



MISSOURI SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Missouri Society President's Report to the South-Central District

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Greetings Compatriots,

Missourians wish much success this coming year to new SCD-VP Phil Hunt of Oklahoma and to our own Missourian, the retiring SCD-VP and current NSSAR Librarian-General James Osbourn. Furthermore, the list of national officer candidates scheduled to speak at this weekend's annual conference is impressive; a testament to good leadership.

A summary of the health of the Missouri SAR is very strong. Our membership currently is approximately 850 men and 100 Ladies Auxiliary all working to promote the SAR mission. Missouri received a NSSAR first place award at the July Connecticut Congress for "most new local chapters opened" of any state with the additions of The Josiah Howell chapter and the James Smith Talbot chapter along with numerous other recognitions from PG Darryl Addington. More than 20 of our members attended this year's Congress, agreeing it was a tremendous success. We have offered new PG Mike Elston our full support.

Our premier state event, The Battle of Fort San Carlos continues to draw participants from across the South-Central District and beyond. This year, the 245th anniversary of the Revolutionary War battle west of the Mississippi River drew over 100 registered guests for this annual national Color Guard event and grave marking of five original patriots in Ste. Genevieve, Missouri. In 2025, Compatriots came from: Georgia, Indiana, Arkansas, Tennessee, Nebraska, Kansas, Texas, Oklahoma, in addition to from all across our host state.

Earlier in the year Missouri honored the 200th anniversary of The Farewell Tour of General Lafayette by dedicating a historic trail marker on the river bluff at St. Louis along with Mike Elston and other dignitaries featuring Julien Icher.

In closing, our state is financially fit having just this year established a permanent endowment fund to pay for similar MOSSAR endeavors into perpetuity. As the State President, I am also the first committee chairman of this fund and have, with enthusiastic support, overseen the selection of a Certified Financial Planner to invest these endowment funds.

We invite everyone to visit Missouri and promise to show you our hospitality while furthering the Society's mission of patriotism and education, which you may view on our website MOSSAR.org.

Respectfully submitted, Steven Biggs. MOSSAR State President

