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On the cover: Past Kansas society President Bobbie Hulse, South Central District Vice President General Larry Stevens and Kansas society President Vernon Welkner pose with the charter for the Prairie Minuteman Chapter in Ellsworth during the official chartering ceremony. (See article on Page 5)

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Presidents Message

By Vernon Welkner



Compatriots, I am delighted to see our lives slowly returning to a more normal state. In September I

went to the Delaware Crossing chapter's annual picnic and enjoyed fellowshipping with a number of chapter members. Also in September, I attended the National Fall Leadership Meeting in Louisville, KY, and was happy to see so many in attendance. ΑII of the committee meetings full attended were and everyone I spoke with was happy to back together again. Since then, I have attended three chapter meetings, and all had good attendance. At each one spoke to compatriots who told me this was their first time out for over a year. It is to me a blessing to see so many people coming the meetings. out to encourage all of you to get back out to your chapter meetings. There is much to do and we must get back to work. We will have our November Board of Governor's Meeting in Emporia, and I look forward to seeing you there!

Honoring Edgar Grover

By Bobbie Hulse, Trustee

Writing a tribute to my mentor in the Kansas Society is no easy task. When Compatriot Edgar Grover passed recently his son Ken gave me all of his records. photo albums and SAR scrapbooks. The more I went through Edgar's scrapbooks the more I found that I did not know about him. Edgar was never a man to brag but always a man to volunteer his service to the SAR, especially his dedication to the Color Guard, was his first impression.



Edgar's attention to the history of the years he was involved in SAR is undeniable as we go through his memories and documentation of travels, events, and pictures of all of the Compatriots involved. A core group of men traveled the Nation promoting the SAR by way of the Color Guard as they honored the Patriots of the past. A few of the names involved in the past

were: Mulkey, Schwartz, Bradford, several Grovers, Ellis, Sayler, Kesler, Kaffenberger, Randall, Easter, Brant, Brady, Drake and others. Not to be outdone by the men Ladies such as Virginia Ellis, Emalene Grover, Loretta Paris, Georgina Mulkey, Dorris Brant, Joyce Easter, and other ladies were there in period dress supporting their men in uniform.



Edgar and his entourage traveled the Point Pleasant remembrance for 1 believe fourteen years. No place seemed to far nor the weather to hot or cold to deter these men as they were at Yorktown, in class rooms, at congress, in parades, at DAR events. manv George Washington's Birthday celebrations, they attended Scout meetings, and anywhere else they could honor the Patriots of our Nation in the uniforms of the revolution. Edgar was to me an inspiration bringing the history of our nations founding to the people and honoring the founding of our great nation at any opportunity.

Edgar was one of the men that helped to establish the Color Guard as a National Society Committee and served as one of the earliest National Colorguard Commanders. In every aspect Edgar served he did so with the upmost dedication whether it be as VPG, Trustee, State President or chapter secretary. He was the first in line at chapter meetings to recognize the work of others never drawing attention to himself.

As one of the men from our great State of Kansas Edgar was maybe most proud of the being awarded the most high achievement of Minuteman being Medal recipient. He always wore his Minuteman medal at events and meetings, but sadly the medal has been misplaced as his son Ken informed me when handing over his papers that were so important to him and now a part of the Kansas Society and the Chapter histories.



Please take a minute to remember one of the best men to serve the NSSAR from the State of Kansas and may he rest in peace knowing he did his best for the Kansas State Society Sons of the American Revolution.

Prairie Minutemen Chartering Ceremony

The Kansas Society Sons of the American Revolution chartered the newest chapter, the Prairie Minutemen Chapter, on Nov. 29, 2019, and after waiting more than 18 months, celebrated the accomplishment with a charter presentation ceremony on Aug. 7, 2020.



Bobbie Hulse unveils the charter

Justin Engleman, Kansas Society Western Vice President, served as master of ceremonies for the banquet held in Friendship Hall at Ellsworth's First Presbyterian Church. Society President Vern Welkner gave opening remarks and immediate past president Bobbie Hulse gave the keynote address. Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution Recording Secretary Peggi Barrett brought greetings on behalf of the DAR. South Central District Vice President General Larry Stevens, Kingwood, Texas, installed nine of the new members.

The Prairie Minutemen Chapter is centered in Ellsworth, Kan., a town with a population of about 3,000. The chapter boasted 58 charter members. Ron Svaty, retired 20th Judicial District Judge is president, David Bailey is vice president, Kendall Rathbun is treasurer, Eli Svaty is secretary, Engleman is genealogist and Dr. William T. King is chaplain.

Hulse, Engleman and Ron Svaty were the driving forces in getting the chapter formed and completing the genealogy and applications necessary for membership. Svaty's wife, Pat, who is registrar for the Smoky Hill Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution was also instrumental in helping with genealogy of the nearly 40 applications approved since the chapter was chartered.



Bobbie Hulse, Larry Stevens and Vern Welkner pose with the Prairie Minuteman Charter

Sponsored by the Sons of the Plains Chapter in Hutchinson, the Prairie Minutemen installed nine of the new members at the chartering ceremony and will continue installing others who were not able to be present at subsequent chapter meetings. The chapter meets on the third Thursday of each month. For more information about the Prairie Minutemen, contact Ron Svaty at (785) 531-1250.

Join the KSSSAR Youth Protection Effort

by Bruce Flanders, Education Outreach, Youth Protection & SAR Program Committee

The Kansas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution focuses on patriotic, historical, and educational activities to perpetuate the memory of those patriots who, by their services or sacrifices during the war of the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American people. Today, as part of our educational mission, Kansas SAR chapters work with young people to foster true patriotism and a respect for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers. As we work with our youth in these educational efforts and youth contests, it is essential that we maintain a culture of youth protection awareness and safety.

The purpose of youth protection is to protect young people participating in KSSSAR activities from abuse by adults involved in those activities. It is also designed to protect those of us who volunteer for youth activities from false accusations of improper contact.



KSSSAR youth protection guidelines are straightforward; here are a few of the high points:

- only those compatriots who have a role in SAR youth contests should contact or communicate with participants;
- videos and images of these youth contest participants are for use only in SAR publications or electronic media, and may be recorded only when accompanied by a signed release from the participant's parent(s); and
- personal contact or communication with youth contest participants must only take place with another adult over the age of 21 ("two deep contact," avoiding any one-on-one contact with any youth without another adult present

Youth protection guidelines are spelled out in detail in Section 12 of the KSSSAR Handbook (Volume II: Processing and Administrative Instructions).

We have an outstanding tool that is readily available to all Kansas compatriots: the NSSAR Youth Protection online training. This training is available on the "eLearning Portal" of the national SAR website (https://www.sar.org/courses/youth-protection-

training/). Chapter officers and compatriots who interact directly with youth should go to this link to take the online training. The training is available to all of us, and everyone is encouraged to complete the training. It is comprised of a short series of videos and brief narrative, and it only takes about 20 minutes to complete. Once you absorb the training material, a short quiz is administered online. You can then save and print the certificate and keep it for your records. Completion certificates should also be sent to your Chapter Secretary.

Your completion of the online Youth Protection training is of vital importance to the KSSSAR, and will help us conduct youth programs in accordance with the highest standards of integrity.



Membership

By Bryan Wampler - KSSSAR Vice President and Membership Committee Chairman

ln this article. the importance of membership retention and recovery of those members who have not stayed active will be focused upon. Recruiting new members extremely important, but retention and recovery of dropped members is equally or even more important since the difficult task of proving is complete. linage Many professional journals argue that retention, or the lack of retention, is measurement of organizations ability to develop positive personal relationships and a sense of belonging with their membership.

Since September, members have been receiving renewal notices. Now is the time for all chapter officers and other active members to reach out to current chapter members to ensure they have received their renewal notice and ask if they plan to stay active in the chapter. Members who feel connected and a sense belonging will typically remain in an organization. It is important that we make a special effort since our personal contact has been limited during COVID-19 pandemic Chapter officers period. encouraged to contact the Kansas Society Membership Secretary (Compatriot Timothy Peterman at tepeter100@aol.com) if you need the contact information of your and/or inactive members members.

At the recent National Society Fall Leadership Meeting, it was

mentioned that member retention is characteristically based upon an individual member's connection with the chapter and most importantly connections with individuals that make up that chapter. They also mentioned other personal reasons to stay with an organization to include our mission and the benefit the chapter provide to our communities as we accomplish our mission. Many of current Kansas Society members have said they had not planned on staying with the chapter until a fellow member asked them to stay, or they were asked to take on additional responsibilities in the chapter or at the state society level. This is why it is so important to have one-onone conversations with chapter members. individual identify and interest or skills, find opportunities for individuals to be involved. The timing may not be right when a member is first asked, so be sure to come back periodically and ask again. All members, not just officers of the chapter or state society, are recruiters, retention, and recovery advocates.

Our Membership Secretary recently reported that the Kansas Society has 924 inactive members. Having this many inactive members provides the Kansas Society a great opportunity to recover lost members and friends who can benefit from being active. I recently read an article by psychologist William Glasser who argued that the need

connection is a driving force that outweighs many other needs.

At the chapter level, it is suggested that you identify those who have dropped and develop a plan to contact each member preferably by phone, or by email or via the United States Postal Service. We have also heard success stories of members visiting the homes or places of employment of inactive members. As chapter and state society officers, it is important to understand why our inactive members allowed their memberships to lapse and work aggressively to resolve reported issues.

benefit closing, the of membership retention and the recovery of lapsed members is easily measurable and definitely requires a different focus than recruiting and proving the linage of new members. All three categories recruiting, retaining recovery are equally important and should have equal focus applied throughout the year, and not just during the renewal season. especially since we know that retention is so heavily dependent upon a connection with the which chapter. also means connections with the members. With focus and effort on retention and recovery all should feel confident that the Kansas Society experience а significant increase in active membership in a relatively short period of time that can be maintain over an even greater period of time!

Color Guard Activities

Members Participate at Fall Leadership Meeting

Several Kansas State Colorguardsman participated during the Fall Leadership meeting, among them was Brooks Lyles NSSAR Colorguard Commander. Seen below leading the colorguard procession.



Also present were Bobbie Hulse, Vernon Welkner and Dennis Nelson





Rounding out the Kansas colorguard, Vernon Welkner has a laugh with other colorguard members while lining up for the entry procession.

Walter Belt Reinternment

A beautiful fall day in Ellsworth, Kansas provided the backdrop for a moving ceremony for the reinternment of Fireman First Class Walter Belt, an Ellsworth native kill during the attack on Pearl Harbor Dec. 7, 1941.

Belts remains were recently identified through DNA analysis and returned to the family for reinternmanet.

The ceremony took place Oct. 7, 2021 at the Old Ellsworth cemetery. KSSSAR was honored to join the honor guard for Seaman Belt.



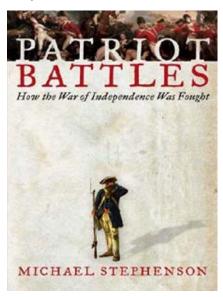
Book Review

PATRIOT BATTLES: HOW THE WAR OF INDEPENDENCE WAS FOUGHT BY MICHAEL STEPHENSON

Reviewed by Vernon Welkner

n developing an accurate viewpoint of the American Revolutionary War, there are several

different types of books to read, including. biographies, descriptions of battles, studies in political philosophies that period, and analyses of the various cultures involved in the conflict. Patriot Battles is a more general work that sketches a wider



view of the Revolutionary War.

The book's author, Michael Stephenson, is the former editor of the Military Book Club and the editor of National Geographic's "Battlegrounds: Geography and the History of Warfare". Mr. Stephenson published Patriot Battles in 2007.

Mr. Stephenson divides this book into two parts. He called the first, "The Nuts and Bolts of War." In this part he informs us of the American soldier, both the militia and the Continental soldiers. He also writes about the British soldiers and the

Loyalists. He includes information about the often forgotten African American and Native American participation in the Revolution.

An aspect I enjoyed were his chapters about "The Things They Carried," including the clothing, equipment, and weapons the soldiers carried. He analyzed and compared the various late eighteenth century muskets and rifles, and included a quotation from General Anthony Wayne, who said, "I don't like rifles. I would almost as soon face an Enemy with a good Musket and Bayonet without ammunition." I am sure General Daniel Morgan would have argued with him. Stephenson also gives details about typical artillery pieces used during the war.

The second part of the book is called, "The Great Battles," which he further divides into two parts: "The War in the North," and "The War in the South." Beginning with the battles of Lexington and Concord on April 19, 1775 and marching all the way through the Battle of Yorktown concluding on October 19, 1781, Stephenson offers concise and insightful analyses of each of the war's major battles. He includes a helpful number of maps that help with visualizing each confrontation.

This book is a good read and well worth the investment to have as part of your Revolutionary War library. It is likely available for you to borrow from your local library. It gives quick and accurate data that helps with chapter presentations and overall study of the war fought by our patriot ancestors.



SAR History Teacher Award

By Bruce Flanders - KSSSAR American History Teacher Award Chairman

Kansas Society Chapters, the time is NOW to contact potential candidates for the Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award!

This SAR contest is a great way to recognize teachers who have distinguished themselves in the instruction of American history, and especially the American Revolutionary era. Teachers in public, private, or parochial schools (but not home schools) can be encouraged to apply.

The Award program will feature a contest at each of the three educational levels so there will be a winner for the elementary school level, the middle school level, and the high school level. A KSSSAR Chapter may submit a contestant to the state from each school level and we may hold a contest and select a winner from each school level to submit for the national awards. The national winner from each school level will receive potential benefits worth up to \$5,000.00 per winner.

This prestigious SAR award would go a long way toward helping these teachers achieve the highest levels of recognition in their profession.

The American History Teacher Award program is spelled out in more detail on the NSSAR website: https://www.sar.org/dr-tom-betty-lawrence-american-history-teacher-award/

How amazing would it be for the national recipient of this Award to hail from Kansas? We came close several years ago, and 2021 could be our year! Work to identify outstanding history teachers in your Chapter's region. Contact these teachers to encourage them to apply, and be prepared to sponsor them. **Applications are due in December, so do not delay!** If you have any questions about the American History Teacher Award, please contact me at: bflanders.sar@gmail.com

Announcing the First Kansas Society Patriot Muster

The Kansas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution invites all patriots to its inaugural **Patriot Muster** on Tuesday, 7 December 2021. Each attendee will have an opportunity to stand muster for a Patriot of the American Revolution. This celebration is an official 250th Anniversary of America's Independence event and each participant will earn points towards the SAR's Bronze, Silver, and Gold 250th medals. All members of the SAR, DAR, Partners-in-Patriotism, family, and friends may attend the event at June's Northland at 614 Pottawatomie St, Leavenworth, KS 66048 or online via Zoom.

Those attending at June's Northland in Leavenworth may enjoy a social hour beginning at 5:00 p.m. and a \$25 holiday buffet of turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, stuffing, corn, sautéed green beans, rolls, pie, carrot cake, coffee, and tea at 6:00 p.m. before the muster at 7:00 p.m. Those attending online may join via Zoom at 6:30 p.m. at:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8860798872?pwd=RzlyZ3Y0eHhlMWxRWi9CNmxnRXB3dz09

Please send your RSVPs to Compatriot John Schatzel no later than 27 November at jschatz82@aol.com. Other Kansas Society Patriot Musters will be held at locations throughout Kansas.

Americanism Award Results

By Dennis Nelson – KSSSAR Americanism Chairman

Complete results of the 2020 Americanism contest have been posted on the NSSAR website. 172 chapters submitted reports down from 189 in 2019. 54 chapters qualified to compete for the President General's Cup down from 73 in 2019. Seven Kansas chapters out of thirteen submitted reports and three qualified to compete for the PG Cup.

Americanism recognizes best outreach programs supporting SAR programs. President General's Streamer recognizes best internal reporting and support of SAR programs. The President General's Cup combines both for an overall program but requires chapters to score points in 12 of 16 categories in order to be eligible for consideration. Chapters and states compete with each other based on size.

The Kansas Society was 1st in Americanism and finished 1st in the PG Streamer and received streamers for both at the Congress in Renton, Washington in July. Kansas finished 3rd in both categories in 2019. Kansas competed in the 500-999 membership category.

78 chapters submitted reports for the category of less than 50 members:

Prairie Minuteman chapter was 28th in Americanism and 14th in PG Streamer.

The Bennington chapter was 30th in Americanism and 28th in PG Streamer.

52 chapters submitted reports for the 50-99 members category:

Monticello chapter was 3rd in Americanism, 9th in PG Streamer and 4th in PG Cup.

Sons of the Plains chapter was 34th in Americanism and 24th in PG Streamer.

34 chapters submitted reports for the 100-200 members category:

Delaware Crossing chapter was 4th in Americanism, 4th in PG Streamer and 4th in PG Cup.

Henry Leavenworth chapter was 6th in Americanism, 15th in PG streamer and 12th in PG Cup.

Washington chapter was 27th in Americanism and 28th in PG Streamer.

Congratulations to all chapters that filed reports and you should be very proud of what you accomplished in your chapter and state. The goal for all chapters is to file a report every year, report all that you do and try to increase activities and participation over the prior year and qualify for the President General's Cup.

The 2021 chapter contest brackets are now 1-40 members, 41-90 members, 91-150 members and greater than 150.



Vern Welkner presents Dennis Nelson with the gold Roger Sherman Medal for service to the national committee

A Family Affair

By: Justin Engleman – KSSSAR Western Vice President

For Pauline Schneider, patriotism and a passion of history run deep in her family. She is the widow of a Third Division Marine Corps veteran who fought at Iwo Jima during World War II. Her father was a World War I veteran, great-grandfathers served on both sides of the War Between the States, while still earlier ancestors served in the War of 1812 and the American Revolution.



Pauline Schneider and Justin Engleman discuss DAR and SAR

As a busy farm wife and mother of four children in Great Bend, Kan., Schneider's neighbor, Edna May "Dolly" Denbo, urged her to join the Jeremiah Howard Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution in the 1950s. Mrs. Schneider felt she did not have the time to devote to a chapter or to be able to complete the research to connect herself to a patriot ancestor. Finally at the age of 93, she decided the time was right to pursue DAR membership.

With the aid of a family friend, Justin Engleman, who is a Sons of the American Revolution chapter genealogist, they determined Stephen Ferryman was the easiest line to pursue for membership in the DAR. Schneider's mother's maiden name was Adams, and both she and Engleman were certain there would be an Adams patriot, but no clear reference could be discerned without possibly weeks or months of research to properly document an Adams ancestor.

Ferryman was born about 1750 and died 14 Dec 1838 at Hampshire County, W.Va. According to "West Virginians in the American Revolution",

Ferryman enlisted in the Virginia militia at Winchester, Frederick County, Va., and served four years in the company of Captain Mayo, Continental Establishment, under Major General John Smith and General Nathanael Greene. He saw service in the Battles of Buford's Defeat and Ninety-Six.

Even now, at age 94, residing in an assisted living residence, Schneider is a very patriotic person and when able enjoys attending Memorial Day and Veterans Day programs, where her late husband Lawrence could often be seen proudly wearing his Marine Corps uniform. A painting of the couple's wedding portrait depicting Lawrence in his Marine Corps uniform, done by their daughter, Sally, hangs in her small apartment in the care facility.



She is also instilling her love of country in her four children, as well as her many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She has afforded each the opportunity to join their respective organization, whether it be Sons of the American Revolution, Daughters of the American Revolution or Children of the American Revolution. Ten are registered members of the Prairie Minutemen Chapter SAR, 12 are approved members of the Smoky Hill Chapter DAR, and two are members of the Joseph Plumb Martin Society CAR.

Mrs. Schneider created history in the Kansas Society SAR, being the first DAR member to refer ten SAR members at the same time in the DAR Finder Program sponsored by the National Society Sons of

the American Revolution. For her efforts, she received the SAR's Medal of Appreciation, Martha Washington Medal and Daughters of Liberty Medal.

While the family is spread out, with some still living within a few miles of home, many now reside in various parts of Texas. Most of the family members returned to Great Bend to be installed in their respective organizations in a joint ceremony alongside the matriarch.



Those being installed in the DAR are Pauline Schneider, her daughters, Pamela Maresch and Sally Davis; granddaughters, Brandi Schneider, Heather Schneider, Tamara Dominguez, Sarah Ethridge and Lindyn Gowdy; and great-granddaughters, Claire Mai, Aubrey Mai, Inez Mai and Kathryn Dominguez.



SAR members include Mrs. Schneider's sons, Larry "Butch" Schneider and Todd Schneider; grandsons, Curtis Mai, Jason Mai, Nathan Mai, and Stanley Maresch; and great-grandsons, Garret Mai, Blake Mai, Rhyse Dominguez and Brett Lyman. The two CAR members are great-granddaughters, Mallory Mai and Wren Ethridge.

Edit: It is with much sadness that we report that after this article was written Mrs. Schneider passed away on Oct 7, 2021, we are thankful that she was able to see all of her family installed in their respective chapters before her passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Schneider family.



Finally, I am home. I wonder what my ughter looks like. How much has she grown? I have en counting down the days to leave the brutality of s tour. The things I have seen are weighing heavily my mind, how can these people strap bombs on Whether it is helping the veteran open a coffee shop or bringing them earplugs on the 4th of July to drown out the fireworks (which often cause flashbacks), Passageways stays by their side. Passageways is an organization working tirelessly for our heroes, an organization I am proud to work with and support!

To raise money for this organization, there are three ways:

By Annabelle Diebolt President Kansas C.A.R.

T-shirts, coffee mugs, hats, coasters, socks, sweatshirts, and more can be ordered at https://hiawathashirtshack.com/collections/kscar-presidents-project.

Auction of donated items will be held online starting soon and ending at the 2021 State D.A.R. Fall Convention. (I will be selling two handmade quilts (one made by a veteran), handmade potholders, handmade purses, artwork, gift cards, handmade cedar trunk by a current serviceman, books, and more!)

Monetary donations: please make checks out to KSCAR and mail them to: Gayla Hoyt- 5815 SW 25th Street, Topeka, KS 66614-1894

Feel free to contact me directly at 913-370-2065 or email me at diebolt@rainbowtel.net . I would be eternally grateful for your support with this project! Please let me know if you would like me to make a personal appearance at your chapter. Thank you, in advance, for your time and generosity.

Finally, I am home. I wonder what my daughter looks like. How much has she grown? I have been counting down the days to leave the brutality of this tour. The things I have seen are weighing heavily on my mind, how can these people strap bombs on their children and send them to blow up American troops? The image of an innocent child being made the source of so much pain and destruction weighs heavily on my soul. "Daddy!" a little voice yells and I look up to see a child running towards me. In an instant, I am back behind enemy lines and a child is running towards my team but...we don't see the bomb until too late. The ringing in my ears grows louder and the faces of those who died flash before my eyes I can't escape them...I can't take it. I start to run, and I just keep running...away from the little one who simply wants her father. This was the heartbreaking reality for a veteran who has gone through the Passageways system. It took him years to be able to return to his children, a feat he probably would not have accomplished without Passageways. This is one of many instances of the reality of our returning heroes, a reality that Passageways, LTD is working to change and a hope they are working to restore.

I am Annabelle Diebolt, the 2021-2022 Kansas State President of the Children of the American Revolution. During my presidency, I am working to support Passageways, LTD. They are a home for homeless veterans based in Wichita. Passageways takes veterans in off the street and gives them a home, a family, the support, and aid they need to thrive. Once the veterans graduate the program, they are given an apartment fully furnished by donations at no cost to the veteran. However, their support does not end there.

Mentoring – An Overall Explanation of SAR

By: President Vernon Welkner

At each chapter, state, and national meeting members recite the Pledge to the Sons of the American Revolution which states, in part, that we "reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic, and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe." In order to enable us to "reaffirm our faith" and "defend them against everpresent foes," the following is a continuation of our mentoring program. My purpose is to give you the information to pass on to new members to equip them to engage in the mission of the Kansas State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution at the chapter and state level. This article provides more information about the National Society to which every compatriot belongs.

What does the SAR insignia mean? Bylaw No. 27, Section 1 of the National Society states, "The insignia



has a cross that shall be gold in color, with four arms covered with white enamel and eight gold points, the same size as a Chevalier's Cross of the Legion of Honor of France, with a gold medallion in the center, bearing on the obverse a bust of Washington in profile, and

on the reverse, the figure of a Minuteman, surrounded by a ribbon enameled in blue, with the NSSAR Motto, "Libertas et Patria," (Liberty and Country) on the obverse, and the legend, "Sons of the American Revolution," on the reverse, both in letters of gold. The cross shall be surmounted by an eagle in gold, and the whole decoration suspended from a ring of gold by a ribbon of a blue or deep blue, flanked by buff and white stripes, and may be worn by any member of the Society on ceremonial occasions only, and shall be carried on the left breast or at the collar by active or Past General Officers of the National Society and present or Past National Trustees (the President General shall wear the distinctive badge of his office) or by the President, active or Past, of a State Society and by the President, active or past, of a local Chapter."

Every new member is given the SAR rosette as a symbol of their membership in the Society. Bylaw No



27, Section 2, defines "the recognized emblem of the Society is a rosette, seven-sixteenths (7/16) inch in diameter, displaying the colors of the Society, blue, white, and buff. Every

member of the Society is privileged to wear the rosette on all occasions when it would be in good form to do so. On a business suit, the emblem is worn on the left lapel. In those areas of the world in which suit jackets are not required for regular business or Society meetings, the emblem may be worn on the left shirt pocket or the collar. Do not wear the emblem on formal clothing."

The Flag of the National Society is explained by Bylaw No. 28: "the Society's Official Standard as a flag consisting of three equal vertical bars, blue, white, and buff, the blue bar at the hoist. Upon the center or white bar is the insignia of the Society and the name "The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution."

Medals and Awards: The NSSAR provides its members with the opportunity to receive numerous medals, pins and certificates that can be purchased or awarded for various contributions to the NSSAR and its programs at National, State, and Chapter levels. Medals, pins and certificates are also available to members and non-members who have completed military, community, or government distinguished service outside the NSSAR.

Volumes IV and V of the Member Manual provides a complete listing of requirements for achieving and protocol for wearing medals, pins and certificates. The National Society's member handbook is available online and you can download it and print it if you choose. A summary of awards that are typically earned by a new member is provided in Appendix B, "Beginning Medals and Certificates". Medals and pins are worn on a blue blazer, suit jacket and on formal evening attire but, are NOT WORN on Color Guard uniforms or militia clothing.

The SAR Neck Ribbon (deep blue, buff and white stripes) is worn by current or former National General Officers and Trustees, and State and Chapter Presidents. Specific pins like past president pins and supplemental patriot stars may be worn on the ribbon.

Pledge and Recessional: The **NSSAR Pledge** should be recited, *without modification*, as follows:

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

Your hands should be at the side for the NSSAR Pledge or left hand at the side and the right hand holding a written copy of the Pledge. The hand over the heart should be reserved for the United States Flag—advancing of the colors, the Pledge of Allegiance, the National Anthem, and the retiring of the colors. Many members, especially new members, read the pledge. The NSSAR Pledge is not a pledge to the organization, but to liberty and our constitutional republic. Nonmembers who wish to make this pledge should be permitted and even encouraged to do so. Those who do not should stand respectfully with their hands at their sides.

The **NSSAR Recessional** should be recited, without modification, as follows:

"Until we meet again. Let us remember our obligations to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court, and a Nation of Free Men."

Your hands should be at the side for the NSSAR Recessional, or left hand at the side and the right hand holding a written copy of the Recessional. Again, do not hold the right hand over the heart.

Dues: In the fall of each year, the chapters collect National Society, State Society and Chapter annual dues from regular and junior members and forwards the National Society and State Society dues to the State Society typically by December 31st. The State Society reconciles the membership, retains state dues and forwards the National Society dues and member rosters to the National Society. It is important that members respond and pay dues when requested. Members not submitting dues by the due date will be "suspended" from membership. A suspended member may be "reinstated" after paying current dues and may be required to pay a penalty to the Chapter or State

Society to be reinstated. Your dues pay for many important programs at the Chapter, State, and National levels. For example, Chapters award cash prizes to winners of the SAR's Youth Programs. We also recognize community leaders such as law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical services, and those who faithfully display the National Colors. Without your dues, we would be unable to recognize and reward such dedicated service.

A <u>National Life Membership</u> option is available from the National Society. The program covers National Society dues for life and <u>does not</u> cover state or chapter dues. For more information and application on the National Life Membership program go to the NSSAR Website and search on "Life Membership".

Some State Societies and some Chapters also provide life membership programs. For information on State or Chapter Life Membership programs contact your Mentor.

SAR Foundation and Donations: The Sons of the American Revolution Foundation seeks to support the mission of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution through fundraising, grant seeking, and donor stewardship. Donations may be provided to any of the following ongoing programs.

- SAR Education Center and Museum
 Supports the Completion of an Education Center and Museum-Includes Interactive Educational Galleries
- SAR King's College London Visiting Professorship
 Supports Expenses of SAR Visiting
 Professorship/Research of Georgian Papers at
 King's College London
- Friends of the Library
 60% of Donation Untouchable Endowment, 40%
 Plus Endowment Interest Used for Special Programs and Operating Expenses
- Education Outreach
 Supports resources teachers and experiences for students studying at the SAR Headquarters.
- George Washington Endowment Fund Provides Funding of Principal to an Endowment, Income Only Supports Worthy SAR Objectives Projects
- Council on Youth Awards
 Donations to any of the Youth Contests supports
 program expenses and contest awards for that
 contest

For more information on these and other fundraising programs and to make a donation, go the NSSAR website, *sar.org*, log in and click on the Foundation tab.

Supplemental Patriot Ancestors: Do you have additional patriot ancestors? If you do, you can complete additional supplemental applications and obtain approval to add them to your patriot ancestor list. A gold star pin is awarded for each patriot ancestor approved.

The National Color Guard: The SAR National Color Guard consists of those uniformed SAR members who participate in the Color Guard at events of the National Society, but are themselves volunteers of a State Society or Chapter Color Guards.

The Color Guard serves as a means to add a note of color and bearing to our celebrations, both public and private, and attract the attention of the general public to the activities of the Society. The Color Guard is used in ceremonies to open and close meetings of the SAR, DAR, C.A.R. and other community organizations or events. They participate in parades, memorial services and grave markings. They bring favorable publicity to the SAR with their colorful flags, attractive uniforms and colonial style music.

The National Society is divided into **Districts**. Each District has a Vice-President General or VPG who reports directly to the President General. The Primary purpose of the VPG and his district organization is to support the PG and his programs and all National Programs and promote working relationship among the District's States. Each VPG

typically has three or four states in his District and works directly with the District's State Society Presidents. Participating international countries are also grouped together into Districts. Districts are not registered as businesses within a State and the officers serve without compensation. The Kansas State Society is part of the South Central District. The other state societies in our district are Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas. Each district has its own Constitution and By Laws. The VPG of a District is elected annually by one of the States Societies. States rotate the election of the District VPG. The District VPG appoints all of his own supporting officers. The South Central District's Vice-President General for 2021 is Larry Stevens from the Texas Society. The South-Central Disctrict has an annual meeting on the third Saturday in August



History of Monticello Chapter

By Bryan Wampler - Eastern Vice President

The Monticello Chapter was formed in 2006 by members of the Delaware Crossing chapter who saw the need for a new chapter centered in Shawnee and Lenexa, Kansas. The establishment of the new chapter began during a discussion at the Shawnee Branch of the Johnson County Library. On September 20, 2006, the founding chapter officers including Compatriots Peter Grassl, Barney Ellis, Paul Ray Whatley and David Comer applied for a charter from the Kansas State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.



The four initial founders of the Monticello Chapter took local history into account when naming the chapter. Most people think the chapter is named after the beloved home of our Founding Father George Washington, but it is named after an old township that is no longer

incorporated in the State of Kansas that was believed to encompassed the general area of the current chapter. The Monticello Township was established June 19, 1857 on 160 acres which is today the areas of western Shawnee and Lenexa, Kansas. A small part on the north is Bonner Springs, and a small

part on the south is Olathe, Kansas. In 1858 Monticello elected 18-year-old James Butler Hickok from Troy Grove, Illinois who is more readily known as Wild Bill Hickok as town constable. Hickok later came to fame as and American frontiersman, Army scout and most notably as a sheriff of Hays City and marshal of Abilene.





Today, there is a Monticello Community Historical Society which is located at 23860 W. 83rd Street, Shawnee, Kansas. The society is "dedicated to the appreciation, preservation, and

celebration of the history and heritage of the Monticello Township community in Johnson County, Kansas. The old towns of Monticello, Wilder, Holliday, Zarah, and Craig were once part of the township. (Historic sites such as Chouteau Trading Post, the Virginia School, and the Union Cemetery are a few of the valued sites.)"

As posted on the Monticello Chapter's website, "the Monticello Township had a stage stop, stores, saloons, blacksmith, doctor,

hotel, general store, schoolhouse, churches, and about 15 dwellings. The 1910 population was about 63. The town was bypassed by the Kansas Midland Railroad (Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe), which instead passed Olathe which caused the town to lose its county seat status."

The Monticello Chapter's charter was approved by the State Society President Robert Haneke on December 21, 2006 installing the following officers: Peter Grassl (Chapter President), Barney Ellis (Chapter Vice



President), Paul Ray Whatley (Secretary) and David Comer (Treasurer). The charter members of the chapter in the order of signing included: Craig Denny, James Speicher, John Kohl, Lyman Miller, Paul Whatley, Jeff Walsh, Wibert Miller, Allen Broome, Shawn Kilburn, John Leftwich, Mark Warnick, Peter Grassl, Barnett Ellis, Robert McFarlin, Sylvan Lowenbrau, Eugene Amos, James Roberts, Jackson Hedrick, John Bolton, Lee Crutchfield, Heath Roland and Kenton McCord.



The chapter continues to be active with the purpose to maintain and expand the meaning of patriotism, respect for our national symbols, respect for the value of American citizenship, and respect for the unifying force of "e pluribus unum" that was created from the people of many nations — one nation and one people. The chapter works diligently to follow the objects of the Society that are declared to be patriotic, historical, and

educational, and shall include those intended or designed to perpetuate the memory of those patriots who, by their services or sacrifices during the war of the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American people; to unite and promote fellowship among their descendants; to inspire them and the community-at-large with a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our

forefathers; to encourage historical research in relation to the American Revolution; to celebrate the anniversaries of the prominent events of the war and of the Revolutionary period; to foster true patriotism; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom and to carry out the purposes expressed in the preamble of the Constitution of our country and the injunctions of Washington in his farewell address to the American people.



During the December 2016 chapter meeting members celebrated the chapter's tenth anniversary. The Monticello Chapter was honored and

recognized by the State of Kansas receiving a State proclamation signed by Governor Sam Brownback, the Secretary of State and Assistant Secretary of State. Proclamations where also received from the City of Lenexa with a City Proclamation signed by Mayor Michael Boehm and by the City of Shawnee with a City Proclamation signed by Mayor Michelle Distler. It is worth noting that the word proclamation has its roots in the Latin word proclamare that means to make public by announcement. Each proclamation outlined "the Objects of the Sons of the American Revolution are declared to be patriotic, historical, and educational; to unite and promote fellowship among the descendants of those who sacrificed to achieve the independence of the American people, to inspire them and the community-at-large with a more profound reverence for the principles of the government

founded by our forefathers; to foster true patriotism; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom." The



Mayor of the City of Lenexa declared that December 6, 2016 as The Monticello Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution Day.



The Monticello chapter has a long tradition of supporting programs of the National and State Societies. Many of our chapter members leverage their professional experiences in supporting programs to include current and former educators, law

enforcement officers, scouting leaders, public safety, medical care providers and members of the Armed Forces to name a few. As a result of generous contributions and fundraising activities the chapter has established an endowment to help pay for youth programs.



On March 28, 2020, the Monticello Chapter was awarded a Certificate of Achievement in recognition of outstanding



support of the Goals and Objectives of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution and the Kansas Society Sons of the American Revolution. The Monticello Chapter was also recognized by the National Society for being the Number 1 USS

Stark Report Chapter of its size (50-99) for 2019 and was ranked 10th in Americanism support out of 58 chapters in the same size category. During 2019, the chapter received 13 State Society Streamers.



The members of the chapter continue to be involved in Partners in Patriotism throughout the Greater Kansas City Area. The Chapter is now a supporting chapter of the Wreaths Across America and will be conducting wreathlaying at the graves of Veterans at the Johnson County Memorial Gardens. The chapter has members who participate in, and hold many leadership positions, organizations to include the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion, different service organizations, trustees at university, state and local government office holders, and other patriotic organizations.



In 2018 the chapter's High School History Teacher of Year placed number 3 at the National competition. Ms. Taylor Smith is a Social Studies and Advanced Placement American History Teacher at the Shawnee

Mission West High School. The chapter's Color Guard is extremely active and appreciated by the collective membership of the chapter as outlined in the November 2020, Volume 128 Issue 4 of the Liberty Bell article entitled, Spotlight on Monticello Chapter Color Guard Members. The Monticello Chapter Color Guard is truly the face of the chapter.



The Monticello Chapter like all other chapters and societies throughout the country has been affected by Covid-19 as highlighted in the Fall 2020 Vol.115, No. 2 edition of The SAR Magazine (Zoom! The Modern-Day Town Crier). Our normal meeting place for the Monticello Chapter Executive Committee is at the Panera Bread on Shawnee Mission Parkway located at 10606 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Shawnee, Kansas on the second Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm Central Time. Our chapter meetings are held on

the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm Central Time at the Pegah's Family Restaurant located at 12122 W. 87th Street Parkway, Lenexa, Kansas. In person meetings were suspended from April through September of 2020 due to the pandemic. Hybrid meetings were held in October and November with respectable participation in person. The chapter was able to utilize Pegha's Zoom equipped flatscreen television, which they had upgraded with a camera to facilitate video teleconference connections in their meeting space. It is the chapter's EXCOM's intent to have hybrid meetings in the future when we are able to safely resume our chapter meetings. Until then, and due to the significant increase in Covid-19 cases, the chapter will continue meeting via the Kansas State Society's Zoom account.

We are extremely proud of our past presidents who include: Peter Grassl (2006), Paul Ray Whatley (2006-2007), David Comer (2007 – 2009), Bob Mellott (2009 – 2011), Bob Matthews (2011 – 2012), Bruce Bowman (2012 – 2015), Craig Dillavou (2015 – 2017), and Steven Crawford (2017 – 2019). Current officers include: Bryan Wampler (President), Jeffrey Winters (Vice President & Programs), Alan Martin (Secretary, Color Guard Commander, Americanism, USS Stark & Historian), Ron Sisk (Treasurer), James Thornton (Chaplain), Jake Cox (Chancellor & Knight/Rumbaugh), Bruce Bowman (Genealogist &

DAR Liaison), Randy Breeden (Registrar), and Steve Crawford (Immediate Past President). Committee Chairmen and other Chapter Leaders include: Craig Dillavou (Chapter Advisor & Poster/Brochures), Jim Nelson (Audit), Keven Baughman (Eagle Scout Essay), Jordan Chambers (Newsletter, Social Media, Website, Nametags, Audio Visual), David Mellott (Public Safety & Heroism), Lyman Miller (Sargent at Arms & Color Guard Commander Emeritus), and Bill Mellott (Veterans Affairs, Flag Certificates & JROTC).

The members of the Monticello Chapter offer an open invitation to all Sons of the American Revolution members and their family members to visit the Monticello Chapter meetings in person (when held) or via Zoom. We also invite you to visit our website at http://mcksssar.org/ and Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/mcksssar.

In closing, the current members of the Monticello Chapter appreciate the legacy of patriotic activities and service which our predecessors established, many who are still members of the chapter. We are especially proud that a founding member is the namesake of the Kansas State Society's highest leadership award, which is the Ellis Spirit Award that is presented to individuals for outstanding service to the Kansas State Society.

CHAPTER NEWS

SONS OF THE PLAINS CHAPTER (Hutchinson) Mark Buckley President Pizaacos Restaurant in Hutchinson, 112 So. Main St. 9AM 2nd Sat. Sept-May

PRAIRIE MINUTEMEN CHAPTER (Ellsworth Area) John Sherman President



Steven and Caden Whetzel receive SAR rosettes from Bobbie Hulse.



Kendall Rathbun receives his rosette from Bobbie Hulse

Prairie Minutemen chapter members inducted during the chartering ceremony.

A chartering ceremony for Prairie Minutemen chapter was held August 7, 2021 at 6:30 pm at the First Presbyterian Church 405 N Lincoln, Ellsworth, KS all SAR members are invited to attend

BENNINGTON CHAPTER (Salina Area) Tom White, President Meets 9:30 AM on the 3rd Saturday of the

White, President *Meets* 9:30 AM on the 3rd Saturday of the month Sep to May at location to be announced. .

CHARLES ROBINSON CHAPTER (Lawrence) John G. Sayler, President Meets 3rd Wednesday of September, November, January, March and May, 6:00 PM, Perkins Restaurant, 1711 23rd St, Lawrence

Col. JOHN SEWARD CHAPTER (Liberal)

Carl Holmes, President "Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the Month (except December) at 7:00 PM at the Leader and Times Newspaper Office, 16 S. Kansas Avenue, Liberal, Kansas

A few of our members were invited to attend a grave marker ceremony for a well-loved DAR member. Here is the shortened version of what happened in our local newspaper, The Leader & Times in Liberal, Kan.

The Daughters of the American Revolution conducted a special graveside ceremony for longtime Liberal resident and DAR member Sammy Lane King Cope (aka Mrs. Wayne) Aug 21, 2021, at Liberal Memorial cemetery in Liberal, Kansas.

Sammy, as she was known to most, was a member of the Cimarron River Valley Chapter of DAR and was Kansas State Regent from 2004 to 2007. She worked tirelessly for DAR, holding numerous chapter offices and then as Chapter Regent before serving as State Regent.



SAR Chapter members involved with her special Memorial Dedication as State Regent invited members of the Col. John Seward Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution to attend the ceremony in color guard uniforms and to play Taps at the conclusion of the ceremony.

Col. J.S. Chapter Secretary Larry Phillips and Program Chair Earl Watt attended in period uniform and dress ((a colonial soldier and Thomas Jefferson, respectively), while former CJS Chapter Vice President and member Darrell Long, who also represented the American Legion as well as SAR, played Taps for the ceremony.

DELAWARE CROSSING CHAPTER (Kansas City & Johnson County)

Ken Ludwig, President Meets 3rd Saturday monthly for 9:00 AM Breakfast, Hilton Garden Inn 119th St. Overland Park, KS

FORT SCOTT CHAPTER (Ft. Scott)

Jim Gilpin, President Meets 2nd Saturday in January, April, July and October at 10:00 AM at Nate's Place, Fort Scott, KS At 7

FORT HAYS CHAPTER (Hays)

Gary Baxter, President, Meeting Dates and Location-Meet on the 3rd Tuesday of Jan, May. July, Sept, Nov. at 7:pm (March is the State SAR Meeting) at the Rooks County Museum, 921 S. Cedar St, Stockton, KS.

Fort Hays chapter president Gary Baxter presents Bobbie Hulse a personalized decorative SAR plaque to commemorate his term as KSSSAR president in appreciation of all of his help revitalizing the Fort Hays chapter.



Gary Baxter (right) presents Bobbie Hulse (left) decorative plaque.

HENRY LEAVENWORTH CHAPTER (Leavenworth) Darren Hasse, President Meets 4th Thursday monthly at June's Northland, 614 Pottawatomie St, Leavenworth, KS 66048



Compatriot John Schatzel, of the Henry Leavenworth Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), received the Florence Kendall Medal – a national award. Schatzel was one of the three top recruiters for the SAR, by recruiting 80 new members.

KONZA PRAIRIE CHAPTER (Manhattan) Mark Naughton, President Meets 3rd Thursday at 7:30 PM, Meeting location TBD

MONTICELLO CHAPTER (Shawnee) Jeffery Alan Winters, President Meets 3rd Thursday monthly, 6:00 PM at Pegah's Restaurant 12122 W 87th St, Lenexa, KS 66215

SAVE THE DATE: The Kansas City Area George Washington Birthday Celebration Planning Committee announces that the 2022 George Washington Birthday Celebration will be held on February 19, 2022 at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Kansas City International Airport located at 7640 NW Tiffany Springs Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64153.

Additional information and formal invitations will be provided at a later date. We hope that you will plan to attend!

Look forward to seeing you at the George Washington Birthday Celebration!

On Thursday, September 16, 2021, the Monticello Chapter held their annual picnic at Sar Ko-Par Trails Park in Lenexa, KS. During the event, State Color Guard Commander Dewey Fry presented the chapter

a replica of George Washington's Commander-in-Chief Flag. The flag was the personal standard of the Commander of the Continental Army everywhere he went. The presence of the flag meant George Washington was there. It was at every battle and location that the Commander-in-Chief was at during the Revolutionary War.



The flag was presented in memory of Monticello Chapter Color Guard Commander Emeritus Lyman Miller. If you look closely, you will see an affixed plaque that is engraved with Lyman's name and DOB-DOD.

Compatriot James Phillip Heitmeyer was inducted as a new member in the Monticello Chapter during the September chapter picnic. His wife received the SAR Medal of Appreciation.

Compatriot Bryan Wampler received the District Meritorious Service Medal at the South Central District (SCD) Annual Meeting from Vice President General Larry Stevens for his service as the SCD Parliamentarian.

Compatriot Alan Martin, who is the Monticello Chapter Color Guard Commander, Attended the TNSAR grave marking event for Revolutionary War Patriot Captain John Tipton on Sept. 11 in Johnson City, TN.



On Sept. 12th he participated in the NSSAR event in Elizabethton, Tenn." "The Gathering at Sycamore Shoals on the Watauga River", which commemorates the starting point o" the "Over the Mountain Men" on their way to the Battle of King's Mountain. this year's "Gathering", there were Color Guardsmen from Nine different states, and a three round rifle volley was fired in their honor by over 35 long rifles or Brown Bess's.



This year was the first time that the flag of KANSAS flew at the event. Compatriot Alan Martin was honored to be carrying the flag of the Sunflower state and representing the KSSSAR.

Later that day, the flag of Kansas also flew at the Tennessee State DAR memorial dedication for their state 250th anniversary of the Revolutionary War.

THOMAS JEFFERSON CHAPTER (Topeka)

Brian Vazquez, President *Topeka Public Library, 1515 SW* 10th Ave. – 9:00 a.m. (3rd Saturday of month during September to November and February to June) HyVee. 29th & Wanamaker, Topeka, KS 3 rd Saturday of July, Aug, Dec, and Jan, @ 9:00 am.

WASHINGTON CHAPTER (Wichita Area) Randolph Colby, President Meets 3nd Friday except January & July at 6:30 pm at Spear restraint, 4323 W Maple St, Wichita, KS

The day dawned bright and warm. It was a day all of Kansas had been waiting 70 years for. Chaplain Emil Kapaun has come home. Seventy years ago in Korea as his Army unit was retreating in the Battle of Usan Chaplain Kapaun chose to stay behind with the wounded and dying. Doing so ensured he would be taken prisoner. Chaplain Kapaun died in a POW camp, but not before he heroically continued to care for and minister to his men. So heroic was his efforts that President Barack Obama awarded the medal of honor posthumously to Chaplain Kapaun and the

Catholic church is currently considering bestowing Sainthood.



Caisson carrying Chaplin Capt. Emil Kapaun

Although buried in an unmarked grave his remains were repatriated in the late 1950's and laid to rest at Pearl Harbor. Within the last year his remains were positively identified through DNA. This day would be the welcome home he so greatly deserved. Two days earlier his hometown of Pilson, Kansas welcomed him with a private funeral Mass in the very church he grew up in. The next day a vigil was held in Hartman Arena to a capacity audience of 5,000. Finally this day began with a funeral Mass at Hartman Arena attended by another capacity audience. The events would end with a public procession down Central Avenue in Wichita to

Saint Mary's Cathedral where Chaplain Kapaun would find his final resting place within the Cathedral. The procession provided full military honors by the United States Army.



Washington Chapter President Randy Colby and VP John Schwartz at Kapaun procession

Two members of Washington Chapter in Color Guard uniform were on hand to honor Chaplain Kapaun at the procession. Those members were Randolph Colby, chapter president, and John Schwartz, chapter Vice President and Past chapter and State Society President. Rest in Peace Chaplain Emil Kapaun and Huzzah.

The Kansas SAR Ladies Auxiliary Linda Welkner, President Mrs. Welkner Meets at the Quarterly Board of Governors

New Members

| Last | First | Middle | NSSAR | K s | Ch | Sponsor | Approved | Ancestor |
|-------------|----------|------------|--------|------------|------|------------------|----------|----------------------|
| Robinson | Recil | David | 219785 | 3795 | WA | R. J. Colby | 07/16/21 | John Watts |
| Hills | Shane | Alexander | 220007 | 3796 | DX | J. W. Forbes | 07/30/21 | John Gilchrist |
| Hills | Zachary | Thomas | 220008 | 3797 | DX | J. W. Forbes | 07/30/21 | John Gilchrist |
| Maasen | Michael | Joseph | 220173 | 3798 | HL | J. A. Schatzel | 08/13/21 | David Baird |
| Firstbrook | Clinton | Fisk, III | 220174 | 3799 | KP | J. A. Schatzel | 08/13/21 | Daniel Gard |
| Weaver | Michael | Allen | 220269 | 3800 | MC | B. W. Wampler | 08/20/21 | Isaac Weaver, Jr. |
| Weaver | Michael | Scott | 220270 | 3801 | MC | B. W. Wampler | 08/20/21 | Isaac Weaver, Jr. |
| Weaver | Sean | Michael | 220271 | 3802 | MC | B. W. Wampler | 08/20/21 | Isaac Weaver, Jr. |
| Schillinger | Alec | William | 220272 | 3803 | MC | B. W. Wampler | 08/20/21 | Isaac Weaver, Jr. |
| Schillinger | Eric | Louis | 220273 | 3804 | MC | B. W. Wampler | 08/20/21 | Isaac Weaver, Jr. |
| Stuerke | Carl | William | 220274 | 3805 | DX | J. A. Schatzel | 08/20/21 | Henry Silsby |
| Parris | Jeremy | James | 220548 | 3806 | DX | H. D. Fry | 09/24/21 | William Humphries |
| Frederick | Walter | Henry, III | 218927 | 3807 | MAL | trf from AZ | 09/29/21 | Joseph Benton, Jr. |
| Frederick | Cole | Douglas | 218928 | 3808 | MAL | trf from AZ | 09/29/21 | Joseph Benton, Jr. |
| Frederick | Chase | Benton | 218929 | 3809 | MAL | trf from AZ | 09/29/21 | Joseph Benton, Jr. |
| Baxter | Timothy | Allen | 220569 | 3810 | WA | J. L. Warne | 10/01/21 | John Riegel |
| Halfman | Michael | Leonard | 220570 | 3811 | WA | J. L. Warne | 10/01/21 | George Rogers |
| McIntyre | Kent | Alan | 220619 | 3812 | WA | J. L. Warne | 10/08/21 | Matthew Brown |
| Collier | Dominick | G. | 220620 | 3813 | FHJ. | A. Schatzel | 10/08/21 | William Simpson |
| Rost | Thomas | Odell, II | 220691 | 3814 | TJ | R. L. McReynolds | 10/15/21 | Benjamin Sutton, Jr. |
| Rost | Francis | John, II | 220692 | 3815 | TJ | R. L. McReynolds | 10/15/21 | Benjamin Sutton, Jr. |
| Rost | Miles | Buckley | 220693 | 3816 | TJ | R. L. McReynolds | 10/15/21 | Benjamin Sutton, Jr. |
| Kirk | Philip | Maurice | 220694 | 3817 | HL | J. A. Schatzel | 10/15/21 | Jonathan Condit |
| Kirk | William | Nelson | 220695 | 3818 | HL | J. A. Schatzel | 10/15/21 | Jonathan Condit |
| Kirk | William | Skyler | 220696 | 3819 | HL | J. A. Schatzel | 10/15/21 | Jonathan Condit |
| Kirk | Albert | Jonathan | 220697 | 3820 | HL | J. A. Schatzel | 10/15/21 | Jonathan Condit |

Supplementals

| Last | First | Middle | NSSAR | Ks | Ch | Approved | Ancestor |
|------------|---------|---------------|--------|------|----|----------|----------------------|
| Long | James | Jefferson | 211795 | 3517 | WA | 08/06/21 | Leroy Hill |
| Winters | Jeffrey | Alan | 201387 | 3250 | MC | 08/20/21 | Philip Henry Gortner |
| Colby | Randolp | h Joseph, Jr. | 187307 | 2962 | WA | 09/03/21 | Nathaniel Wadleigh |
| Winters | Jeffrey | Alan | 201387 | 3250 | MC | 09/03/21 | John Joseph Eck |
| Talkington | Gregg | Lee | 214779 | 3632 | WA | 09/03/21 | Sylvanus Ames |
| Wampler | Bryan | Wayne | 194673 | 3099 | MC | 10/01/21 | Solomon Spafford |
| Faires | Robert | Allen | 209925 | 3463 | WA | 10/01/21 | Joel Buffington |
| Martin | John | Charles, Jr. | 216247 | 3682 | DX | 10/01/21 | John Thatcher |
| Martin | John | Charles, Jr. | 216247 | 3682 | DX | 10/01/21 | John Wilkerson |

Salute to Our Departed Comrades

| Last Fin | rst | Middle | NSSAR | Ks | Chapter | Member | Died |
|------------|---------|---------------|-----------|------|---------|--------|-----------|
| Gullickson | Kevin | Maurice | 204865 | 3319 | | 2017 | 12/26/20* |
| Ireland | Donald | Eugene | 111806 | 1180 | DX | 1976 | 02/25/21 |
| Hughes | Harry | Alexander Dav | vis 87195 | 794 | | 1961 | 03/17/21* |
| Thomas | Stephen | Allen | 115059 | 1233 | | 1978 | 05/17/21* |
| Gish | David | Eugene | 137200 | 1924 | | 1991 | 05/27/21* |
| Wheeler | Ross | Sterling | 87916 | 815 | | 1962 | 06/19/21* |
| Nelson | Paul | David | 198095 | 3177 | HL | 2016 | 07/10/21 |
| Trimmer | Paul | Richard | 185684 | 2928 | MC | 2012 | 07/18/21 |
| Miller | Lyman | LaRue | 169511 | 2567 | MC | 2007 | 07/26/21 |
| Washington | Russell | Eugene | 196218 | 3123 | | 2015 | 08/05/21* |
| Leighr | David | Donald | 155433 | 2235 | | 2001 | 08/17/21+ |
| Bruno | John | Ignacio | 117178 | 1331 | | 1980 | 09/09/21+ |

^{*}supplementals for new dual member

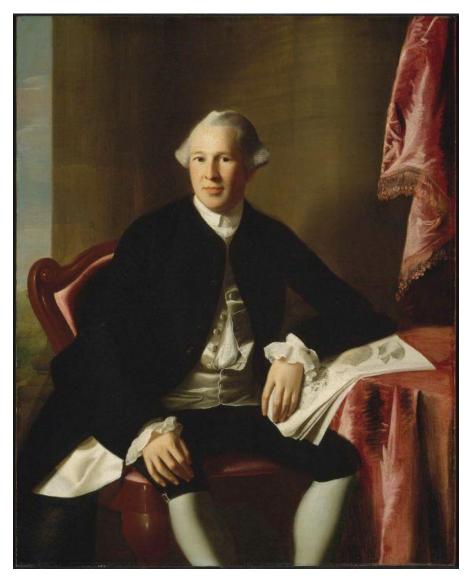
| Speicher | James | Lewis | 152108 | 2178 | | 1999 | 09/11/21+ |
|----------|-------|-------|--------|------|----|------|-----------|
| Grover | Edgar | Euing | 132662 | 1835 | SP | 1989 | 09/19/21 |
| Rinehart | Ray | Dee | 180654 | 2836 | JS | 2011 | 10/06/21 |

^{*}inactive



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Final Thought



General Dr. Joseph Warren

That it is an indispensable duty which we owe to God, our country, ourselves and posterity, by all lawful ways and means in our power to maintain, defend and preserve those civil and religious rights and liberties, for which many of our fathers fought, bled and died, and to hand them down entire to future generations. – Dr. Joseph Warren 1774.

The Editor of the Liberty Bell is Steve Hamlin of Washington Chapter. The Publisher is Vernon Welkner of the Henry Leavenworth Chapter, President of the Kansas SAR. You can reach the Editor at unclehammy@sbcglobal.net This is your Society News Letter, if there is something you want to see in it please contact me or Vernon and we will see what we can do!