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GEORGE WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION



Master of Ceremonies Peter Grass of the Kansas Society opens the

The Missouri and Kansas SAR Chapters of the Greater Kansas City Area celebrated their 24th Annual George Washington Birthday Luncheon on February 20, 2010 with 242 in attendance.

Led by bagpipe and drum, the celebration opened with the combined Missouri/Kansas Color Guard presenting 28 Colonial flags and posting the National Colors.

This annual celebration had its beginning in 1986 when Former President General Arthur King conceived the idea and met with MOSSAR President James A. Shelby and Compatriots J. Craig Uncapher, Duncan Kinchloe and Marvin Vawter and laid plans for the first celebration for February 1987. Members and State Officers of the Sons of the

American Revolution, Daughters of the American Revolution and Sons of the Revolution were invited. It was decided to present SAR awards to outstanding individuals of the community.



MOSSAR Compatriot Romie Carr (right) is presented the Silver Good Citizenship Award by his brother, Compatriot William Carr

Among the awards at this year's celebration SAR Silver Good Citizenship Awards were presented to MOSSAR Compatriot Romie E. Carr of the Harry S Truman Chapter, past Chairman of the George Washington Birthday event, and to John A. Dillingham, Civic Leader and member of the William C. Corum Chapter. The SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Award was presented to John Douglas, Chief of Police of Overland Park, Kansas.

Dr. Alan Bearman, Assistant Professor of History at Washburn University was the guest speaker. He made an excellent presentation on George Washington's keen perception and understanding of the new country's needs and on his abilities to lead in very difficult times.

Sponsoring Chapters were Alexander Majors (Kansas City MO), Delaware Crossing Mission KS), Harry S Truman (Independence MO), Henry Leavenworth (Leavenworth KS), Independence Patriots (Independence MO), Martin Warren (Warrensburg MO), Monticello (Shawnee KS), and William C. Corum (Liberty MO).

MOSSAR Officers in attendance were: President Daniel McMurray, Treasurer Courtney Sloan, Historian Will Carr, Chaplain Wayne Merrill, Genealogist David McCann, Registrar & Executive Secretary Lee Capps and Former State President Gerald McCoy.



Guest Speaker, Dr. Alan Bearman

MOSSAR Annual Convention & Membership Meeting April 23 & 24, 2010

Courtyard by Marriott
3301 LaMone Industrial Blvd.
Columbia, Missouri

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President McMurray's Message

By the time you read this my time as your president will be almost over. I have been honored to be your president this year. Through the year I have had the privilege to visit several chapters. Everyone has welcomed me and have made me feel at home each time.

We have accomplished quite a few things this past twelve months. The big thing for MOSSAR is fund raising for the upcoming 2013 NSSAR Congress that we will host with the Kansas Society. We have several different things being done to raise money:

- The Missouri Society Membership Medal is a very attractive medal that all MOSSAR members can buy and wear—I encourage you to buy one;
- Compatriot Will Carr has put the complete run, from the first one to the end of 2008, of the Missouri Compatriot on a CD, it is very interesting and well worth the price—Buy one for yourself and another to donate to your local library or genealogy society;
- The Ladies Auxiliary has a quilt they are raffling off to help with funds—please support their effort and buy as many tickets as you can;
- Compatriot David McCann has ancestor name tags for sale—You can honor your ancestors by wearing the tag that shows all your patriot names;
- And, the Color Guard has a flintlock pistol to be raffled off—buy your tickets now.

At the National level the new library and genealogy center is under construction. You can follow the renovation at the NSSAR web page. As of now, plans are to move into the new space this spring or summer. MOSSAR has reached the 20% level of members who have contributed to the Center for Advancing America's Heritage. This is a big hurdle we have jumped, but we can not rest now. We would like for as many members as possible to contribute to the fund. Please consider a contribution to the fund.

Our upcoming annual meeting will be in Columbia. It promises to be a great meeting and I would like to see a large attendance of members. Treasurer General J. David Symson will be our guest of honor and speaker on Saturday night. We will have youth awards to present and entertainment, so don't miss it.

Our quarterly board meetings have been interesting and productive. Probably the highlight of the year was the visit of President General Ed Butler at our January 2010 meeting. President General Butler really appreciated the MOSSAR Gold Medal we presented to him. A special thanks to Executive Vice President Cliff Olsen for presiding over the meeting in my absence.

With the help of everyone, I have served as your president, but there are a few I would like to mention that have helped me above and beyond the normal duties. Compatriot Russ DeVenney has been a great help. Gerald McCoy, Cliff Olsen, Romie Carr, Keith Brown, Steve Baldwin, Will Carr, David Appleby, and Lee Capps have all helped me in ways they may not even know about.

So, thanks for a wonderful year as your president and keep up the good work that MOSSAR is noted for.

Daniel R. McMurray, MOSSAR President

COLOR GUARD REPORT

2009 in Review

The award-winning Missouri Society Color Guard had another good year of member participation, with 30 Guardsmen participating in one or more events. The Guard had 437 member participations in 169 events, which is a decrease of 10 member participations and 228 events from 2008. Color Guard membership for 2009 stood at 32 members, with a loss of 12 over last year, while gaining 7 new members. If a member has not participated in a national or state event for 3 years he is dropped from the active mailing list.

Seven MOSSAR Color Guardsmen participated in 119th National Congress. The largest participation on record attended the 2009 MOSSAR Annual Meeting in St. Louis. Never before we had 11 members in uniform participated in an Annual Meeting or a Board of Directors meeting; never before had there been 15 CG members (in uniform or not) at an Annual Meeting or a Board of Directors meeting until last April.

The Color Guardsman of the Year Award went to James L. Scott. The new Mollie Pitcher Award, established to recognize the support of Color Guard wives was presented to Carolyn S. Grover. These awards were presented by the Color Guard Commander at the MOSSAR Annual Meeting.

From the Missouri Color Guard fund account the Guard approved \$351.95 to buy a replica Queen Ann Pistol. The pistol will be used for a fund raising raffle for MOSSAR's part in hosting the 2013 National Congress in Kansas City.

Any SAR member with a uniform – continental or militia – is welcome to participate with the Missouri Society Color Guard.

Robert L. Grover, MOSSAR Color Guard Commander



MOSSAR Color Guard Contingent at George Washington Birthday Celebration
Rear, L-R: MOSSAR Color Guard Commander Robert Grover, CWBC Commander Dirk Stapleton, Wilber Kephart, James Scott; Front, L-R: Robert Lantz, Walter Glenn, Wayne Merrill [not pictured, Jesse Lybarger]

MISSOURI SOCIETY MEDALS AVAILABLE

The new Missouri Society Medal is a unique symbol of our society. The Gold version is awarded only by the State President. Chapter Presidents may present Silver Missouri Medals. The Bronze Medal is available to all MOSSAR members as a membership badge.

The medal comes as a set with a 1 1/4 inch medal and a miniature medal. \$30.00 for each set includes slow postage; \$35.00 each includes padded package and faster delivery. Make Checks payable to MOSSAR—include name, address, city, state, zip, phone number.

Medals are available from MOSSAR Chancellor Dick Bryant, 1102 Grand Boulevard #804, Kansas City MO 64106.



PRESIDENT-GENERAL BUTLER VISITS MOSSAR



At the January 30th meeting, the MOSSAR Board of Directors was honored by a visit from NSSAR President-General Edward Butler. The PG brought an update on the Center for Advancing America's Heritage and other NSSAR activities.

MOSSAR awarded the President-General the Missouri Society Gold Medal in honor of his visit. Pictured above, the PG (center) receives the medal. In the absence of MOSSAR President Dan McMurray, the presentation was made by Executive Vice-President Clifford Olsen (left) and Awards Chairman Romie Carr (right).

CONGRESSMAN CLEAVER HONORED

Distinguished guest, Congressman Emanuel Cleaver II, was presented the SAR Silver Good Citizenship Medal at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Kansas City on Veterans Day 2009. The award was presented by Compatriot Romie Carr, who is a Vietnam veteran, on behalf of MOSSAR. This award was in recognition of the program that the Congressman sponsored at the Harry S Truman Library in September 2009 honoring Vietnam Veterans. Congressman Cleaver is currently serving in the United States House of Representatives from Missouri's Fifth District.



Above: Compatriot Romie Carr (right) presents the award, assisted by Compatriots Dirk A. Stapleton (left) and Robert L. Grover, MOSSAR Color Guard Commander

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS....

New Member	Chapter	Ancestor
John Winston Biggs	Ozark Mountain	Morgan Morgan
Brian Keith Blount	Ozark Mountain	Anthony Haden
Robert James Bramel, Jr.	Ozark Mountain	Jonathon Bramball
Douglas Curt Breite	Allen Laws Oliver	Hophrin Ryther
Johnathon Stratton Brown	M. Graham Clark	Ephraim Wilson
Timothy Scott Brown	M. Graham Clark	Ephraim Wilson
Bryan Bedford Campbell	Christopher Casey	Anthony Haden
Dale Edward Crandell	Harry S Truman	Frederick Diehl
Dale Edmund Edwards	Harry S Truman	Isham Farmer
Ronald Lynn Erwin	Alexander Majors	Moses Doolittle
Robert Wayne Freeman	M. Graham Clark	John Seamster
Steven Ray Gotron	William C. Corum	John Fulbright
Beverley Allen Hemdon, Jr.	Ozark Mountain	James Hemdon
Kevin D. W. Hewgley	Spirit of St. Louis	Abraham Knowlton
Howard Agnew Hills	M. Graham Clark	Harmonas Alkire
Alexander Benjamin Hogan	Harry S Truman	Amos Justice
Richard Glen Hogan	Harry S Truman	Amos Justice
Allen Thomas Kidwiler	Marlin Warren	Augustin Simms
Conor Frederick Killen	William C. Corum	John Baldwin
Matthew Xavier Killen	William C. Corum	John Baldwin
Edward Alan Larson	Spirit of St. Louis	Benjamin Riegel
Donald Dell Lewis III	Independence Patriots	Andrew Lewis
Marshall Andrew Lewis	Spirit of St. Louis	Christian Trout
Michael James Lewis III	Independence Patriots	Andrew Lewis
Timothy Isaac McCoy	Ozark Mountain	Francis Entekin
Philip Ward Morrison	M. Graham Clark	Andrew Morrison
Robert Christian Sizemore	William C. Corum	John Scott, Sr.
Harry John Stewart	Harry S Truman	Abraham Misenheimer
Paul Daniel Toms	Harry S Truman	Gideon Darfee
David Steven Vogelweid	M. Graham Clark	Colby Creed
Eric Joseph Vogelweid	M. Graham Clark	Colby Creed
Theodore Joseph Vogelweid	M. Graham Clark	Colby Creed

TRANSFER FROM ANOTHER STATE SOCIETY

Lloyd William Asikainen	Alexander Majors	William Middleton, Sr.
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AND IN ADDITION....

(Recently approved Supplemental Ancestors)

Member	Chapter	Ancestor
Boyd Edwin Bissell	Braxton C. Pollard	James Marfindale
William Earl Carr	Ozark Mountain	John Shel
Jared Clark Caywood	Ozark Mountain	William Miller, Jr.
Kevin M. J. Crane	M. Graham Clark	Johann Nicholas Kurtz
William James Jackson	Spirit of St. Louis	Charles Barnham
William James Jackson	Spirit of St. Louis	John Barnham, Jr.
Robert Harry Neeson	Braxton C. Pollard	Joseph Bozarth
Charles Wayne Simms	Fernando de Leyba	John Lear

IN MEMORIUM....

The following Compatriots have recently passed away:

Member	Chapter	Date
Russel Edgar Sackreiter	M. Graham Clark	12 November 2009
Gordon Wendell Jones	Christopher Casey	18 February 2010

NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS

HARRY S TRUMAN CHAPTER

As guest speaker, Carolyn Grover spoke at the October meeting on the History of the Orphan Train. Directly after the October meeting, a SAR Grave Marker was placed on the gravestone of Compatriot Herbert F. Simon. He was an active member and past Genealogist, Vice-President, and President of the Truman Chapter and MOSSAR Genealogist from 1996-2000.

Jess Rasrussen, Cemetery Director for the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Higginsville, was our guest speaker for the November meeting.

Ward Cook was our guest in December, speaking on the USS *Missouri*, a Virginia-class submarine, anticipated to be commissioned in the summer of 2010.

Dirk A. Stapleton, President

Officers for 2010-2011

President	Dirk A. Stapleton
Vice-President	James Nail
Secretary	Paul Toms
Treasurer	Courtney Sloan
Regis. / Genea.	David McCann
Historian	Brian Smarker
Chancellor	George DeLapp
Chaplain	Romie Carr
Surgeon	Dr. Chester Bare
Sgt-at Arms	Donald Lewis
Honorary V-P	William Hartman

ALEXANDER MAJORS CHAPTER

The December meeting featured Christopher Leitch, Director of the Kansas City Museum at Corinthian Hall, the city's museum of local and regional history.

The program at the January meeting was on the Battle of Leyte Gulf, generally considered to be the largest naval battle of World War II and one of the largest naval battles in history.

In lieu of a meeting in February, Chapter members participated in the KC area George Washington Birthday Celebration.

CHRISTOPHER CASEY CHAPTER

At our September meeting, new Compatriot Joe Coy received his membership certificate.

At our November meeting, Charlie Foster, a World War II veteran, gave a power point presentation on his recent trip to the World War II Memorial in Washington, DC. He, along with other veterans in central Missouri, was flown to Washington by the Honor Flight organization.

Members of the chapter were busy on

December 12th. At 11:00 am, President Dale Schmidt, Clifford Olsen and Ernie Mowry from our Chapter, along with Color Guard members Russell DeVenney, Wayne Merrill and Bragg Stanley from the M. Graham Clark Chapter, took part in the Wreaths Across America ceremony at the Jefferson City National Cemetery.

A short time later, Chapter members laid a wreath at the graves of Patriots Christopher Casey and John Gordon.

That same afternoon, we met jointly with the Jane Randolph Jefferson DAR Chapter at the home of Compatriot Jim Purcell and his wife Jane. A membership certificate was presented to Jason Robert Comer, grandson of the late Bob Comer. Compatriot Ken Hartke was presented with the Missouri Society Silver Medal for his contributions to the Chapter.

Dale A. Schmidt, President

M. GRAHAM CLARK CHAPTER

At the October meeting, new members Steven DeVenney, Jerold Taylor and Michael Robinson were sworn in. Harold Lynch was presented a Missouri Society Silver Medal. Steven Foltz received a Certificate of Appreciation for his work in archiving chapter records.

At the November meeting Dr. Trish Blair presented a program on the activities the organization, "A Call To Serve" in the country of Georgia.

New member William Bullard was sworn in at the December meeting. The program was by Cathy Salter, geographer, author and columnist.

Officers for 2010-2011

President	John H. Coult
Vice-President	J. Bragg Stanley
Secretary	James Y. Miller II
Treasurer	Russell F. Devenney, Jr.
Genealogist	Loren Wayne Reynolds
Historian	J. Wayne Merrill
Chaplain	James Cunningham
Sgt-at Arms	Robert Bartlett

INDEPENDENCE PATRIOTS CHAPTER

At the October Meeting, the program was on the Young Marines youth program by Brenda Cavanaugh. Compatriot Keith Zimmerman reported that veterans groups are raising money to bring the Vietnam War Moving Wall to Blue Springs, Missouri. The chapter approved donations of \$150.00 to the Young Marines Unit and \$100.00 for the fund for the

Vietnam War Moving Wall.

Since November is Native American Month, James Scott presented a program about Paleoindians in Missouri, 13,500 to 11,000 years ago, and archeology sites in Missouri. The chapter approved donations of \$50.00 to the George Washington Birthday Committee, \$50.00 to the City Union Mission for Christmas, and \$50.00 to the Kansas City VA Hospital Volunteer Fund.

"Trashbusters" by Delores Gallagher was the December program on the cleanup of trash and junk in and along our streams.

In January, James Scott presented a program on "William Alexander, American Patriot". Chapter officers for 2010 were elected and installed by: Honorary South Central District Vice President General Robert L. Grover.

Jeffrey M. Swezy, President
James L. Scott, Secretary

Officers for 2010-2011

President	James L. Scott
Vice-President	Jeffrey M. Swezy
Secretary	James L. Scott
Treasurer	Alvin L. Paris
Regis. / Genea.	Thomas Theisen
Historian	Walter A. Glenn
Chaplain	Kenneth F. Crabtree
Surgeon	Chester I. Bare, Jr.
Sgt-at Arms	Keith D. Zimmerman

BRAXTON C. POLLARD CHAPTER

November Program: Member Boyd Bissell on the Life and Times of Outlaw Tom Horn (1860-1903), a native of Memphis, Missouri.

December Program: Guest speaker Todd Kuhns on the restoration of the historic "Picklers Famous" building in downtown Kirksville.

During the December meeting, our chapter watched the DVD of the SAR President-General's message and afterward voted to donate \$100 for the Center for Advancing America's Heritage.

January Program: Guest speaker, Duane Crawford on the crash of Continental Airline Flight #11 near Unionville, Missouri in 1962, caused by the first bombing of a commercial jelliner in American history.

Gary G. Lloyd, President

Officers for 2010-2011

President	Gary G. Lloyd
Vice President	Brent Karhoff
Chaplain	Michael Richardson
Regis. / Genea.	Orville Bowers
Chancellor	Patrick Richardson
Sgt-at Arms	Boyd Bissell

NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS

MARTIN WARREN CHAPTER

At the October meeting, the Chapter inducted three new members: Harvey Christie, Terry Thornton and Jack Landers.

The Dorman Home in Clinton was presented with a SAR Flag Certificate. The Clinton Chapter DAR was founded in 1914 in this 1852 home. Clinton Chapter Regent Joyce Kidwiler and member Carolyn Thornton attended the presentation.

Compatriot Wilbur Dice was awarded the Missouri Society Silver Medal for his 20 years of service to the chapter.

In November, Jackson Short discussed the restoration of antique aircraft and showed pictures of aircraft that had been restored by his son.

At the December meeting Compatriot Edmondson reported on the December 12th joint "Wreaths Across America" ceremony at the Veterans Cemetery in Higginsville. Tony Shaffer presented a program of Revolutionary Era music.

Wilbur D. Dice, Secretary

Officers for 2010-2011

President	Justyn L. Graham
Vice-President	Bobby A. Pierceal
Secretary	Wilbur D. Dice
Treasurer	Bennie W. Edmondson
Genealogist	K. Bruce McNeel
Chancellor	James A. Shelby
Chaplain	Brett L. Mueller
Historian	Robert J. Anderson
Registrar	Harvey Christie
Sgt-at Arms	Robert C. Daugherty

FERNANDO de LEYBA CHAPTER

Our Chapter has taken the lead in having MOSSAR honor the commissioning of the new USS Missouri submarine with fund raising and preparation of a patriotic painting to be donated to the submarine at its commissioning.

The following Compatriots were presented the Missouri Silver Medal for their activities and support of the Chapter: Steve Baldwin, Dennis Hahn, Charles Lilly and John Rush.

We presented the Martha Washington Medal to two ladies of the DAR for their efforts in recruiting new members for the SAR: Emer Gunter received the Medal; Diane Borgman was presented with an Oak Leaf (her second award).

We are making plans to host the 2012 State Convention. Compatriot Steve Baldwin is chairman of the host committee.

We received a thank you note from the Nathan Futrell Society CAR for the Chapter's continued sponsorship. We are very proud of the Futrell Society for growing their membership from 6 to over 20 members.

In November, Compatriot Dennis Hahn gave an excellent talk on U.S. Stamps. He showed examples, with some being quite old. David Hirze of Cape Girardeau, spoke at our December meeting on the 1st Battle for

Charleston, in which the Patriots successfully defended the largest city in the south. At the January meeting, Compatriot Steve Baldwin gave a presentation on 21st Century weapons.

Charles Lilly, President
Stephen Baldwin, Secretary

Officers for 2010-2011

President	Charles E. Lilly
Vice-President	Paul E. Smith, Jr.
Secretary	Stephen M. Baldwin
Treasurer	James B. Borgman
Genealogist	John E. Rush II
Historian	Charles W. Simms
Chaplain	Dennis J. Hahn
Sgt-at Arms	Edward Morris

WILLIAM C. CORUM CHAPTER

At the first meeting of 2010, the William C. Corum Chapter inducted new members Walter Caplinger, Steve Gorton, and Matthew Killen. The speaker for the meeting was Kandice Walker, Executive Director of the Wornall House Museum.

Carol Bohl, President of the Missouri/Kansas Border War Network presented information on how the various cities and historical sites are working together to recognize this important time in our history, to the December meeting.



Pictured above: the Chapter presented the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Lt. Gen. Robert Arter (U.S. Army Ret.), former Commanding General of the Sixth Army, during the annual SAR/DAR Veterans Day Celebration. The award was presented by Chapter President Christian Sizemore (l) and Compatriot John Dillingham (r).

Officers for 2010-2011

President	W. Christian Sizemore
Vice President	Robert J. Corum
Secretary	Tobin E. Proctor
Treasurer	Jim Tanner
Genealogist	Jack Moselle
Historian	Steven R. Gorton
Chaplain	Harvey M. Thomas
Chancellor	Albert W. L. Moore
Surgeon	Samuel C. Chapman
Sgt-at Arms	R. Curtis Pilkington

OZARK MOUNTAIN CHAPTER

At the October Meeting, our guest speaker was Greg Burris, City Manager of Springfield. Three new members were sworn in: William Walker, Cody Walker, and Lewis Neblett. Compatriot

Bruce Hoffman received three supplemental Patriot certificates.

The November meeting was the annual joint luncheon with the Rachel Donelson Chapter of DAR to honor veterans. Todd Pamell, President of Drury University, gave a very interesting talk on his mother's service with the American Red Cross in the European Theater during World War II.

MOSSAR President Daniel McMurray presented an Oak Leaf Cluster to Raylene Appleby for bringing an additional three members into the Chapter. Missouri Society Silver Medals were presented to Mike Kelly and James Evans for outstanding service to the chapter.

At the December meeting, Joseph Ransom gave a Christmas-time program, playing an innkeeper in Bethlehem. New member John Biggs was sworn in. Compatriot Mel McNeel received a certificate for his first supplemental Patriot. Compatriot David Appleby presented non-member John McCroskey with a certificate and lapel pin for his very generous deferred gift to the National Society SAR from his Trust. Compatriot Seth Caperton was presented with a Silver Missouri Medal for his outstanding service to SAR.

The Chapter sponsored a wreath in Wreaths Across America program and a banner with the Silver Star Families of America program.

Compatriots Jonathan Pike, Gerald McCoy, and Mel McNeel participated in the Wreaths Across American events at the Springfield National Cemetery and the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Springfield.

John W. McAlear, President

Officers for 2010-2011

President	George J. Cindrich, Jr.
Vice-President	Michael J. Kelly
Secretary	Philip A. Reinhold
Treasurer	James M. Evans
Genealogist	Michael J. Kelly
Historian	Thomas Sentman
Chancellor	Gary E. Bishop
Chaplain	Ronald K. Albaugh
Editor	Terry J. Wood
Sgt-at Arms	William Walker

LEWIS & CLARK EXPEDITION CHAPTER

Officers for 2010-2011

President	Chester C. Ishmael
Secretary	Chancie D. Brookshier
Treasurer	Earle S. Teagarden, Jr.

ALLEN LAWS OLIVER CHAPTER

Officers for 2010-2011

President	Stephen C. Pledger
Vice President	Ronald Beasley
Secretary	Jerrell Driver
Treasurer	Randy McLain
Chaplain	Raymond Meek

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MOSSAR TO GIVE PAINTING TO USS MISSOURI

Under the Leadership of members of the Fernando de Leyba Chapter, MOSSAR has begun raising funds for a patriotic painting to be donated to the new submarine, USS Missouri at its Commissioning this summer. The painting, to be placed in either the mess hall or the wardroom, will have a quote on the frame, "Our prayers go with you as you sail on each patrol".

The new USS Missouri is under construction in Groton, Connecticut. This 377 foot, Virginia Class, submarine will be commissioned and added to the Fleet on July 31, 2010. The Missouri SAR Color Guard has been selected to present the Colors during the Commissioning Ceremonies.

Missouri citizens are building a personal relationship between the USS Missouri crew members and our state. The proposed gift will provide a continuing reminder linking the crew members to the citizens of Missouri and the SAR.

We ask MOSSAR compatriots to be represented in this effort by making a personal contribution to the fund that has been established by the Fernando de Leyba Chapter.

Contributions from members and Chapters may be made to Treasurer James Borgman, Fernando de Leyba Chapter SAR, 110 Burns Place Court, St. Peters, MO 63376-5251, marking it USS Missouri Fund.

Thank you for your support of this public relations opportunity for the Sons of the American Revolution.

David S. Christian – Chairman, USS Missouri Committee

Election of Officers at Annual Meeting

NOMINATED SLATE

President	Clifford C. Olsen, II <i>Christopher Casey Chapter</i>
Executive Vice-President	Denis R. Craft <i>Ozark Mountain Chapter</i>
First Vice-President	Keith Bohacik <i>Spirit of St. Louis Chapter</i>
Second Vice-President	Richard T. Bryant <i>Alexander Myrns Chapter</i>
Secretary	Charles E. Lilly <i>Fernando de Leyba Chapter</i>
Treasurer	Courtney Y. Sloan <i>Harry S. Truman Chapter</i>
Registrar	H. Lee Capps <i>Christopher Casey Chapter</i>
Genealogist	David L. McCann <i>Harry S. Truman Chapter</i>
Chancellor	Richard T. Bryant <i>Alexander Myrns Chapter</i>
Chaplain	J. Wayne Merrill <i>M. Graham Clark Chapter</i>
Surgeon	Stephen M. Baldwin <i>Fernando de Leyba Chapter</i>
Historian	Bryan P. Bradford <i>M. Graham Clark Chapter</i>
Sergeant at Arms	Dirk L. Stalpleton <i>Harry S. Truman Chapter</i>
Trustee	Daniel R. McMurray <i>Ozark Mountain Chapter</i>
Alternate Trustee	Clifford C. Olsen, II <i>Christopher Casey Chapter</i>

FROM THE VETERANS COMMITTEE....

Has your Chapter participated in an event (parade, grave marking, program presentation) honoring Veterans that included at least one Veteran Organization? If so, your Chapter should be eligible to participate in the **Partners in Patriotism** program. This recognition program is for organizing and conducting programs of mutual interest with Veterans Organizations. Program year is from 01 June 2009 thru 31 May 2010 with a deadline for submitting of June 10, 2010. There is no form to fill out. What is required is a report sent to: Bob Bowen, 78 Smithfield Way, Fredericksburg, VA 22406—or, the preferred method, by email semperfibob@cox.net. Report should include a description of event, location, date, (with pictures if possible), along with a list of the Veterans groups participating (individuals can wear more than one hat).

At least one member of the following Chapters are known to have participated in **Wreaths Across America**: Ozark Mountain, Independence Patriots, Harry S Truman, Spirit of '76, Christopher Casey, M. Graham Clark; Martin Warren, and Spirit of St Louis. As of now, there is no recognition from NSSAR available. I have requested National to consider a recognition streamer.

A reminder that 25 March (each year) is **Medal of Honor Recipient Recognition Day**. If there is a Recipient buried in your "neck of the woods", consider holding a brief ceremony honoring this true hero. Drafts of a proclamation and ceremony are available. If not, consider doing a program at a local school on the Medal of Honor. Remember that SAR's connection to the Badge of Merit created by General Washington. The Badge of Merit is the ancestor of both the Medal of Honor and Purple Heart.

Make it a habit to say something like "Thank you Sir, for your service", every time you see a Veteran. It takes so little effort and most will be pleased. They are often easy to spot with their caps saying, WW II Veteran, US Army Air Corps, Naval ship number, etc. You might ask where they served or what kind of ship they were on—you have to be willing to spend a few minutes listening.

Bill Groth, MOSSAR Veteran Chairman

NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS

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SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS CHAPTER

A joint meeting of the Spirit of St Louis Chapter, Comelia Greene Chapter DAR and Alexander McNair Society CAR was held in October. The program was a presentation on Fisher House in St. Louis. President Davis presented a supplemental Patriot certificate to Milan Paddock.

At the November meeting, Grady Manus, Chief Interpreter at the Daniel Boone Home in Defiance, MO, made an illustrated talk on the site's program and activities.

Dave Hinze from Stars & Stripes Events, LLC, provided the December program on Daniel Boone and the Battle of Blue Licks (Kentucky), the last battle of the Revolution War.

President Davis presented Sergeant-at-Arms William Jackson with a copy of his original membership certificate and two supplemental Patriot certificates. President Davis also installed new member Kevin Hewgley.

Compatriot Bill Groth reported on the Wreaths Across America at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery where over 1000 wreaths were placed. Compatriot Groth was apparently the only Chapter member present for this event.

Wayne S. Davis, President

Registration Form
120th Annual Membership Convention of the
Missouri Society Sons of the American Revolution
April 23-24, 2010

Name: _____ Chapter/ State _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address _____

Phone (____) _____ Name wanted on nametag _____

Name for Spouse/Guest nametag _____

Full meeting registration for SAR members includes Registration, Friday Dinner, Saturday Memorial Breakfast, Saturday Awards Luncheon, and Saturday Installation Banquet

Full Registration Cost per SAR member : \$120.00 Number of tickets _____ Total \$ _____

Saturday banquet – you may choose EITHER Chicken Breast in White Wine Sauce or Prime Rib
 Number of Chicken Meals _____ Number of Prime Rib Meals _____
 If you have special diet needs, please contact Russ or Bragg.

Individual event registration for SAR members and non-SAR attendees:

DATE	EVENT	COST	NUMBER OF TICKETS	TOTAL
4/23	Registration (required)	\$20	_____	_____
4/23	Friday Dinner	\$25	_____	_____
4/24	Saturday Mem. B'fast	\$15	_____	_____
4/24	Saturday Awards Lunch	\$25	_____	_____
4/24	Installation Banquet	\$35	_____	_____
	Patronage Donation		_____	_____
	(All Patrons will be recognized in the Missouri Compatriot)		_____	_____
			TOTAL	_____

NOTES:

- All Attendees are required to pay member registration in order to attend any convention function.
- Saturday's Installation Banquet is black tie (business suit optional).
- All MOSSAR function are smoke free.

Hotel reservations : Call Courtyard by Marriott
 3301 LeMone Industrial Blvd.
 Columbia, MO 65201
 Phone: 573-443-8000 Fax: 573-443-8008

Web Address: www.marriott.com/caucv

The hotel rate is \$89 per night for King with sofa sleeper: \$99 for Double Queen Beds
 Hotel reservation deadline: April 9, 2010
 Convention registration deadline: April 2, 2010
 Site registration will be held in the convention center lobby

Please send this registration form with check made payable to "SAR" (put 120th Annual Convention in memo) to Compatriot Bragg Stanley, 511 Nancy Dr. Columbia, MO 65203
 Russ DeVenney: rfdjr1@centurytel.net
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