - (1) Party....Asks for Rall....Refused:
 - a. Writes message in ENGLISH of Washington's attack for the next day to be given to Rall.
 - b. Given to Rall....Looks....Can't read English....Drunk....Puts it in his

pocket to be translated later!!!
**Will pass out in bed with the
 unread message still in his
 pocket!

- D) 26th 7:45 Morning Washington and 2,400 men hit Trenton from 2 directions:
 - I. Battle will primarily be fought with the bayonet.
 - II. Hessians are asleep.
 - III. Firing....Cannon fire.
 - IV. Rall is awakened....Rushes out....Mounts his horse...Is hit 3 times....Falls!!!
 - (1) He is taken into the church....Dying!
 - V. Hessians surrender.
 - VI. Washington goes into the church to see Rall:
 - (1) Rall surrenders.
 - (2) Remembers note....Has it translated!
 - (3) Few hours later Rall dies!
- E) Hessian losses:
 - I. 32 killed.
 - II. 74 wounded.
 - III. 920 captured.
- F) American losses:
 - I. 4 killed.
 - II. 8 wounded.
- G) Washington's victory here has saved the Revolution!!!!

- 7. End of 1776 American losses for the year:
 - **A)** 634 killed.
 - B) 626 wounded.
 - C) 5,389 captured.

January 3, 1777 The Battle of Princeton

- 1. New Jersey.
- 2. 5,050 Americans under Washington vs. 2,000 British under General Lord Cornwallis.
- 3. Americans win:
 - A) Losses:
 - I. 25 killed.
 - II. 34 wounded.
 - III. 1 captured.
- 4. British losses:
 - A) 37 killed 81 wounded 180 captured.

January 6, 1777 The Winter at Morristown

- 1. January 6, 1777 Washington goes into winter quarters at Morristown in New Jersey.
- 2. Will stay here for nearly 5 months:
 - A) By February Only 981 men left in the entire Army!
 - B) By March Numbers are back up to nearly 3,000.
 - C) Washington fools the British into believing he has almost 15,000 men....How??
 - I. Fills out false papers and INTENTIONALLY lets the British capture them!!
 - D) When he leaves on May 28, 1777, Washington will have 8,500 men.
- 3. Conditions:
 - A) Freezing cold.
 - **B) Starvation.**
 - C) Smallpox.
 - D) Enlistments up.
 - E) Many desert to the British.
 - **F) Food....:**
 - I. Rancid butter!

- II. Green, chunky, milk!
- III. Moldy, worm-filled, bread!
- IV. Rotten, wormy, meat!
- V. Wormy celery!
- VI. Black, rotten, potatoes!
 - (1) All mixed together!
 - (2) Cooked as a stew!
 - (3) Eaten!
- 4. What does the Continental Congress do??
 - A) Give Washington false promises of supplies!
 - B) Certain members lie, cheat, and steal from the Army!
 - C) Certain greedy members are engaged in graft rather than caring for the Army!
 - D) Will waste time, energy, and money!
 - E) Are more concerned with petty jealousies than providing for the Army!
 - F) Put themselves first and the Army second!
 - G) Hold up the delivery of a shipment of coatsWhy?????
 - I. Can't decide on the type of buttons to use!
 - H) Pay the Army with "Continentals":
 - I. Promissory notes....Worthless!!!!!
- 5. Finally Washington gets 22,000 muskets:
 - A) From Beaumarchais....NOT the Congress!

January 28, 1777 The Burgoyne Plan

- 1. January 28, 1777 British General John Burgoyne presents a plan to win the War:
 - A) He will lead an Army of 10,000 men out of Canada:
 - I. Will go down the Hudson River to Albany, New York.
 - II. Will re-take Fort Ticonderoga.
 - III. Will link up with General William Howe's Army coming up the Hudson River.
 - B) This, in effect, severs New England from the rest of the Colonies....and....will end the War!
 - C) Plan is approved!!!
- 2. Will FAIL.....Why??....4 reasons:
 - A) Howe will never get definite orders to link up with Burgoyne!
 - B) Hardships of the Wilderness on Burgoyne's men!
 - C) Obstacles created by the Americans in Burgoyne's path!
 - D) Burgoyne's men are NOT wilderness soldiers!

- 3. May 1777 Burgoyne assembles his force:
 - A) 8,575 men.
 - B) 138 cannons.
- 4. June 17, 1777 Burgoyne's force leaves Quebec.

Events - June & July 1777

- 1. June 14, 1777:
 - A) Congress passes a resolution creating the American Flag:
 - I. 13 stripes...Alternating colors of red and white.
 - II. To represent the union of the colonies are 13 white stars in a blue field.
 - B) Idea for the flag:
 - I. Washington's family coat of arms!
 - C) Designer:
 - I. Francis Hopkinson (A signer of the Declaration of Independence).
 - D) Maker of the 1st flag:
 - I. Rebecca Young.
 - II. She makes it for Hopkinson.
 - E) Betsy Ross:
 - I. 1st government contract to make flags.
 - II. Will do so for years.
 - F) Flag "firsts":
 - I. 1st flown in battle...@ Ft. Stanwix...August 2, 1777.
 - II. 1st surrender to it...Burgoyne at Saratoga.
 - III. 1st ship to fly it...The U.S.S. "Constitution."
- 2. June 26, 1777 Battle of Metuchen New Jersey 2,200 Am.'s under General William

Stirling.

- C) Opposed by 4,000 British under Lt. General Earl Cornwallis....Better known as Lord Cornwallis.
- D) British win:
 - I. American losses:
 - (1) 21 killed 50 wounded.
 - II. British losses:
 - (1) 53 killed and wounded.
- 3. July 6, 1777 Burgoyne re-takes Fort Ticonderoga:
 - A) Heads down the Hudson River and into the Wilderness!
 - B) Americans make the march a NIGHTMARE:
 - I. Destroy every single bridge:
 - (1) Burgoyne has to build 40 of them!
 - II. Cut down 1,000's of trees in his path!
 - III. Dig huge ditches he will have to cross!
 - IV. Destroy crops so his Army cannot forage for food!
 - C) The March:
 - I. Obstacles.
 - II. Sickness.
 - III. Ambushes by the Americans.
 - IV. Swamps.
 - V. Thick wilderness.
 - VI. Rivers and creeks.

- VII. Men start to desert.
- VIII. Food runs out....Hunger....Base of supplies is too distant!
- IX. At one point it takes him three weeks to go 23 miles!!!
- 4. July 8, 1777 Battle of Hubbardton:
 - A) Vermont.
 - B) 730 Americans under Colonel Seth Warner.
 - C) Opposed by 1,030 British.
 - D) Battle is a....Draw!!!
 - E) American losses:
 - I. 41 killed.
 - II. 96 wounded.
 - III. 234 captured.
 - F) British losses:
 - I. 204 killed and wounded.
- 5. July 27, 1777 Two men, "Foreigners", arrive in the United States to help the Americans:
 - A) Major General Johan de Kalb:
 - I. 56 years old.
 - B) 20 year old, Marie Joseph Paul Roche Yves Gilbert du Motier, Marquis de LaFayette:
 - I. Noble, very wealthy family.
 - II. Father dies when he is very small.
 - III. Buys his own ship to come to America.
 - IV. DONATES \$200 thousand to the

American cause.

- V. Mature way beyond his age.
- VI. Has a military education.
- VII. Voluntarily serves in the American Army without pay.
- VIII. Will be wounded 3 times leading American forces.
- IX. Worships George Washington:
 - (1) Looks upon him as the "Father" he never knew!
 - (2) Washington will look upon him as the "Son" he never had!
 - a. Leaves America Washington cries – Tells Captain – Take care as if he were my Son: **LaFayette names 1st son, "George Washington de LaFayette."

*SUMMER OF 1777 - SPAIN BECOMES AN ALLY OF The AMERICANS.

Events of August 1777

- 1. August 1777 New London, Connecticut 1st Submarine in history is used:
 - A) Invented by American, David Bushnell:
 - I. 1 man Submarine.
 - II. Can stay under for 30 minutes.
 - III. Named "The American Turtle."
 - B) Night Out to a British ship:
 - I. Attaches hallow oak tube filled with powder....Lights....Gets away.
 - II. British guards spot burning fuse.
 - III. Hook it....Pull it on board....BOOM!
 - IV. Kills 3 British guards.
- 2. August 6, 1777 Battle of Oriskany:
 - A) New York.
 - B) 1,182 Americans under 49 year old, Brig. General Nicholas Herkimer.
 - C) Ambushed by 1,500 British soldiers and Indians under Colonel John Butler & Mohawk Chief, Joseph Brant:
 - I. Brant....1/2 white and 1/2 Mohawk.
 - D) Bloody battle:
 - I. At times hand-to-hand!
 - II. Brave stand by the Americans.
 - III. British and Indians retreat.
 - E) Herkimer has been badly wounded:

- I. Dies shortly.
- F) American losses:
 - I. 150 killed.
 - II. 50 wounded.
 - III. 200 captured.
- G) British and Indian losses:
 - I. 150 killed and wounded.
- 3. Burgoyne's March:
 - A) Has no food.
 - B) Has no more supplies.
 - C) Malaria breaks out.
 - D) He decides to capture the American supplies at Bennington, Vermont:
 - I. Is guarded by 1,300 Americans under Colonel John Stark.
- 4. August 16, 1777 Battle of Bennington:
 - A) Vermont.
 - B) 1,300 Americans under Colonel John Stark.
 - C) Opposed by 1,450 British, Hessians, and Indians.
 - D) Fighting goes on until dark.
 - E) British force retreats.
 - F) British losses:
 - I. 207 killed and wounded.
 - II. 699 captured.
 - **G) American losses:**

wwder LT. COL. Friedrich BAUM

* BAUM IS K:LLed I. 28 killed. II. 44 wounded.

Events of September 1777

- 1. September 3, 1777 Battle of Cooch's Bridge:
 - A) Delaware.
 - B) 710 Americans vs. 800 British.
 - C) Fight to a draw.
 - D) British losses:
 - I. 30 killed and wounded.
 - E) American losses:
 - I. 20 killed.
 - II. 20 wounded.
- 2. September 11, 1777 Battle of Brandywine Creek:
 - A) Pennsylvania.
 - B) 10,500 Americans under the command of Washington.
 - C) Opposed by 15,625 British Troops under General Howe.
 - D) Americans are defeated:
 - I. Retreat turns into a route.
 - E) American losses:
 - I. 400 killed.
 - II. 583 wounded.
 - III. 375 captured.
 - F) British losses:
 - I. 95 killed.
 - II. 488 wounded.

- 3. September 19, 1777 The 1st Battle of Freeman's Farm:
 - A) New York.
 - B) 7,000 Americans vs. 6,000 British under Burgoyne.
 - C) Hard fighting:
 - I. Heroic leadership by American, Benedict Arnold.
 - II. Daniel Morgan's Virginia Riflemen take a tremendous toll on the British:
 - (1) Primarily shooting officers.
 - (2) Kill all but 1 of the British Artillery Officers.
 - (3) Kill or wound 36 of the 48 British Artillerymen.
 - III. Arnold requests reinforcements that will win the battle:
 - (1) General Horatio Gates.....REFUSES!

 a. HE will spend the day playing

 cards!!
 - D) Nightfall Both sides retreat....Draw.
 - E) American losses:
 - I. 86 killed.
 - II. 213 wounded.
 - F) British losses:
 - I. 582 killed and wounded.
 - G) At this point....Burgoyne has 1,000 wounded or sick soldiers.

- H) Gates writes 2 letters....One to Congress....
 And one to Washington:
 - I. Takes all the credit for the battle!
 - II. Does not even mention Arnold or Morgan.
- I) Arnold accuses Gates of incompetence:
 - I. Gates relieves Arnold of command!!
- J) Every American officer except one signs a letter to Gates requesting Arnold remain in command:
 - I. Gates has no choice!
- 4. September 21, 1777 The Paoli Massacre:
 - A) Pennsylvania.
 - **B) Early morning:**
 - I. 1,500 Americans are surprised and attacked by 5,000 British in a bayonet charge:
 - (1) Americans try to surrender!
 - (2) Butchered!!
 - (3) 226 are killed 100 are wounded and 71 are captured!
 - C) British have lost 4 killed and 6 wounded!

September 26, 1777 - British Occupy Philadelphia.

Events of October 1777

- 1. October 4, 1777 0 Battle of Germantown:
 - A) Pennsylvania.
 - B) 11,333 Americans under Washington.
 - C) British occupy Germantown with 7,750 Troops.
 - D) Washington attacks in a dense fog:
 - I. Massive confusion.
 - II. 9:30 Morning Americans retreat.
 - III. Have retreated from VICTORY!
 - E) American losses:
 - I. 452 killed.

450 CAPTURED

- II. 514 wounded.
- F) British losses:
 - I. 70 killed.
 - II. 450 wounded.
- 2. October 7, 1777 The 2nd Battle of Freeman's Farm:
 - A) New York.
 - B) 11,000 Americans vs. 5,000 British under Burgoyne.
 - C) During the fighting....Arnold disobeys orders to stay in camp:
 - I. Mounts his horse Goes to the battle to lead his men:
 - (1) Men cheer when he arrives.

- (2) Rallies them.
- (3) Leads them in a charge.
- (4) Bloody hand-to-hand fighting.
- (5) Blast of grapeshot kills his horse and wounds him badly in the leg.
- (6) He is carried from the battlefield.
- (7) Will not let the doctors amputate the leg!!!
- II. Nightfall Fighting ends:
 - (1) Burgoyne starts retreating toward Saratoga.
- D) American losses:
 - I. 40 killed.
 - II. 125 wounded.
- E) British losses:
 - I. 607 killed, wounded, and captured.
- 3. October 11, 1777 Burgoyne is completely surrounded at Saratoga.
- 4. October 17, 1777 Saratoga Burgoyne surrenders his 5,791 men!!!!
 - A) Key result France will sign a treaty with the United States:
 - I. 1st country to recognize the United States.
 - II. America now has an Ally.
 - III. America now has a source to purchase supplies, arms, and ammunition.

- 5. October 22, 1777 The 1st Battle of Fort Mercer:
 - A) New Jersey.
 - B) Fort is defended by Americans under Nathaniel Greene.
 - C) British charge:
 - I. Americans wait until the British are right on top of them.
 - II. Massive volley of point blank grapeshot!!!
 - III. Piles of dead British bodies, and pieces of bodles everywhere!
 - D) British retreat.
 - E) British losses:
 - I. 388 killed and wounded.
 - F) American losses:
 - I. 11 killed.
 - II. 23 wounded.

Events - December and Winter of 1777

- 1. December 5-8, 1777 Battle of White Marsh:
 - A) New Jersey.
 - B) 11,000 Americans under Washington.
 - C) Opposed by 14,000 British under Howe and Cornwallis.
 - D) Four days of fighting:
 - I. Ends in a draw.
 - E) American losses:
 - I. 90 killed and wounded.
 - F) British losses:
 - 1. 60 killed and wounded.
- 2. December 19, 1777 Washington takes his 10,500 man Army into winter quarters at Valley Forge:
 - A) 20 miles from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
 - B) Cold.
 - C) Blizzards.
 - D) Frostbite....MANY Amputations.
 - E) Freeze to death.
 - F) CRUDE log huts.
 - G) Men sleep huddled together to prevent freezing to death.
 - H) Lack of protective clothing.
 - I) No blankets.
 - J) Most are protected by layers of rags called

- "clothing."
- K) Lice.
- L) Pneumonia.
- M) Dysentery.
- N) Smallpox.
- O) Starvation:
 - I. American farmers sell food to the British because they pay in gold not "Continentals."
- P) 2,500 men will die:
 - I. Bodies are stripped for their rags....Taken into the woods....Dumped for the wolves to eat!
- Q) Meanwhile....Congress:
 - I. Graft!
 - II. Corruption!
 - III. Intrigue!
 - IV. Petty bickering!
 - V. Selfishness!
 - VI. Many are out for personal gain and control!
 - VII. NEGLECT to vote on on the distribution of shoes to the Army!
 - VIII. Those members with shoes and coats ready to be sold to the Army....Wait for prices to go up!!!!
 - (1) The clothing sits and rots!
 - IX. ULTIMATE....March 7, 1778....Make it a

National Day of Fasting and Prayer!!!

- **R) 3,000 men desert!**
- S) Army is reduced to 5,000 men!!!
- 3. Benedict Arnold is the next in line for a promotion:
 - A) Washington recommends him.
 - **B) Passed over by Congress!!**
 - I. Arnold is bitter and won't forget it!
- 4. The Conway Cabal:
 - A) The primary military men behind it are:
 - I. Horatio Gates.
 - II. Thomas Conway.
 - B) The primary members of Congress involved are:
 - I. Sam Adams.
 - II. John Adams.
 - III. Richard Henry Lee.
 - C) Is a Military and Political Conspiracy:
 - I. Purpose....To get rid of Washington as Commander-In-Chief and replace him with Gates!!
 - D) Accuse Washington of a lack of spirit....WHILE he is in Valley Forge!!!?????
 - E) FAILS!!
- 5. Tory plot to kill Washington:

1/4 OF

The Man's

Died

There!

- A) 5 men and 1 woman involved:
 - I. Thomas Hickey....One of Washington's personal bodyguards....Is the leader!
- B) Plan....Poison and stab him!
- C) Hickey poisons his peas:
 - I. Washington feeds them to the chickens.
 - II. They die.
 - III. Plot is uncovered!
- D) The 5 men are arrested:
 - I. Hickey is hanged.
- 6. American losses for 1777:
 - A) 1,413 killed.
 - B) 2,298 wounded.
 - **C) 2,840 captured.**

Events of February 1778

- 1. 47 year old, General Baron Von Steuban arrives in Valley Forge:
 - A) Prussian:
 - I. Speaks hardly any English.
 - II. Has a translator with him.
 - III. Has been hired and sent to America by Beaumarchais.
 - IV. BAD temper!
 - V. Rigid disciplinarian.
 - VI. Fair.
 - VII. Men like him.
 - **B) MAKES the American Army:**
 - I. Called "The Father of the American Army."
- 2. February 6, 1778 The United States signs 2 treaties with France:
 - A) France becomes the 1st country to recognize the United States!
 - B) These are the 1st treaties between the U.S. and any country.
 - C) One of the Treaties....Trade agreement between the 2 countries:
 - I. Very beneficial to the French.
 - D) One of the Treaties....Make War and Peace together:

- I. France agrees to send 16 warships and 4,000 Soldiers to America to fight the British.
- E) King Louis XVI of France has ulterior motives:
 - I. The U.S. is now his "watchdog" in America.
 - II. France can now fire on English merchant ships in that interfere with the French sugar trade in the West Indies.

3. Later....:

- A) 1779....Spain also declares war on England.
- B) 1780....Holland declares war on England.

June 28, 1778 The Battle of Monmouth

- 1. New Jersey.
- 2. 12,000 Americans under Washington vs. 10,000 British.
- 3. Hot Starts at 9:00 in the morning Will not end until 8 hours later at 5:00 in the afternoon!
 - A) The British will be forced to retreat!
 - B) Anthony Wayne is the American fighting hero.
 - C) Baron Von Steuban is the American tactical hero.
 - **D) American losses:**
 - I. 180 killed.
 - II. 195 wounded.
 - E) British losses:
 - I. 242 killed.
 - II. 225 wounded.
 - III. 576 who desert to the American side.
 - F) 1st time Washington is not forced to give up a field of battle!
 - G) Is the last time the 2 main large Armies will meet in battle.
 - H) ONLY battle of the entire Revolution where

- all 13 Colonies are represented by a fighting force.
- I) Tallest soldier in the War is killed in this battle:
 - I. British Soldier....7 feet 4 inches tall!
- J) Source of the "Legend" of "Molly Pitcher":
 - I. Many women accompany husbands.
 - II. This case....Cannoneers.
 - III. Wives would carry water in buckets and pitchers to the men.
 - IV. Husband is killed....She takes his place manning the cannon.
 - V. Who is she?....MOST likely a compilation of 2 women who are there, lost husbands, and they took their places:
 - (1) Molly Corbin. (MACGRET)
 - (2) Mary Ludwig Hays McCauley.

Events of July 1778

- 1. July 3, 1778 The Wyoming Valley Massacre:
 - A) Pennsylvania.
 - B) A force of 990 Tories and Indians under the command of Colonel Seth Butler attack the 375 American men, women, and children at 40 Fort:
 - I. 227 American men are killed.
 - II. Women and children flee to Fort Wyoming.
 - C) Butler's force surrounds Fort Wyoming:
 - I. He pledges that nobody will be harmed if the Fort surrenders.
 - **II. Fort surrenders:**
 - (1) 315 Americans are tomahawked to death.
 - D) The Tories and Indians terrorize the Valley:
 - I. Farms, houses, and towns are burnt!
 - II. Men, women, and children are killed or tortured to death!
 - III. Some are burnt alive at the stake!
 - IV. Some are staked over coals alive to slowly "cook" to death!
 - V. Some are pinned to the ground with pitchforks!
 - VI. Babies are found later with eyes gouged out!

- VII. Pregnant women are whipped until they start forced labor....Lose babies!
- VIII. 1/2 Breed Indian, Queen Esther:
 - (1) Forces prisoners to kneel in a circle.
 - (2) Dances around them.
 - (3) Cutting their heads off!!!!
- 2. 25 year old, Colonel George Rogers Clark:
 - A) Proposes taking an elite force of men to the Northwest and seize the British forts in the region.
 - B) Approved.
 - C) Force is 175 elite fighting men:
 - I. Wear:
 - (1) Leather-fringed uniforms.
 - (2) Tall floppy black hats.
 - II. Excellent shots.
 - III. Excellent at hand-to-hand combat.
 - IV. Are wilderness survivalists.
 - V. Most are orphans or bachelors....So they will leave no grieving families if they are killed.
 - VI. Are well-trained....Like Robert Roger's men in the French & Indian War.
 - VII. Are a Colonial version of....The Special Forces(Green Berets), Navy Seals, or Delta Force.

VIII. Called: "Roger's Rangers."

- 3. July 5, 1778 The Taking of Fort Kaskaskia:
 - A) Night Roger's Rangers subdue the 1 guard and quietly enter the British held fort:
 - I. Huge party going on.
 - II. Americans quietly take the buildings.
 - III. Clark and 6 men climb the stairs to where the party is being held.
 - IV. Enter....Unnoticed!
 - V. Lean against the wall and door for 3 minutes....Smiling....Before anyone notices them!
 - VI. A woman screams....Music stops....A woman faints....Silence!
 - VII. Clark informs them they can continue the party....BUT....Under the flag of Virginia....NOT England!
 - VIII. Not a single shot has been fired.
 - IX. British commander is drunk....Passed out....Has to be awakened....Told he is a prisoner....He surrenders the fort!
- 4. July 6, 1778 The French fleet arrives in America.
- 5. Clark and his men take Fort Cahokia.

6. July 20, 1778 – Clark and his men take Fort Vincennes.

Events of August 1778

- 1. August 8, 1778 Battle of Newport:
 - A) Rhode Island.
 - B) Defended by 3,000 British Soldiers.
 - C) 2,200 Americans attack:
 - I. Defeated and forced to retreat.
- 2. August 29, 1778 Battle of Quaker Hill:
 - A) Rhode Island.
 - **B) 1,500 Americans vs. 3,000 British.**
 - C) Fight to a draw!
 - D) American losses:
 - I. 30 killed.
 - II. 137 wounded.
 - E) British losses:
 - I. 38 killed.
 - II. 210 wounded.

Events of November & December 1778

- 1. November 11, 1778 The Cherry Valley Massacre:
 - A) New York.
 - B) A force of 700 Tories and Indians hit the Valley during a snowstorm:
 - I. 16 American Soldiers are killed.
 - II. 43 women and children are killed.
- 2. December 29, 1778 Battle of Savannah:
 - A) Georgia.
 - B) Town is defended by 925 Americans.
 - C) Attacked by 3,375 British Soldiers, Tories, and Indians.
 - D) Americans are routed!
 - E) American losses:
 - I. 83 killed and wounded.
 - II. 446 captured.
 - F) British losses:
 - I. 3 killed.
 - II. 10 wounded.
- 3. American losses for 1778:
 - A) 1,213 killed.
 - B) 482 wounded.
 - **C) 1,527 captured.**

February 25, 1779 The Re-Taking of Ft. Vincennes

- 1. Fort Vincennes has been retaken by the British and Indians under Colonel Henry "Hair Buyer" Hamilton.
- 2. Clark and 150 men make an unbelievable march to Fort Vincennes:
 - A) Floods.
 - B) Rains.
 - C) Chest deep, icy water!
- 3. Reach the Fort:
 - A) By marching his men back and forth in front of the Fort:
 - I. Clark makes Hamilton think he has 1,000 men!
 - B) Clark's snipers pick off British soldiers in the Fort.
 - C) Hamilton's Indians desert and leave!
 - D) Talks:
 - I. Hamilton is undecided on whether to surrender or not.
 - E) Clark has captured some of Hamilton's Indians with white scalps:
 - I. Takes 5 of them and makes them kneel in

full-view of the Fort. II. Clark tomahawks all 5 to death in the back of the head! F) February 25th – Hamilton surrenders!

Events of June & July 1779

- 1. June 20, 1779 Battle of Stono Ferry:
 - A) South Carolina.
 - B) 1,200 Americans under Generals William Moultrie and Benjamin Lincoln.
 - C) Opposed by 900 British.
 - D) Fight to a draw.
 - E) American losses:
 - I. 34 killed.
 - II. 113 wounded.
 - F) British losses:
 - I. 26 killed.
 - II. 103 wounded.
- 2. July 16, 1779 2nd Battle of Stony Point:
 - A) New York.
 - B) 1,275 Americans under Anthony Wayne.
 - C) 626 British hold Stony Point.
 - D) To be a bayonet attack.
 - E) Just after midnight British guard is overpowered.
 - F) All hell breaks loose.
 - G) Americans charge.
 - H) Wayne is knocked down by a glancing musket ball that hits him in the head:
 - I. Gets up and leads until he collapses.
 - I) Americans enter the Fort:

- I. Bloody bayonet battle.
- II. Blood literally runs from the ends of the barrels!
- J) British surrender.
- **K) British losses:**
 - I. 70 killed.
 - II. 73 wounded.
 - III. 482 captured.
 - (1) Only 1 man gets away.
- L) American losses:
 - I. 15 killed.
 - II. 84 wounded.

Events of August 1779

- 1. August 1779 2nd Battle of Kettle Creek:
 - A) South Carolina.
 - B) Tories attack along the border.
 - C) Repulsed....Lose 100 killed.
 - D) At the creek another 70 are killed.
 - E) 5 of the Tories are captured....Hanged for treason!
- 2. August 19, 1779 Battle of Paulus Hook:
 - A) Jersey City, New Jersey.
 - B) 250 British hold the position.
 - C) 23 year old, Lt. Colonel Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee proposes a daring plan to Washington:
 - I. Raid!!
 - (1) Is very risky Could be cut off and slaughtered!
 - D) Washington will not give official approval BUT:
 - I. Gives him 400 men and wishes them luck!
 - E) 3:00 Morning Cross canal Powder gets soaked:
 - I. Will have to attack with the bayonet!
 - II. Spotted.
 - III. Fired on.
 - IV. Charge.

- V. Kill and wound 50 of the British Soldiers.
- VI. Take 158 prisoners.
- VII. Retreat.
- F) With wet powder, no food or water, race for the canal – Are pursued by the British for 24 hours:
 - I. American Army shows up.
 - II. Protects their crossing back.
 - III. Have lost only 2 killed and 3 wounded.
- G) Congress:
 - I. Issues no praise to Lee and the men!
 - II. Threaten Lee with a court martial because he has had no right to command such a raid AND hasn't destroyed the British supplies!!!
 - (1) Why do they not question Washington about it??!!

Events of September 1779

- 1. September 12, 1779 Savannah, Georgia:
 - A) The French Fleet arrives:
 - I. Under the command of LaFayette's cousin, 50 year old, Comte D'Estaing:
 - (1) 35 ships.
 - (2) 4,475 French Soldiers.
- 2. September 23, 1779 The "Bonhomme Richard" vs. the "Serapis":
 - A) Most famous sea battle of the War.
 - B) Captain of the "Bonhomme Richard" is John Paul Jones:
 - I. 42 guns.
 - II. Crew of 304 men:
 - (1) 17 different nationalities.
 - C) Captain of the "Serapis" is Richard Pearson:
 - I. 50 guns.
 - II. Crew of 320.
 - D) The 2 ships prepare:
 - I. Marines in the riggings.
 - II. "Powder Monkeys."
 - III. Sand on the decks.
 - IV. Etc.
 - E) Battle starts at dusk dark in the evening.
 - F) Broadsides:
 - I. Carnage.

- II. Fires break out on both ships.
- G) Battle is 30 minutes long:
 - I. "Bonhomme Richard" is hit below the water line....Starts leaking BADLY!
- H) Battle is now 1 hour long:
 - I. Is being fought by moonlight.
 - II. The "Bonhomme Richard" is slowly sinking.
 - III. Crewmember starts to pull down the flag:
 - (1) Pearson....Megaphone: "Have you struck?"
 - IV. Jones clubs the man down!!!
 - (1) "Struck? You damned fool! I've just begun to fight."
- I) Jones rams the "Serapis":
 - I. 2 ships become locked together.
 - II. Blaze away at each other at point blank range.
 - III. At times it is hand to hand.
- J) American Marine Rigging "Bonhomme Richard" – Grenade on deck of "Serapis":
 - I. Bounces around.
 - II. Down hatch....into the POWDER ROOM!
 - III. BOOM!!!!
 - IV. Explosion kills and wounds 38:
 - (1) 20 of the 38 are blown to pieces!
- K) Is now....10:30....Night:

- I. Battle is 3 hours and 30 minutes old.
- II. Pearson surrenders to Jones!
- L) Everything and everyone is transferred to the "Serapis":
 - I. "Bonhomme Richard" sinks.
 - II. American losses:
 - (1) 49 killed and 67 wounded.
 - III. British losses:
 - (1) 49 killed and 68 wounded.

October 9, 1779 The Battle of Savannah

- 1. Georgia.
- 2. 4,795 French and Americans attack 3,200 British:
 - A) Battle lasts for 1 hour.
 - B) American leader, Count Casimir Pulaski is cut almost in two by a blast of British grapeshot and killed.
 - C) Disasterous defeat for the American-French force.
 - D) American-French losses:
 - I. 279 killed.
 - II. 693 wounded.
 - E) British losses:
 - I. 40 killed.
 - II. 62 wounded.

Events of December 1779

- 1. December 1st American Army goes into winter quarters:
 - A) Morristown, New Jersey.
 - B) 3 times worse than Valley Forge!!
- 2. American losses for 1779:
 - A) 911 killed.
 - **B) 1,007 wounded.**
 - **C) 1,017 captured.**

Events of May 1780

1. Benedict Arnold:

- A) Is the Military Governor of Philadelphia.
- B) 5 officers have been promoted over him.
- C) Is finally made a Major General.
- D) Washington actually snubs him!
- E) Congress owes him 4 years of back pay.
- F) Walks with a bad limp from his wound at Saratoga.
- **G) Meets Peggy Shippen:**
 - I. He is 39....She is 19!!
 - II. Her father is a rich Quaker Tory.
 - III. She is spoiled rotten!
 - IV. She is the center of society.
 - V. She craves wealth.
 - VI. She craves power.
 - VII. She craves honor.
 - VIII. She craves glory.
 - IX. She craves a high society style of life.
- H) The 2 fall in love....Will marry in 1779.
- I) She starts to complain of no money:
 - I. Throws fits when there is no money to "meet social obligations."
 - II. Constantly talks of titles and glory.
 - III. Starts communicating with Major John

Andre....Chief of Intelligence of the British Army.

- J) Arnold loves his wife:
 - I. Needs money to please her.
 - II. Is disgusted with the treatment he has received from Congress.
 - III. Is resentful of the snub by Washington!
- K) Arnold decides to turn traitor!
 - I. May of 1779....He makes his intentions known to Tory, Joseph Stansbury:
 - (1) Stansbury tells British Spy, Jonathan O'Dell:
 - a. O'Dell delivers a note from Peggy to Andre of her husband's intentions.
- 2. South Brig. General Francis Marion carries out a very successful guerrilla war against the British:
 - A) South Carolina.
 - B) Small group of guerrilla fighters.
 - C) Called "The Swamp Fox."
- 3. May 6, 1780 Battle of Lenud's Ferry:
 - A) South Carolina.
 - B) 350 Americans vs. 150 Tories under the command of Lt. Colonel Banastre Tarleton.
 - C) Americans are defeated:

- I. Lose 11 killed 30 wounded and 67 captured.
- 4. May 12, 1780 Charleston, South Carolina falls to the British:
 - A) 7,000 Americans have opposed 13,500 British.
 - B) American Army surrenders.
 - C) American losses:
 - I. 90 kiiled.
 - II. 141 wounded.
 - III. 6,684 captured.
 - D) British losses:
 - I. 77 killed.
 - II. 189 wounded.
- 5. May 29, 1780 Battle of Waxhaws:
 - A) South Carolina.
 - B) 370 Americans vs. 270 Tories under the command of Tarleton.
 - C) Americans raise a white flag and surrender.
 - D) Tories start murdering them with swords and bayonets:
 - I. 113 Americans are killed.
 - II. 203 are wounded and captured.
 - E) Tory losses are 4 killed and 14 wounded.

Events of June & July 1780

- 1. June 7, 1780 1st Battle of Springfield:
 - A) New Jersey.
 - **B) 1,800 Americans vs. 5,000 British.**
 - C) Fight to a draw.
 - **D) American losses:**
 - I. 15 killed.
 - II. 50 wounded.
 - E) British losses:
 - I. 150 killed and wounded.
- 2. June 20, 1780 Battle of Ramsour's Mill:
 - A) North Carolina.
 - B) 375 Americans vs. 1,300 British.
 - C) British are defeated.
 - **D) American losses:**
 - I. 70 killed.
 - II. 100 wounded.
 - E) British losses:
 - I. 70 killed.
 - II. 160 wounded.
- 3. June 23, 1780 2nd Battle of Springfield:
 - A) New Jersey.
 - **B) 1,800 Americans vs. 5,000 British.**
 - C) British are defeated.
 - D) American losses:

- I. 15 killed.
- II. 49 wounded.
- 4. July 10, 1780 Newport, Rhode Island:
 - A) A French Fleet arrives:
 - I. Has 5,340 MORE French Troops. -> under Conte de Rochambeau

Events of August 1780

- 1. August 1, 1780 Battle of Rocky Mount:
 - A) South Carolina.
 - B) 600 Americans vs. 180 British.
 - C) Americans are defeated.
 - D) American losses:
 - l. 10 killed.
 - II. 8 wounded.
 - E) British losses:
 - I. 12 killed and wounded.
- 2. August 3, 1780 Washington appoints
 Benedict Arnold commander of the very
 important military post at West Point:
 - A) Overlooks and commands the Hudson River in New York.
 - B) Arnold's wife writes to Andre:
 - I. Proposition:
 - (1) Arnold will turn over West Point to the British:
 - a. In return....Arnold will be paid 10,000 pounds....AND....Be made a General in the British Army: **British agree!!!
- 3. August 6, 1780 Battle of Hanging Rock: A) South Carolina.

- B) 800 Americans vs. 500 British.
- C) British are defeated.
- D) American losses:
 - I. 12 killed.
 - II. 41 wounded.
- E) British losses:
 - I. 200 killed and wounded.
- 4. August 16, 1780 Battle of Camden:
 - A) South Carolina.
 - B) 4,023 Americans under Horatio Gates:
 - I. Are starving.
 - II. Are short of ammunition.
 - III. Are thirsty.
 - IV. Are tired.
 - C) Opposed by 2,184 British.
 - D) Night before the battle:
 - I. Gates feeds his men molasses and bran!!!! (1) LAXATIVE!!!
 - E) Battle:
 - I. Gates panics and flees....Leaves his Army behind....Doesn't stop until he is 180 miles away!
 - II. American leader, Baron Jean de Kalb, and his 600 men are surrounded:
 - (1) Continue to fight.
 - (2) de Kalb is killed. <//
 - F) Americans are defeated.

- **G) American losses:**
 - I. 250 killed.
 - II. 800 wounded.
 - III. 500 captured.
- H) British losses:
 - I. 316 killed and wounded.
- 5. August 18, 1780 Battle of Fishing Creek:
 - A) South Carolina.
 - B) 700 Americans vs. 160 Tories under Tarleton.
 - C) Americans are defeated.
 - D) American losses:
 - I. 100 killed.
 - II. 100 wounded.
 - III. 305 captured.
 - E) Tory losses:
 - I. 16 killed and wounded.

September 1780 Arnold's Treason

- 1. It becomes necessary for Andre to meet and talk with Arnold at West Point.
- 2. September 21, 1780 Night:
 - A) Andre is rowed ashore from a British ship anchored in the Hudson River.
 - **B) Meets secretly with Arnold:**
 - I. The 2 men talk until 4:00 the next morning.
 - C) While they are meeting:
 - I. An American artillery crew....Drunk....

 Open fire on the British ship....It leaves!

 II. Andre's close "ride" is now gone!
- 3. September 22, 1780:
 - A) Andre decides to go south Overland To British lines.
 - B) Arnold gives him civilian clothes.
 - C) Arnold writes out a pass in the name of "John Anderson" for him.
 - D) Andre hides the papers he has written all information on....In his stocking:
 - I. Heads out.
 - II. Will get lost.

- 4. September 23, 1780 Pleasantville, New York:
 - A) Andre is stopped by 3 American deserters:
 - I. One of the 3 is dressed in a British uniform.
 - II. Andre thinks they are Tories.
 - III. Andre tells them he is a British officer.
 - IV. They place him under arrest.
 - V. He says he was only joking.
 - VI. He shows them his pass.
 - VII. They search him....Find the secret documents!!
 - VIII. He offers to pay them to let him go, BUT, he has no money!
 - IX. The 3 deserters decide to turn him in to the American Army in return for the desertion charges being dropped against them!
 - X. They turn him in to Colonel Jameson.
 - XI. Jameson writes and sends a letter to Arnold:
 - (1) Tells him he has caught a spy!
 - (2) Tells him the spy has a pass with his forged name on it!!

B) MEANWHILE:

- I. Alexander Hamilton has arrived at West Point:
 - (1) Tells Arnold that Washington and LaFayette will be a little late for a

visit.

- (2) Arnold, Hamilton, and Peggy start eating breakfast.
- (3) Middle of the meal....Letter from Jameson arrives!
- (4) Arnold reads it....Asks to be excused.
- (5) Goes upstairs....Peggy follows him up.
- (6) He tells her....Says he has to flee....He will send for her later!
- (7) Hamilton sits....Time goes by....The 2
 Arnolds don't come back!
- C) 2 hours later Washington and LaFayette arrive:
 - I. Hamilton tells him of the events.
 - II. Washington gets a letter from Jameson's headquarters that Arnold might be a traitor!
 - III. He goes upstairs....Arnold has already gone to another British ship in the river.
 - IV. Washington confronts Peggy....She lies and says she knows nothing of the treason....Fakes fainting!

Events of October 1780

- 1. Andre is sentenced to death as a spy!
- 2. Andre requests to be shot instead of being hanged:
 - A) Hanging is the punishment for spying.
 - B) His request is denied!
- 3. October 2, 1780:
 - A) Andre is stood on the back of a wagon beneath a makeshift gallows.
 - B) He opens his own collar for the noose.
 - C) He places the noose around his own neck.
 - D) He draws it tight around his neck.
 - E) He ties his own handkerchief around his eyes.
 - F) His arms are tied together.
 - G) Wagon rolls....Neck is broken....Dead.
- 4. Finish with Benedict Arnold:
 - A) Gets a little over 6,000 pounds from the British.
 - B) Peggy will be released by the Americans: I. She will join him.
 - C) He is made a Brig. General in the British Army.

- D) Will fight against the Americans.
- E) After the War....Will live in England.
- F) King praises Peggy....NOT him!!!
- G) King grants HER a bonus and a pension of 500 pounds per year....PLUS....100 pounds per year per child.
- H) He is detested by the English.
- I) The Arnolds are not accepted by English society.
- J) He resigns from the Army.
- K) They are given 13,000 acres of land in Canada.
- L) June 14, 1891 London, England:
 - I. Arnold on his deathbed.
 - II. Asks to be buried in his old American Army uniform....Dies!
- 5. October 7, 1780 Battle of King's Mountain:
 - A) North Carolina.
 - B) 1,076 American Rangers vs. 1,112 Tories under the command of Major Patrick Ferguson.
 - C) The Rangers are excellent Indian fighters and great shots!
 - D) Rangers attack the Tory position on King's Mountain:
 - I. Ranger, Robert Young picks out Ferguson, aims, fires....Kills him!

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E) Tories surrender.

F) American losses:

I. 29 killed.

II. 60 wounded.

G) Tory losses:

I. 234 killed.

II. 162 wounded.

III. 683 captured:

- (1) 9 of the captured are hanged for war crimes!
- H) This American victory turns the tide of the War in the south in favor of the Americans!!
- 6. October 19, 1780 Battle of Klock's Field:
 - A) New York.
 - B) 1,500 Americans defeat a British & Indian force.

Ferguson's Stripped Body Is uninted on!

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Events - November to the End of 1780

- 1. November 20, 1780 Battle of Blackstock's Plantation:
 - A) South Carolina.
 - B) 725 Americans vs. 270 Tories under Banastre Tarleton.
 - C) Americans win.
 - D) American losses:
 - I. 3 killed.
 - II. 5 wounded.
 - E) Tory losses:
 - I. 71 killed.
 - II. 75 wounded.
- 2. American losses for 1780:
 - A) 1,002 killed.
 - **B) 1,922 wounded.**
 - **C) 4,719 captured.**

Events of January 1781

- 1. January 1, 1781 Winter quarters at Princeton, New Jersey The Pennsylvania Line Mutnies:
 - **A) Why??**
 - I. Cold Hunger No winter clothing and no pay!
 - **B) 1,300 men mutiny:**
 - I. Head for Philadelphia to get what "is owed them."
 - C) Stopped by a force of the American Army under General Anthony "Mad Anthony" Wayne:
 - I. He fires a load of grapeshot into them.
 - II. Kills a few.
 - III. rest return to Princeton.
- 2. January 17, 1781 Battle of the Cowpens:
 - A) South Carolina.
 - B) 1,047 Americans under the command of Daniel Morgan.
 - C) Will be opposed by 1,117 British Soldiers and Tories under the command of Lt. Colonel Banastre Tarleton.
 - D) The British-Tory force is lured into a trap by the Americans.
 - E) Battle is over in less than an hour:

- I. British are defeated!
- F) American losses:
 - I. 12 killed.
 - II. 60 wounded.
- **G) British-Tory losses:**
 - I. 108 killed.
 - II. 207 wounded.
 - III. 585 captured.
- 3. January 20, 1781 The New Jersey Line mutinies:
 - A) Same reasons as the Pennsylvania Line.
 - B) All are captured.
 - C) 12 of the Muntineers are forced to shoot the 2 leaders of the mutiny!!

Events - February & March 1781

- 1. February 25, 1781 Battle of the Haw River:
 - A) North Carolina.
 - B) 600 Americans vs. a British force of 400.
 - C) Americans win.
 - D) British losses:
 - I. 90 killed.
 - II. 250 wounded.
- 2. March 6, 1781 Battle of Wetzell's Mill:
 - A) North Carolina.
 - B) 650 Americans.
 - C) Opposed by a British-Tory force of 1,200 under the command of Lt. Colonel Banastre Tarleton.
 - D) Draw.
 - E) American losses:
 - I. 8 killed.
 - II. 12 wounded.
 - F) British losses:
 - I. 30 killed and wounded.
- 3. March 15, 1781 Battle of Guilford Courthouse:
 - A) North Carolina.
 - B) 4,400 Americans under the command of Nathaniel Greene.

- C) Opposed by a British force of 2,025 under the command of General Lord Cornwallis.
- D) Battle becomes hand-to-hand.
- E) Cornwallis orders his cannons to fire into the mass of milling men....His own as well as the Americans!
 - I. Kills many men on BOTH sides!
- F) After 2 hours....Ends.
- **G) Americans retreat.**
- H) American losses:
 - I. 74 killed.
 - II. 184 wounded.
- I) British losses:
 - I. 131 killed.
 - II. 401 wounded.
- J) 2 major results:
 - I. Forces the British into Virginia in an attempt to be evacuated back to the north.
 - II. 1,000s of Tories desert to the Americans.

Events - April & May 1781

- 1. April 25, 1781 Battle of Petersburg:
 - A) Virginia.
 - B) 1,000 Americans vs. 2,500 British.
 - C) Americans are defeated.
 - D) American losses:
 - I. 10 killed.
 - II. 50 wounded.
 - E) British losses:
 - I. 70 killed and wounded.
- 2. April 25, 1781 Battle of Hobkirk's Hill:
 - A) South Carolina.
 - B) 1,551 Americans under the command of Nathaniel Greene vs. 900 British.
 - C) Americans are defeated.
 - D) American losses:
 - I. 19 killed.
 - II. 111 wounded.
 - E) British losses:
 - I. 38 killed.
 - II. 180 wounded.
- 3. May 21, 1781 Washington and French Commander, Rochambeau....Meet:
 - A) Rochambeau informs him that a French fleet of 28 ships is on the way to America:

I. Have 3,000 Soldiers under Comte de Grasse

Events - June, July, & August 1781

- 1. June 3 & 4, 1781 The Ride of Captain Jack Jouett:
 - A) Late night of June 3rd:
 - I. He is sleeping on the lawn of a tavern.
 - II. Hears British Dragoons approach.
 - III. Hides.
 - IV. Hears them talking of heading to Charlotsville to arrest Thomas Jefferson and Patrick Henry.
 - B) It takes him all night....Into the day of the 4th to make the dangerous 40 mile ride:
 - I. Warns the 2 men.
 - II. They get away.
- 2. July 6, 1781 Battle of Greensprings Farm:
 - A) Virginia.
 - B) 900 Americans under the command of Anthony Wayne and the Marquis de LaFavette.
 - C) Opposed by 7,000 British under General Lord Cornwallis.
 - D) Americans are defeated.
 - E) American losses:
 - I. 28 killed.
 - II. 99 wounded.
 - F) British losses:

- I. 75 killed and wounded.
- 3. August 1, 1781 Cornwallis takes his Army out onto the Virginia peninsula at Yorktown:

 A) Is awaiting the arrival of a British fleet to evacuate him and his Army back to New York.

Events – September to the End of 1781

- 1. September 8, 1781 Battle of Eutaw Springs:
 - A) South Carolina.
 - B) 2,125 Americans vs. 2,150 British.
 - C) British retreat:
 - I. Turns into a route.
 - D) Americans Hungry STOP in the abandoned British camp to eat!!!
 - E) British counterattack:
 - I. Americans are forced to retreat!
 - F) American losses:
 - I. 232 killed.
 - II. 371 wounded.
 - **G) British losses:**
 - I. 213 killed.
 - II. 351 wounded.
 - III. 328 captured.
- 2. September 12, 1781 Battle of Cane Creek:
 - A) North Carolina.
 - B) 400 Americans vs. 950 British.
 - C) Americans are defeated.
 - D) American losses:
 - I. 25 killed.
 - II. 90 wounded.
 - E) British losses:
 - I. 27 killed.

II. 90 wounded.

- 3. September 28th to October 19, 1781 The Siege of Yorktown:
 - A) Virginia.
 - B) Washington and Rochambeau bottle up Cornwallis on the Yorktown Peninsula!
 - C) Cornwallis has 8,000 men.
 - D) 17,889 American and French Troops:
 - I. Have 200 cannons.
 - E) October 9, 1781 Bombardment of the British starts!!!!
 - I. Around the clock!
 - II. So heavy the British cannot come out to bury their dead!
 - F) British defensive perimeter continually shrinks:
 - I. Epidemics break out in the British lines.
 - G) October 17th British ask for talks:
 - I. THEY offer terms of surrender!
 - II. Washington: "NO TERMS!!!"
 - III. He knows the British are delaying....Are waiting for the fleet to arrive:
 - (1) NEVER going to arrive....French have intercepted....Fought and defeated them....British have turned back!
 - H) Cornwallis finally agrees to surrender unconditionally!

- I) October 18th Surrender is signed.
- J) October 19th 2:00 Afternoon British Army surrenders:
 - I. Cornwallis refuses to attend the ceremony....Claims he is "sick."
 - II. In the siege....British losses:
 - (1) 561 killed and wounded.
 - III. 7,409 British Troops are surrendered:
 - (1) 8,000 muskets.
 - (2) 230 cannons.
- K) Allies have lost 308 killed and wounded.
- 4. Washington creates the Order of the Purple Heart as medal of valor.
- 5. December 22, 1781 LaFayette leaves America for good.
- 6. American losses for 1781:
 - A) 1,016 killed.
 - **B) 1,485 wounded.**
 - **C) 1,436 captured.**

1782 (April)

 April 12, 1782 – Paris, France:
 A) Peace talks start between America and England.

1782 (August)

- 1. August 7, 1782 Gen. George Washington:
 - A) Creates the Order of the Purple Heart:
 - I. To recognize the merits of Enlisted Men & Non-Commissioned Officers.
- 2. August 19, 1782 The Battle of the Blue Licks:
 - A) Kentucky.
 - B) 190 Americans vs. 375 Tories & Indians.
 - C) Americans are defeated:
 - I. Lose 77 killed & 12 wounded.
 - II. 4 captured:
 - (1) Tied; Spread-Eagle on the ground; Gutted while alive!
 - D) Tory & Indian losses:
 - I. 41 killed and wounded.

1782 (November)

- 1. November 10, 1782 Ohio Territory Last battle of the war:
 - A) Against the Shawnee Indians.
- 2. November 30, 1782 Paris, France The Treaty of Paris is signed:
 - A) American Commissioners are:
 - I. John Jay.
 - II. John Adams.
 - III. Benjamin Franklin.
 - B) Ends the war.

<u>1782</u>

- 1. American losses for 1782:
 - A) 308 killed.
 - B) 168 wounded.
 - C) 570 captured.

1782-1783 (Winter)

- 1. The Newburgh Conspiracy:
 - A) New York.
 - **B) Army Officers:**
 - I. Want their back pay.
 - II. Propose a military takeover of Congress.
 - C) Officers are gathered and meeting:
 - I. Washington happens "to drop in for a visit."
 - D) Washington appeals to their patriotism:
 - I. Takes out a letter...Starts to read...Pauses ...Takes out his glasses:
 - (1) "Gentlemen, you will permit me to put on my spectacles, for I have not only grown gray, but almost blind, in the service of my country."
 - a. His point is made!
 - b. Men cry!
 - E) Washington convinces Congress to grant pensions to the officers and men:
 - I. He has literally saved the United States.

Events of 1783

- 1. January 20, 1783 The Treaty of Paris is officially signed:
 - A) Spain gets....Minorca and the Floridas.
 - B) France gets....Tobago in the West Indies.
 - C) America:
 - I. Independence.
 - II. All territory south to Florida.
 - III. All territory north to Canada.
 - IV. All territory west to the Ohio Country.
 - V. Fishing rights in Newfoundland.
 - VI. British are to withdraw from northern fur trading posts.
 - D) America agrees to:
 - I. Restore all property and rights to Loyalists.
 - II. Assist British creditors in collecting debts from American merchants.
 - III. Let British have navigation rights on the Mississippi River.
- 2. April 11, 1783 Congress declares the War over.
- 3. November 2, 1783 Washington gives his Farewell Speech to the Army.

- 4. November 3, 1783 Congress disbands the Army and Marines.
- 5. December 2, 1783 Last British Troops leave America.
- 6. December 4, 1783 Faunce's Tavern New York Washington bids farewell to his officers.
- 7. December 23, 1783 Washington resigns as Commander in Chief.
- 8. American losses for 1783:
 - A) 1 killed.
 - B) 11 wounded.

Summary

- 1. Cost to England...\$600 million & a country!
- 2. Cost to America...Over \$135 million.
- 3. Land & sea battles...1,546!!!
- 4. British ships sunk...112.
- 5. American ships sunk...24.
- 6. American women have served as soldiers, cooks, spies, seamstresses, laundresses, etc.!
- 7. Out of an American male population of 350,000...Over 200,000 have seen action:
 - A) Never more than 25,000 at one time.
- 8. Americans captured...15,427.
- 9. Americans wounded...7,088.
- 10. American deaths:
 - A) Killed in action...5,567.
 - B) British prisons...9,337.
 - C) Diseases & "other"...10,000.
 - I. Total deaths...24,904!!!

- 1. Phi Beta Kappa Society is founded: A) William & Mary College.
- 2. De Anza founds San Francisco.
- 3. Term "Infantry" comes into being:
 - A) Comes from the Spanish term "Infantes": I. Used to describe honorary colonels.

1776 (January)

January 5, 1776 – New Hampshire:
 A) 1st to adopt a written state constitution.

1776 (November)

1. November 22, 1776 – Thomas Jefferson: "It may be regarded as certain that not a foot of land will ever be taken from the Indians without their consent. The sacredness of their rights are felt by all thinking persons in America."

1776 The Doanes Gang

- 1. Operates for 12 years during and after the Revolutionary War:
 - A) During the War Side with the British.
 - B) Are America's 1st important outlaw brotherhood:
 - I. 6 brothers.
 - II. Moses is the leader.
 - III. 16 to 20 gang members.
 - IV. Peak year is 1780.
 - V. Operate in New Jersey and areas of Pennsylvania.
 - VI. Have many hideouts.
- 2. Specialty is robbery:
 - A) Favorite targets are Tax Collectors.
- 3. October 1781 Newton, Pennsylvania 10:00 Night 19 members of the gang:
 - A) Rob the County Treasurer, John Hart:
 - I. Get \$2,866.00!!

- 4. Late 1780's Several gang members are caught, tried, and hanged.
- 5. 1787 Chester, Pennsylvania Gang member,James "Sandy Flash" Fitzpatrick:A) Caught, tried, and hanged.
- 6. 1788 Moses Doane:A) Caught and hanged.
- 7. Eventually...All members jailed or hanged,

<u>1777</u>

- 1. 1777 Pennsylvania Oliver Evans:
 - A) Invents the 1st card making machine.

<u>1778</u>

- 1. Captain James Cook:
 - A) Explores the Pacific Coast:
 - I. From Oregon northward.
 - B) Will be the basis for England's claim to the area.
- 2. Starting in 1778:
 - A) Lasting to 1871.
 - B) U.S. signs 371 Treaties with American Indians.
 - C) ALL are broken!!
 - **D) Treaties?**
 - I. "Pauses" in the long-term swindle of the Indians.
 - II. Give the white man time to consolidate his gains before the next takeover.
 - E) Verbal Agreements...To the Indians:
 - I. A bond!
 - II. Indians should NEVER have taken the white man's word!

<u>1779</u>

- 1. 1779 William & Mary College George Wythe:
 - A) America's 1st College Professor of Law.

1. Population - 2,780,700.

- 1. The Articles of Confederation go into effect.
- 2. Joseph Sweeney:
 - A) Invents the "Banjo."
 - B) He is called "A one man band":I. Thus, "Banjo."
 - C) 1st true "American" instrument.

1781 (September)

- 1. September 4, 1781 Group of Mestizo settlers from Mexico:
 - A) Found Los Angeles in California.
 - B) Felipe de Neve becomes Governor.

1781 (November)

- 1. November 5, 1781 Continental Congress:
 - A) Elect John Hanson of Maryland:
 - I. "President of the United States in Congress Assembled":
 - (1) Holds the position for 1 year.
 - (2) Technically...America's 1st President.

- 1. 1782 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Robert Aitken:
 - A) Prints the first complete English Bible in America:
 - I. September 21, 1782 Approved by Congress.

<u>1784</u>

Benjamin Franklin:
 A) Invents bifocals.

1784 (September)

- 1. September 21, 1784 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania:
 - A) "The Pennsylvania Packet and Daily Advertiser" is published:
 - I. America's 1st Daily Newspaper.

- 1. The Land Ordinance of 1785:
 - A) Provides for the survey and sale of western lands.
- 2. Colonel Plug:
 - A) River Pirate.
 - B) Uses alias of "Colonel Pfluger."
 - C) Has 2 or 3 men and a partner called "9 Eyes."
 - D) Hail boats Phony story Taken aboard:
 - I. Night At determined spot Below deck:
 - (1) Pick oakum caulking out.
 - (2) Start to sink.
 - (3) To shore.
 - (4) Men...Board...Kill all.
 - E) Sometimes he poses as a pilot:
 - I. Snags boat on purpose.
 - II. Men board, etc.
 - F) One night He Below Beam traps him Sinks He drowns.

1785-1835 River & Land Pirates

- 1. Primary areas of operation:
 - A) The Ohio River:
 - I. After the Revolutionary War...It is the main emigration route for westward expansion.
 - **B) The Natchez Trace:**
 - I. 500 miles long road.
 - II. Natchez, Mississippi to Nashville, Tennessee.
 - III. Called "The Road of Blood."
- 2. The Pirates will always keep to the outer fringes of settlement.
- 3. Pirates form gangs:
 - A) To overcome possible strong resistance from victims.
 - B) Well organized.
 - C) Network of spies:
 - I. report on approaching boats.
 - II. Report on travelers with rich cargos.

4. Routine:

- A)Strike brutally without warning.
- B) Usually murder the travelers or occupants of the boats in a brutal savage fashion:
 - I. Nobody to identify them!
- C) Put their own crew on board.
- D) Take the goods down the Mississippi and sell them.
- E) Vanish quickly before the victims are missed.
- 5. Most famous Pirate Hideout....Cave-In-Rock:
 - A) On a high bluff on the Illinois side of the Ohio River.
 - B) Near Elizabethtown...Between Evansville, Indiana and Paducah, Kentucky.
 - C) Entrance is hidden by brush and trees.
 - D) Boats can be spotted up and down the river.
 - E) Out of Limestone 40 feet wide & 50 yards deep.
 - F) Rear Hole in the ceiling "Chimney" or "Emergency Exit."
- 6. Punishment if caught:
 - A) Prison.
 - B) Flogging.

- C) Cutting off an ear.
- D) BUT, for MURDER...Hanging.
- 7. Ended by:
 - A) Law & Order.
 - **B) Population Growth.**
 - C) Better Communication.
 - D) Steamboat.

- 1. Shays' Rebellion:
 - A) Cause:
 - I. Economic and political instability:
 - (1) Eventually leads to disorder in every New England state except Rhode Island.
 - (2) 1/3 of all male household members in New England states are being sued for debts.
 - (3) Farmers organize into Militia Courts.
 - **B) Daniel Shays:**
 - I. Will emerge as the most famous leader.
 - C) January 1787 Militias will crush the revolt:
 - I. 15 leaders are sentenced to death:
 - (1) 2 are hanged.
 - (2) Rest...Pardoned.
 - D) Shays flees to Vermont:
 - I. Is under a sentence of death.
 - II. 1788 Pardoned.
 - III. Moves to New York Farms.
 - IV. 1825 Dies.

1786 (October)

- 1. October 16, 1786 Congress:
 - A) Establishes the U.S. Mint.

- 1. The Northwest Ordinance:
 - A) Sets up a system of Government for the territory north of the Ohio River:
 - I. Slavery is prohibited.
 - II. 5 states will come from this area:
 - (1) Ohio.
 - (2) Indiana.
 - (3) Illinois.
 - (4) Michigan.
 - (5) Wisconsin.

2. Oliver Evans:

A) Invents the High-Pressure Steam Engine.

1787 (December)

- 1. December 7, 1787 Delaware State #1.
- 2. December 12, 1787 Pennsylvania State #2.
- 3. December 18, 1787 New Jersey State #3.

May 25, 1787

The Constitutional Convention

- 1. May 25, 1787 Opens in the Pennsylvania State House in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania:
 - A) 55 delegates from 12 states:
 - Rhode Island refuses to send a delegation.
 - B) Thomas Jefferson and John Adams are not present:
 - I. Both are Ambassadors...Out of the country.
 - C) Patrick Henry refuses to attend!
 - D) 29 of the men present are college educated!
 - E) 34 of the men present are lawyers!
 - F) 24 of the men present have served in Congress!
 - G) 21 of the men present are veteran officers of the Revolutionary War!
 - H) 19 of the men present own slaves!
 - I) There are NO ordinary farmers or craftsmen present!!
 - J) The Constitution will be put together by white, social and economic elite Americans!!
- 2. Accomplishments:
 - A) 3 branches of the government:

- I. Executive Legislative and Judicial.
- B) "The Great Compromise":
 - I. Legislative...House based on population...And a Senate with equal representation by States.
- C) Judiciary...Power to declare acts of Congress unconstitutional!
- D) Election of President by Electoral College:
 - I. Electors...Based on Representatives and Senators...They cast ballots after general election!
- 3. September 17, 1787 Delegates vote to approve the document!
 - A) 9 states are needed to ratify the document and put it into law!
- 4. Supporters of the Constitution are called "Federalists."
- 5. November 1787 Pennsylvania 1st state to ratify!
- 6. 1788 Ratified by Pennsylvania, Delaware, New Jersey, Georgia, Connecticut:
 - A) Massachusetts ratifies.
 - B) March 1788 Rhode Island rejects it!
 - C) April 1788 Maryland ratifies.

- D) May 1788 South Carolina ratifies.
- E) June 21, 1788 New Hampshire ratifies:
 - I. 9th state needed...Now is the law of the land!
- F) North Carolina rejects it!
- G) New York ratifies.
- H) Virginia ratifies.
- 7. July 2, 1788 The Constitution goes into effect!
- 8. November 1788 Under the Constitution 1st Presidential election:
 - A) George Washington 1st term 1st President.

1788 (January)

- 1. January 2, 1788 Georgia State #4.
- 2. January 9, 1788 Connecticut State #5.

1788 (February)

1. February 6, 1788 - Massachusetts - State #6.

1788 (April)

1. April 28, 1788 – Maryland – State #7.

1788 (May)

1. May 23, 1788 - South Carolina - State #8.

1788 (June)

1. June 21, 1788 – New Hampshire – State #9.

2. June 25, 1788 - Virginia - State #10.

1788 (July)

1. July 26, 1788 - New York - State #11.

1789

- 1. The Judiciary Act:
 - A) Gives Congress power to determine the number of Justices on the Supreme Court:
 - I. Set number at 6.
 - II. 1869 Changed to 9.
 - B) Gives Congress the power to create a system of Federal Courts:
 - I. 3 Circuit Courts & 13 District Courts:
 - (1) Appeals to these Courts must come from State Courts.
- 2. Congress Debates what to call the "President":
 - A) Vice President, John Adams, recommends:
 - I. "His Highness, The President of the United States":
 - (1) House of Representatives votes "No!"
 - B) Washington Makes the Decision:
 - I. Simply...PRESIDENT!

1789 (April)

- 1. April 30, 1789 New York City Inauguration of 57 year old, Federalist, George Washington:
 - A) 1st term 1st President.
 - B) Balcony of the Federal Hall:

 I. Corner of Wall & Broad Streets.
 - C) Appoints his Secretaries:

 I. Come to be called "The Cabinet."

 II. The 1st Cabinet.
 - D) Terrible temper.
 - E) Curses a LOT!
 - F) False teeth:
 - I. Uppers...Gold & Hippo teeth.
 - II. Lowers...Elephant & Hippo teeth.
 - III. "Wood" Myth "Pulp."
 - G) Salary...\$25,000.00 per year:

 I. Today...Equal...\$1 million per year.
 - H) Spends 7% of his salary on "booze."
 - I) NOT "a man of the people."
 - J) Very reserved.
 - K) Very solemn.
 - L) Travels like Royalty:
 - I. Carriage pulled by 6 horses.
 - II. Uniformed escort.
 - M) Every Tuesday...Reception.

- N) Makes people bow to him:
 - I. NO handshaking!
 - II. John Adams...Same.
 - III. Thomas Jefferson...1st to shake hands.
- O) In his will...Liberates his slaves.

1789 (August)

- 1. August 7, 1789 Congress:
 - A) Creates the War Department.

1789 (November)

1. November 21, 1789 - North Carolina - State #12.

1790

- 1. 1st Census Population 3,929,214.
- 2. Industrial revolution in America starts.
- 3. The 2nd Great Awakening starts:
 - A) Starts in New England and spreads.
 - B) By 1800 Has spread thru all the Protestant Churches in America.
 - C) Most dramatically effected...Frontier.
 - D) Out of it will originate "Camp Meetings":
 - I. Revivals.
 - II. Singing.
 - III. Praying.
 - IV. Speaking in "Tongues."
 - V. Etc.

1790 (April)

- 1. April 17, 1790 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania At age 84 Benjamin Franklin:
 - A) Dies.
 - B) 20,000 attend the funeral.

1790 (May)

1. May 29, 1790 - Rhode Island - State #13.

1790 (July)

- 1. July 16, 1790 Site for the Federal Government is picked:
 - A) On the Potomac River.
- 2. Capital is moved from New York City to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania:
 - A) UNTIL completion of "Federal City":
 - I. Will be Washington, D.C.
 - II. Will be completed in 1800.