

# MISSOURI COMPATRIOT



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## *George Washington's Birthday*

Missouri and Kansas Chapters join  
in celebration of courage and service

February 22 – Ritz Charles, Overland Park, Kansas

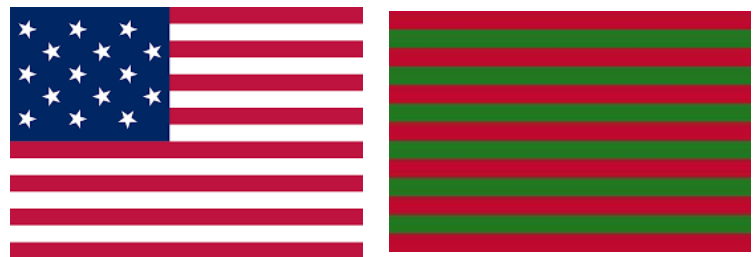
The Twenty-Eighth Annual George Washington Birthday Celebration hosted by Kansas City Area Chapters brought a large group of celebrants to enjoy what has become a bi-state tradition. Host chapters included: Alexander Majors Chapter (Patrick B. Hosty, President), Delaware Crossing Chapter (Scott Larson, President), Harry S. Truman Chapter (Donald D. Lewis, President), Henry Leavenworth Chapter (Vernon Welkner, President), Independence Patriots Chapter (James L. Scott, President), Martin Warren Chapter (Bobby A. Pierceall, President), Monticello Chapter (Bruce Bowman, President), and William C. Corum Chapter (Robert J. Corum, President).

An impressive display of historic Revolutionary flags were posted by Color Guardsmen led by Compatriot Robert Grover. On review were: Star Spangled Banner, George Rogers Clark, Connecticut Armorial Bearing, Culpepper, Pine Tree, Serapis, Betsy Ross, Washington's Cruisers, Rhode Island Regiment, Gadsden, Bennington, First Navy Jack, Bedford, Taunton, Bunker Hill, Philadelphia Light Horse, Grand Union, Moultrie, Commander in Chief, Guilford Courthouse, Green Mountain, Cowpens, Continental, Liberty, George Washington Life Guard.

Following a delicious lunch attended by the leadership of Kansas and Missouri Society SAR and DAR and many interested guests, the Master of Ceremonies, Compatriot Robert J. Corum, introduced the guest speaker, Brigadier General USMC (Retired) Stephen R. Berkheiser, who gave the audience his perspective on his career and experience.

SAR awards were presented to individuals for their outstanding contributions. The Martha Washington Medal was presented to Ms. Gloria Dobbs. The Law Enforcement Commendation Medal was presented to Honorable John W. Lungstrum. The Silver Good Citizenship Medal was presented to Brigadier General USMC (Retired) Stephen R. Berkheiser. The Medal for Heroism was presented to Mr. Paul W. Mongiello.

Follow this link – <http://bit.ly/1pgLE7C> to view the news coverage and see pictures of the event on Page 4.



# *HST Chapter Hosts MOSSAR Annual Membership Meeting*

## Charles E. Lilly elected President!

April 26 – Blue Springs, Missouri

At the Courtyard Marriott & Adams Pointe Conference Center, the Harry S. Truman Chapter hosted the 2014 MOSSAR Annual Membership Meeting. Friday evening members and guests feasted on their choice of Prime Rib or Crab Stuffed Shrimp for the Opening Session of the conference. Greetings were brought by Sandra Scott representing the Missouri Daughters of the American Revolution and President Anna DeVenney of the Missouri Children of the American Revolution.

On Saturday morning, a memorial service was conducted by Compatriot J. Wayne Merrill, MOSSAR Chaplain, to honor those compatriots of Missouri who had passed away during the year since our last Membership Meeting. The Second Quarter Business Session was held following breakfast, and the members of the MOSSAR Ladies Auxiliary held their meeting at the same time.

A luncheon on Saturday served as the opportunity to present Service Awards and other Recognition to individuals who had distinguished themselves. Most notably, the Missouri Gold Medal was awarded to Compatriot Richard T. Bryant.

During the Saturday Installation Banquet, Compatriot Charles E. Lilly was installed as MOSSAR President for 2014-2015.



## MOSSAR Officers

President	Charles E. Lilly
Executive VP	Robert J. Corum
1st VP	Earnest L. Mowry
2nd VP	Dennis J. Hahn
Secretary	James E. Osbourn
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Registrar	Roger W. Vaughn
Chancellor	Richard T. Bryant
Chaplain	J. Wayne Merrill
Historian	Milan A. Paddock
Surgeon	Dale A. Schmidt
Sargent-at-Arms	(vacant)
Nat'l Trustee	Richard T. Bryant
Alt. Nat'l Trustee	Charles E. Lilly

## Special Functions Positions

Exec. Secretary	Roger W. Vaughn
CG Commander	Robert J. Corum
Compatriot Editor	James E. Osbourn
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By action of the MOSSAR Board in honor of his long service, H. Lee Capps is named Registrar Emeritus.

## Missouri Chapter Officers

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### Fernando de Leyba

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 Historian Steven Gorton  
 Surgeon Dr. Jason Hatch  
 Sgt-at-Arms John Bugg

*Proclamation*

WHEREAS, the Harry S Truman Chapter of the Missouri Society of the American Revolution annually recognizes George Washington's birthdays on February 22<sup>nd</sup>, celebrating "The Father of our Country" and acknowledging the many sacrifices and contributions as our Nation was formed; and

WHEREAS, George Washington, serving as Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army with great character and leadership, led the army to victory against what seemed insurmountable odds, and voluntarily served his country for eight and half years without pay; and

WHEREAS, George Washington was instrumental in the formation of our new government and presided over the Constitutional Convention in 1787. In realizing the difficult task ahead, he addressed the delegates saying, "Let us raise a standard to which the wise and the honest can repair." Five months later on September 17, 1787, the Constitution was completed; and

WHEREAS, George Washington, as the First President of the United States, guided our fragile new government through its first eight years and then stepped down after two terms in office. In 1796, President Washington gave his Farewell Address and said, "The basis of our political systems is the right of the people to make and to alter their Constitution of Government"; and

WHEREAS, George Washington died on December 14, 1799, and upon his death, President John Adams said "His example is now complete, and it will teach wisdom and virtue to magistrates, citizens, and men, not only in the present age, but in future generations, as long as our history shall be read."

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Don B. Reimal, Mayor of the City of Independence, Missouri, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the City of Independence, Missouri, do hereby proclaim Saturday, February 22, 2014, as

**George Washington Day**

and encourage all to learn more about this important individual during the week of February 22 through February 28, 2014, George Washington Week, in the City of Independence.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Independence to be affixed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014.



*Don B. Reimal*  
 MAYOR

Attest:  
*Jesse Frank Shouse*  
 CITY CLERK

City of Independence  
*Queen City of the Trails*



18 Feb 2014 George Washington Proclamation  
 Independence City Hall  
 (Left to Right) Robert L. Grover, Mayor Don Reimal, Roy Hutchins

*Event Pictures*



**NATIONAL WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA DAY**



*Flag Certificate presented to Mr. & Mrs. Zlatko Mruckovski by Compatriot Bill Groth*



*Rear Admiral Metcalf honoring Civil War Medal of Honor Recipient, Seaman Benjamin Swearer, St Peter's Cemetery*



*Jefferson Barracks*



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**We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.**

**Preamble to the United States Constitution  
(Our Government's "Mission Statement")**