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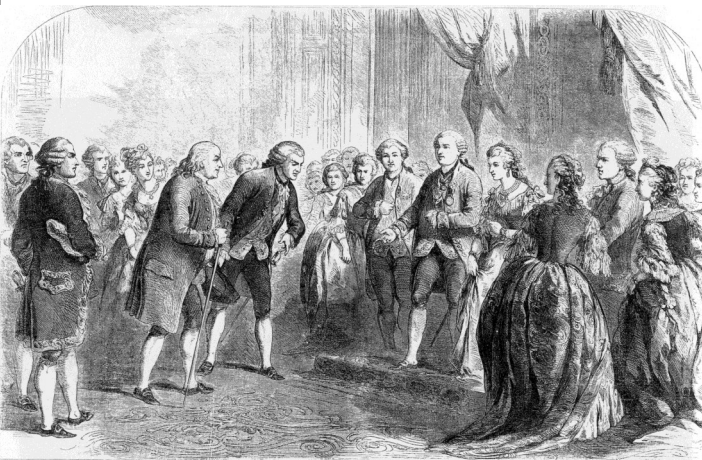


## The President's Message

*By President Curtis Trent*

Not all important victories in the Revolutionary War were gained on the battlefield. On February 6, 1778 the Treaty of Alliance

was signed between the Second Continental Congress and Louis XVI, King of France. The treaty not only marked the beginning of



the United States as a recognized international entity, but would provide much needed military aid to America during a vulnerable stage of the revolution.

The treaty also validated American claims to any lands in North America that might be captured during the course of the conflict, which helped ensure

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that the colonists wouldn't trade proximity to one European power for another. Under the auspices of the treaty France supplied America with weapons, ammunition, and other kinds of supplies, along with direct military support from the French navy and over ten thousand troops. It was the combined French and American army that eventually forced the surrender of Lord Cornwallis, ending the war in the Alliance's favor.

The revolutionary war was one of several European conflicts that foreshadowed the final transition from classical warfare to modern industrial war where decisive engagements on the battlefield only occur within the context of

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## Minutes from the OMCSAR Chapter Meeting Saturday July 17th, 2021

President Curtis Trent called the meeting to order 9:05 AM with 16 members and 1 guest via zoom.

The meeting was done using zoom so more members could participate. Compatriot Dan Philbrick gave the invocation. Compatriot John Hathcock led the Pledge of Allegiance. Compatriot Gary Gift led the Pledge to the SAR.

Compatriot Jeff Patrick introduced the guest speaker of the day John Rutherford via Zoom. He is local history librarian at the Springfield-Greene County Library Center and his presentation was about a new book he co-authored titled, "We gave them thunder".

He was thanked for his presentation.

### Officers Reports:

President Report—Curtis Trent— no new report was given

First Vice-President Report—Ben Edmondson- Reported contact with Steve Bodenhamer about Patriot Son Grave Marking for Jacob Bodenhamer son of William Bodenhamer.

Second Vice-President Report—Jeff Patrick —no new report

Treasurer Report—John Charles—we have presently \$21,628.13 combined in our Arvest Bank checking account, and in our interest bearing, guaranteed fund at Community Foundation of the Ozarks fund. This report was moved, seconded, and accepted and sent to the audit committee.

Audit Committee—John McAlear Reports the treasurers reports are accurate. A motion was made, seconded, and accepted.

Secretary Report – No new report —The minutes from the last meeting were published and included with the Patriot Newsletter last month. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the June meeting as printed it was moved and seconded and passed as written.

Genealogist Report – Steve Perkins— Reported we have 29 prospects, two applications sent to the State, one supplemental application approved June 25<sup>th</sup>, and two new members. The new members are Jason Stewart and James Robinette.

Editor Report—Dan Piedlow – No report due to technical difficulties.

Historian Report—No report

Sgt-at-Arms Report—Danny Piedlow—he had no formal report

Chapter Development Committee Report- Gary Gift – reviewed the schedule of events upcoming:

July 24<sup>th</sup> Lee Summit Event and Honor Flight Return / Aug 9<sup>th</sup> Wilsons Creek Foundation Dinner – US Grant video speaker / Aug 10<sup>th</sup> 2pm Liberty Tree planting and N Greene Hwy dedication / Aug 21<sup>st</sup> – 9am N Boone Patriot Son Marking at N Boone homestead / Sept 15<sup>th</sup> – 11:30am Juanita K Hammons Hall Naturalization Ceremony / Sept 18<sup>th</sup>- Ozark Mountain Chapter In Person Meeting at OTC 9am / Sept 18th - William C Corum Chapter Grave Marking, King Hill Cemetery, St Joseph / Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>- SAR National Fall Leadership Meeting in Louisville KY / Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> - 10am Catt Crawford Cemetery wreath laying Patriots & Daughters / Compatriot Steve Perkins spoke about: On Saturday October 9<sup>th</sup> we will be marking the grave of Thomas Nathan Clifton who is a Revolutionary War Veteran who has not been marked previously because of limited records. This will be at the Clifton Cemetery in Webster County, Missouri 5 miles south of Marshfield, Missouri off KK highway at 11:00AM This will be a major event with the Color Guard, possibly political participants, news and media event, possibly drum and fife event, MOSSAR event and two Patriot Son markings. / Nov 6<sup>th</sup> – 8am BSA Merit Badge workshop OTC / Nov 11<sup>th</sup> - OTC Veterans Day Event / Nov 20<sup>th</sup> - 9am OMC 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner

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

Compatriot Tom Sentman led the Recessional.

Compatriot Dan Philbrick provided the Benediction.

The Meeting ended at 10:26 A.M.

Respectfully submitted.

Ben Edmondson, First Vice-President

## Important Dates in History

July 3 - George Washington assumes command of the Army outside Boston 1775

July 4 - Congress adopts the Declaration of Independence 1776

July 4 - George Rogers Clark captures Kaskaskia, in modern Illinois 1778

July 5 - Olive Branch Petition 1775

July 5 - British capture Fort Ticonderoga 1777

July 11 - French troops arrive at Newport, RI 1780

July 11 – British evacuate Savannah, GA 1782

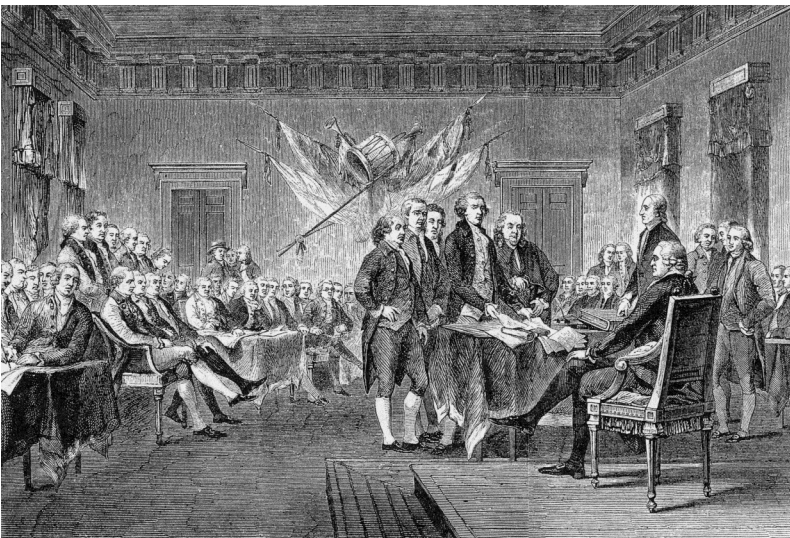
August 1 - Sons of Liberty Formed 1765

August 4 – Patriot Isaac Hayne is executed 1781

August 7 - Washington establishes the Badge of Military Merit (Purple Heart) 1782

August 19 – Battle of Blue Licks, KY 1782

August 27 – Battle of Brooklyn, NY 1776



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extensive diplomatic, economic, and logistical support from belligerent powers.

We have lots of events in August, September, and October, including some a bit further out than we usually travel. I encourage everyone to participate all they can before the weather begins to turn colder and travel becomes more difficult as we enter the busy holiday season.

Curtis Trent  
OMCSAR President

## Birthdays

Branden George	July 1
Grant Knowlton	July 2
Curtis Trent	July 4
Carroll Laramore	July 13
Larrie Boner	July 20
Daniel McMurray	July 20
Charles McMillan	July 25
Dale Brake	July 30

Terry Miller	Aug 1
Chris Adock	Aug 3
Ray Irwin	Aug 8
Wayne Jones	Aug 14
John Sayre	Aug 16
Terry Wood	Aug 17
Gary Gift	Aug 22
Norman Knowlton	Aug 25
Zane Wood	Aug 26
Robert Clark	Aug 28
Gerald Fowler	Aug 28



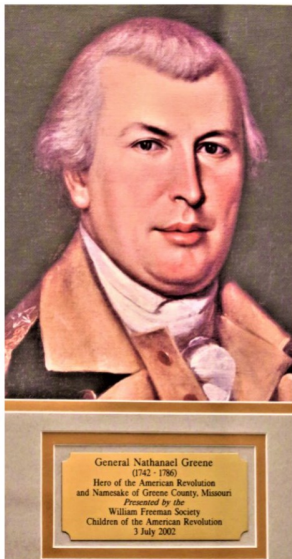
The Ozark Mountain Chapter SAR Challenge Coins are for sale. These coins are \$5.00 each from Compatriot J. Howard Fisk.



## OMC CHAPTER DEVELOPS LOGO

**Greene County, Missouri, was organized in 1833 and is named after American Revolutionary War Patriot, General Nathanael Greene.**

**Greene County, Springfield, Missouri, is the home of the Ozark Mountain Chapter.**



## Portrait of Nathanael Greene

Ozark Mountain Chapter's David N. Appleby donated a portrait of General Nathanael Greene to the William Freeman Society of the Children of the American Revolution (C.A.R.). They presented the framed portrait of Nathanael Greene to the Greene County Commissioners on Independence Day weekend in July 2002. The portrait is displayed in the Rotunda of the Historic Greene County Courthouse in Springfield, Missouri.

## General George Washington's Uniform Stained Glass Window - Senate Chaplain's Office Washington, D.C.

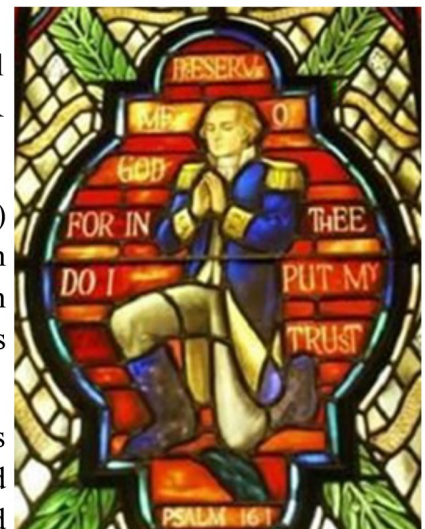
The blue and beige colors of the logo represent the colors of General Washington's uniform. The logo colors connect our chapter to our SAR heritage, including our OMC Color Guard Uniforms.

The Ozark Mountain chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) logo features Nathanael Greene, a Major General of the Continental Army in the American Revolutionary War. He emerged from the war with a reputation as General George Washington's most talented and dependable officer, and is known for his successful command in the southern theater of the war.

The logo includes a portrait of Nathanael Greene with white lettering for his name on a dark blue background. The outer logo color is a beige color and lists the OMC chapter, Missouri Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) and charter date. Thirteen stars form an arc in the field, representing the original 13 colonies.

Compatriot Harold (Tom) Sentman designed the Ozark Mountain Chapter logo for the 40th Anniversary of the chapter's founding.

The OMC Logo is scalable for print and digital media including: newsletters, magazines, brochures, programs, posters, and digital projection.



**MOSES THOMAS (1740-1818)****REVOLUTIONARY WAR PATRIOT****Ancestor of John W. McAlear, NSSAR #157982****Member of Ozark Mountain Chapter****Missouri Society of the Sons of the American Revolution**

Moses Thomas, born 1740 in Prince William County, Virginia, was the son of Robert Thomas and Elizabeth Linton. Robert Thomas was born 1690 and died in 1768 in Fairfax County, Virginia. He married Elizabeth Linton about 1713.

The 1761-1762 Louden County, Virginia, personal property tax lists state that Moses was overseer for Edward Connors on property near his father's land. (By 1742, Prince William County became Fairfax County, and in 1757, Louden County was formed out of western Fairfax County).

Moses married Frances Read (or Reid) about 1766. She was born November 2, 1750, and died before 1771. Moses and Frances had one child:

- Benjamin (born 1767)

The 1767-1768 Louden County personal property tax lists confirm Moses as overseer of the Henry Moore property. On October 4, 1770, Moses leased 200 acres (not far from the Henry Moore property) from Thomas Blinco. The lease was to run until January 1, 1791, at an annual rent of seven pounds (colonial currency under the English Crown). This land is now part of Dulles International Airport in Washington, D.C.

Moses married his second wife, Susan Hutchinson, about 1771. She died before 1784. Moses and Susan had three children:

- Joseph (born about 1772)
- Ely (born 1774)
- Samuel (born February 8, 1776)

Some Thomas family researchers list a fourth child born to Moses and Susan named Kezziah Jane, who was reportedly born before Joseph.

For some time leading up to this this period, the colonists were very displeased with the high taxes imposed by England. The First Continental Congress was formed and met in Philadelphia on September 5, 1774. On May 10, 1775, the Second Continental Congress met and asked George Washington, of Fairfax County, Virginia, to lead them in their fight for liberty. George Washington was a close neighbor to Moses's father, Robert, until he died in 1768.

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In the book, *Robert Thomas and His Descendants* by Betty Jane Gilbert, the following information was given regarding Moses Thomas's Revolutionary War service:

Louden County Order Book G: 517-522 names men recommended for service in the Revolutionary War. Moses Thomas is listed therein in May 1778 as a Lieutenant. A copy of his Revolutionary War record shows him first appearing on the roll May 1778 and last December 1779. He served under Captain John Peyton Harrison's company, 2<sup>nd</sup> Virginia Regiment, commanded by Christian Febiger, Esquire. Said record indicates he was hospitalized 8 September 1778 and served guard duty in 1779.

In 1782, Moses furnished the Continental Army with 525 pounds of beef.

In 1780, a land grant totaling 1,400 acres, in Bourbon County, Virginia, was issued to Moses as payment for his service in the Revolutionary War. That same year, he received another grant totaling 1,000 acres in Fayette County, Virginia. In 1785, he received another 1,000 acres in Fayette County. (Kentucky became a state in 1792, and Bourbon County, Virginia, became Bourbon County, Kentucky.) The Fayette County, Virginia, acreage that Moses owned in the 1780s is now located in either Montgomery County or Clark County, Kentucky.

Moses married for a third time to Elizabeth Remey Whaley in 1784. Elizabeth was born about 1755 in Loudon County, Virginia, and died September 5, 1846, in Bourbon County, Kentucky. Moses and Elizabeth had eight children:

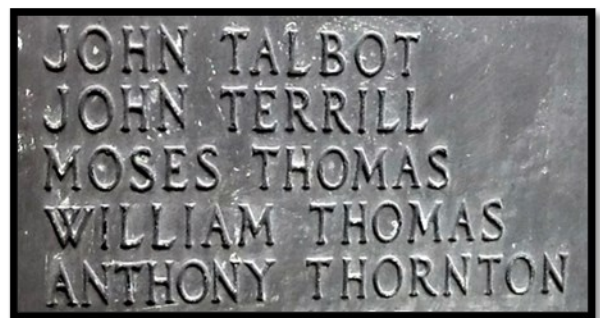
- Mary Ann "Polly" (born about 1785)
- James (born about 1786/1787)
- Robert (born about 1788)
- Emma "Annie" Leanna (born about 1791)
- George (born August 7, 1798)
- Henry (born about 1801)
- Elizabeth (born about 1804)
- Sally (born about 1806)

The 1792-1794 Loudon County Order Book shows Moses Thomas as a Lieutenant in the 57<sup>th</sup> Regiment, First Battalion in the county militia.

Even though Moses owned over 3,000 acres in Kentucky, he was back and forth between Virginia and Kentucky until 1798. The Loudon County, Virginia, personal property tax list in 1797 showed Moses still in Loudon County, while the 1798 list did not include him. He and his third wife, Elizabeth, settled on his Bourbon County acreage.

Moses Thomas died on November 3, 1818, in Bourbon County, Kentucky. His last will and testament divided his estate (which included all his land, cash, personal property, and 24 slaves) among his children and his widow, Elizabeth. He is reportedly buried in the Thomas family cemetery, located on the original Bourbon County land issued to him as payment for his service in the Revolutionary War.

Moses Thomas's name appears on a metal tablet attached to the Bourbon County, Kentucky, Courthouse in Paris, Kentucky. This marker, in memory of soldiers of the American Revolution who died citizens of Bourbon County, was erected by the Jemima Johnson Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, and was unveiled and dedicated on June 4, 1927. The left photo below shows the entire marker, and the one to the right shows the section listing Moses Thomas.



**Tablet Listing Bourbon County, Kentucky, Revolutionary War Soldiers**

**Bourbon County Courthouse, Paris, Bourbon County, Kentucky**

*Photos Courtesy of Mary Ann Hayes*

*Member of Jemina Johnson Chapter*

*National Society Daughters of the American Revolution*

John is descended through Moses and Elizabeth (Whaley) Thomas's son, George Thomas.

***Submitted by John William McAlear***

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# July Awards and Events



Compatriots Steven Perkins and Daniel Piedlow with the Branson High School JROTC present Colors for the singing of the National Anthem at the Branson Landing annual July 3rd Liberty Light UP Event.



Compatriot Steven Perkins presents William and Olivia Labee the Flag Certificate on July 4.



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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Compatriots Steven Perkins and Daniel Piedlow present Colors for the signing of six family members, joining CAR, DAR, and SAR in Marshfield on July 4th.



Compatriots Steven Perkins and Daniel Piedlow stopped by the grave of Patriot Nathan Clifton on July 4th on their way home from the Marshfield event.



Compatriots Steven Perkins and Daniel Piedlow attended a grave marking ceremony for Compatriot Al Paris in Lee's Summit on July 24th. Besides OMC there were Color Guard from the Independence Patriots, Alexander Majors, Harry S. Truman, and Ozarks Patriots Chapters.

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More pictures from the Al Paris grave marking.



Compatriots gather at the Springfield Airport to welcome home 99 year old World War II veteran and D-Day hero Jack Hamlin. Jack was in the Coast Guard and was at Omaha Beach. Compatriots in attendance were Daniel Piedlow (old), Dan Piedlow (young), Curtis Trent, Ken Lawrence, Norman Knowlton (who escorted Jack to and from France), Steven Perkins and Don Higgerson, and Dee Dosch from DAR. Here's a news story from KY3: <https://www.ky3.com/2021/08/01/wwii-d-day-veteran-jack-hamlin-returns-springfield-after-visit-normandy/>

## Upcoming Events



Chapter Development Committee meeting via Zoom on Thursday, August 12 at 6:30 pm.



Patriot Son Ceremony for Nathan Boone on Saturday, August 21 at 9:00 am. The address is: 7850 N. 8159, State Hwy V, Ash Grove, MO 65604



South Central District meeting in Richardson, Texas on Friday, August 27 to Saturday August 28.



Chapter Development Committee meeting via Zoom on Thursday, September 9 at 6:30 pm.



Naturalization Ceremony at Juanita K. Hammons Hall, MSU, on September 15 at 9:00 am. More details will be in the next newsletter.

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.

