



The Liberty Bell News Letter of the Kansas Society Sons of the American Revolution

The President's Corner

by Dennis Nelson

Renew Your Commitment to the SAR

You will always remember the day you were inducted as a new member of the SAR. You were very proud of becoming a new member, because you had documented that you are descended from a patriot of the American Revolution. This is an important accomplishment but it is just the beginning of your journey as a member of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Just as our patriot ancestors took oaths of allegiance to the cause, you took an oath to remember the sacrifices of your patriot ancestors and to support the National and State Society as well as your Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Just as these patriots supplied support to the cause, you are asked to pay your dues and assist the SAR in meeting its mission.

Just as these patriots became officers of the new government or members of the committees of safety, we ask you to become officers and committee chairman for you chapter, state and national society.

Just as these patriots were elected and went to the continental congress and state legislatures to serve, we ask you to attend chapter and state meetings and the National SAR congress as voting delegates.

Just as your patriots served in the militia and continental army, navy and marines, we ask you to serve in the SAR color guard, the most recognizable asset of our society.

Just as your patriot ancestors promoted the cause to their families, friends, neighbors, businesses and churches, we ask you support events in your communities and to recruit others to become members of the SAR.

And best of all, unlike your patriot ancestors, you don't risk committing treason for these acts.

So carry that pride that you had then and now for the rest of your life. When you think you have done everything you can to support the SAR think again. Dig in your pocket a little deeper, spend fifteen more minutes on your reports, call or email someone about the SAR, research for other patriots you may have, be creative on how to bring our message to your community and share your pride with others.

Continue to enjoy the journey.



The 128th Annual Congress 2018: Houston, Texas

The Texas Society hosted this year's 128th Annual National Congress in balmy Houston, Texas 13-18 July 2018. The Kansas SAR was represented by Society President Dennis Nelson, Trustee, Membership Secretary and Registrar Tim Peterman and former Society President Dave Comer. Members of the Kansas SAR in national leadership positions also there were Bob Capps, Vice President General of the South Central District and Brooks Lyles, Vice President General of the International District, Chairman of the Education Committee, and 2nd Adjutant of the National Color Guard.



The week officially started Saturday with sponsored tours of NASA and The George H. W. Bush Presidential Library in the morning and the Host Society Reception that evening at the George Ranch Historical Park. The George Ranch is a working ranch and one of the oldest in Texas dating back to the 1830s. There was live music, real Texas Longhorns, roping and branding demonstrations and some great Texas BBQ.



Sunday began the real work of the Congress with the Color Guard Breakfast, the Joseph Rumbaugh Orations Contest, the judging of the Americanism Poster Contest entries, a Trustees Meeting and the Memorial Service honoring all the compatriots who have left us since the last Congress. The Memorial Service includes the largest annual gathering of the National Color Guard who hold a review by the President General in the morning then parade to the site of the Service and present the colors for the ceremony. The ceremony is followed by the First

Lady's Tea which features many of the women in their finest Colonial Dress.



Sunday evening was a real treat for Kansas as our Orations Contestant, Chayne Desasso of the Henry Leavenworth Chapter made the finals and competed Sunday evening. He did an amazing job and finished second in the nation earning a check for \$3000. Chayne and his parents already stated that he will be competing again next year and hopes to earn his way back to Congress for another go!



Monday morning marked the official Opening Session of the 128th Annual Congress. The National Color Guard presented the colors and the National Society Leadership were introduced and seated. Greetings were presented, including the Governor of Texas, by video and the Mayor of Houston (which is the 4th largest city in the country). Also presenting greetings were the representatives of all many of the major hereditary and genealogical societies in the country as well as the American Legion. Following the Opening Session was the Youth Awards Luncheon where we recognize all the Youth Contest Award winners of the National Society. The winners are introduced and get to read their essays. The highlight of the luncheon is the presentation by the Rumbaugh Oration Winner of their winning oration.



Monday evening was the Minuteman Induction Ceremony and Awards to State Societies, Chapters and Other Individuals.

The Minuteman Class of 2018 includes: C. David Billings of Alabama, Martin Boyer of France, Douglas T. Collins of Kentucky, Edward Rigel, Sr. of Georgia, Robert A. Sapp of Georgia and John D. Sinks of the District of Columbia.

The Kansas Society did very well again this year in State and Chapter recognition with regards to National Programs. Below is a listing of the awards and recognition achieved by the Kansas Society and its members:

BROOKS LYLES RECEIVED A MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL FOR IN RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING PERSONAL SERVICE AS VICE PRESIDENT GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT/TRAVEL COORDINATOR FOR PG GUZY AND CHAIRMAN OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE PRESENTED BY LARRY GUZY, PG

KANSAS SOCIETY RECEIVED THE GRAHAME T. SMALLWOOD, JR. AWARD FOR THE STATE SOCIETY OF 500 OR MORE MEMBERS WITH THE BEST NEWS PUBLICATION WITH MORE THAN 10 PAGES – \$250 CASH AWARD FOR LIBERTY BELL – BROOKS LYLES EDITOR

DAR LIAISON CHAIRMAN JOHN SCHATZEL AND DEWEY FRY VICE CHAIRMAN:

CERTIFICATE FOR KS DAR SOCIETY FOR DAR/SAR MEMBERSHIP AWARD TO THE DAR SOCIETY RECRUITING THE MOST NEW SAR MEMBERS- 1ST PLACE TEXAS WITH 165, 2ND PLACE GA WITH 113 AND THIRD KANSAS WITH 74. KANSAS THIRD WITH A \$100 CHECK FOR THE KANSAS DAR SOCIETY,

CERTIFICATE FOR THE KS DAR SOCIETY FOR THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF DAR REFERRALS COMPARED TO STATE SAR MEMBERSHIP – KANSAS FIRST WITH 9%, SECOND OKLAHOMA WITH 7.82% AND WYOMING THIRD WITH 7%. FIRST PLACE WITH A CHECK FOR \$300 FOR THE KANSAS DAR SOCIETY.

CHAIRMAN OF AMERICANISM COMMITTEE JUSTIN ENGLEMAN:

ALLENE WILSON GROVES AWARD TO THE KANSAS SOCIETY, BASED ON SIZE, WHICH PRESENT EVIDENCE OF BEST IMPLEMENTING- CERTIFICATE FOR HONORABLE MENTION – 1ST PLACE THIS YEAR BUT CAN'T WIN TWO YEARS IN A ROW.

CHAIRMAN OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE AND HEROISM COMMITTEE DAVE MELLOTT: RECIPIENTS ARE RECOGNIZED IN A PRINTED BOOKLET AVAILABLE AT CONGRESS.

1) MEDAL FOR HEROISM, DELAWARE CROSSING CHAPTER, SEAN GIANFRANCESCO. 2) FIRE SAFETY COMMENDATION, DELAWARE CROSSING, THOMAS HOEGLER; HENRY LEAVENWORTH, GARY BIRCH. 3) LIFE SAVING COMMENDATION, FORT HAYS, KARLE STEPHEN; HENRY LEAVENWORTH, KEITHAN WILLIAMS. 4) LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMENDATION, HENRY LEAVENWORTH, PAT KITCHENS.

CAR LIAISON CHAIR DICK NELSON: KANSAS RECEIVED CERTIFICATE AND STREAMER FOR THE CAR ACTIVITIES AWARD

TIM PETERMAN – ALTERNATE TRUSTEE: KANSAS RECEIVED CERTIFICATE AND STREAMER FOR OFFICER ATTENDANCE AWARD – PRESIDENT AND TRUSTEE ATTENDING LEADERSHIP MEETINGS AND CONGRESS

KANSAS RECEIVED CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION AND STREAMER FOR SUBMITTING A CANDIDATE FOR THE FOLLOWING YOUTH CONTESTS:

EAGLE SCOUT – KIRK RUSH CHAIRMAN

POSTER CONTEST – STEVE CRAWFORD CHAIRMAN

BROCHURE CONTEST – STEVE CRAWFORD CHAIRMAN

ESSAY CONTEST – STU CONRAD CHAIRMAN

OUTSTANDING JROTC CADET CONTEST – BROOKS LYLES CHAIRMAN

KANSAS SOCIETY RECEIVED ADMIRAL FURLONG AWARD FOR FLAG PRESENTATIONS BY THE CHAPTERS AND STATE – LARRY PHILLIPS CHAIRMAN

LIBERTY BELL MEDALS AND OAK LEAF CLUSTERS FOR SPONSORING 10 NEW MEMBERS –

JOHN SCHATZEL (HL) 6

BOBBIE HULSE (SP) 2

BRUCE BOWMAN (MC) 1

JOE WARNE (WA) 1

CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION IN RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING PERSONAL SERVICE ON THESE COMMITTEES SIGNED BY LARRY GUZY PG:

CHAIRMAN OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE – BROOKS LYLES

CHAIRMAN OF DONATION COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE – PETER GRASSL

VICE CHAIRMAN OF MERCHANDISE COMMITTEE – DAVE COMER

VICE CHAIRMAN OF HISTORY COMMITTEE – BROOKS LYLES

VICE CHAIRMAN OF DAR LIAISON COMMITTEE – DENNIS NELSON

VICE CHAIRMAN OF FLAG COMMITTEE – DENNIS NELSON

CERTIFICATE FOR KATRINA BARRAGREE FOR REPRESENTING KANSAS SOCIETY IN BROCHURE CONTEST –

ALSO IN THE NSSAR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH LIBRARY DONOR RECOGNITION – KANSAS SOCIETY RECOGNIZED FOR THE LIBRARY ENDOWMENT FUND AND JOHN FORBES FOR SPECIAL PURPOSE FUND CONTRIBUTION.



Tuesday morning kicked off with the South Central District Breakfast. The Mighty SCD is composed of five states and often goes by MOKAT, Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas and Texas. It is one of the larger and more influential districts and for the last year it has been led by Vice President General Bob Capps of Kansas. There were 46 members of the District in attendance including former President Generals Tom Lawrence (TX) and David Appleby (MO). We heard from the candidates for National Offices to include the SAR Foundation Board, the fund raising wing component of the National Organization. Following the visit of the candidates and State Society President's reports, VPG Capps passed the gavel to new VPG Dan McMurray of Missouri. During Bob's term he attended the Annual State Meeting of each Society, and participated in the Churchill Plaque Ceremony in Fulton Missouri and the Eisenhower Grave Marking in Abilene. The next South Central District Meeting will be 24-25 August in Springfield Missouri. Come join us and show Kansas' continued support for the SCD.



The second General Session of the Congress convened at 0900 and went the rest of the day with a break for the George Washington Fellow's and VPGs Luncheon where new GW Fellows were recognized. In the afternoon Committee Reports were completed, Formal Nominations for National Offices as approved by the Nominating Committee were formalized and

any candidates running from the floor were introduced. The General Session was closed and delegates broke to attend committee meetings, Color Guardsmen got the flags ready for the evening's banquet and balloting took place for National Offices and the Foundation Board.

Tuesday evening was the President General's Banquet, honoring President General Larry Guzy and First Lady Karin as their term of office comes to a close. Also



honored with seats at the head tables and an introduction and procession were all General Officers, Vice President Generals and their ladies. This was the last official function for International District VPG Brooks Lyles and his wife Diane Ungvarsky and for SCD VPG Bob Capps. The featured speaker was the National Chief Executive of the Boy

Scouts of America, Wayne Brock who gave a great talk on the health of Scouting across the nation.

Wednesday morning was the final session of the Congress where unfinished

business was conducted and all the new General Officers, VPGs and State Trustees were sworn in. The meeting ended at 1100 and tours of the Museum District and the San Jacinto Battlefield filled the rest of the day until Compatriots and their Ladies gathered for the President General's Induction Banquet where Warren Alter of Arizona was sworn in as the new President General. One of the highlights of the



Induction Ceremony is the presentation of Washington's Signet Ring which the PG gets to wear for a minute or two before it



is sent back to National Headquarters under armed guard! If you have never been to a National SAR event you owe it to yourself to make the effort. We are a great bunch of like minded individuals

with a common love for history and our country. You may find a long lost relative or meet and make a new friend. The work of the organization is a calling and it needs all of our support to make it work. If not us who? If not now when?



Armed Forces Day 2018 with F.I.S.H. at Outlaw Cigar

Friends in Service of Heroes or F.I.S.H. hosted Armed Forces Day at the Outlaw Cigar in Overland Park on 19 May and for the second year the Kansas SAR was invited to participate.



The State Color Guard under the command of Dewey Fry of the Delaware Crossing Chapter participated with the US Marine Corps Color Guard in the opening ceremony and then became everyone's favorite group to have their picture taken with. That included Charlie the Service Dog, Kansas Governor Jeff Colyer and US Congressman Kevin Yoder.



It was a great day for showing the flag and for showing the SAR's support for F.I.S.H. and their mission of supporting veterans by providing Track Chairs and Service Dogs to disabled service members and those suffering with PTSD. Compatriots Nelson, Lyles and Craig Dillavou of the Monticello Chapter manned an SAR Recruiting Booth (See cover photo) between the WWII Veterans and the F.I.S.H. Booth and had a great time meeting folks, sharing our colonial history items and sharing the story of the SAR.

Kansas Children of the American Revolution

The Kansas Society Children of the American Revolution has formed a new Society in the Wichita area. It is known as the Joseph Plumb Martin Society. Several members of KSSAR were in attendance at the formal event to assist in forming the new Society. Bobbie Hulse, in uniform, Justin Engleman, Sons of the Plains Chapter, Randy Colby and Pat Taylor from the Washington Chapter in Wichita also participated.

The Kansas C.A.R. Society has a new State President. Her name is Paige Neumann from Overland Park. Her project for her term in office is "War Horses For Veterans".



We will be hearing more about her project as she visits an upcoming Board of Governors meeting.

The Kansas State Society C.A.R. is also hosting the Great Plains Regional Meeting to be held in Topeka July 10-11. The region is made up of Societies from six states and representatives from those states will be attending. The KSSAR has made a monetary donation to help with costs of this event.

The Kansas Society of SAR continues its commitment to support and reach out to our C.A.R. State Society as well as the local Societies within our various chapters.

Thank you for your support,

Dick Nelson
KSSAR C.A.R. Liaison



Kansas Rocks Americanism Reporting Again!

The Kansas Society SAR received the Americanism streamer at the National Congress held in Houston, Texas, in July 2018. Kansas had the highest score for state societies with 500-999 members. Helping to win this award, seven chapters entered Americanism reports for the 2017 contest year: Delaware Crossing, Henry Leavenworth, Bennington, Monticello, Sons of the Plains, Fort Hays and Washington. Each individual chapter combined with some other chapter information compiled at events such as the Board of Governors meetings, state conference and South Central District meetings, as well as state Americanism reports were compiled to complete the total. Fort Hays was a new entrant this year. Sons of the Plains and Henry Leavenworth moved categories.

The SAR Americanism Committee is responsible for organizing and directing the SAR's efforts to promote the principles of freedom and liberty for all Americans. This includes dissemination of SAR programs and resolutions relating to the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights. Americanism Awards for the National Society equate to the Oscar's best movie and best director categories. These awards are given at the conclusion of the gala banquet to close the Congress. This shows the importance of the work put into the Americanism reports these chapters submit.

Americanism recognizes the best outreach programs supporting SAR programs. The President General's Streamer recognizes the best internal reporting and support of SAR programs. The President General's Cup combines both of the above for an overall program based on total points divided by the number of members of the society; whereby, none of the 16 categories can include more than 20-percent of their total score. To compete in the President General's Cup a chapter must complete 12 of the 16 categories. It really is not that difficult to complete 12 of the categories. Sons of the Plains, with a little diligence, has already completed 13 of the 16 categories this year, simply by keeping the report up-to-date as the year progresses, rather than trying to fill out the report at year's end.

To repeat as the best state society next year will be difficult—other states will peruse their reports and see where they increase their activities and how to beat our average. We can do it again if ALL chapters are diligent in reporting all of their activities. Most importantly, all chapters should keep their Americanism reports updated frequently. Do not wait until the end of the year to complete your report because you will forget something. The Sons of the Plains and Delaware Crossing reports are updated several times throughout the month as activities occur, to ensure that the maximum number of points is credited.

Results for the year are:

2017 Americanism Results

14th Place – Sons of the Plains (Chapters with 50-99 Members, 63 entrants)

48 – Bennington (1-49, 70 entrants)

13 – Henry Leavenworth (100-199, 36 entrants)

18 – Monticello (50-99)

42 – Washington (50-99)

3 – Delaware Crossing (100-199, 26 entrants)

40 – Fort Hays (1-49)

2017 President General Streamer

36 – Sons of the Plains

42 – Bennington

11 – Henry Leavenworth

30 – Monticello

54 – Washington

5 – Delaware Crossing

67 – Fort Hays

2017 President General's Cup

13 – Sons of the Plains

10 – Henry Leavenworth

23 – Monticello

3 – Delaware Crossing

Justin Engleman
Americanism Committee Chairman





President Dwight D. Eisenhower Compatriot Grave Marking



Societies in the western portion of the United States are lucky if they can find a verified Patriot of the Revolutionary War buried within their borders. Texas has a dozen or two, Missouri and Illinois have some and there may even be a few in California who reached the west coast by sail in the decades following the war. Because of this, western Societies are unable to conduct Patriot Grave Markings and if members of their societies wish to mark their Patriot's grave they have to coordinate with the State Society where they are buried and that Society gets Americanism points for the event. However there is a way for Societies who do not have Patriot's buried within their border to honor their Patriot's indirectly by conducting a Compatriot Grave Marking.



The National Society has approved a Compatriot Grave Marker and the Kansas Society decided to honor Kansas' most distinguished son by inviting President General Larry Guzy, National Color Guard members and Compatriots from across the country to join the family of President Dwight D. Eisenhower at the Eisenhower Presidential Library, Museum and Boyhood Home, Abilene, Kansas on 2 June 2018 for a Compatriot Grave Marking Ceremony.

The event was sponsored by the Kansas Society, hosted by the Sons of the Plains Chapter and Chapter President Justin Engleman and Dawn Hammett of the Eisenhower Presidential Library, Museum and Boyhood Home and it was a tremendous success. Kansas Society President Dennis Nelson and the State leadership were joined by

President General Larry Guzy, South Central District Vice President General Bob Capps, International District Vice President General Brooks Lyles and Kansas Society Daughter's of the American Revolution Regent Kathryn Walker West. Representing President Eisenhower's family were Grand Daughter Mary Eisenhower and Great Grandson Merrill Eisenhower Atwater. We were joined by Wayne Merrill, President of the Missouri Society, George Strunk, President of the North Carolina Society, Gene Moyer 3rd Vice President of the Maryland Society, and 22 National Color Guard members from five states.

Following the presentation of the Colors by the National Color Guard led by National Color Guard Adjutant Brooks Lyles and Kansas Color Guard Commander Dewey Fry, Emcee Justin Engleman welcomed the participants and guests. Kansas Chaplain Compatriot Rev. Vern Welkner presented the Invocation, Compatriot BG(R) Bryan Wampler then led the 100 plus guests in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the SAR. Mary Eisenhower spoke mentioning how much she felt her Grandfather would have enjoyed and appreciated the event and about how she felt his presence in this special place. When she was mentioning that, Compatriot Roy Eckert took this picture of the Eisenhower chapel and caught the beam of light you see emanating from (or towards) the door of the Chapel where he and Mrs Eisenhower lay at rest. President General Guzy spoke about President Eisenhower's



service to the country and about his Patriot Ancestors John Peter Eisenhower who provided supplies to the Army at Valley Forge and John Mater of the Lancaster County Militia. The Compatriot Grave Marker was then dedicated and unveiled by the PG and Eisenhower Family members.

Thirty-one wreaths were presented by SAR, DAR, CAR, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Eisenhower family. Benefactors of the event included the George Washington Endowment Fund, the Kansas Society, The Harry S Truman Chapter of the Missouri Society and twenty-two Compatriots from four states.

Following the Recognition of the Wreaths, which were laid before the ceremony started, the Colors were retired, Chaplain Welkner presented the Benediction and Compatriot Wampler led the SAR Recessional.

It was a great day for everyone who attended and the first National Color Guard event we have had in Kansas. So all you western societies whose members can't make it back east for National events here is a way to host and hold your own National event and a way to recognize distinguished Compatriots who made your state their homes!



Dispatches from the Western Front

From the Prairie Chapters Bennington, Ft. Hays and Sons of the Plains

Annual Western Regional Meeting

The Western chapters of the Kansas SAR had their annual regional meeting tonight in Great Bend. Following the presentation of the colors Kansas President **Dennis Nelson** provided the opening remarks. Following a great meal of Yankee Pot Roast, mashed potatoes, green beans and tossed salad Compatriot Brooks Lyles was the guest speaker. Following his presentation on Militias and Militiamen we inducted six new members into the Bennington, Fort Hays and Sons of the Plains Chapters. Thanks to Justin Engleman, President of the Sons of the Plains Chapter for hosting this year's event. **Bobbie Hulse**, Kansas VP 620-755-3170 bobbiesar2@att.net



Paige Neumann Inducted as President of the Kansas CAR

Paige Neumann was inducted as the Kansas State President of the N.S.C.A.R. at the home of George and Martha Washington at Mt. Vernon, VA in April 2018. At the National Conference, outgoing state presidents made reports on their state fundraising projects and the new President, David Graham, unveiled his fundraising project benefitting our current combat Veterans.

Paige's project is in step with David's work. She is fundraising for War Horses For Veterans (WHFV), a program by combat vets for combat vets in Stillwell, Kansas. WHFV uses the power of equine therapy and social networking with fellow combat vets to rebuild trust and faith in their world. Vets pay nothing for the weekend event and are encouraged to return at any time. They are encouraged to bring a fellow vet back with them to the ranch when they return.

<https://warhorsesforveterans.com/>



Paige, third from left with National President, David Graham, placing medallions on the new officers. Mt. Vernon, VA

Please help support this wonderful organization by donating to Paige's project. All proceeds go to WHFV. Paige will be at the Board of Governors' meeting and the SAR State Conference. You may mail checks to 10248 Farley St., Overland Park, KS 66212



This is Patriot, our poster boy. Patriot is an Icelandic. He is one of the War Horses For Veterans.

AROUND TOWN



CHAPTER NEWS

SONS OF THE PLAINS CHAPTER (Hutchinson)

Justin Engleman, President Meets 2nd Saturday at 9:00 AM
at the Hutchinson Community College, Hutchinson, KS

Pat Crawford (Bennington Color Guard), John Harper (SP and McPherson VFW Commander) and VP Bobbie Hulse took part in the Memorial service at the McPherson Cemetery on Memorial Day. John was the master of Ceremonies. Then on Flag Day Pat Crawford, Western Region VP Stan Jantz and VP Bobbie Hulse Presented Colors at the Flag Day Band Concert in Great Bend.

Justin Engleman presented a Medal of appreciation to the Band Leader for its years of doing Patriotic Band Concerts.

BENNINGTON CHAPTER (Salina Area)

Dick Trow, President

Meets 1 Nov Presbyterian Manor Assisted Living Conference Room 2601 E. Crawford, Salina KS,

The Bennington Chapter Sons of the American

Revolution installed a newly elected President and Vice President on Saturday May 16th. Bobbie Hulse who has acted as the president for the last four years while working to reestablish the chapter's viability has now stepped aside and turned the presidency over to the elected president and vice president, Dick Trow President and Pat Crawford Vice President. Justin Engleman Sons of the Plains Chapter President, was there Saturday to assist and read the installment proceeding as the new officers took their oath's. The Bennington Chapter is in good hands with these men and their quality leadership and enthusiasm. *In the attached Picture Pat Crawford VP is on the left, Bobbie Hulse Kansas VP in the Center and on the right is Dick Trow President.* During the past year the Bennington Chapter hosted the State Board of Governors meeting, had youth participants in most all of the youth contests highlighted by over seventy 5th graders from



Cottonwood Elementary participating in the Patriotic Poster Contest and a State 2nd place finish by James Ushman of SJM in the Enhanced JROTC contest.



The Chapter increased membership from 29 members to 45 in 2017 indicating the momentum that is being generated by men who are honoring their patriot ancestors by becoming members of the SAR and promoting patriotism in the Salina area. Much more needs to be done as America has a hunger to learn and understand the principles established by our country's founders.

CHARLES ROBINSON CHAPTER (Lawrence)

John G. Sayler, President Meets 3rd Monday of September, November, January, March and May, 6:00 PM, Perkins Restaurant, 1711 23rd St, Lawrence

The Charles Robinson Chapter now meets in September, November, January, March and May. Our meetings begin with dinner at 6 p.m. followed with a brief chapter meeting and then program. We continue to meet at Perkins Restaurant here in Lawrence at [1711 W 23 Street](#). They have a separate room just inside the restaurant and to your right as you enter the east entrance to the building.

Col. JOHN SEWARD CHAPTER (Liberal)

Ray Dee Rinehart, President Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 6:30 PM at the Liberal Inn, Liberal, KS

DELAWARE CROSSING CHAPTER (Kansas City & Johnson County)

Kirk Rush, 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

FORT HAYS CHAPTER (Fort Hays)

Bill Posson, President

Chapter President Bill Posson presented a wreath at the Eisenhower Grave Marking Ceremony and he and Chapter Vice President Gary Baxter attended the Western Regional Meeting in Great Bend. Kenneth and Robert Brackney, Justis Posson and Dillon Stum were the new inductees.

HENRY LEAVENWORTH CHAPTER (Leavenworth)

Harry Wilklow, President Meets 4th Thursday monthly at June's Northland, 614 Pottawatomie St, Leavenworth, KS 66048

In May the Henry Leavenworth Chapter, KSSAR held their first annual Memorial Service Meeting. The meeting began with a presentation on the history of the American Flag by the local Sojourners, including compatriot Dick Wright. They inducted four new members and wrapped up the evening with a Memorial Tribute and the presentation of Compatriot Grave Markers for the fathers of Compatriots Jesse McIntyre and Tim Hoverder. In June several members participated with Wreaths Across America in honoring veterans buried at the Fort Leavenworth National Cemetery with roll playing and guiding tours of the grounds.



KONZA PRAIRIE CHAPTER (Manhattan)

Mark Naughton, President Meets 3rd Thursday at 7:30 PM, Meadowlark Hills Retirement Center, 2121 Meadowlark Rd . Manhattan, KS

MONTICELLO CHAPTER (Shawnee)

Steve Crawford, President Meets 3rd Thursday monthly, 6:00 PM at Pegah's Restaurant 12122 W 87th St, Lenexa, KS 66215

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)

WASHINGTON CHAPTER (Wichita Area)

Joe L. Warne, President Meets 3rd Saturday except January & July at 2PM Haysville Public Library, 270 S Hays St, Hays, KS



Randy Colby participated with the Wichita Civil Air Patrol in the Eisenhower Grave Marking Ceremony in Abilene, Kansas on 2 June. He and Pat Taylor also participated in the chartering meeting of

the new Joseph Plumb Martin CAR Society.

The Kansas SAR Ladies Auxiliary

Diane Ungvarsky, President Meets at the Quarterly Board of Governors Meeting

Diane Ungvarsky, President of the KSAR Auxiliary, represented Kansas at the National Congress. She participated in the First Lady's Tea following the Memorial Service (picture), the National Auxiliary Meeting, and the Ladies Luncheon at the Junior League of Houston. Additionally, she presented the Kansas State Basket to the Host Society in the Hospitality Suite for the Silent Auction. The basket consisted of Sunflower-themed item including a condiment dish, coffee mug, kitchen linens, paper napkins, and greetings cards, as well as locally made BBQ Sauce, Honey, Jam, and Wicked Dip mix, and many more Kansas specialties. The value was estimated at \$200. Nancy Alter is the new First Lady and her focus for the year is going to be on Education Initiatives. The Ladies will be collecting items for the Veteran's Day visit to the VA Hospital at the August and November BOGs.



A Note from the Editor

I would like to thank Susan Nelson, Randolph Colby, Justin Engelman, Penny Rogo and Diane Ungvarsky for providing the majority of the photographs used in this edition. This is a labor of love and pride as I love the SAR and I am very proud of what we do here in Kansas and how the Kansas Society is perceived within the National Society. The Liberty Bell won an award at National Congress for being the best Society newsletter of its size. I could not do it without the input I receive from the KSAR leadership and the chapters. If your chapter is not recognized in here with a write up or pictures it is because no one is taking the pictures, writing the articles or submitting them to me. If you are proud of the things your chapter is doing, take the lead and record the events and send them in. If your chapter is not doing the things you read about in the news letter and you think they should then step up and volunteer to take the lead for that project. Every journey starts with a first step. Your Patriot Ancestors took the leap, you can to!



Welcome New Compatriots



Last	First	Middle	NSSAR	Ks	Ch Sponsor	Approved	Ancestor
Riddle	Robert	Dale	207008	3389 HL	Schatzel, J.A.	03/30/18	Robert Warren
Riddle	Robert	Dylan Pike	207009	3390 HL	Schatzel, J.A.	03/30/18	Robert Warren
Sanders	Jack	Aaron	207076	3391 TJ	McReynolds, R.L.	04/06/18	David Gray
Dill	Caleb	James	207167	3392 HLJ	Schatzel, J.A.	04/17/18	William Teagarden
Posson	Justis	Charles	207292	3393 FH	Posson, W.A.	04/20/18	Peter Borst
Dryer	Daniel	Ray	207345	3394 DX	Fry, H.D.	04/27/18	Zachariah Compton
Paul	Volney	James	207346	3395 WA	Warne, J.L.	04/27/18	Robert Paul
Paul	Vincent	James	207347	3396 WA	Warne, J.L.	04/27/18	Robert Paul
Paul	Alexander	James	207348	3397 WAJ	Warne, J.L.	04/27/18	Robert Paul
Singleton	Marvin	Ayers	137647	3398 DX	dual from AR	05/04/18	Samuel Bradford
Mabry	Robert	Davy	207475	3399 MC	Bowman, M.B.	05/11/18	Edward Gwin
Millard	Ralph	Edward	207578	3400 KP	Schatzel, J.A.	05/18/18	Stephen Benedict
Hutchinson	Thomas	Ray	207579	3401 BN	Hulse, B.A.	05/18/18	Seth Sherwood
Bequillard	Daniel	James, II	207580	3402 WA	Warne, J.L.	05/18/18	John Philip Rupert
DeHaven	Steven	Lee	207581	3403 HL	Dickson, D.B.	05/18/18	Peter DeHaven
Precht	Nicholas	Huston	207582	3404 HL	Schatzel, J.A.	05/18/18	John Gillespie
Harmon	Steven	Henry	207583	3405 DX	Mozena, J.A.	05/18/18	John Lopp
Miller	Michael	Lynn	207645	3406 SP	Engleman, J.S.	05/25/18	Clemmons Gillihan
Miller	Joseph	David	207646	3407 SP	Engleman, J.S.	05/25/18	Clemmons Gillihan
Miller	Caleb	Michael	207647	3408 SP	Engleman, J.S.	05/25/18	Clemmons Gillihan
Holler	Andrew	Kendrick	207648	3409 HL	Dickson, D.B.	05/25/18	Nehemiah Howard
Davidson	Robert	Lyle	207649	3410 SP	Engleman, J.S.	05/25/18	Adam Housh/ House
Davidson	Andrew	Robert	207650	3411 SP	Engleman, J.S.	05/25/18	Adam Housh/ House
Davidson	Ronald	Lee	207651	3412 SP	Engleman, J.S.	05/25/18	Adam Housh/ House
Davidson	Frank	David	207652	3413 SP	Engleman, J.S.	05/25/18	Adam Housh/ House
Davidson	Kelly	Wayne	207653	3414 SP	Engleman, J.S.	05/25/18	Adam Housh/ House
Bass	Sanford	Baum	207754	3415 TJ	McReynolds, R.L.	06/08/18	Jeremiah Sanford
Lindquist	James	LeRoy	208012	3416 KP	Schatzel, J.A.	06/29/18	Zachariah Rice
Lindquist	Matthew	James	208013	3417 KP	Schatzel, J.A.	06/29/18	Zachariah Rice
Lindquist	Jack	William	208014	3418 KP	Schatzel, J.A.	06/29/18	Zachariah Rice
Van Laar	Joshua	David	208015	3419 HL	Schatzel, J.A.	06/29/18	Thomas Converse
Negaard	Christopher	Leigh	208016	3420 HL	Schatzel, J.A.	06/29/18	John Charter
Negaard	Grayson	Charter	208017	3421 HL	Schatzel, J.A.	06/29/18	John Charter
Negaard	Dallas	Clayton	208018	3422 HL	Schatzel, J.A.	06/29/18	John Charter
Zenger	Joshua	Burt	208083	3423 HL	Schatzel, J.A.	07/06/18	Benjamin Burt
Zenger	Greyson	Burt	208084	3424 HL	Schatzel, J.A.	07/06/18	Benjamin Burt
McIntosh	Gary	James	208085	3425 FS	Schatzel, J.A.	07/06/18	William McIntosh
Nelson	James	Peter	208178	3426 MC	Nelson, R.A.	07/13/18	Asa Branch
Hodgden	Merrill	Dean	208179	3427 FS	Schatzel, J.A.	07/13/18	Richard Hallock
Hart	Robert	William	208180	3428 HL	Dickson, D.B.	07/13/18	Leonard Hart
Riddle	Royce	Lee Neal	208181	3429 HLJ	Schatzel, J.A.	07/13/18	Robert Warren
Leslie	Jason	Alan	208267	3430 SP	Engleman, J.S.	07/20/18	Frederick William Wills
Terry	Bryce	James	208268	3431 HLJ	Lyles, T.B., Jr.	07/20/18	Abram Penn

Supplementals:

<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>NSSAR</i>	<i>Ks</i>	<i>Ch</i>	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Ancestor</i>
Posson	William	Allen	1944	56 3091	FH	05/04/18	Reuben Rugg
Bouck	Christopher	John	1980	99 3181	DX	05/04/18	Malcom McNeil
Bouck	Christopher	John	1980	99 3181	DX	05/18/18	Jabez Hancock
Ballard	Dawson	Robert	2033	41 3278	DX	05/18/18	William Hansbrough, Sr.
Combs	Darrell	Lynn	1947	61 3100	HL	05/25/18	Phineas Ward
Powell	William	Richard	1536	63 2203	TJ	06/08/18	Phillip Powell
Lyles	Thomas	Brooks, Jr.	1707	17 2613	HL	06/15/18	James Hogg, Jr.
Lyles	Thomas	Brooks, Jr.	1707	17 2613	HL	06/15/18	Isham Tatum
Lyles	Thomas	Brooks, Jr.	1707	17 2613	HL	06/15/18	Robert Goodwin
Lyles	Thomas	Brooks, Jr.	1707	17 2613	HL	06/15/18	Joseph de Jarnette, Sr.
Hanley	Neal	James	1737	74 2700	HL	06/15/18	George Rowland
Rush	Kirk	David	1805	69 2834	DX	06/22/18	Samuel Whittemore



“Society is an open-ended partnership between generations. The dead and the unborn are as much members of society as the living. To dishonor the dead is to reject the relation on which society is built – a relation of obligation between generations. Those who have lost respect for the dead have ceased to be trustees of their inheritance. Inevitably, therefore, they lose the sense of obligation to future generations, the web of obligations shrink to the present tense.”

— Edmund Burke





Salute to our Departed Comrades

DEATHS:

<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>NSSAR</i>	<i>Ks</i>	<i>Ch</i>	<i>Member Died</i>
<i>Bond</i>	<i>James</i>	<i>Ellsworth</i>	<i>138552</i>	<i>2140</i>	<i>1992</i>	<i>06/09/16*</i>
<i>Herzer</i>	<i>Harry</i>	<i>Baldwin, III</i>	<i>115660</i>	<i>1259</i>	<i>1979</i>	<i>09/25/17*</i>
<i>Goodell</i>	<i>James</i>	<i>C.</i>	<i>108716</i>	<i>1115</i>	<i>1975</i>	<i>10/06/17*</i>
<i>French</i>	<i>Ralph</i>	<i>Edwin, Jr.</i>	<i>173365</i>	<i>2685</i>	<i>2009</i>	<i>10/27/17</i>
<i>Little</i>	<i>Alfred</i>	<i>Stevens</i>	<i>8554 9</i>	<i>773</i>	<i>1961</i>	<i>03/22/18*</i>
<i>Messenger William</i>		<i>Charles</i>	<i>107429</i>	<i>1053</i>	<i>1974</i>	<i>04/10/18*</i>
<i>Haines</i>	<i>Raymond</i>	<i>Sherwood</i>	<i>7803 5</i>	<i>709</i>	<i>1955</i>	<i>04/13/18*</i>
<i>Hamilton</i>	<i>Donald</i>	<i>Frank</i>	<i>115673</i>	<i>1272</i>	<i>1979</i>	<i>04/24/18</i>
<i>Paine</i>	<i>George</i>	<i>Medley, Jr.</i>	<i>103092</i>	<i>991</i>	<i>1973</i>	<i>05/17/18</i>
<i>Stinson</i>	<i>James</i>	<i>Gilbert</i>	<i>164070</i>	<i>2444</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>05/18/18+</i>
<i>Heysinger Jack</i>		<i>Dean</i>	<i>153662</i>	<i>2202</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>06/04/18*</i>
<i>Lees</i>	<i>William</i>	<i>Harry</i>	<i>106182</i>	<i>2118</i>	<i>1974</i>	<i>06/19/18*</i>
<i>Vicory</i>	<i>David</i>	<i>Alan</i>	<i>117882</i>	<i>1356</i>	<i>1980</i>	<i>07/05/18</i>
<i>Conner</i>	<i>Billy</i>	<i>Joe</i>	<i>147041</i>	<i>2091</i>	<i>1996</i>	<i>07/08/18*</i>

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