

The PATRIOT Newsletter

February 18, 2017 Volume 37 # 2 **Ozark Mountain Chapter** Springfield, MO **Missouri Society**





Next Scheduled Meeting:

Saturday, March 18, 2017, 9:00 A.M. at the Ozarks Technical College, Room 108. David Appleby will present a "Lafayette Day Remembrance".

Minutes from the OMCSAR Chapter Meeting,

February 18, 2017

President Howard Fisk called the meeting to order at 9.06 A.M. at the Ozarks Technical College, Room 108, with 14 members and 7 guests.

President Howard Fisk delivered the invocation. Compatriot Ken Lawrence led the Pledge of Allegiance and Compatriot George Swales led the Pledge to the SAR.

Compatriot Dan McMurray introduced special guests and prospective new members.

President Fisk stated that there were 17 applications in the pipeline for approval and that there would be a new member swearing in ceremony at the next meeting.

The minutes of the January 21st meeting were approved as published in the Newsletter.

President Fisk read the SAR Proclamation from Springfield Mayor, Roberts Stephens to commemorate Saturday February 18th as "George Washington Remembrance Day". This proclamation was presented earlier by Mayor Pro-Tem Ken McClure along with Councilwoman and DAR Member Jan Fisk in honor of George Washington's 285th Birthday. The OMCSAR Color guard was on hand to present colors at a wreath laying ceremony in George Washington Park. Several members of the Ozark Mountain Chapter were in attendance.



Vice-President George Swales introduced his old friend and colleague Dale Moore, from OzarksWatch Video Magazine, as our guest speaker. OzarksWatch Video Magazine is a production of Ozarks Public Television.

Dale Moore

Dale Moore began his presentation by describing what he calls "The Accidental Story Teller".

This is an individual who shares stories that have been passed down from generation to generation.

Most of the stories are personal accounts of events that have had positive outcomes or made a difference in a person's life through the years. These memories or occurrences are told to

younger generations in hopes that they too will become "accidental story tellers" for future generations.

These stories need to be told and kept in perpetuity so that those memories never fade away. The fear is that story telling is a dying art due to electronic messaging. While not as prevalent as in the past, storytelling still exists due to organizations such as SAR.

With all the electronic information being disseminated on a regular daily basis, he describes two groups. The younger generation he calls "Digital Natives" due to their ease in which they adapt to new technologies indigenous to their And the older generation are "Digital generation. Immigrants" where they are having to learn all the new ways of communication that can be more of a challenge to accommodate.

While electronic media is now part of our society, there is still room for the "Accidental Story Teller" and we need to make sure we support, understand and be a part of this culture as to not let it pass from us.

Dale explains "We tell stories to remember, teach and to memorialize".

This storytelling ethos has been the basis of Mr. Moore's work at Ozark Public Television.

He currently is the host of "OzarksWatch", and has cataloged 234 episodes to date. Each year Dale and his camera crew set out across the Ozarks to record 13 episodes from folks of all walks of life, each of which have fascinating recollections that need to be told and documented so that these stories are not lost to the ages.

Dale Moore states that Ozarks Watch's mission is to "present the richness and the complexity of the Ozarks".

He is often asked two questions; "Where does he get these ideas and where do they come from"?

The answer to the first question is Gordon McCann, who is per Dale, the "OZ" in the Ozarks and knows everything about our Ozarks heritage and the people behind those stories.

(Editor Note: Mr. McCann is a long-time collector of music and field recordings in the Ozarks. His collection is located in the Special Collections holdings in the Meyer Library at Missouri State University.)

The answer to the second question regarding the most fascinating person, Dale says he would be 'hard pressed' to answer as he has interviewed so many fascinating individuals over the years.

Dale recites a litany of several anecdotal stories from his many interviews.

He ended his talk by saying that a lot of these individuals are now gone. Therefore, in this day of digital media; we need to work to retain and maintain "The Accidental Story Teller".

Vice-President George Swales presented Mr. Dale Moore with the SAR Challenge Coin.

Vice-President Report: Compatriot George Swales had nothing to add for his report.

Treasurer's Report: given by Compatriot Ken Lawrence, The January total Balance was \$10,715.90.

Secretary's Report: Secretary Ken Lawrence, who is also the state medals and awards chairman, reported to the membership how well the Ozark Mountain chapter and Springfield will be well represented at the upcoming State Congress. Compatriot Lawrence related that our chapter is very active in state and national programs which is evident by the recognition of these merits at the state level.

Genealogist Report: Compatriot Dan McMurray reported that since our January meeting he has had 8 applicants which are in various stages of completion.

Historian Report; Compatriot Norman Knowlton ask the membership to retrieve and remit all pictures, brochures and documents to his purview. Norman also advised any presenters to gain release forms necessary for any pictures that might be used.

Editor Reports: Compatriot Tom Sentman stated for those members that are not receiving the Patriot Newsletter by email to furnish an email address or receive a copy via parcel post. Tom then challenged the membership to provide personal essays or individual events that he might be publish in the newsletter.

Sgt. at Arms Report: Compatriot Charles McMillan discussed the upcoming ROTC and JROTC presentation schedules. We will deliver 11 awards this year, which will be the most for a state chapter.

Charles went over the ground rules for presenters and reminded presenters to obtain release forms for pictures and ensure correct spelling for the recipient's certificate. Compatriot McMillan also made a plea for future volunteer presenters.

There were no committee reports.

Old Business

President Fisk reviewed the list of events that was disseminated at the beginning of the meeting. He stated that all events in bold letters are confirmed events. Also, he alerted the membership to realize the list is a moving target and subject to change, so to pay close attention.

New Business

Historian Norman Knowlton updated the membership of discussions that were held at the January State meeting in Columbia, Mo. His comments include that we have 15 state chapters throughout the state and have added 73 members statewide. He mentioned that the SAR is a tax-exempt organization. All donations are welcome and points are awarded to our chapter for said donations. Life memberships to the SAR are available for those interested.

Compatriot Knowlton touched on a program being developed in which presenters will need to undergo a certification process due to child sex offender policies as a precautionary measure. This policy is not yet in effect, but will be in the future.

He mentioned a mentorship program that that has been developed at another chapter to help with retention and encourage member participation.

Norman spoke about DNA and explained a picture of his family's DNA he had done for his father.

There was a request from the state for each chapter to participate in The SAR Library fund and Compatriot Knowlton suggested we as a chapter do so.

President Fisk then instructed the finance committee to budget the \$25.00 yearly donation.

President Fisk gave a preview of upcoming events including next month's speaker, David Appleby as well as promoting the April 6th History Explorers program on the 100th anniversary of WWI.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed unanimously.

Historian Norman Knowlton led the Recessional.

Compatriot Phil Reinbold led the Benediction.

Photos by Margaret Swales

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Upcoming Events

March

March 9 Willard Middle School 2:30 pm

March 18 Chapter Meeting 9 an

"Lafayette Day Remembrance" by David Appleby

April

April 6 History Explorers Presentation

7 pm

April 15 Chapter Meeting OTC "Lexington @ Concord Remembrance" by Steve Perkins

April 15 Eagle Scout Project & Grave Marking

Ceremony Old Salem Cemetery 1 pm

April 19 Patriots Day WWI Monument 10 am

April 22 Eagle Scout Court of Honor Springfield 11am

April 22-23 Missouri DAR Meeting

April 28-29 Missouri Society Conference

March Birthdays

Tom Sentman 3/26/2017 Matt Lyons 3/29/2017

MOSSAR Annual Membership Meeting

April 28-29, 2017

Registration Form Attached (Page 9)

Guest Speakers

Patricia "Patti Hobbs" Certified Genealogist

Larry T. Guzy, Secretary General NSSAR

Dale A. Schmidt, President, MOSSAR

Clifton "Cliff" Smart, President, Missouri State University.

For Meeting Registration, Hotel Reservations, Program Agenda, and Guest Speaker Biographies:

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Guest Speaker Dale Moore

Dale Moore and Jim Baker co-host the OzarksWatch Video Magazine. To date, 234 episodes have been cataloged. The videos are available for checkout at the Springfield Library Center.

The OzarksWatch Video Magazine is produced by Missouri State University and Ozarks Public Television (OPT).



"The Civilian Conservation Corps"

OzarksWatch Video Magazine www.optv.org

Dale Moore discusses the rich variety of subjects available in the OzarksWatch Video Magazine series.

Compatriots George Swales, left, Norman Knowlton and Ken Lawrence watch the presentation. Vice President George Swales, right, presents a Challenge Coin to Dale Moore.



From Grass to Glass: Small Dairy Pr... 28:09

A few of the 234 titles available in the OzarksWatch Video Magazine collection.





The Civil War Battle of Springfield

Washington's Birthday Proclamation and Ceremony

The Ozark Mountain Chapter Celebrated George Washington's Birthday, February 18, 2017, in Springfield, Missouri.



Ozark Mountain Chapter Compatriots and dignitaries gather to celebrate George Washington's Birthday at Washington Park in Springfield, Missouri.

From Left: Norman Knowlton, Phil Reinbold, George Swales, Color Guard Members Glenn Gohr and J. Howard Fisk, Councilwoman Jan Fisk, Color Guard member Ken Lawrence, Mayor Pro Tem Ken McClure, Color Guard members Charles McMillan and Dan McMurray, John McAlear, Color Guard Commander Gerald McCoy and Tom Sentman.



Mayor Pro Tem Ken McClure reads a Proclamation to remember George Washington's birthday. The ceremony was presented February 18 at the Washington Park in Springfield, Missouri. Councilwoman Jan Fisk, Rachael Donelson Chapter DAR, presented a wreath to commemorate the event.



Mayor Pro Tem Ken McClure reads a City of Springfield Proclamation while Councilwoman Jan Fisk, a member of the Rachel Donelson Chapter DAR, presents a memorial wreath.



Compatriot Gerald McCoy peals a bell 14 times to commemorate the ceremony. See "George Washington's Bell" proclamation on Page 5.



The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

INSTITUTED JULY 4, 1876 ORGANIZED APRIL 30, 1889

George Washington's Bell

The Sons of the American Revolution, Ozark Mountain Chapter pause to pay tribute to George Washington, the father of our country, the citizen warrior and first president, who offered his life in service to his fellow man. We do so every time we celebrate the life of a Revolutionary Patriot.

George Washington, through Devine providence, led us through the Revolutionary War to victory and retired to his beloved Mt. Vernon estate in Virginia to return to the agrarian life that he loved. A grateful nation unanimously reached out to Washington once again to lead the country through the trials of establishing a new nation and bringing domestic order as the first President of these United States.

The Sons of the American Revolution celebrate the life of George Washington, with every Revolutionary Memorial Ceremony. He was eulogized by Henry Lee as, "first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen".

We peal the bell 13 times at these ceremonies for the life committed to give us 13 free and independent United States.

We peal the bell a 14th time to recognize George Washington for his life of service to his fellow man. Washington, much like the citizen ruler, Cincinnatus, longed for his home and returned to a simple life in rural Virginia following his service, and chose not to continue governing as a king or ruler over others.

J Howard Fisk, President

Ozark Mountain Chapter, Missouri Society

Blue and Gold Banquet

Cub Scout Pack 116 Holds Blue and Gold Banquet



The annual Blue and Gold Banquet was held by Cub Scout Pack 116 on Feb 19, 2016, at the Darr Agricultural Center in Springfield, MO.

Cub Master Mark Coble was presented a Flag Certificate for his support of scouting principles. The award was presented by George Swales.



OMC Color Guard opened the ceremonies.



Back Row: Dan McMurray, left, Ken Lawrence, Charles McMillan and J. Howard Fisk.

Cub Master Mark Coble, left, and George Swales.



Cub Scout Pack 116 is a member of the Ozark Trails Council, BSA



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Missouri Society Conference 2017

Greetings Compatriots,

I would like to personally welcome each of you to the 127th Annual Missouri Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Conference. It is an exciting time for MOSSAR as we continue to grow and reach out to our communities. The Ozark Mountain Chapter has put together a well-rounded conference with something for everyone.

Each of you has the vision, the knowledge, and the experience to help us pave our way into the future. As I have said at each chapter meeting this year: Every member is influential, every chapter is essential, every officer is critical to the success of this organization. You are truly our greatest asset for our future. Throughout this conference, we are offering great training to help our organization and each chapter grow. I ask you to stay engaged, think proactively and have a great time in Springfield.

Before I close, I want to thank you for allowing me the honor of serving as your president.

Dale Schmidt,

President Missouri Society

Guest Speakers

Missouri Society Membership Meeting

Springfield, Missouri

April 28-29, 2017



Patricia "Patti" Hobbs

Patti Hobbs is a Certified Genealogist® with a BA in biology. She works as a professional genealogist and occasionally at the Springfield-Greene County Library. Instructing on the use and analysis of DNA testing and how it complements traditional research in original records; Patti has taught classes for the Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh, Missouri State Genealogical Association, San Antonio Historical and Genealogical Society, and the North Carolina Genealogical Society. Patti is also an active member and the head of the Education Committee of the Ozarks Genealogical Society.



Larry T. Guzy

Larry Guzy serves as the Secretary General NSSAR. He maintains the official records of the activities of the Executive Committee, Trustees, and national SAR Congresses. He coordinates with the SAR Headquarters' staff on compiling the officer and committee reports for distribution at meetings and also oversees the notices for scheduled meetings along with meeting registrations.

Compatriot Guzy was born and raised in St. Louis, Missouri, and graduated from Jesuit High School in 1966. He later graduated from Jesuit Marquette University in 1970 with a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics. In 1995, he joined the Georgia SAR and took his first steps into involvement at the National level in 1999.



Dale A. Schmidt

President Dale Schmidt retired after 35 years with the Missouri State Highway Patrol. He began his career in Troop A, Kansas City and served at Troop C, St. Louis, Troop F, Jefferson City and the last four years was Major of the Support Services Bureau on the Superintendent' staff. After retirement he was selected as the Executive Director of the Missouri Peace Officers Association and continues to serve in that position.

He has a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Central Missouri. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, Quantico, Virginia; Northwestern University's School of Police Staff and Command; and the FBI's Law Enforcement Executive Development School.

He has been a member of the Christopher Casey Chapter since December 20, 2005. He serves on the NSSAR Public Service and Heroism Committee, MOSSAR chair of the Knight Essay Contest, and past president of the Christopher Casey Chapter.



Clifton "Cliff" M. Smart III

Dr. Cliff Smart has served as the 11th president of Missouri State University since June 27, 2011.

He currently serves as the president of the Council on Public Higher Education in Missouri and recently served on the NCAA Division I Board of Directors. He has also served on boards and committees for the Missouri Department of Higher Education, Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce, CoxHealth, Arc of the Ozarks, Springfield Innovations, Inc., Isabel's House, First Baptist Church and numerous other professional and community organizations.

Before his presidency, Smart served as the Missouri State University's general counsel. Before coming to Missouri State University, Smart had a private legal practice in Springfield, Missouri.



MOSSAR 2017 State Convention Registration Hosted by Ozark Mountain Chapter

DEADLINE: April 21, 2017

University Plaza Hotel
333 South John Q. Hammons Parkway, Springfield, Missouri
Booking Link: http://bookings.ihotelier.com/bookings.jsp?groupID=1722604&hotelID=17728

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Registration and Meals (each member and guest must choose full				
event registration or individual event registration)		Qty.	Per person	Total
Full Event Registration - includes all events and meals			\$ 150.00	
Friday Dinner	Chicken Vegetarian Gluten Free		-	
Saturday Lunch	Pork Loin Vegetarian Gluten Free			
Saturday Dinner	Steak Vegetarian Gluten Free		-	
Individual Event Registration - any meal costs below are additional			\$ 50.00	
Friday Dinner	Chicken Vegetarian Gluten Free		\$ 35.00	
			\$ 30.00	
			\$ 45.00	
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Mail this form and check by April 21, 2017 to: J Howard Fisk, Post Office Box 10405, Springfield, Mo 65808

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