



# The 1812 War Cry

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## NEW PBS DOCUMENTARY

*The War of*  
**1812**

PBS stations nationwide on October 10

Nearly two centuries after it was fought, the two-and-a-half year conflict that forged the destiny of a continent comes to public television in a comprehensive film history. From 1812 to 1815, Americans battled against the British, Canadian colonists, and Native warriors; the outcomes shaped the geography and the identity of North America. This two-hour HD documentary uses stunning re-enactments, evocative animation, and the incisive commentary of key experts to reveal little-known sides of an important war — one that some only recognize for the “Star-Spangled Banner.” The broadcast is accompanied by a companion book and website, as well as comprehensive bi-national educational resources.

“The War of 1812” explores the events leading up to the conflict, the multifold causes of the war, and the questions that emerged about the way a new democracy should conduct war. It was a surprisingly wide war. Dozens of battles were fought on land in Canada and in the northern, western, southern and eastern parts of the United States — in the present-day states of Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, New York, Maryland, Louisiana, and Alabama. There were crucial naval battles on Lakes Erie and Champlain, and a wide-ranging maritime struggle with many episodes off Virginia, Massachusetts, Nova Scotia, Cuba, Ireland, the Azores, the Canaries, British Guyana, and Brazil. The U.S. proved surprisingly successful against the great British navy, but the War of 1812 also saw American armies surrender en masse and the American capital burned.

Great characters emerge in the film, including Tecumseh of the Shawnee nation, who attempted to form a confederation of Native nations, and died in battle; his adversary, William Henry Harrison, Governor of the Indiana Territory, whose debatable success at

Tippecanoe, Indiana eventually helped him become President of the United States; James Madison, Father of the U.S. Constitution, a brilliant thinker and writer who was not a great President; and such storied Canadian figures as Canadian Governor-General George Prévost, who led the largest army ever to invade the Continental United States; Laura Secord, a Canadian woman who walked many miles to warn the British of an impending American attack; and Major General Isaac Brock, a brave and audacious British general who captured a large American army at Detroit without a fight. The film also recounts dramatic human stories of ordinary citizens, the political alliances of the various Native Americans nations, and the African-American slaves who reached for their freedom by fighting for the British.

“The War of 1812” recalls defining moments that are more familiar: the burning of Washington, D.C., and First Lady Dolley Madison’s rescue of a portrait of George Washington from the White House; Andrew Jackson’s total victory at the Battle of New Orleans; and the birth of the American national anthem, penned by Francis Scott Key during the Battle of Baltimore at Fort McHenry. Yet “The War of 1812” pierces the heroic mythology that has grown up around the war to reveal a brutal, spiteful conflict dominated by fiascos and blunders.

The war shaped North America in the most literal way possible: had one or two battles or decisions gone a different way, a map of the continent today might look entirely different. The U.S. could well have included parts of Canada — but was also on the verge of losing much of the Midwest.

*“The War of 1812” airs on PBS stations nationwide on Monday, October 10, 2011 at 9 p.m. ET (check local listings).*

## 1812 ARCHIVES

The full archives of the General Society of the War of 1812 is now located at the Ohio Genealogical Society Library, Bellville, Ohio. Requests for applications may be directed to:

E. Paul Morehouse  
Ohio Gen. Soc. Library  
611 State Route 97 West  
Bellville, OH 44813  
419.886.1903  
website: [www.ogs.org](http://www.ogs.org)

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Plan to attend the  
**TRIENNIAL MEETING**  
in Charleston, South Carolina  
September 15, 16, 17, 18

Details on page 3  
Registration form on page 12



## President General Worthington's Message

It has been an outstanding three years serving as your President General. Thank you all again for the warm hospitality that you extended to me during my visits to your Societies. Also, I wish to thank all of our National Officers and Committee Members for the outstanding support that they have given me over the years.

Last month we moved the Archives from Lancaster, Pennsylvania to The Ohio Genealogical Society Library (OGS) in Mansfield, and appointed E. Paul Morehouse as Archivist General and Eric E. Johnson as Assistant Archivist General. The Lancaster Historical Society gave the Society outstanding support for many years while Jack Loose served as Archivist General and they are to be commended for that help.

We have appointed a new editor for the "War Cry", Rick Hollis of the Tennessee Society. He can be reached at 615-812-2648, e-mail [tnssar@bellsouth.net](mailto:tnssar@bellsouth.net), snail mail 521 South First Street, Clarksville, Tennessee 37040. Send him your State Society articles.

Plans are in the works to have the 2012 Board of Managers Meeting in Boston, Massachusetts in the month of September.



PG M. Hall Worthington

## Vice President General Military Awards Dr. Samuel Boyer Hoff, PhD

### General Society of the War of 1812 ROTC Awards Program



The General Society Officers extend their most sincere appreciation to Vice President General Military Awards Dr. Samuel Boyer Hoff, PhD for his execution of the Senior ROTC Awards Programs. The General Society has a primarily centrally administered program to maximize coverage, and Budgets \$1,000 for this effort.

Through Dr Hoff's efforts, he contacts Universities, determines their needs, and this year, provided 348 Awards, consisting of a Certificate and Ribbon Bar issued for 299 Awards ceremonies. An impressive accomplishment is that he covered Universities in 48 States and Puerto Rico. Even in many States where we do not have Societies at present, he made an impact. *See a complete listing on page 11.*

In addition, we also have a very attractive 1812 Senior ROTC Medal which must be purchased by State Societies or an individual. I am aware of a number of people and State Societies who have purchased medals. For example, Pennsylvania provides medals to all their Schools. This

Medal was designed by Past President General Richard Dana Smith, Sr, and is available from our Quartermaster General John Dickie for \$15.00. I would like to encourage other States and/or individuals to follow the example set by Pennsylvania and obtain Medals for the Universities in your States.



LTC Lawrence K. Casey, Jr.  
Deputy President General

## Rick Hollis of Tennessee named THE 1812 WAR CRY Editor



President General M. Hall Worthington has appointed Rick Hollis as the new Vice President General for Publications of the General Society of the War of 1812 and Editor of THE 1812 WAR CRY. Hollis replaces Eric E. Johnson who planned to resign when a replacement was found. The appointment was effective immediately. According to Worthington, "We all appreciate Eric's years of service as VPG Publications. He will assume new responsibilities in the Historian and Archivist area." Hollis stated that he is "honored to have been selected to serve as editor during the Bicentennial period and is especially grateful to Eric Johnson for his help in making an easy transition."

Rick Hollis also serves as Editor of the TENNESSEE PATRIOT for the Tennessee Society SAR. He is active with several lineage societies and also serves as Deputy Governor General of the General Society of Colonial Wars from Tennessee.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** During the next three years there will be many outstanding events that need to be covered by the 1812 WAR CRY. Likewise, there will be a number of important events that need to be publicized in advance. It is my hope that you will share information in advance of events that might appeal to members from nearby states and across the country so that they may also have an opportunity to participate.



When an event is finished, please send several representative photos, with full captions. We may not be able to include all of the photos, but it is best if we have a selection of photos. Please, never hesitate to contact me with questions and suggestions. My email address is [tnssar@bellsouth.net](mailto:tnssar@bellsouth.net) and mobile phone is 615.812.2648.



# Triennial Convention Schedule

## The General Society of the War of 1812

### TRIENNIAL CONVENTION SCHEDULE

### September 15, 16, 17, and 18, 2011, Charleston, SC

All Business sessions held in the Washington Light Infantry Armory 287 Meeting Street, across from the Hotel. The WLI was formed in 1807 and served in the War of 1812. Elevator available.

**HOTEL: Charleston Historic District Courtyard Marriott**

125 Calhoun Street, Charleston, SC 29401

**Make your Hotel Reservation as soon as possible as the block is limited**

**For reservations call:** 843-805-7900 or Toll Free 888-236-2427 and

**Use Code: War of 1812**

Rates \$169.00 per night plus tax of 12.5%

*One block from the Washington Light Infantry Armory*



**CONVENTION REGISTRATION FEE: All Inclusive \$240.00 Per Person**

**ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY TUESDAY AUGUST 16<sup>th</sup> 2011**

#### **Thursday September 15<sup>th</sup>:**

Registration and Reception 6-9 pm: Charleston Historic District Courtyard Marriott Hotel

#### **Friday September 16<sup>th</sup>:** Washington Light Infantry Armory (WLI Armory)

7:30 - 8:30 am Continental Breakfast

8:00 - 9:00 am registration lobby WLI Armory

8:30 - 11:30 am First Business Session, Relic Room WLI Armory

12:00 - 1:30 pm Lunch: The Carolina Yacht Club 50 East Bay St.

2:00 - 3:30 pm Tour: Overview of Charleston

3:45 - 5:00 pm Dress Parade: The Citadel, VIP seating for review

5:00 - 7:00 Cavalcade: Wreath laying at the 1812 Soldiers Monument, Mt. Pleasant

7:00 - 9:00 pm Dinner: Frogmore Stew and cocktails at Ft. Moultrie, Sullivan's Island

Brief speech on Charleston 1812 Fortifications by Nicholas Butler Ph.D.

#### **Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup>:** Washington Light Infantry Armory (WLI Armory)

8:00 - 9:00 am Continental Breakfast Washington Light Infantry Armory

9:30 - 11:30 am Second Business Meeting: WLI Armory

12:00 - 1:30 am Lunch: The Green Room, Dock Street Theatre (Brief talk on 1812 Patriotic plays)

Afternoon in Charleston: Site seeing

Free Admissions for members to the Old Powder Magazine, built 1713, 79 Cumberland Street

7:00 - 10:00 pm Cocktails and Gala Banquet, Fort Sumter Ball Room, Carolina Yacht Club,

50 East Bay Street. The Washington Light Infantry will provide a Color Guard

Dress: White or Black Tie with decorations, or Dark Business Suit

#### **Sunday September 18<sup>th</sup>:**

10:30 am Memorial Service St. Phillips Church and wreath laying at the tomb of MG Thomas

Pinckney, Commander of the Southern Department War of 1812





## 1812 Iowa



MG Robert Sentmen presented Cadet Alyssa K. Speight of the University of Iowa Army ROTC program the United States Daughters of 1812 Award medal in recognition of outstanding leadership qualities, military bearing and excellence, thus exemplifying the high ideals and principles which motivated and sustained the patriot ancestors of the members of the General society of the War of 1812. IL GSW 1812 member Mike Rowley attended the ceremony held at Iowa City National Guard Armory.

## Grand Junction, Colorado Memorial Day 2011



### Grand Junction Veterans Memorial Cemetery of Western Colorado, Memorial Day 2011

(l to r): President Norn Kronvall, Grand Mesa Chapter Sons of American Revolution; Councilor Bill Buvinger, Dept of CO/WY, Sons of Union Veterans; and Colorado State President Garry Brewer, Colorado Society War of 1812.

"The Memorial Day Ceremony was a outstanding event to honor our past and present Veterans of all American wars," according to 1812 Colorado President Garry Brewer.



## Major Nathan Boone Chapter Receives Charter

On April 2, 2011, members of the General Society of the War of 1812 in Missouri met at the last home of Major Nathan Boone in Greene County, Missouri. "Boone, the youngest son of Daniel and Rebecca Boone, moved from the St. Charles, Missouri area to Greene County, Missouri in 1837," according to Boone Homestead manager David Roggensens. "All of Daniel's living sons participated in the War of 1812."

State President DeVenney installed the charter officers: President – Daniel R. McMurray; Deputy President – Gerald R. McCoy; Secretary/Treasurer – William R. Walter; Registrar/Genealogist – Michael Kelly; Chaplain – Timothy I. McCoy; Historian – Steven R. McMurray.



Front row (l to r): Missouri State President Russell DeVenney, Jr., presents the charter to Major Nathan Boone Chapter President Daniel R. McMurray. Back row: Gerald R. McCoy, William R. Walker, Michael Kelly, Steven R. McMurray, and Melven McNeal. Not pictured: Timothy I. McCoy.

## Cornell University ROTC Cadets Awarded

For the third year in a row, Blaine Elkie and Wayne Thurston awarded certificates and medals to the Cadets of the ROTC at Cornell University.

Blaine Elkie, President of the Finger lakes Chapter SAR, awarded certificates and medals for excellence in overall military bearing and conduct to:

- Cadet William Lemen, Army ROTC
- MIDN Benjamin Bissantz, Navel ROTC
- Cadet Nicholas Cox, Air Force ROTC

Wayne Thurston, New York Society Registrar, Society of the Second War With Great Britain (1812), awarded certificates for outstanding achievement and high moral character to:

- Cadet Hunter Tom, Army ROTC
- MIDN Jonathan Stack, Navel ROTC
- Cadet James Rosenthal, Air Force ROTC

We are always impressed with the extra effort it takes for these young men and women to complete the ROTC training in addition to their college course work. Their hard work and dedication assures us that the American military is in good hands with these new officers.

**CORRECTION:** Cranston Williams, Jr. was inadvertently attributed as author of an article in the May 2011 issue (Volume 37, No. 1) of THE 1812 WAR CRY about Crane Island's inclusion in the Star-Spangled Banner National Historic Trail. However, he is appreciative for whomever did submit the article on behalf of the Virginia Society.

The 1812 WAR CRY regrets the error.



## 1812 Pennsylvania at Valley Forge



Flags pass in review.

1812 PA went to Valley Forge Military Academy and College in April for church service, parade, and lunch. During the service we presented our ROTC award for 2011.

1812 PA officers Peter Hill and Rick Di Stefano present our ROTC award to Valley Forge Military College cadet (hopefully you have name) at the chapel service.



College cadets march into chapel. The whole day's event was filled with precision marching by the students.



1812 PA members watching the parade. (l to r): Richard Weller, Jr., Florence Weller, Richard Weller, Sr., Robert Marvin, M.D., Margarete Marvin, Thomas Showler, Janice Showler, Raymond Longacre

## 1812 Illinois marks four soldier graves



Members of the Illinois Society held a grave marking ceremony for four War of 1812 soldiers at the Sulphur Springs Cemetery, Morgan County, Illinois. The four soldiers marked were:

- Ancil Cox who served in the Kentucky militia;
- Andrew Sample who served in the Illinois militia;
- David Sample who served in the Kentucky Volunteers and then again in the Illinois militia;
- Richard Samuel Wood who was in the Battle of the Thames.

For additional information, contact Jim DeGroff, Society VP and Secretary, 618 667 8660.

(l to r): Color guard members Bill Wilson, Robert Ridenour, Dale Phillips, Jim DeGroff, and Bill Johnson. Phillips is a regional director for the Illinois War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission. Ridenour is the third great grandson of David Sample.





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## 1812 Connecticut

The Annual Meeting of the Connecticut Society was held June 12, 2011, at the Milestone Inn in Naugatuck, CT. The meeting was attended by Mrs. Betty Oderwald, President of the Connecticut State Society United States Daughters of 1812. Mrs. Oderwald gave a presentation on the projects currently under way by the Daughters followed by a discussion of Connecticut's participation in the War of 1812 to include the Hartford Convention. Following the Luncheon, a grave re-dedication ceremony was held at the Gunntown Cemetery in Naugatuck for Private Isaac Nichols, Connecticut State Troops, War of 1812. Private Nichols is the 4th Great Grandfather of the newly elected Secretary/Treasurer of the Connecticut Society, Christopher Nichols.



Attending the re-dedication ceremony at the Gunntown Cemetery (l to r): Christopher Nichols, Damien Cregeau, Timothy Jacobs, Kenneth Roach, Rev. Jerry Carroon, and Betty Oderwald.



Officers of the Connecticut Society met at the State Capitol building beneath the Plaque memorializing the veterans of the War of 1812 from Connecticut to coordinate efforts with the Connecticut State Society US Daughters of 1812 for the upcoming 200th Anniversary. From left to right Stephanie Langtiere, Ida Ransom, Ruth Olsen, Vice President of the Connecticut State Society, Reverend Canon Jerry Carroon, State Society Chaplin, Kenneth Roach, President of the State Society, And Christopher Nichols, Secretary and Treasurer of the State Society.



## UConn ROTC



Connecticut Society President Kenneth D. Roach presented the ROTC Medal to Cadet Mike Frulla during ceremonies on the campus of the University of Connecticut 26 March 2011. Cadet Gaffney accepted the Medal on behalf of Cadet Mike Frulla.

## PG Worthington presents Charter to 1812 Indiana



(l to r): Dr. Donald Gradeless, PG M. Hall Worthington, and Alan Teller

President General M. Hall Worthington presents the charter for the Indiana Society to Organizing President Dr. Donald Gradeless and Organizing Secretary Alan Teller



# General Society of the War of 1812 Giving Campaign



We are announcing the initiation of a Gift Campaign for "The General Society of the War of 1812". The goal is to obtain widespread participation of individuals and State Societies. We accept donations for charitable and educational purposes and in turn make funds available for worthwhile patriotic and hereditary projects.

Campaign 2011 begins now and ends Saturday September 17, 2011 at the 2011 Triennial in Charleston SC. All contributions will be recognized in the THE 1812 WAR CRY following the Triennial Meeting.

Over \$ 5,000	President James Madison level
\$1,000 to \$4,999	Secretary of War James Monroe level
\$ 500 to \$ 999	Major General Andrew Jackson level
\$ 200 to \$ 499	Francis Scott Key level
\$ 100 to \$ 199	Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry level
\$ 10 to \$ 99	Captain Isaac Hull level

### Please designate your gift:

- General Society Permanent Endowment –Support Educational Efforts, Publications, and Recruitment
  - Special Project Gift – Digitization of General Society Applications
  - Please designate my gift in honor / memory of \_\_\_\_\_
  - Please indicate if a company with Matching Funds or Volunteer Involvement Programs employs you
- Your contribution check should be made payable to the "**GSW1812 Gift Campaign**" and mailed to:

**Treasurer General Bradley Alan Tilton**  
**161 N McElroy Road**  
**Mansfield, OH 44905-2911**

\*As a 501(c)(3) organization, All Gifts made to the Fund are fully tax deductible in accordance with Federal Law. For Contributions over \$250, acknowledgement of your contribution will be mailed to you, confirming your tax-deductible contribution.

Lawrence K. Casey, Jr.  
Deputy President General  
[lcasey1@gt.rr.com](mailto:lcasey1@gt.rr.com)

## PG Worthington visits 1812 Indiana

The Society of the War of 1812 in the State of Indiana held their annual meeting on May 14, 2011 at the Woodstock Club in Indianapolis. Membership Certificates were presented to all the Charter Members. Officers were elected to serve for the next three year term. Following the business session there was a joint luncheon sponsored by the Sons of the Revolution in honor of the newly formed War of 1812 Society. Joining the SR and War of 1812 at the luncheon were the Indiana Society of Colonial Wars, and the Indiana Branch of Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims.

Thirty two members and guests were in attendance for the luncheon. General Society of the War of 1812 President General M. Hall Worthington, Jr. was the featured speaker at the luncheon. After President-General Worthington's speech, he presented the General Society's Charter to the Organizing President and Secretary and then installed the newly elected officers.



(l to r): Robert Rati, Allen Moore, Robert Wilder, Neal Pitts, Jim Barr, Mark Kreps, Hall Worthington, Donald Gradeless, Alan Teller, Kevin Waldroup, Graham Morey, Paul Michael Mitchell, Charles Bragg, Bill Wilder, Dennis Babbitt





# NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT 2011-14

## GENERAL OFFICERS

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 District Deputy President General—Mountain  
 District Deputy President General—Southern & Carolinas  
 District Deputy President General—Great Lakes  
 District Deputy President General—Chesapeake-Potomac  
 District Deputy President General—Ohio Valley—Central  
 District Deputy President General—New England  
 Vice President General—Public Relations  
 Vice President General—Member-at-large  
 Vice President General—Publications  
 Vice President General—Military Awards  
 Secretary General  
 Treasurer General  
 Registrar General  
 Web Master General  
 Genealogist General  
 JAG General  
 Historian General  
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 Chaplain General  
 Marshall General  
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 Counselor General  
 Archivist General

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 Julian Victor Brandt, III (SC)  
 John Thomas Showler (PA)  
 Thomas Pelham Curtis (WI)  
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 Garry W. Brewer (CO)  
 Richard A. Smallwood (AL)  
 Allan R. Treppa (MI)  
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 Bradley A. Tilton (OH)  
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 Eric E. Johnson (OH)  
 Lee C. Park (MD)  
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 Charles Lucas (NY)  
 E. Paul Morehouse, Jr (OH)

## ASSISTANT GENERAL OFFICERS

Assistant Secretary Francis Thomas Adams III (PA)  
 Assistant Surgeon to be announced  
 Assistant Genealogist to be announced  
 Assistant Historian to be announced  
 Assistant Chaplain to be announced  
 Assistant JAG to be announced

## DEPUTY MARSHAL GENERAL

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 Todd Shillington (NY)  
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 Charles Daniel McGuire (VA)  
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 Charles Hampton (GA)  
 Charles W. Rhoden, Jr. (SC)  
 Robert James Fenner, Sr. (NJ)

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Richard Dana Smith, Sr. (PA, MD) - Chairman  
 Dandridge Brooke (MD, CT)  
 M. Hall Worthington (MD)  
 E. Paul Morehouse, Jr. (OH)  
 Lawrence King Casey (TX)

## Tennessee Society Elects New Officers

The Tennessee Society of the War of 1812 is proud to announce newly elected officers: President David Eagan, Vice President Rick Hollis, Secretary-Treasurer Randall H. Chandler, Registrar Richard T. Spencer, Jr., Genealogist Michael Plumley, Chancellor Cleo G. Hogan, and Chaplain Sam C. Gant.

## New State Societies Wanted

Do you know someone interested in forming or reorganizing a state society in one of the following states? If so, please contact the appropriate District Deputy President General.

**Gulf District** Oklahoma

**North Central District** Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota, Alaska

**Ohio Valley District** Arkansas

**Pacific District** Oregon, Nevada, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Hawaii

**New England District** Maine, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Hampshire

# Book Review



## A Review of *Perilous Flight: America's Intrepid War with Britain on the High Seas 1812-1815*, by Stephen Budiansky

Stephen Budiansky's book *Perilous Fight* focuses on the navy during the War of 1812, though it is much more than just the battles fought at sea as the subtitle implies. He covers all aspects of the navy, from the ship building to time spent at port, and of course Washington's role in matters. The role of privateers is also discussed, though there was not much to that until the end where Britain suffered two of its bloodiest battles at sea at the hands of privateers.

Students of the War will be very familiar with the overall narrative and the battles at sea. Where Budiansky sets himself apart from other 1812 books is the added details that come from his focus on telling everything from the navy's point of view.

That is also the problem in that if you have read a few War of 1812 books you are going to be familiar with a lot of what he says. My critique of the book is that he did not get to the details quick enough sometimes, and that it could have offered more detail in general. At 368 pages, adding another 75-100 would have really added considerable depth while still providing the needed context for someone not as familiar with the war.

One of the areas where he digs in is with the dynamics surrounding how Britain governed the Royal Navy. Budiansky provided numerous examples of letters written to various British naval journals of the day. There was always a political agenda here, which is why the author usually wrote under a pseudonym. This added a lot of color to the book.

Budiansky could have added even more color had he included more of the "nautical sarcasms" that were directed from one side to the other. "Porter observed, '[t]he songs from the [British ship] *Cherub* were better sung, but those of the [American ship] *Essex* were more witty, and more to the point.'"

Another example from the British side is where Budiansky provided background from some of the policies the British employed, and then why they changed. The policy that seemed to make the least sense was "that gunnery practice came to be officially discouraged as a needless waste of shot and powder." That policy was eventually reversed. A lesson the British learned the hard way.

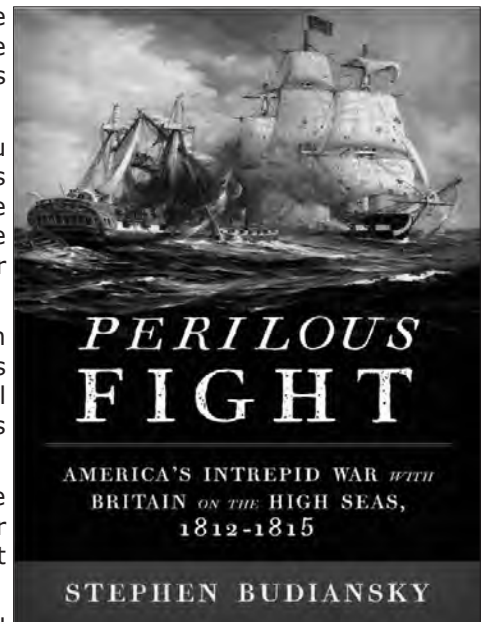
Of course Britain's main use of the Royal Navy was in the blockade. In discussing that, Budiansky compares the diary writings of the sailors on British ships with the American prisoners at Dartmoor, concluding that both groups were bored out of their mind. He discussed the Dartmoor prisoners at length. While they were imprisoned sailors, I thought that once they were in prison that took them a little beyond the scope of the book. That said, Dartmoor is a very interesting part of the War of 1812 narrative.

The gem of the book is the story of Augustus J. Foster, the British minister to the United States, who in 1811 "swept into Washington all charm and goodwill" hosting lavish parties and exhausting his \$50,000 expense account in six months. One of the parties Foster hosted was to celebrate the queen's birthday. One of the guests was the Republican Congressman from Pennsylvania, William Anderson, whose daughter Evelena was married to Commodore David Porter. Congressman Anderson "thought everyone had left the room for supper" and proceeded to relieve himself in the drawing room fireplace.

This obviously calls for a General Society of the War of 1812 party at the British Ambassador's residence in Washington, DC. It's not the same location, as the seven townhouses on Pennsylvania Avenue used as the British minister's residence were long replaced by office buildings. The current British Ambassador's residence, with its expansive garden, will more than suffice.

Back to the book, if you have read several War of 1812 books, I would hesitate to recommend it. While it definitely expanded my knowledge of the navy during the War of 1812, I was usually left wanting for more. However, if you have only read one or two War of 1812 books, this could make a good second or third if you would like to know more about the War of 1812 on the oceans. I would even recommend it as a first read.

Review by Trey Daniel  
Society of the War of 1812 in the District of Columbia





# The 1812 War Cry

## 2011 AWARDS CYCLE LIST OF RECIPIENTS PRESENTED BY THE GENERAL SOCIETY OF THE WAR OF 1812

COORDINATED BY VICE PRESIDENT GENERAL MILITARY AWARDS DR. SAMUEL BOYER HOFF, PhD

Total Mailing=299, including 5 replacements/duplicates (\*) Total Bar Ribbons Distributed to ROTC Units=348

R. J. 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