

# THE PATRIOT



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## The President's Message

*By MOSSAR Past-President George  
Swales*

Whew! What a year this past year has been. April 2021-April 2022 presented some unique challenges, including the roller-coaster ride presented by Covid. However, after two years of not having an in-person Annual State Meeting, we were finally able to gather in celebration and companionship. A good time seemed to be had by all.

The Missouri Society Annual Membership Meeting for 2022, hosted by the Spirit of St. Louis Chapter, was held April 29-30, 2022, at the Sheraton Westport Chalet Hotel. Some 105 attendees heard presentations by former PG Joseph Dooley, Dr. Kent Gregory from the SAR Museum Board, and C. Bruce Pickette, SAR Secretary General. VPG Larry Stevens and incoming VPG Charles McLemore also made remarks at the meeting.

OMC was well represented with 16 Compatriots, Spouses, and Auxiliary Members at the meeting. The number of awards and recognitions achieved by the Ozark Mountain Chapter is particularly

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## Minutes from the OMCSAR Chapter Meeting Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**President Ben Edmondson** called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM with 17 members and 10 guests.

He then asked **Compatriot Dan Philbrick** to give the Invocation, then had **Compatriot Jim Robinette** lead the Pledge of Allegiance, and then had **Compatriot Steve Perkins** lead the Pledge to the SAR.

**President Ben Edmondson** then introduced **Compatriot Dan Piedlow** who presented special awards.

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noteworthy. Congratulations to the winners!

Sons of the American Revolution's goals are Patriotic, Historic, and Educational. At the beginning of my year as Missouri SAR President, we established four objectives:

- Increase participation in our youth programs.
- Enhance Educational Outreach to schools across the State.
- Increase our recruitment and retention efforts.
- Increase the number of Flag Awards presented to members of our communities.

How did we do? Under challenging conditions, participation in our Youth Programs, Educational Outreach, and the number of Flag Awards presented across the State significantly increased. However, despite our efforts to recruit and retain members, during these challenging times, membership of Compatriots in Missouri SAR decreased slightly. Let all of us pledge to continue our efforts in all four of these areas this year.

We presented Law Enforcement, Fire Service, EMT, Heroism, and Life Saving Awards across the State. It is important to recognize these men and women and make every effort to honor their extraordinary service. Honoring Veterans and marking graves continue to be an important part of what we do. The Color Guard continues to be hard at work and is the most recognizable component of Missouri SAR. All the above activities have increased this year.

Communication was a key undertaking with Executive Committee and Board Meetings held almost every month. We were also able to begin once again publishing the **Missouri Compatriot**, finally have the plaque set at the Truman Library, establish a Missouri SAR logo, change some By-Laws, reenergize support for the

Yohe and Pershing Funds, reestablish the Patriot Grave Marking Committee, create a budget, win some National Awards and other items, all of which would not have been possible without all your efforts and support.

The year just ended has been exciting and challenging. OMCSAR was able to make significant accomplishments across the State of Missouri. Many of you have been integral in helping to make Missouri SAR an excellent Patriotic Organization. The Missouri SAR Board and Committee Members stand ready to continue to serve you as MOSSAR moves forward.

As Immediate Past President of MOSSAR, I extend grateful thanks to each one of you for your support of my Presidency and me throughout the year!

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He first introduced **Oliva Gilpin** who was presented the OMC Poster Award. She is a fifth grade student at New Covenant Academy. Her poster was shown. She was given her chapter Certificate, her Award Pin, and a check for \$150 Dollars. **MOSSAR President George Swales** presented **Oliva Gilpin** the MOSSAR Poster Award Certificate and a check for \$150 Dollars and announced she will have her poster entered in the NSSAR competition. Pictures were taken.



**Compatriot Dan Piedlow** presented **Isabel Insley** with the OMC Brochure Award. She is an 8<sup>th</sup>



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grade student at Greenwood School here in Springfield. She was one of 36 entries. Her Brochure was shown. She was given her chapter Certificate, her Award Pin, and a check for \$150 Dollars.

**MOSSAR President George Swales** presented **Isabel Insley** with the MOSSAR Brochure Award and a check for \$150 Dollars and announced she will have her brochure entered in the NSSAR competition. Pictures were taken.

**President Ben Edmondson** introduced **Compatriot John Hathcock** to present a special award. He introduced **Cadet Gabriel Sanchez** from the Branson High School USAF JROTC. **Cadet Gabriel Sanchez** was the winner of the OMC JROTC Enhanced Program Award (Or the Outstanding Cadet).

The following criteria applies to a cadet nominated by his/her JROTC Unit for Outstanding Cadet in the enhanced program:

JROTC Enhanced Program

3<sup>rd</sup> year of a 4 year program or 2<sup>nd</sup> year of a 3 year program (Cadet must be a Junior);

Top 10% of the JROTC Class;

Top 25% of his/her Student Body Class

The Program requires that a cadet write an original 500-700 word Essay on "How JROTC has prepared me to be a better citizen of the United States of America".

Recommendations (Endorsements) from the SMI and the school Principal are also required.

There are three levels of this award:

Chapter Outstanding Cadet. Bronze Medal and monetary award of \$250 Dollars. Chapter OC Medal at their chapter meeting and then at the JROTC Unit's Award Ceremony or Awards Banquet.

State Outstanding Cadet Medal Package (silver Medallion or neck Ribbon) and monetary award.

National award level for the year! 1<sup>st</sup> place \$5000 Dollars (plus \$1500 Dollars for travel expenses);

2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$2000; 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$1000; and 4<sup>th</sup> place \$250; and 5<sup>th</sup> place \$250.

Cadet Sanchez was also awarded the state society JROTC medal, which will be presented today and also at the MOSSAR Annual meeting in St. Louis on April 30<sup>th</sup>. His nomination is being forwarded to NSSAR to compete nationally.



Jack Harris, Ed.D, Principal, Branson High School, is quoted:

"Cadet Gabriel Sanchez has been an exemplary leader and a trusted wingman for everyone cadet and every student in this school. Always the sharpest in uniform and ever respectful, Gabriel is in turn respected by all BHS students and instructors. Our nearly 1500 students know who the AFJROTC Honor Guard Commander is--- Gabriel formed and trained the team and led them to present the colors at every major event BHS has and many community events. And he leads more the a "Color Guard" as his team performed Sabre Arches for our Court Warming King/Queen, presented an impressive series of formation for our November 2021 Patriot Black Flag Rendezvous (supported by the OMC of the SAR)."

Gabriel maintains a 3.9 GPA while ranking in the top 19% of BHS Juniors.

Finally, and proudly, his heart and mind are set on becoming an U.S. Air Force Officer.

He was given his Outstanding Cadet Award, his Certificate and his neck Ribbon was placed. Pictures were taken.

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**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President - Cris Brayman**—spoke on behalf of the JROTC program and Cadet Sanchez. He is being chosen as the best Cadet to be the Honor Guard Commander and that has been Cadet Sanchez. Those that are selected have to put it all together; academic, military, and dedication as well as their future plans. Along with Sergeant Atwood, they selected this individual. They only choose one cadet as the Corp Commander and Cadet Sanchez is going to be the Corp Commander for next year. Everyone in the Corps loves Gabriel Sanchez and he leads with compassion and accomplishes the mission. He was asked this morning if he was interested in being a pilot in the U.S. Air Force and he said he was. He also received a scholarship to attend the school to acquire his private pilot license this summer—which is a \$25,000 dollar scholarship. He is the top student in pilot training class. He introduced Cadet Gabriel Sanchez to give his essay for the Enhanced JROTC Award.



He thanked the OMC for this Award and then he presented the following essay:

**How JROTC Has Prepared Me to be a Better Citizen  
of The United States of America**

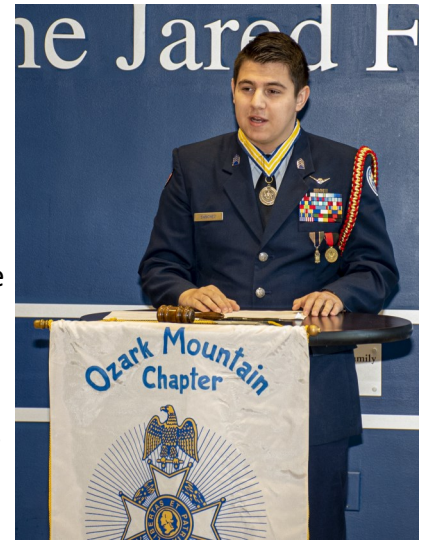
**Cadet Captain Gabriel Sanchez, AFJROTC MO-20021,**

**Branson High School**

I joined AFJROTC at the start of my high school career and have loved every moment of it. As a Junior, I am approaching three years in the Corps. The first thing we are taught in AFJROTC is our mission; i.e. to “Develop Citizens of Character, Dedicated to Serving Our Nation and Community.” I have loved fulfilling this duty of serving and I am determined to use my AFJROTC training to better serve our nation. I entered the program with a patriotic mindset but with the leadership and

aerospace science education I am receiving at AFJROTC, I have gained leadership skills, technical knowledge and a deep appreciation for those that have served before us. Examples of heroic leaders I learned about include Captain Eddie Rickenbacker (WWI Ace) and Colonel Bud Day (Air Force fighter pilot and ‘Hanoi Hilton’ prisoner for nearly six years) – these heroes literally never stopped serving. With AFJROTC, I have been given countless opportunities to serve my school and the Southern Missouri community and grow as a person, while learning that the more I give, the more I gain... in capability and understanding of why we must serve.

As a Junior AFJROTC cadet, I have completed 220 hours of community service. I was also honored with being selected as the Branson High School Honor Guard Commander. Our cadet corps prioritizes service to veterans and patriotic organizations, community members in need, and Branson Schools. Some examples of our community service include: helping the less fortunate children of our local area have a joyous Christmas through the ‘Shop with A Hero’ event sponsored by the Branson Police Department, serving breakfast to veterans during ‘Veteran’s Week’, placing flags on Veteran graves on Memorial Day, and performing over 100 Honor Guard (Color Guard) events annually, showing the U.S. Flag while bringing pride, patriotism, and dignity to each event. To top off our experiences, the Branson AFJROTC



Honor Guard has established a partnership with the Ozark Mountain Chapter. The missions we have had with the OMCSAR have been the ultimate patriotic experience. It just doesn’t get any more meaningful, than honoring the memory of Revolutionary Soldiers in our Colonial Uniforms! In addition to our support for the OMCSAR, the chapter supports AFJROTC in

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our BHS patriotic school and Independence Day ceremonies, for which Missouri Governor Parson has commended us. In fact, in 2021, Governor Parson requested us to be his Honor Guard in support of his State-of-the-State Address.

In summary, I am thankful for AFJROTC, for my instructors, and for the experiences that came from serving my school, community, and nation with outstanding organizations such as the SAR. Most importantly, my experience in AFJROTC has cemented my plan and prepared me to 'Fly and Fight' for the U.S. Air Force. To that end, I have earned an AFJROTC scholarship to get my Pilot License at a university this summer; then, after I graduate next year, I will be using that experience to help me earn a College AFROTC Scholarship or a USAF Academy Appointment. So yes, I am a better citizen and a better leader because of AFJROTC and I can hardly wait to join the Air Force and serve our nation professionally. Thank you for this opportunity!



Following his presentation, he was given an OMC Challenge Coin by **President Ben Edmondson**.

**Officers Reports**

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President Report—Cris Brayman- No new report**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President—Jim Robinette**--he reported that **Compatriot J. Howard Fisk** is working on having the Superintendent of the Springfield National Cemetery to be our speaker at our May OMC Meeting. He is working on suggestions for the September OMC Meeting speaker.

**Treasurer's Report---John Angst**— The total funds we have as of today consists of \$8681.61 in our Arvest Bank checking account and \$9,303.92 in an interest-bearing, guaranteed fund at the Community

Foundation of the Ozarks. These accounts total \$17,985.53. A motion to accept this report was made, seconded, and passed to send this report to the audit committee for its review.

**Secretary Report—Norman Knowlton**—The minutes from the last meeting were published and included in the Patriot Newsletter last month. He asked for any additions or corrections. Seeing none, it was moved and seconded and passed as written.

**Genealogist Report – Steve Perkins**—He received a new prospect just a couple of days ago. He is working on 27 new prospects. We have 5 applications at National right now and he has 6 more applications that just require signatures and dues checks to be sent on to National. We have 2 new members-one being Les Becker that was inducted last meeting and James Appleby who winters in Texas and will be inducted as soon as he returns.

**Compatriot John Hathcock** thanked our Genealogist for assisting in getting his brother's application to National for his induction to the Christopher Casey Chapter.

**Editor Report—Dan Piedlow**- He is still looking for any activities our members have participated in and any histories of any of our patriots that might be included in our Patriot Newsletter. Any problems getting our monthly Newsletter, please let him know. Please send pictures and names of those attending. He announced the new clothing lines of the OMC and SAR emblems embroidered with either the old or the new logos at Missouri Embroidering on Glenstone.

**Historian Report—Don Higginson** --encouraged all to get any event information to him for compilation of this year's Yearbook. Any information or programs please send to him with processing via Word.

**Sgt.-at-Arms Report—Danny Piedlow**—No Report

**Chapter Development Committee Report- Compatriot Ken Lawrence for Past President Curtis Trent**—

He told all to visit the OMC Website and our own Newsletter which updates all of the scheduled events

April 18<sup>th</sup> on Monday at 4:30 with Color Guard to arrive at 4:00 PM we will be participating in a

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flag retirement event at Cox Home Health on

West Sunset  
which has  
been  
initiated by  
our own  
Compatriot  
Gerald  
McCoy



April 23<sup>rd</sup> on

Saturday we will participate in the Branson  
High School JROTC 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Program at 4:45

PM. It will  
last from  
about 5-9  
PM. Please  
contact



Compatriot Cris Braymon about reservations

April 28<sup>th</sup> we will be providing the opening  
ceremony of  
the General  
Federated  
Women's  
Clubs at 11:00  
AM at the  
Oasis  
Convention  
Center here in  
Springfield



April 29 & 30<sup>th</sup> is  
the MOSSAR Annual Meeting at the Sheraton  
Hotel at Westport in St. Louis

May 4<sup>th</sup> we will be presenting the Law  
Enforcement Award at the Springfield Police  
Headquarters

May 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 11:30 AM we will be  
participating in the Naturalization Ceremony  
at Wilson's Creek Battlefield with the  
Honorable Doug Harpool presiding

May 7<sup>th</sup> we will be having our Boy Scouts  
American Patriot Merit Badge Workshop at  
8:00 AM at OTC in Springfield. Our Color

Guard will be performing the opening of the  
event.

May 9<sup>th</sup> on Monday at 6:30 PM will be our  
Monthly Zoom Chapter Development  
Committee Meeting

May 10<sup>th</sup> will be attending the arrival of the  
Military Veterans and Staff of the Honor  
Flight of the Ozarks at approximately 9:30 to  
10:00 PM at the Springfield National Airport  
on Tuesday Night

May 14<sup>th</sup> Saturday at 10:00 AM we will  
participate in a flag history and code program  
at the Aldersgate Methodist Church in Nixa  
with the Isaac Garrison Chapter of the DAR

May 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:00 AM we will be having a short  
Memorial Day Ceremony at the Springfield  
National Cemetery and will place a wreath on  
the grave of Patriot William Freeman

May 21<sup>st</sup> following the Memorial Day Ceremony  
we will be having our monthly OMC meeting  
at OTC at 9:00 AM

May 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 10:00 AM we will be  
participating in the Memorial Day Service  
along with the Branson High School JROTC

**Committee Report**— No additional reports

### **Old Business**

**President Ben Edmondson** reminded all to take the  
Youth Protection Programs for both the SAR and the  
Boy Scouts:

SAR- <https://www.sar.org/courses/youth-protection-training>

Boy Scouts- <https://www.scout.org/training/youth-protection/>

**New Business**—No additional new business

Motion to Adjourn was made, seconded, and passed

**Compatriot Ken Lawrence** led the Recessional.

**Chaplain Dan Philbrick** gave the Benediction.

The Meeting ended at 9:50 AM

Respectfully submitted.

**Norman Knowlton, Secretary**

## News for the Guard Post Annual Conference

I have a lot to cover to bring members current following the state conference this past weekend in St. Louis.

Issues discussed at the Color Guard meeting were (1) musket safety training for those who fire squib loads, (2) insurance, (3) point system for scoring and qualifying for medals (4) Color Guard Regulations.

1. **Training** for those who shoot the musket is required to be completed in 2022. A question was raised as to why someone who has been shooting for many years needs training. The primary objective is to ensure those who shoot do so safely, and all in the state follow the same commands that meet National Park standards. There are important legal reasons for certification and safety. Just trust me on this. Someone may have far greater musket shooting experience than I do. That isn't the point. When MOSAR CG musket men are safety certified, they receive a card, and they will fall within the protection of insurance coverage. Recertification is every three years. To drive the final point on this: no one will be allowed to discharge their musket at an SAR event in 2023 if they have not taken the musket safety training course. Watch for a training opportunity near you.



2. **Insurance.** The state society has changed its insurance carrier and achieved significant savings. I've reviewed the general liability coverage part and find no exclusions applicable to Color Guard activities, including firing squib loads. My professional career was in commercial insurance, largely property coverage, but I have experience at reading contracts. I don't want to get into the weeds in legalize discussion other than to say this: firearms are generally perceived by society as an inherently dangerous instrument and the handler of such an item is strictly liable for any

harm arising from the careless handling of that firearm. The burden is placed on the user to take every measure possible to ensure they cause no harm to others. This is a higher degree of care than typically imposed upon people for their actions. For this reason, rules have been developed for the safe use of firearms. If any person who fires squib loads wishes to purchase additional personal coverage, they have that option to do so at their expense.

3. **Point system and color guard medals.** District managers should receive on an annual basis, or more frequent if they request it, each member's score sheet for events in when they participate. This can be done either by the member using an individual score sheet, or by the chapter captain. I provide a scoring sheet for your use if you wish. The elements found in this score sheet must be included in whatever format you decide to use. The national color guard manual describes in detail the criteria for earning medals. Guardsmen are rewarded for their sustained, long-term participation at national events.

4. **Color Guard Regulations** : articles and sections were reviewed, questions answered, and the motion to approve was seconded, and unanimously approved. It was agreed for the 2022 state conference that article V section III be waived so that persons wearing medals at that time could do so. Thereafter, the article/section will apply. There was another point touched on briefly. Youth Protection. All Color Guard members must take the SAR youth protection training course. It is online. It is easy to access and complete. This is essential because of the frequent interaction with the public and youth in the various school programs, scouts and JROTC. This is for your safety just as much as anything else. The Regulations have some minor changes, which when put into a final form will be sent to the state board for their ratification at the next board meeting. Following that, they will be distributed.

We briefly talked about "**Color Guard Unit Basic Safety and Drill Procedures**" which is forthcoming.

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It is by and large protocol and procedure we now follow, but by establishing a written document, it can be used as a refresher, and to provide consistency throughout the state. Everyone will soon receive a copy to review and retain. This includes a detailed drill procedure for handling the musket, and also basic commands of unit movement that are period accurate. I thank Brad Frazier, our Color Guard Safety Officer for consolidating a variety of resources, and with his immense personal knowledge from considerable reenactment experience, compiled this document. It includes much of what the national color guard was offering as a recommended safety policy 3 or 4 years ago.

For those who attended the state conference, thank you very much! We received some high words of praise from the PG elect Bruce Pickett, and other officers. When we all make a commitment to be spry and look smart, it has rewards. The few! The proud! The Color Guard!

For those who could not attend the banquet, the 2021 Missouri Colorguardsman of the Year is Charles Lilly from the Fernando de Leyba chapter. He was fully committed to the chapter, getting new members into the guard, and participating with another state society to mark and honor his patriot in West Virginia. If you have a chance to see or speak with him, congratulate him.

I will write again soon on upcoming musters and events where Color Guard can earn national points.

By the way, we have a new member in the eastern district. Jim Bizzell in the Allen Laws Oliver Chapter in Cape Girardeau has a uniform and will join in events. Welcome Jim! We also have an associate member, Kavan Stull, in Springfield.

YMHS,

Steven G Perkins

Missouri SAR, Ozark Mtn Chapter

Color Guard Commander

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Bolivar High School JROTC Cadet Justus Gambriel receiving his medal and certificate from Colonel Phil Samples on April 7.



Compatriot Charles McMillan, Ozark Mountain Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, presents the SAR Bronze ROTC Medal to US Navy Junior ROTC Cadet C/P02 Wayne Hopper, Willard High School on Wednesday, April 10.

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CoxHealth Flag Retirement Ceremony, April 18.

J. Howard Fisk, Master of Ceremonies

Gerald McCoy, Chaplain

Gary Gift, Flag Retirement Officer

Steve Perkins, Color Guard Commander Ken Lawrence, Color Guard

Dan Piedlow, Musketeer

Charles McMillen, Musketeer

David Taylor, CoxHealth Corporate Vice President

Curtis Trent, Missouri House of Representatives 133rd District  
Flag Retirement

David Appleby, SAR Dan McMurray, SAR

George Swales, SAR

Dr. Norman Knowlton, Retired Cox Physician and SAR

Dr. Edward Gwin, Retired Cox Physician and SAR  
Jolenna Harmsworth, DME Manager of Care  
Coordination

Joel Hammons, DME Director of Operations

Dylan Mueller, DME Operations Supervisor

Keith Clavin, Cox Security

Glenda Jones, Administrative Director of Quality  
and Accreditation

Grace Greniger, Administrative Director of  
DME (Grin-a-ger)

Kim Sisk, Administrative Home Care

Denise Dunaway, Marketer

Lori Graham, Telehealth Supervisor

Jonathan Raugh, America the Beautiful

Tiffany Kick, First Aid Station

Kristie Weihe, Fire Brigade

Susan Howard, Fire Brigade

Jay Trace, Fire Brigade

John Adams, Fire Brigade

Carl Davis, Flag Detail

Don Higgerson, Flag Detail



Cox Medical Flag Retirement Ceremony on April 18, 2022.

Left: Compatriot Don Higgerson and a Cox employee raising the new flag.

Below: Compatriots Daniel Piedlow and Charles McMillan during the ceremony.



Cox Medical Flag Retirement Ceremony on April 18.

Compatriots and Cox employees stand waiting for their turn to retire their piece of the flag.



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250th Medals given to Cadets at the dinner.

The following pictures are from the Branson High School AFJROTC dinner and Awards Ceremony on April 23.



Cadet Color Guard presenting Colors at the beginning of the event.



Compatriots Ken Lawrence and J. Howard Fisk pinning the medals on the Cadets with Compatriot Don Higgerson attending to the medals.



Compatriots Don Higgerson, Ken Lawrence, and J. Howard Fisk with the Cadets who were awarded the 250th Medal.



Honor Guard presenting covers to the missing man table.

## Birthdays

Edwin Frederickson	April 11
Randy Painter	April 17
David Appleby	April 18
James Harris	April 19
Charles Clark	April 20
Donald Pruitt	April 25
Melvin McNeal	May 6
Joel Monteith	May 8
Ian Shepherd	May 8
Daniel F. Piedlow	May 14
Donal Stanton	May 19
Lee Viorel	May 19
Robert Grover	May 21
William Walker	May 23
Brett Knowlton	May 26
James Haas	May 28



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## Important Dates in History

- April 5 - Sugar Act 1764
- April 13 - Thomas Jefferson Birthday 1743
- April 18 – Paul Revere and William Dawes Ride 1775
- April 19 - Battles of Lexington and Concord 1775
- May 10 - Tea Act 1773
- May 10 - Second Continental Congress 1775
- May 10 - Green Mountain Boys seize Fort Ticonderoga 1775
- May 26 - Battle at St. Louis, Missouri 1780
- May 29 - Patrick Henry Birthday 1736
- May 29 - Virginia Resolves 1765



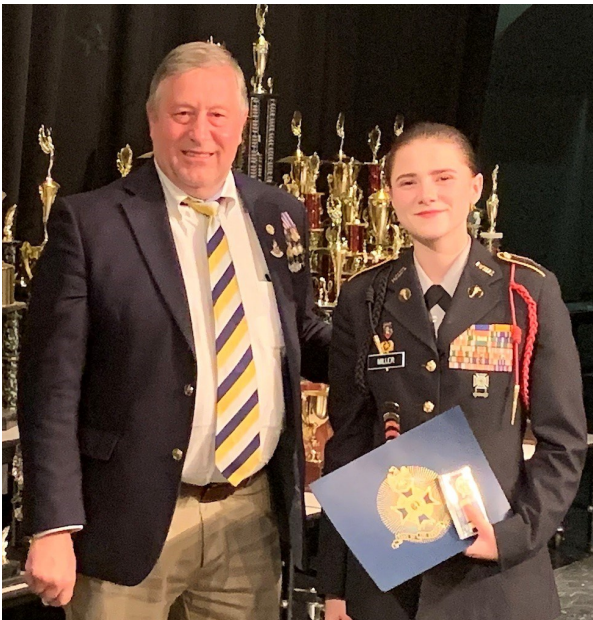
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Compatriot Don Higgerson presents the Bronze ROTC Medal to Cadet Darius Dunnihoo.



Compatriot Don Higgerson presents the Special Recognition for Outstanding Cadet Certificate to Cadet Gabriel Sanchez.



The Ozark High School Army JROTC held its awards and recognition ceremony Tuesday evening, April 26, 2022. This impressive group of 110+ cadets were recognized for their achievements. A tiered display of 50 or more trophies proudly documented this just year's accomplishments in firing and non-

firing rifle competitions, and various other drills at national events. Cadet Madisyn Miller received the Sons of the American Revolution certificate and medal, which was presented by OMC member Steven Perkins.

Photographs in this issue are provided by: Daniel Piedlow, Margaret Swales, Don Higgerson, Dr. Norm Knowlton  
Editor: Daniel Piedlow



The Ozark Mountain Chapter SAR Challenge Coins are for sale. These coins are \$5.00 each from Compatriot J. Howard Fisk.



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Compatriot Gerald McCoy, Ozark Mountain Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, presents the SAR Bronze ROTC Medal to Air Force Junior ROTC Cadet, Republic High School on Saturday, April 28.



Compatriot Chris Stark, Ozark Mountain Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, presents the SAR Bronze ROTC Medal to Army Junior ROTC Cadet Major Aiden Sturgis at Hillcrest High School on Friday, April 29. Cadet Sturgis will be the new Cadet battalion Commander at Hillcrest, 2022-2023.



Color Guard members from across Missouri.



Compatriot's Steve Perkins, Gary Gift, Kavan Stull, Ken Lawrence, Charles McMillan, and Daniel Piedlow (photographer) presenting Colors at the beginning of the General Federated Woman's Club.

Remember, you can order your Ozark Mountain Chapter SAR shirts from Missouri Embroidery. Their phone number is: (417) 889-2221 and their address is: 1307 S. Glenstone Ave.



Color Guard members and MOSSAR President George Swales presenting the hotel staff a certificate of appreciation.



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Pictures from the MOSSAR Annual Congress, held in St. Louis on April 29-30.



The Color Guard present Colors at the beginning of the Missouri Society SAR Congress.



Compatriot Charles McMillan giving JROTC Cadet Gabriel Sanchez his certificate for Outstanding JROTC Cadet and a check for \$600.00.



An SAR member saluting during the presentation of Colors.



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Compatriot Charles McMillan, MOSSAR President George Swales, and Cadet Gabriel Sanchez.



Branson AFJROTC Cadet Gabriel Sanchez giving his speech for Outstanding JROTC Cadet.



Compatriot Charles McMillan reading the citation for JROTC Cadet Gabriel Sanchez while Compatriot/Branson AFJROTC Commander Crismon Brayman pins the medal on Cadet Sanchez.



Compatriot Charles McMillan presenting Compatriot Crismon Brayman (Lt. Col. USAF [Ret.]) with the Colonel David Appleby Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Leadership Award.



MOSSAR President George Swales, Cadet Gabriel Sanchez, Compatriots Crismon Brayman, and Charles McMillan.



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Branson AFJROTC Cadet Gabriel Sanchez with his medals.



Compatriot Gary Gift received the President General Robert B. Vance Website Award for support of Scouting. Compatriot J. Howard Fisk presented the award.



Becky Osbourn presents Compatriots Dan McMurray (above), Dan Philbrick (right), Charles McMillan (lower right), and Tom Sentman (in absentia) with the Missouri SAR Auxiliary Certificate of Recognition.



The Missouri 200th Anniversary SAR Medals are for sale. They are \$30.00 if you get them from Compatriot J. Howard Fisk and \$35.00 if he has to mail it to you.





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Margaret Swales receiving the Daughters of Liberty Medal by P. Andrew Kingery, Chairman of the Yohe Woman of the Year Award.



Lafayette Volunteer Award recipients with Ozark Mountain members J. Howard Fisk (second from left), Charles McMillan (third from right), Daniel Piedlow (second from right), and James Mason (in absentia).



NSSAR Secretary General Bruck Picket presents Compatriot Norman Knowlton with the Ben Franklin Friends of the Library Award.



Compatriot Dan Piedlow receives the Sentman Newsletter Editor Award.



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Compatriot Ken Lawrence receives the Silver Good Citizenship Medal from MOSSAR President George Swales.



Compatriot Dan McMurray receives the Silver Color Guard Medal from MOSSAR Color Guard Commander Steve Perkins.



Compatriot Daniel Piedlow receives the Silver Roger Sherman Medal.



Compatriot Norman Knowlton receives the Meritorious Service Award



Left: Compatriot Charles McMillan, and Tom Sentman (in absentia) receives the Missouri Silver Medal.



Right: Compatriot J. Howard Fisk receives the MOSSAR Distinguished Service Medal.



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Right Top: Compatriot Norman Knowlton receives the Josiah Fogg Award for the Ozark Mountain Chapter.

Bottom: The Josiah Fogg Certificate for large chapter First Place for 2021.



Compatriots Dan Philbrick (left), and Steve Perkins (second from right) receives the MOSSAR Gold Medal.



Above: Compatriot Ken Lawrence receives the First Place 2022 Yohe Yearbook Award for Large Chapter.

Bottom Left: Compatriot Ken Lawrence receives the First Place 2019 Yohe Yearbook Award for Large Chapter.

Bottom Right: Compatriot Ken Lawrence receives the Second Place 2020 Yohe Yearbook Award for Large Chapter.



Compatriot Norman Knowlton (fourth from right) receives the certificate for Third Place in the MOSSAR Americanism Award Competition for 2021.





# Awards and Events



Swearing in of the new MOSSAR President J. Michael Robertson by Larry Stevens, 2020-2022 Vice President General of the South Central District with the outgoing President George Swales in attendance.



MOSSAAR Past-President George Swales receives his Past-President Pin and the Patriot Medal by MOSSAR President J. Michael Robertson.

# Upcoming Events



Thursday, May 5 at 11:30 am, the Ozark Mountain Color Guard will be at the Wilson's Creek Battlefield for a Naturalization Ceremony with the Honorable Doug Harpool presiding.



Saturday, May 7 at 8:00 am, the Ozark Mountain Chapter is having their Annual American Patriot Merit Badge Workshop for the Boy Scouts at OTC.



Tuesday, May 10 at 10:00 pm, the Ozark Mountain Chapter is welcoming back the men and women from the Honor Flight at the Springfield Airport.



Friday, May 13 at 9:00 am, the Ozark Mountain Color Guard will be at the cornerstone laying at the Greene County Correctional Facility located at 1199 W. Division.



Saturday, May 14 at 11:00 am, the Ozark Mountain Color Guard will be at the Isaac Garrison DAR meeting for a Flag History Event. The event is located at the Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 460 Aldersgate Dr., Nixa, MO 65714.



Monday, May 16 at 6:30 pm, the Ozark Mountain Chapter Development Committee is having their monthly meeting via Zoom. The link will be sent out at a later date.



# Upcoming Events



Saturday, May 21 at 8:00 am, the Ozark Mountain Chapter is having their Memorial Day Ceremony at the Springfield National Cemetery located at 1702 E. Seminole St.



Saturday, May 21 at 9:00 am, the Ozark Mountain Chapter monthly meeting will be held at the Ozark Technical College located at 1001 E. Chestnut Expressway.



Sunday, May 29 at 10:00 am, the Ozark Mountain Chapter is invited to the Memorial Day Service at Branson High School JROTC Event located at 935 Buchanan Rd., Branson, MO 65616.



Monday, June 6 at 6:30 pm, the Ozark Mountain Chapter Development Committee is having their monthly meeting via Zoom. The link will be sent out at a later date.



Tuesday, June 7 at 10:00 pm, the Ozark Mountain Chapter is welcoming back WWII veteran Jack Hamlin from his trip to Normandy, France. The event will take place at the Springfield Airport.



Tuesday, June 14 at 10:00 am, the Ozark Mountain Chapter is Commemorating Flag Day at the Greene County Courthouse Rotunda. The address is: 940 N. Booneville Ave.