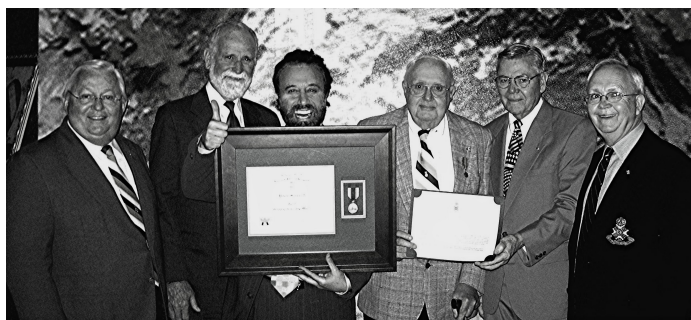


## **SAR GOLD GOOD CITIZENSHIP MEDAL AWARDED TO "AMERICA: WHAT A COUNTRY!" COMEDIAN YAKOV SMIRNOFF**

Members of the Ozark Mountain Chapter presented the NSSAR Gold Good Citizenship Medal to Yakov Smirnoff, April 29, 2010 in Branson, MO.

The Gold Good Citizenship Medal is awarded for OUTSTANDING AND UNUSUAL patriotic achievement and service. The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution medal is presented to persons of prominence on a NATIONAL LEVEL in the areas of government, religion, education, business, the professions and other appropriate fields of endeavor.

The award citation read: "Throughout his career of professional comedic performances, his movies and his artwork, Yakov Smirnoff has promoted the benefits and privileges of life in the United States of America in an outstanding and unusual manner. His overt display of patriotism and enthusiasm for the principles of liberty and justice for all has caused millions of Americans to reflect on the significance of American ideals and institutions and has been a positive impact on our entire nation. Best known for his tag line, "America: What a Country!", he is a role model for all Americans, of any age, of every race and ethnic background and of every religion."



The award presentation is pictured above. L to R: Compatriot Tom Sentman; Chapter President George Cinderich, Smirnoff; Compatriots Michael Kelly and William Carr, and Daniel McMurray, outgoing president of the MOSSAR.

## **PATRIOTIC CEMETERY CEREMONIES**

In May, two ceremonies took place in Cooper County honoring Revolutionary War citizens, May 15, 2010.

The events were co-sponsored by the Missouri Society Sons of the American Revolution, Patsy Gregg and Hannah Cole Chapters of the DAR and the Cooper County Historical Society.

The honors for Hannah Cole, pioneer settler, took place at her monument located on the burial grounds at the junction of Highways 5 and E at 1 pm. Later, a new tombstone was unveiled at the grave of Adam Calhoun Scott in the Old Pleasant Green Methodist Church cemetery located off Highway 135 on Church Lane followed by free refreshments in the church. The cemetery is about 4 miles west of the intersection of Highways E, A and 135.

MOSSAR President Clifford C. Olsen II was the guest speaker at the two ceremonies.

## **COLOR GUARD'S JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> APPEARANCE WINS 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE**



The City of Liberty, Missouri, had its inaugural "Salute to Freedom" parade on July 4<sup>th</sup>. The MOSSAR Color Guard, led by Color Guard Commander Robert L. Grover marched proudly in this Independence Day event. Parade organizers selected them as "the best demonstration of a patriotic theme and celebration" and awarded the MOSSAR entry the first place prize of \$100.00 These funds will support our Color Guard's continued efforts to display the patriotic commitment of our Society.

In addition to Compatriot Grover, MOSSAR Color Guardsmen Dirk Stapleton, James Scott, Bryan Bradford, Russell DeVenney, and Jesse Lybarger participated. They were joined by Kansas Society Compatriots Kaffenberger and Fry

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## **MILITARY SERVICE MEDAL**

*The SAR Military Service Medal and Certificate are now listed on the NSSAR merchandise web site. One must provide a copy of Discharge, DD214, or other official document to your Chapter, showing you were on Active Duty. Probably a copy of orders or pay stub, or ID card should work. It is suggested that this be made a portion of the permanent files of members.. The Medal is similar to War Service Medal. Only one may be worn at a time.*

**#0107 Military Service Medal and Certificate  
\$20.00**

**#0457 Military Service Certificate  
3.00**

**#0108 Military Service Medal (miniature)  
18.00**

*Some Chapters have provided the War Service Medal and Certificate to their members. To do the same for Military Service Medal might be a good thing, since fewer and fewer individuals have served their Country.*

*Bill Groth, MOSSAR Veterans Comm. Chairman*